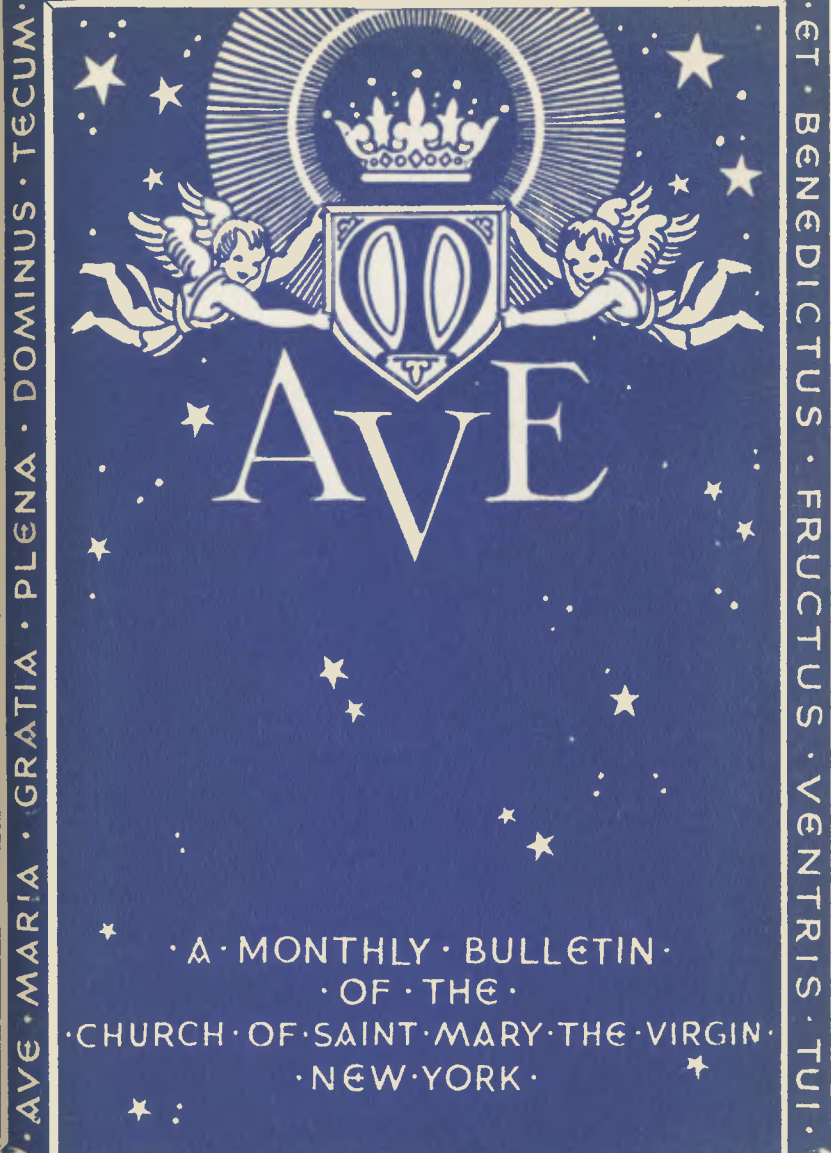


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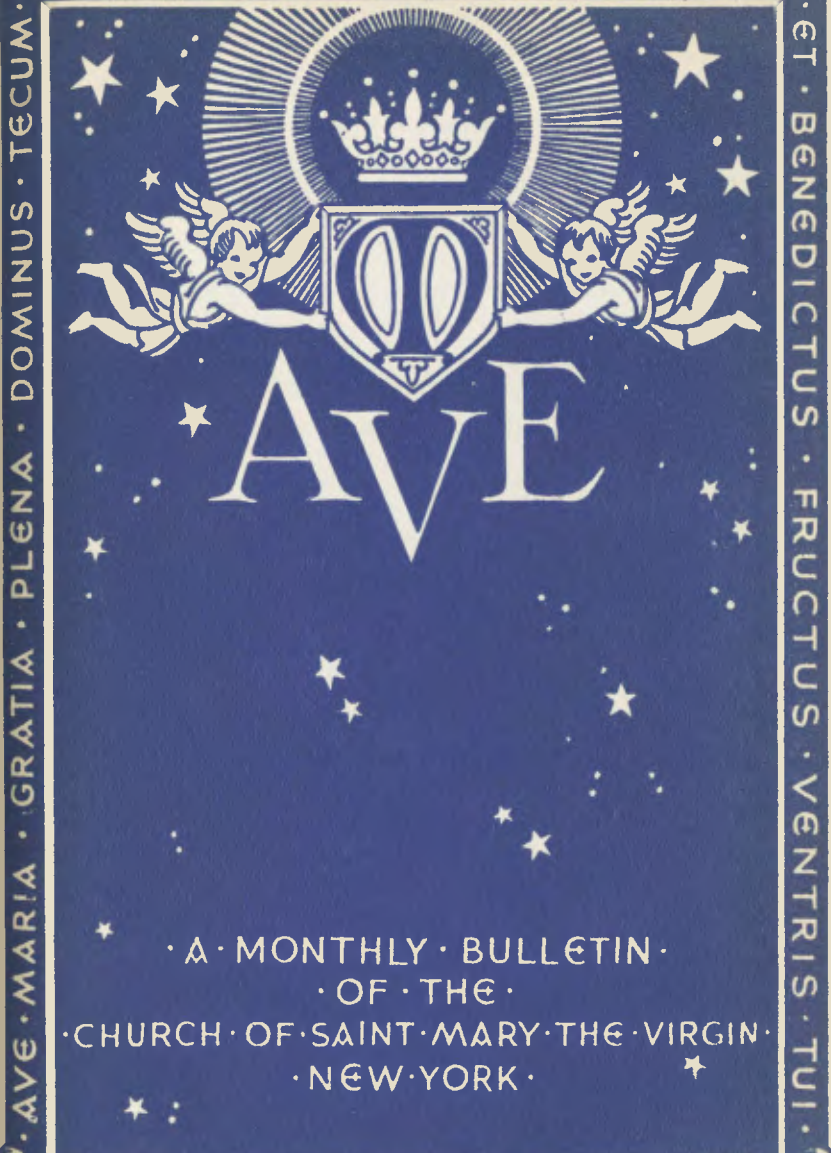


