THE RECTOR'S MESSAGE

A HAPPY New Year to you all! With the prospect of better times ahead, and a more cheerful feeling manifest abroad than has been the case for some time past, I am in hopes that the coming year will prove a happier and more prosperous year for all our people than the ones that have passed. I hope too that with returning prosperity they will not forget the needs of the Church.

My appeal for pledges for the coming year has in many respects had a most encouraging response. Those who have returned the cards have done so, in many cases, for increased amounts over last year. But there are still many who have not yet (I write just before Christmas) returned their cards. If you are one of these, I feel sure this must be due simply to an oversight. Surely none of our parishioners is so uninterested in the welfare of St Mary's and in the general missionary work of the whole Church, that he is unwilling to promise to give anything to help. So please return your card at once. If you have lost or mislaid it, please let me know and I will gladly send another. What we can plan to undertake during the coming year will depend entirely on our expectations in regard to income. The time has come to put an end to deficits, and to balance our budget.

As I write I have great hopes that by reason of certain generous Christmas gifts promised to the parish we may be able to end the year of 1936 without a deficit. If that proves to be the case, it will certainly help us to begin the New Year happily. I am more grateful than I can say to those who have made this possible.
I have been writing a great deal about money lately; but I think you will agree that talking about finances is not one of my favorite subjects. What I have written and said has been a painful necessity, and, I fear, will have to continue to be a necessity until our people as a whole realize that this is not a rich parish, and that if it is to continue it must be supported by those who worship here. But you know, as well as I, that even if we had all the money we wanted, that could not, by itself, bring a blessing to the parish or to any of us. That blessing can come only as we learn to grow day by day in the knowledge and love of God and of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. "Am I becoming day by day a better Christian—more loving, more patient, more Christ-like? If I am, then I know well that the coming year will be indeed a Happy New Year."

Affectionately your rector,

[Signature]

Our friend, the Lord Bishop of Algoma, is planning to visit St Mary’s again this winter, and as always it will be a delight to have him here. He expects to arrive on the first of February, remaining in New York until the evening of February twelfth. That will enable him to be present at the High Mass on Candlemas Day, as well as to pontificate at our annual Acolytes’ Service on Lincoln’s Birthday, Friday, February twelfth. We plan again this year to make the Candlemas service on February second one devoted especially to forwarding interest in the Religious Life, and the development of our Religious Communities; and it will be especially appropriate to have Bishop Rocksborough Smith with us on that occasion, who has shown himself such a good friend to the communities working in his diocese.

The Reverend Frederick W. Lightfoot, who has been generously assisting in the parish in various ways since last Lent, will become a member of our clergy staff, beginning January first. We are happy to welcome him here as one of the curates of St Mary’s. With our heavy schedule of Masses and other services, the presence of an extra priest on our staff will be a real blessing. We are grateful that Father Lightfoot is to be with us.

The Feast of the Circumcision of our Lord, which falls on Friday, January first, is a Holy Day of Obligation, when we are all expected as loyal Catholic Christians to be present at Mass. It is a proper thing to usher in the New Year with some gaiety and fun the evening before, but surely it is a better thing to consecrate ourselves to God for the New Year by kneeling before His altar on that day; and best of all to seal our New Year’s resolutions with a devout and well-prepared communion. There will be ample opportunities for communion, with Low Masses at 6, 7, 8, 9.30 and 12.10. High Mass will be celebrated at 11, with a brief sermon by Father Hoffman.

You are reminded that January the first, though falling on a Friday, is not a day of abstinence from flesh meat, according to the dispensation granted in the revised Prayer Book of our Church.

The preacher at the High Mass on Sunday, January the third will be the Reverend Bernard Iddings Bell, D.D., Canon of the Cathedral at Providence, Rhode Island. Dr Bell has made for himself a unique place in the Church both in this country and in England, especially by his forceful presentation of the Christian way of life to young people. In addition, he is the author of several excellent books of Christian apologetics.