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THE RECTOR'S MESSAGE

APRIL brings us to another Passiontide, with the solemn remembrance of our Lord's last Passover in the holy city of Jerusalem and with the representation of the events of that last sad week movingly portrayed in the services of Holy Week. The shadows lengthen and the darkness falls with the death of Jesus on the Cross on Good Friday. But the darkness is not for long. Death cannot hold Him who knew no sin. And Easter is thus the Queen of Feasts just because the glory of the Resurrection contrasts the more brightly with the sadness of the Passion that has gone before. We cannot enter fully into the gladness of Easter unless we have first tasted something of the bitterness of the Passion, unless we have first drawn near to the feet of the crucified Saviour in penitential love. And that means practically for us that those who would know the full joy of their Easter Holy Communion, should first know the cleansing of sacramental absolution after a good confession well prepared for.

Frequent opportunities will be given for those who wish thus to prepare in the best way for Easter to make their confessions during Holy Week. A list of the various hours at which priests will be on hand to hear the confessions of the faithful will be found elsewhere in this number of AVE. I suggest that those who can conveniently do so come to their confessions as early in the week as they can, for by so doing they will help materially to lessen the burden of the priests who hear confessions.

I hope that every communicant, as far as possible, will make his or her Communion without fail on Easter Day. And if those

who are ill or invalids will be kind enough to notify us, we shall be glad to bring them the Blessed Sacrament as soon as possible after Easter Day. The Feast of the Resurrection and the reception of the Bread of Life should be synonymous to the Christian.

With this number of AVE you will find enclosed an Easter Offering envelope. Please use it, and please be generous. Last year the parish faced a serious deficit, and we should like to avoid a recurrence of that this year—in fact, we *must* avoid it. A real act of self-sacrifice for God always brings abundant blessings.

May I also remind our readers that various notices received from the National Council of our Church and from our Bishop warn us that a very serious crisis is facing the missionary work of the Church unless we are able this year to support more adequately the general missionary program than was the case last year. If any are able so to do, I hope that they will send word to the treasurer or to me that they will undertake to increase their pledges to Missions for the balance of the year; and possibly some may be also moved to increase their pledges to the Parish. In any case, it is always possible to slip an extra coin into the red side of the pledge envelope, even if one does not feel justified in formally increasing one's pledge. And I feel sure that our faithful Treasurer would not object to such acts of extra generosity.

May the risen Lord grant to every one of us some share in the wonders of the holy Easter season.

Affectionately your rector,

Erwin Mercer Williams, S.J.C.

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TICKETS of admission for the High Mass for Palm Sunday and Easter have been mailed to communicants and other regular supporters of St Mary's. These tickets should be presented at the West 47th Street door of the church until 10.45 on both Sundays. After 10.45 admission to the church will be

by the main doors on West 46th Street. Additional tickets may be secured from the Parish Secretary. If it is necessary that tickets be mailed, we ask that a stamped addressed envelope be included with the application.

Please notice that the 10 o'clock Mass is omitted on Palm Sunday. On Easter Day there will be a Mass at ten at the time when many of you will be entering the church for the High Mass. Please remember to be quiet, and considerate of those at their devotions.

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HOLY WEEK AND EASTER

PALM SUNDAY

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| Low Mass | 7.00, 8.00, and 9.00 A.M. |
| Matins | 10.00 A.M. |
| Blessing of Palms, Procession and High Mass | 11.00 A.M. |
| Evensong, Sermon (Father Otis) and Benediction | 8.00 P.M. |

MONDAY AND TUESDAY (April 6th and 7th)

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| Mass | 7.00, 8.00, and 9.30 A.M. |
| Matins | 9.00 A.M. |
| Mass, followed by Address (Father Banner) | 12.10 M. |
| Evensong | 6.00 P.M. |

WEDNESDAY (April 8th)

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| Mass | 7.00, 8.00, and 9.30 A.M. |
| Matins | 9.00 A.M. |
| Mass, followed by Address (Father Banner) | 12.10 M. |
| Stations of the Cross | 4 P.M. |
| Evensong | 6.00 P.M. |

MAUNDY THURSDAY (April 9th)

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| Solemn High Mass and Holy Communion | 7.00 A.M. |
| followed by Procession to the Repository | |
| Matins | 9.00 A.M. |
| Evensong | 6.00 P.M. |

GOOD FRIDAY (April 10th)

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| Matins | 9.00 A.M. |
| The Liturgy | 10.00 A.M. |
| (Singing of the Passion, the Reproaches, Veneration of the Cross, and Mass of the Presanctified.) | |

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| Preaching of the Cross (The Father Rector) | 12.00 to 3.00 P.M. |
| Evensong | 6.00 P.M. |
| Stations of the Cross and Sermon (Father Otis) | 8.00 P.M. |

HOLY SATURDAY (April 11th)

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| Matins and Pro-Anaphora | 9.00 A.M. |
| The Liturgy (Blessing of New Fire and Paschal Candle, the Prophecies and Blessing of the Font, Litany of the Saints, and first Mass and Vespers of Easter.) | 10.00 A.M. |

EASTER DAY (April 12th)

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| Low Mass | 6.00, 7.00, 8.00, 9.00 and 10.00 A.M. |
| Matins | 10.30 A.M. |
| Procession and Solemn High Mass with Sermon (The Father Rector) | 11.00 A.M. |
| Solemn Evensong, Sermon and Benediction (Father Banner) | 8.00 P.M. |

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CONFESSIONS will be heard in the church at the following times in preparation for Easter:

FATHER WILLIAMS, S.S.J.E.

Monday, April 6. 4-5.
Saturday, April 11. 3-5 and 8-9.

FATHER OTIS, S.S.J.E.

Wednesday, April 8. 5-6.
Thursday, April 9. 11-1 and 7-9.
Friday, April 10. 12-3.
Saturday, April 11. 3-5 and 8-9.

FATHER BANNER, S.S.J.E.

Tuesday, April 7. 4-5.
Thursday, April 9. 4-6.
Friday, April 10. 3-5 and 7-8.
Saturday, April 11. 11-1 and 7-8.

FATHER PEABODY

Wednesday, April 8. 4-5.
Thursday, April 9. 2-4 and 7-9.
Friday, April 10. 3-5 and 7-8.
Saturday, April 11. 3-5 and 8-9.

FATHER Otis continues his addresses on "The Sorrowful Mysteries" on the first three days of April, immediately following the 12.10 Mass. The subjects are: April 1st, "The Crowning with Thorns;" April 2nd, "The Carrying of the Cross;" April 3rd, "The Death upon the Cross." Each address is finished by 12.45 p.m.

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WEDNESDAY, April 1st at 8.15 P.M. in the Lady Chapel. The Living Rosary Sodality has its April devotional meeting. Recitation of the rosary is followed by a brief address and Benediction. Then everyone is invited to St Joseph's Hall for a social gathering. Everyone is cordially invited to attend these meetings, regardless of their parish affiliations. Outside of Lent, this Sodality meets on the first Friday of each month.

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THE Mission Study Class which is being conducted under the auspices of the parish branch of the Woman's Auxiliary will have its final meeting for this season on Friday morning, April 3rd at eleven o'clock, in St Joseph's Hall. The Reverend Spence Burton, Superior S.S.J.E. will talk on the missions of the Church in Haiti.

The members of the Auxiliary who have United Thank Offering blue boxes are asked to send their offerings to the parish branch treasurer, Mrs W. W. Raymond, 414 West 120th Street, New York in time for presentation at the Cathedral on May the fifth.

A travelogue, "Around the Caribbean," illustrated by moving pictures will be given in St Joseph's Hall on Friday evening, April 24th at 8:15 for the evening branches of the Auxiliary in the District of Manhattan and the Bronx. Mrs Ralph Jacoby, Diocesan President will deliver the lecture.