The feast of the Epiphany of our Lord, though not a holy day of obligation, is one of the great feasts of the Christian year. It is closely linked to Christmas, and its octave day officially marks the close of Christmastide. This year the date of the feast, January the sixth, falls on Wednesday. There will be the usual Low Masses at 7 and 8, and at 9.30 a Sung Mass, in honour of our Lord’s manifestation to the Gentiles. With the Wise Men, let us come and adore Him—Christ the Lord!
ON Wednesday evening, January sixth, the Feast of the Epiphany, at eight o’clock, there will be an informal and instructive service in the church, at which the sermon, instead of being preached, will be presented in the form of a Pageant. Some of the young men of the parish will portray the visit of the three wise men to Bethlehem. Instead of kneeling in the stable as the wise men of old, they will present their gifts to the Christ Child before the High Altar, kneeling there in adoration. This form of “eye teaching” is a very important one, and we hope that a great many of our parishioners will be present and bring their friends too, whether they are Church people or not.

THE Guild of St Catherine of Genoa will have its monthly meeting in the Lady Chapel on Sunday afternoon, January the tenth, at 5.45. Father Eckman will address the guild, and the service will be followed by tea in the Sisters’ Mission House. You will remember that all our Church nurses are welcome at these meetings, no matter what parish they may be affiliated with.

ON Friday evening, January the fifteenth, there will be a devotional meeting for the Confraternity of the Blessed Sacrament and the Guild of All Souls. The service will take place in the Lady Chapel, with an address by the Chaplain, Father Eckman, followed by a social hour in St Joseph’s Hall. Both these guilds would be glad to have additional members. Try to bring a friend who might be interested in becoming a member.

THE Men’s Club is planning to open its Winter activities by a dinner to be given on the evening of Saturday, January sixteenth. The place, the hour, the speakers, and other details are still to be decided; but we make this announcement now in the hope that all men in the congregation will reserve this date, and plan to attend this “get-together” for the men of the parish.

EACH year at this time there is held a parish dinner, as a means of raising funds for the benefit of St Mary’s Summer Home at Keyport, New Jersey. This year the dinner will be held on Wednesday, January the twentieth, at 6.30 p.m. We hope that a great many of our parishioners and friends will put this date down now, so that nothing may interfere with their being with us then. Tickets are one dollar each.

DWELLERS in our crowded city homes and apartments are frequently embarrassed at the time of the loss of a loved one. Too often, the body has to be sent to some undertaking establishment to remain until the time of the funeral, as the only possible solution of a difficulty. We call the attention of our friends and parishioners to the fact, of which we hope most of them are aware, that St Mary’s possesses a beautiful and dignified mortuary chapel, where the body may rest in religious surroundings, until the time of the service. All that is necessary is to notify the church of the death, so that we may be ready to receive the body when it is sent here.

MR Abraham Hatfield, a member of our Board of Trustees, has lately returned from an extended trip, embracing the Western United States, New Zealand, Hawaii, and other places in the Pacific. Long an enthusiastic amateur photographer, Mr Hatfield has taken some remarkable and beautiful moving pictures in color during his trip, some of which he has kindly offered to show in St Joseph’s Hall. We are happy, therefore, to announce a “travelogue” by Mr Hatfield to be given on the evening of Friday, January twenty-second, in St Joseph’s Hall, beginning at eight-thirty. The pictures to be shown will probably include views in some of our great National Parks as well as others taken in Hawaii. The lecture will be free, and everyone interested is invited to attend.

FOR some years the Church of St Mary the Virgin has been represented in the foreign missionary field by the Reverend Clifford E. B. Nobes, a priest who grew up in the parish as a server at our altars, and who is now doing splendid work at Sagada in the Mountain Province of the Philippine Islands. Within the last few months we have had occasion further to congratulate ourselves on the departure of two of our women parishioners for the foreign field.
Miss Mary A. Parke, a communicant of St Mary's, was appointed in September last to go to China to be an evangelist-worker in the province of Anking. We understand that she is to be stationed in Nanchang, China, where she should have arrived in November.