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THE watch before the Blessed Sacrament on Maundy Thursday offers an opportunity to enter in spirit into our Blessed Lord's watch and agony in the Garden on Maundy Thursday night. The vigil at the Altar of Repose begins immediately after the High Mass at 7 a.m. on Maundy Thursday morning and continues

until 10.00 a.m. on Good Friday, when the solemn Liturgy of the day takes place. Women are asked to take part in the watch during Maundy Thursday until 9 p.m., and also between 7 and 10 a.m. on Good Friday morning. As usual the vigil on Maundy Thursday night will be kept by the men of the parish. A schedule providing for the various hours of the watch will be posted in the vestibule of the church, and those willing to undertake to share in this are requested to write their names in the spaces provided. "*Could ye not watch with Me one hour?*"

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IN the administration of the Sacraments, care and thought is required about details, otherwise there may be irreverence. Occasionally in the administration of Holy Communion, a communicant may fail to receive from the Chalice due to the fact that the priest holds it too tightly. This, of course, is unintentional, but it is bound to happen now and then unless great care is exercised. On the other hand, the person receiving may sometimes cause difficulty to the priest without realizing it.

There are two ways in which the Host may be received. If the communicant wishes to receive on the hand, the palm of right hand should be opened wide, *held horizontally*, and supported by the left hand. If the Sacrament is to be received upon the tongue, the head should be held erect, with the mouth opened and the tongue extended slightly. The communicant should remain quiet until the Host has been placed in the mouth by the priest.

In receiving from the Chalice, the head should be held erect. This is important. As the Chalice is brought to the lips, it is best to take hold of the *base* lightly with one hand, and to guide it to the lips and tip it sufficiently so as to receive a little of the Precious Blood. The quantity of the Sacrament received, it should hardly be necessary to add, has no bearing on the grace conveyed. The inward and spiritual grace of our Lord Himself comes to us irrespective of the amount received.

It is dangerous *suddenly* to bow the head either just before or after receiving from the Chalice. Another cause of unintentional irreverence is the sudden thrusting away of the Chalice after receiving. If one is nervous about receiving from the Chalice, or

has hesitation in making his communion after others have received, it is always possible to leave the altar rail quietly immediately after receiving the Host. The practice of receiving Holy Communion in one Species only goes back to a very early period in the history of the Church, and while most of us value the privilege of receiving in both kinds in accordance with the custom of the Anglican Communion, we must not allow ourselves to think that in special cases, communion in one kind may not be allowable. The important thing always is to strive, in receiving Holy Communion, to preserve that spirit of reverence and devotion suitable to this Blessed Sacrament by which our Lord comes into our lives and transforms us by grace into the image of Himself.

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THOSE who have read the helpful book by Kenneth Ingram, entitled "*The Adventure of Passiontide*" will be glad to learn that two other books by the same author have been ordered by our Tract Department and may be obtained on Sundays at the tract table. These are "*The Road to Easter*" and "*The Mystery of the Three Hours*," and are for sale at thirty-five cents each. They are heartily recommended for Passiontide reading. There will also be found at the tract table a number of other publications valuable in helping to understand and appreciate the liturgical services of Holy Week. "*The Adventure of Passiontide*" is, unfortunately, now out of print.

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WE are happy to announce that Mr Raymond Nold, our musical director, who has been seriously ill for some time past, has made a good recovery, and is now able to resume his duties at St Mary's. His illness has necessitated our abandonment of Tenebræ on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday evenings in Holy Week, this year, but the other Holy Week services will be carried out as usual. On Good Friday evening, in place of Tenebræ, the Stations of the Cross will be publicly recited in the church at 8 o'clock and there will be a sermon by Father Otis.

We hope to resume the High Masses with full orchestra on Easter Day, and return to the musical tradition which has made the Church of St Mary the Virgin famous for so many years.

THE Lenten Quiet Day for Women will be given this year on Saturday, April 4th. The Reverend Spence Burton, Superior, S.S.J.E. will be the conductor. The 8 a.m. Mass begins this quiet day and the addresses will be at 10.30, 12.30 and 2.30. Breakfast and luncheon will be prepared for those who send in word of their intention by April the 2nd at the latest. Please notify the Sister-in-Charge, The Mission House, 133 West 46th Street, New York City.

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THE Father Rector will address the Guild of St Catherine of Genoa at its regular April meeting which occurs this year on Easter Day. Graduate and Student Nurses are cordially invited to attend meetings of this non-parochial Guild. The devotional address is given in the Lady Chapel at 5.45 p.m. each second Sunday in the month. Tea is served afterward in the Mission House.

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THE Cathedral of St John the Divine remembers this parish particularly in its intercessions on Tuesday, April 21st this year. The mother church of this Diocese sets us a good example by thus remembering in turn the various diocesan units in its prayer life. Let us reciprocate by remembering in our prayers the work which is done by the Bishop, the Dean, and their assistants at the Cathedral.

A PRAYER FOR THE CATHEDRAL

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O GOD our Father, who reignest in glory in thy Temple above; send thy blessing upon The Cathedral of Saint John the Divine and all who minister therein. Grant that it may be in truth the mother church of this Diocese, a strength and support to the Bishop in his work, a joy and inspiration to the faithful, a house of true and holy worship for all people, drawing us nearer to thee and to each other in the faith of thy Son Christ, who with thee and the Holy Ghost liveth and reigneth ever, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

ON Wednesday evening, April 22nd the Guild of St Mary of the Cross will have a bunco and card party in St Joseph's Hall for the benefit of St Mary's Summer Home at Keyport, New Jersey. We hope that the members of the parish will support the Guild in its efforts. Games will start at 8.30. Refreshments will be served. The subscription price is thirty-five cents.

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THE Bishop of New York is to speak in the series of four talks in the Episcopal "Church on the Air" over the Columbia Broadcasting System, sponsored by the Forward Movement Commission. Bishop Manning's date is Sunday, April twenty-sixth, and he will speak from the Cathedral at ten o'clock a.m.

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THE Dramatic Society announces a program of plays to be given on Wednesday evening, April 29th in St Joseph's Hall, at 8.30 for the benefit of the house of the Sisters of the Holy Nativity at Bay Shore, Long Island. Admission to the performance will be by subscription, and tickets at fifty cents each may be obtained from the Parish Secretary at the Rector's office, or from any of the Sisters. By request, the program performed by the Society in February will be repeated, and will consist of five short comedies, one of them, "Incident on East 64th Street," being a new play by Edward Lee, whose Christmas play given here in 1934 will be remembered by many. The other plays on the program are: "Rosalie," a translation from the French of Max Maury; "The Baker's Dozen," by Saki; "Poor Old Jim," by William C. De Mille; and a cockney sketch entitled "Man Proposes," by Dion Titherage.

Those who saw these plays in February were loud in their praises of them, and a number who were prevented from seeing them at that time, due to the inclement weather, will, we are sure, welcome this new opportunity. All the expenses of the production have been donated, so that the entire proceeds will be given to the Sisters of the Holy Nativity for their rest house in Bay Shore. We hope the proceeds may be large, and we urge all our readers to attend the production.

THE spring meeting of the Guild of Help will be held at the residence of Mrs Eugene W. Mason, 111 East 69th Street on Thursday, April 30th at 4 p.m. The Reverend Claude R. Parker-son will speak on his work at Westfield State Farm, Bedford Hills, New York. All women in the parish are cordially invited to attend. Following the meeting, tea will be served.

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FROM THE PARISH REGISTER

BAPTISMS

"As many of you as have been baptized into Christ, have put on Christ."

- February 4—Robert Roberts (Infant)
 " 9—Elizabeth Ann Gordon (Infant)
 " 24—Lois Stevens Gilbo

MARRIAGES

"Those whom God hath joined together let no man put asunder."

- February 8—William F. Hilton and
 Corrine Z. Bingham
 " 15—Thomas A. Kerr and
 Jean Lewis
 " 22—Thomas Benjamin Ripton and
 Elisabeth L. Stillwell
 " 25—Walter M. Saracena and
 Elizabeth Gordon

BURIALS

"Grant them, O Lord, eternal rest, and may light perpetual shine upon them."

- February 7—Elizabeth McDowell Samwick
 " 20—Howard Irving Johnson, Priest

THE altar flowers during the month of April are given in memory of the following:

- April 9. Maundy Thursday (High Altar), Emily Julia Arnold White.
 April 12. Easter Day (High Altar), Joseph Gayle Hurd Barry, priest. (Lady Chapel), Haley Fiske. (St Joseph's Chapel), Florence Loretta Jones, Sarah Elizabeth Jones.
 April 26. Second Sunday After Easter, Elizabeth Speir Arnold.

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CORPORATE communions for the month of April are announced as follows:

- Wednesday, April 1st, 9.30 a.m. Associates of the Community of St Mary (Lady Chapel).
 Sunday, April 5th, (*The regular first Sunday corporate communions are transferred to Easter Day*).
 Monday, April 6th, 8 a.m. Associates of the Sisterhood of the Holy Nativity (Mission House).
 Tuesday, April 7th, 7.30 a.m. Tertiaries of the Order of St Francis (Lady Chapel).
 Wednesday, April 8th, 9.30 a.m. St Mary's Guild.
 Sunday, April 12th, The Parish. 9 a.m. The Church School, Guild of St Mary of the Cross, Guild of St Mary of Nazareth, Knights of St Mary.

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To insure delivery of AVE, the Parish Secretary should be notified promptly of any permanent change of address.

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In the famous *Motu proprio* of Pope Pius X is found this statement: "Classic Polyphony agrees admirably with Gregorian Chant, the supreme model of all sacred music, and hence it has been found worthy of a place side by side with Gregorian Chant."