Miss Gladys Reed, who nursed in the Bronx Hospital, New York, and who attended St Mary's as her parish, was also appointed at the September meeting of the National Council to go to the Liberian Mission. She is now nursing at Cape Mount, Liberia. Her landing at Cape Mount was an exciting adventure as the following extract from "The Liberian Missioner" indicates:

Miss Gladys Reed arrived at Cape Mount, Friday, August 28th. Most of the town went to the waterside to meet her. However, we could do nothing but watch the launch do acrobatics on a vicious sea. At length the Doctor got into a canoe and after capsizing once and swamping once made a successful attempt to reach the launch. So a drenched and be-draggled medico interviewed the new nurse who had been tossing for some ten hours on a weathery ocean. Miss Reed decided that even the most unpleasant night spent riding the waves was preferable to a too intimate interview with King Neptune. The Doctor's return canoe ride was as exciting as the outward trip. Early the next day Miss Reed was brought safely ashore (but three days passed before it was possible to land her baggage).

As we remember these good missionaries in our prayers, let us remember also the duty of supporting them by our alms—by more generous giving to missions. If we can't go and preach Christ to the heathen ourselves, let's at least try to back up those who do!

We cannot resist quoting for your edification a few paragraphs from a recent book by a brilliant Roman Catholic writer, Arnold Lunn:

"The Church has always regarded the sins of the mind as more serious than the sins of the flesh, for there is always hope of a return of the prodigal so long as his mind still recognizes the Church as his home. There is hope for the man who says, 'I'm weak, and I can't resist sinning,' but far less hope for those who say, 'What the Church calls sin is really the new morality approved by the best progressive thinkers.' It is this type of intellectual dishonesty which is at the root of most modern maladies.

"The reputation of the Church suffers, perhaps, from the fact that an American gangster or a Neapolitan brigand will attend Mass, whereas a criminal with a Protestant background never gives scandal to Protestants by attending Protestant services. It is this catholicity of Christ which disdified the more exclusive Jews. Protestant Churches are clubs for good people, but the Catholic Church continues to welcome the publicans and sinners with whom Christ mixed so freely.

"In the course of nineteen centuries the Church has discovered that sinners sometimes sin, and is therefore not so scandalized as her critics by the frailties of her children. Like her Master, she comes to call not the righteous but sinners to repentance, and like her Master she continues to give scandal by her uncompromising hostility to fashionable sins and by her infinite charity to unfashionable sinners."

As far as possible we like to have our altars decked with flowers on Sundays and the greater feasts of the Church. This gives our parishioners an opportunity to make an inexpensive memorial in honour of their departed friends and relatives, and helps to beautify God's sanctuary. During the winter season, five dollars will cover the cost of flowers, while in summer, when flowers are less expensive, two dollars will usually be sufficient. Gifts for this purpose may be sent to Miss Louisa V. Richards, 38 West 93rd Street, New York City, the treasurer of St Mary's Flower Fund.

The following days during the coming year are still vacant:

- Lincoln's Birthday—February 12.
- Easter Day (St Joseph's Altar)—March 28.
- Ascension Day—May 6.
- Nativity of St John Baptist—June 24.
- Visitation, B.V.M.—July 2.
- St Anne, Mother of B.V.M.—July 26.
- Trinity XI—August 8.
- Assumption B.V.M. (Trinity XII)—August 15.
- Trinity XVIII—September 26.
- St Michael and All Angels—September 29.
- Trinity XXI—October 17.
- Our Lord Jesus Christ the King (Trinity XXIII)—October 31.
- Advent III—December 12.
- Christmas (St Joseph's Altar)—December 25.