Gregorian Chant—Plain Chant—is, in a unique way, the Church's own music. Indeed, it was, for a thousand years or more, the only music she knew. Plain Chant is pure melody, a single melodic line, complete in itself. It is, also, purely vocal. While the singing of the chant is often accompanied upon the organ, yet it requires no supporting harmonies. In fact, the chant is at its best when sung without the aid of instruments.

Classic Polyphony was a logical and natural development of the ancient chant. Polyphony, to put it simply, is a combination of two or more melodies which flow side by side. Early attempts at the combination of melodies were crude enough. At first, one or more parts at fixed intervals were added to a Plain Chant melody—*Organum*; later, one or more independent parts—*Discant*; finally, complete freedom of all the parts. Classic Polyphony reached its culmination in the sixteenth century in the art of Palestrina, Victoria, Byrd.

Palestrina, of the Roman School, is generally esteemed the Church's greatest composer. Indeed, even in his own time his position was recognized, his contemporaries proclaiming him "The Ocean in which all rivers meet." Palestrina's lucidity, loftiness, and breadth of style have never been equalled, and it is in Plain Chant alone that one will find a closer unity with the spirit of the liturgy. Palestrina's collected works include nearly one hundred masses, thirty-five Magnificats, an immense number of motets, hymns, litanies, besides many secular pieces.

The undoubted master of the Spanish School was Victoria. His style is particularly personal, mystical, profoundly expressive. His genius is well exemplified in his *Office of Holy Week*, containing settings of the responsories for *Tenebrae* and many other pieces for the holy season. One of his most admired masses, *O quam gloriosum*, developed from material already used in his motet of the same name, will be sung at St Mary's on Palm Sunday.

William Byrd was the chief figure of the Tudor School in England. His contemporaries regarded him with the highest veneration and he is usually held to be the greatest of all English composers. Byrd's vigour and variety wants the smooth and polished finish of Palestrina, but in dignity, nobility and sincerity, his music can hold its place beside the works of the great Italian master. During his period the reformed Prayer Book appeared and Byrd and others left noble work in the vernacular. By far the larger part of their work, however, was composed for the old Latin liturgy.

The classic polyphonic period, the Golden Age of church music, included far too great a number of famous names to recount them all in so short a review. Besides Palestrina, Victoria and Byrd, among the most important may be mentioned Deprès, the "Prince of Music," and di Lasso, both of the Franco-Belgian School; Anerio, Allegri, Ruffo, among the Italians; Morales and Guerrero in Spain; Aichinger and Händl of the Germans; Tallis, Gibbons, Weelkes, in England. All these are familiar names to St Mary's parishioners.

Like Plain Chant, Classic Polyphony is purely vocal. Its continuous flow of individual parts, now rising, now falling, interweaving in ceaseless movement, giving it a sonorous strength which has never been surpassed in modern times, is not to be obscured by accompaniment of organ or other instrument. To quote from the celebrated composer, Richard Wagner: "To the human voice, the immediate vehicle of the sacred word, belongs the first place in the churches. Catholic Church music can regain its former purity only by a return to the purely vocal style."

THE Minister is ordered, from time to time, to advise the People, whilst they are in health, to make Wills arranging for the bestowal of their temporal goods, and, when of ability, to leave Bequests for religious and charitable uses." (Book of Common Prayer, p. 320.)

We expect that many of our readers will be quite surprised to read the above Rubric taken from the Book of Common Prayer. For although the clergy appear to have acquired an unenviable reputation as constantly seeking and talking about money for the Church, nevertheless this particular Rubric, we believe, is generally more honoured in the breach than in the observance. We cannot remember, as a layman, hearing very frequently exhortations from the pulpit suggesting that the People should make Wills, nor yet suggestions that Bequests for religious and charitable uses should not be overlooked. And this is undoubtedly unfortunate. A devoted member of the Church dies, and overlooks entirely a bequest for carrying on the work of the Church. The Church suffers in consequence. So we venture to urge our friends, if they have not already done so, to make Wills, and not to forget "when of ability" a Bequest to the Church of St Mary the Virgin. We append the proper form of bequest:

"I give, devise and bequeath the sum of dollars to the Society of the Free Church of St Mary the Virgin, a religious corporation duly organized under the laws of the State of New York, and located at 139 West 46th Street, New York, New York."

A LETTER FROM FATHER NOBES

Sagada, Mountain Province,
Philippine Islands.

February 16, 1936.

Dear Father Williams:

During my absence in Manila on annual vacation, a letter reached Sagada containing a check drawn on the Chase Bank for \$105.15, and another from you telling me that it was for relief work in Balugan, the town affected by the disastrous landslide of last August. It was kind of you to think of us and to take up the special offering, and we appreciate greatly your thoughtfulness.

For the time being, the money has been deposited in the bank. I have spoken to Father Rose about ways of using it, but until we receive further information from the Government of the Philippines about their reaction to our request for help, we cannot determine how this amount will be used.

Acting for the Mission, I have interviewed the Vice-President of the Commonwealth and asked him to try to get enough money released from official relief funds for the removal of the entire town from its present location. There is grave danger that in the approaching rainy season, further slides will come down. The matter has been referred to the Bureau of Non-Christian Tribes. I hope, but probably in vain, that something will be done before the rains begin. If it is, and our request is granted, then we shall probably use the money sent by St Mary's to take care of impoverished families. If we do not hear from the Government soon, then we may put this sum at the disposal of the two or three families whose homes are most dangerously located on the edge of the slide, permitting them to buy home-sites in other villages. In any case, the money will be used only for purposes directly connected with the disaster.

In this case, as in so many others, we are confronted with difficulties growing out of pagan superstition. Many of the Christians in the village want to move before the rains commence. They are prevented from doing so by the old pagan leaders, who tell them that the spirits of the ancestors will avenge such a lack of trust in their protective power either by causing a new slide to fall on those who remain in the old town, or by following the emigrants and visiting them with sickness or other misfortunes. The younger people scoff at this, but they are nevertheless afraid to move lest they rouse the anger of the older people. Some of them probably fear that if any misfortune were to follow their removal, they would be blamed and ostracized.

The real hope lies in the possibility that the government will order a general evacuation. Since that would be laid at our doors, for having started the wheels of officialdom moving, we would suffer a temporary feeling of ill-will. However, we can stand it better than any individuals can.

We are fortunate in that we never built a chapel in that town, although money was sent by G.T.S. Missionary Society for the

purpose. The delay was due to the indifference and hostility of a few old pagan leaders. Had they assented to giving up of land for the chapel-site, our chapel would now be buried under thirty feet of rock and mud. In the circumstances, we feel justified in using the money for a building in some other town, or in the event that the majority of the Balugan people start a new townsite, in that place.

Will you be kind enough to convey publicly to the congregation our thanks for their aid? We would appreciate it if you would ask them, at the same time, to pray for the repose of the souls of those who were killed in the tragedy and for the safety of those who still live in the danger zone. Please remember us, too, in your intercessions.

Faithfully yours in Christ,

CLIFFORD NOBES.

KALENDAR FOR APRIL, 1936

1. W. Feria. *Fast and Abstinence.*
2. Th. Feria. *Fast.*
3. F. St Richard, B.C. Com. of the feria. *Fast and Abstinence.*
4. Sa. St Ambrose, B.C.D. Com. of the feria. *Fast.* Quiet Day for Women. Meditations: 10.30, 12.30 and 2.30.
- ✠ 5. Su. PALM SUNDAY. Com. of St Vincent Ferrer, C.
6. M. Feria. *Fast.*
7. Tu. Feria. *Fast.*
8. W. Feria. *Fast and Abstinence.*
9. Th. MAUNDY THURSDAY. *Fast.* High Mass, 7 a.m.
10. F. GOOD FRIDAY. *Fast and Abstinence.* The Liturgy, 10 a.m. Preaching of the Cross 12 to 3.
11. Sa. HOLY SATURDAY. *Fast and Abstinence until noon.* The Liturgy, 10 a.m.
- ✠ 12. Su. EASTER DAY.
13. M. EASTER MONDAY.
14. Tu. EASTER TUESDAY.
15. W. In the Octave of Easter.
16. Th. In Octave.
17. F. In Octave. *Abstinence.*
18. Sa. In Octave.
- ✠ 19. Su. LOW SUNDAY.
20. M. Feria. Chantry Masses.
21. Tu. St Anselm, B.C.D.
22. W. Feria.
23. Th. St George, M.
24. F. Feria. *Abstinence.*
25. Sa. ST MARK, Evangelist.
- ✠ 26. Su. EASTER II.
27. M. Feria. Chantry Masses.
28. Tu. St Paul of the Cross, C.
29. W. Feria.
30. Th. St Catherine of Siena, V.

Days indicated by ✠ are days of precept, with an obligation of attendance at Mass. Days on which votive and requiem Masses may be said are printed in italics.

MUSIC LIST FOR APRIL

APRIL 5.—PALM SUNDAY.

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| MASS, "Missa O quam gloriosum" | <i>Victoria</i> |
| Motet, "In monte Oliveti" | <i>Ingegneri</i> |
| Motet, "Pueri Hebræorum" | <i>Victoria</i> |
| Motet, "Hosanna to the Son of David" | <i>Gibbons</i> |
| Motet, "Christus factus est" | <i>Bruckner</i> |
| EVENSONG: | |
| Magnificat, Tone II, with <i>faux-bourbons</i> | <i>Holmes</i> |
| Nunc dimittis, Tone VIII, with <i>faux-bourbons</i> | <i>Holmes</i> |
| Motet, "O Domine Jesu Christe" | <i>Palestrina</i> |

APRIL 9.—MAUNDY THURSDAY.