During the Month of January flowers are given in memory of the following:

FROM time to time the Treasurer sends to parishioners statements showing how their pledges stand, according to his records. The object of these statements is to prevent mistakes, or to lead to their prompt correction, if mistakes have been made. The fact is, the Treasurer is under no delusion that he is an infallible arithmetician, and he conceived the plan of the statements as a means of catching his own possible errors. These innocent documents are not bills, for the Treasurer does not believe he has any right to send bills. It is his privilege and duty to receive free-will contributions, not to collect unwilling compulsory payments from parishioners. But unfortunately, the statements are sometimes looked upon not only as bills but as “duns,” and then the Treasurer is in very hot water indeed. At the present time he is involved in a correspondence (from which he cannot possibly extricate himself with credit), the principal heads of which are, briefly:—that his records show a parishioner’s pledge not to have been paid in full to date; that he sent a statement indicating this melancholy situation; that the parishioner says the full amount of the pledge has been put in the plate, and therefore the Treasurer should not have sent a “bill”; that most of the payment was not enclosed in pledge envelopes, but was put loose in the plate; and that a good Treasurer would have known that it was intended as part payment of a pledge, even though it was not so designated. The Treasurer does not pretend to be “a good Treasurer”—in that sense—but he submits that it is perhaps a little hard on him to expect him to know that one dollar bill is intended for the open collection, while the other (neither one being marked in any way) is meant to be applied to a pledge. The Treasurer is anxious to allocate money as the donors wish, but he can only carry out wishes that are made known to him.

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

Sunday, January 3. The Church School, The Guilds of St Mary of the Cross and of St Mary of Nazareth, 9 a.m.

Wednesday, January 6. Associates of the Community of St Mary (Lady Chapel), 9.30 a.m.

Thursday, January 7. Associates of the Sisterhood of the Holy Nativity (Mission House), 8 a.m.

Sunday, January 10. The Knights of St Mary, 9 a.m.

Wednesday, January 13. St Mary’s Guild (Lady Chapel), 9.30 a.m.

Friday, January 15. Votive Mass for Missions (W.A.), 9.30 a.m.

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THE parish priest
Of austerity
Climbed up in a high church steeple,
To be nearer God,
So that he might hand
His word down to His people.

And in sermon script
He daily wrote
What he thought was sent from heaven;
And he dropped this down
On his people’s heads
Two times one day in seven.

In his age God said,
“Come down and die;”
And he cried out from the steeple,
“Where art Thou, Lord?”
And the Lord replied,
“Down here among my people.”

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THE MOVEABLE FEASTS

A.D. 1937

Septuagesima Sunday . January 24th
Ash Wednesday . February 10th
Easter Day . March 28th
Rogation Days May 3rd, 4th and 5th
Ascension Day . May 6th
Whitsunday . May 16th
Trinity Sunday . May 23rd
Corpus Christi . May 27th
The Sacred Heart of Jesus . June 4th
Our Lord Jesus Christ the King . October 31st
First Sunday in Advent .

EMBER DAYS

Spring. February 17th, 19th and 20th.
Summer. May 19th, 21st and 22nd.
Autumn. September 15th, 17th and 18th.
Winter. December 15th, 17th and 18th.
FROM THE PARISH REGISTER

BAPTISMS

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

November 14. Edwin Jay Hall (Adult)
November 20. Alice Leavitt Eastman (Adult)
June Leavitt Eastman (Adult)
James Alfred Eastman (Adult)
November 22. Thelma Barbara Guthrie
Claire June Guthrie
November 29. Franklin Winthrop Kind

MARRIAGES

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


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MUSIC LIST FOR JANUARY

JANUARY 1.—THE CIRCUMCISION OF THE LORD.

Mass, "Missa O quam gloriosum" . . . . . . . Victoria
Motet, "O magnum mysterium" . . . . . . . Palestrina

JANUARY 3.—SECOND SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS.