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| MASS, "Missa de Angelis" | <i>Plain Chant</i> |
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APRIL 10.—GOOD FRIDAY.

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| AT THE WORSHIP OF THE CROSS: | |
| Improperia | <i>Victoria</i> |
| Crux fidelis | <i>King John IV of Portugal</i> |

APRIL 12.—EASTER DAY.

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| MASS, "Theresien-Messe" | <i>Haydn</i> |
| Motet, "Alleluia" | <i>Weelkes</i> |
| EVENSONG: | |
| Magnificat, <i>Tonus peregrinus</i> , with <i>faux-bourbons</i> | <i>Byrd</i> |
| Nunc dimittis, Tone I, with <i>faux-bourbons</i> | <i>Byrd</i> |
| Motet, "Ave verum corpus" | <i>Mozart</i> |

APRIL 19.—LOW SUNDAY.

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| MASS in B flat | <i>Schubert</i> |
| Motet, "Hæc dies" | <i>Byrd</i> |
| EVENSONG: | |
| Magnificat, Tone VI, with <i>faux-bourbons</i> | <i>Whitlock</i> |
| Nunc dimittis, <i>Tonus peregrinus</i> , with <i>faux-bourbons</i> | <i>Whitlock</i> |
| Motet, "Adoramus te, Christe" | <i>Palestrina</i> |

APRIL 26.—EASTER II.

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| MASS in E minor | <i>Bruckner</i> |
| Motet, "Christus surrexit" | <i>Anerio</i> |
| EVENSONG: | |
| Magnificat and Nunc dimittis (Short Service) | <i>Byrd</i> |
| Motet, "O bone Jesu" | <i>Palestrina</i> |

SERVICES

SUNDAYS

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| Low Mass | 7 and 8 a.m. |
| Sung Mass, with five-minute address | 9 a.m. |
| Low Mass (except on Palm Sunday) | 10 a.m. |
| Matins | 10:30 a.m. |
| High Mass, with sermon | 11 a.m. |
| Evensong and Benediction, with instruction | 8 p.m. |

WEEK DAYS (except April 9th, 10th and 11th)

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| Mass, daily | 7, 8 and 9:30 a.m. |
| Mass, with short address, daily in Lent | 12:10 p.m. |
| Children's Mass and catechism, Saturdays | 9:30 a.m. |
| Matins | 9 a.m. |
| Evensong | 6 p.m. |

EVENING SERVICES AND INSTRUCTIONS

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| Stations of the Cross, Wednesdays in Lent | 4 p.m. |
| Stations of the Cross, with sermon and Benediction, Fridays in Lent | 8 p.m. |
| Holy Hour and Benediction, Saturdays | 5 to 6 p.m. |

For Holy Week Services see page 51

Other Services during the Week, and on Festivals, as announced on the preceding Sunday.

The Church is open daily from 6:30 a.m. till 9 p.m.

Adults or children can be prepared at any time for First Confession, Baptism, Confirmation and First Holy Communion.

The office of the Parish Secretary is open at the following times:

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| Mondays to Fridays | 9.15 to 1 and 2 to 5 |
| Saturdays | 9.15 to 1 |
| Closed on legal holidays. | |

SACRAMENTS AND OTHER RITES

CONFESSIONS

Father Williams, S.S.J.E., Saturdays, 3 to 5 and 8 to 9 p.m.

Father Otis, S.S.J.E., Saturdays, 3 to 5 and 8 to 9 p.m.

Father Banner, S.S.J.E., Sundays, 8:30 to 9 a.m. Thursdays, 4:30 to 5:30 p.m., and Fridays, 7 to 8 p.m.

Father Peabody, Saturdays, 3 to 5 and 8 to 9 p.m.

A Priest can always be seen daily at 7:30 a.m., upon application.

BAPTISMS.—Sundays at 3 p.m., by arrangement with the clergy.

Proper sponsors should be chosen, and the mother should be **churched**.

MARRIAGES are solemnized only after arrangement with the clergy and after three days' notice has been given. A certificate of Baptism should be produced by both parties. Those to be married should, if confirmed, receive Holy Communion. A nuptial Mass is suggested. It is against God's law to marry anyone divorced, as long as the other partner is living. Marriages are not solemnized during Lent, nor on Sundays or Christmas Day.

SICK CALLS, Holy Unction and Communion of the Sick, on application to the clergy, in person, by telephone, or by post.

BURIALS.—The clergy should always be consulted *before* any arrangements are made. The bodies of baptized persons may be brought to the Chantry of the church at any time before the day of the funeral. It is the usual custom at St Mary's to have the funeral service a requiem Mass.

MUSIC.—Arrangements for music at weddings or funerals should be made directly with Mr Nold, the Director of Music.

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