Mass in G . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . Schubert
Motet, "Gloria in excelsis" (Missa brevis in A) . . . . . . . Bach

Evensong:
Magnificat, Tone V, with faux-bourdons . . . . . . . Tallis
Nunc dimittis, Tone I, with faux-bourdons . . . . . . . Giles
Motet, "Adoramus te, Christe" . . . . . . . Unknown Composer

JANUARY 10.—SUNDAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF THE EPIPHANY.

Mass in G . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . Schubert
Motet, "Laudate celi" . . . . . . . . . . . . . Benevoli

Evensong:
Magnificat and Nunc dimittis (Second Service) . . . . . . . Byrd
Motet, "Adoramus te, Christe" . . . . . . . di Lasso

JANUARY 17.—EPIPHANY II.

Mass, "Messe solennelle de Ste. Cécile" . . . . . . . Gounod
Motet, "O salutaris hostia" . . . . . . . . . . . Gorno

Evensong:
Magnificat, Tone VI, with faux-bourdons . . . . . . . Whitlock
Nunc dimittis, Toinus peregrinus, with faux-bourdons . Whitlock
Motet, "Jesu dulcis memoria" . . . . . . . Rheinberger

JANUARY 24.—SEPTUAGESIMA SUNDAY.

Mass in C . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . Henschel
Motet, "O admirabile commercium" . . . . . . . Palestrina

Evensong:
Magnificat and Nunc dimittis for four voices . . . . . . . Hunt
Prose, "Ave verum corpus" . . . . . . . . . . . Plain Chant

JANUARY 31.—SEXAGESIMA SUNDAY.

Mass in honor of St Clare of Assisi . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . Refice
Motet, "O salutaris hostia"* . . . . . . . . . . . Tallis

Evensong:
Magnificat, Tone II, with faux-bourdons . . . . . . . Holmes
Nunc dimittis, Tone VIII, with faux-bourdons . . . . . . . Holmes
Motet, "Ave verum Corpus" . . . . . . . Elgar

*First time.
KALENDAR FOR JANUARY, 1937

1. F. THE CIRCUMCISION OF OUR LORD.
2. Sa. In Octave St John the Evangelist.
3. Su. SECOND SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS.
5. Tu. Epiphany Eve.
6. W. THE EPIPHANY OF OUR LORD.
7. Th. In Octave.
8. F. In Octave. Abstinence.
10. Su. SUNDAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF THE EPIPHANY.
11. M. In Octave.
12. Tu. In Octave.
14. Th. St Hilary, B.C.D.
15. F. St Paul the First Hermit. Abstinence.
17. Su. EPIPHANY II. Com. of St Anthony, Ab.
18. M. St Prisca, V.M.
20. W. SS Fabian and Sebastian, MM.
21. Th. St Agnes, V.M.
22. F. St Vincent, Deacon, M. Abstinence.
24. Su. SEPTUAGESIMA. Com. of St Timothy, B.M.
25. M. CONVERSION OF ST PAUL. Com. of St Peter.
26. Tu. St Polyearp, B.M.
27. W. St John Chrysostom, B.C.D.
29. F. St Francis de Sales, B.C.D. Abstinence.
30. Sa. Feria. Votive Mass of King Charles the Martyr, 7 a.m.
31. Su. SEXAGESIMA.

SERVICES

SUNDAYS

Low Mass . . . . . . . . . . . . . 7 and 8 a.m.
Sung Mass, with address . . . . . . . . 9 a.m.
Low Mass . . . . . . . . . . . . . 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

Mass, daily . . . . . . . . . . . . 7, 8, and 9:30 a.m.
Also on Holy Days of Obligation . 6 a.m. and 12:10 noon
Children’s Mass and catechism, Saturdays . . 9:30 a.m.
Matins . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 9 a.m.
Evensong . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 6 p.m.
Holy Hour, Saturdays . . . . . . . . . 5 to 6 p.m.

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:

Mondays to Fridays . . . . . 9:15 to 1 and 2 to 5
Saturdays . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 9:15 to 1
Closed on legal holidays.

Days indicated by are days of precept, with an obligation of attend-
ance at Mass. Days on which votive and requiem Masses
may be said are printed in italics.
SACRAMENTS AND OTHER RITES

CONFESSIONS
Father Williams, S.S.J.E., Fridays, 7 to 8 p.m. Saturdays, 3 to 5 p.m.
Father Hoffman, S.S.J.E., Saturdays 3 to 5 and 8 to 9 p.m.
Father Eckman, S.S.J.E., Sundays 8:30 to 9 a.m. Thursdays, 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. and Saturdays, 8 to 9 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.

PARISH GUILDS AND ORGANIZATIONS

All persons who come regularly to the Church of St Mary the Virgin are urged to ally themselves with one of the Guilds and thus take their share in the work of the Church and its missionary activities. Any inquiries concerning each particular Guild may be addressed to the Chaplain, who will gladly give information.

THE WOMAN'S AUXILIARY.—Second Fridays, Votive Mass for Missions, 9:30 a.m. Business Meeting, 11 a.m. Evening meetings, alternate months, 8:15 p.m. The Father Rector, Chaplain.

ST MARY'S GUILD.—For making and care of vestments. Working meetings, Wednesdays, 10:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Corporate Communion, second Wednesdays, 9:30 a.m. Monthly business meeting, 10:30 a.m. The Father Rector, Chaplain.

GUILD OF ST MARY OF THE CROSS.—Works for the support of St Mary's Summer Home, Keyport, New Jersey, and for the missions in Bracebridge, Ontario, conducted by the Society of St John the Evangelist and the Sisters of St Margaret. Wednesdays, 8 p.m. Monthly devotional meeting, third Wednesdays, 8:30 p.m. Corporate Communion, first Sunday, 9 a.m. Father Eckman, Chaplain.

GUILD OF ST MARY OF NAZARETH.—For Young Women. Sewing and Games, Tuesdays, 8 p.m. Corporate Communion, first Sunday, 9 a.m. Father Hoffman, Chaplain.

GUILD OF HELP.—For forwarding the social service work of the Church. Meetings as announced from time to time. The Father Rector, Chaplain.

ST MARY'S DRAMATIC SOCIETY.—Father Eckman, Chaplain.

GUILD OF ST VINCENT.—For Altar Servers. Last Monday of the month, 6:30 p.m. Father Hoffman, Chaplain.

KNIGHTS OF ST MARY.—For Young Men. Mondays and Thursdays, 8 p.m. Corporate Communion, the Sunday after the first Thursday, 9 a.m. Father Hoffman, Chaplain.

CHURCH SCHOOL.—Saturdays, Children's Mass and catechism, 9:30 a.m. Sundays, Sung Mass, 9 a.m. Father Eckman, S.S.J.E., in charge.
DEVOTIONAL GUILDS

Confraternity of the Blessed Sacrament.—St Mary's Ward. Father Eckman, Chaplain.

Guild of All Souls.—St Mary's Ward. Father Eckman, Chaplain.

Living Rosary of Our Lady and St Dominic.—St Mary's Ward. Meetings (Lady Chapel) first Fridays at 8:15 p.m. Father Eckman, Chaplain.

OTHER ORGANIZATIONS


Guild of St Catherine of Genoa.—A non-parochial Guild for Graduate and Student Nurses. Devotional address (Lady Chapel) second Sundays at 5:45 p.m., followed by tea in the Mission House. Retreats and other meetings, as announced. For further information, application should be made to Sister Mary Virginia, S.H.N., Directress.

THE PARISH LIBRARY

William Edward Jones Memorial Lending Library.—In the Sisters' Mission House there is available a collection of books in theology, apologetics, ecclesiastical history, religious biography and devotional literature. Books may be borrowed for home-reading. Hours: Week-days, 4 to 6 p.m. Sundays, half-an-hour after High Mass and before Evensong.

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