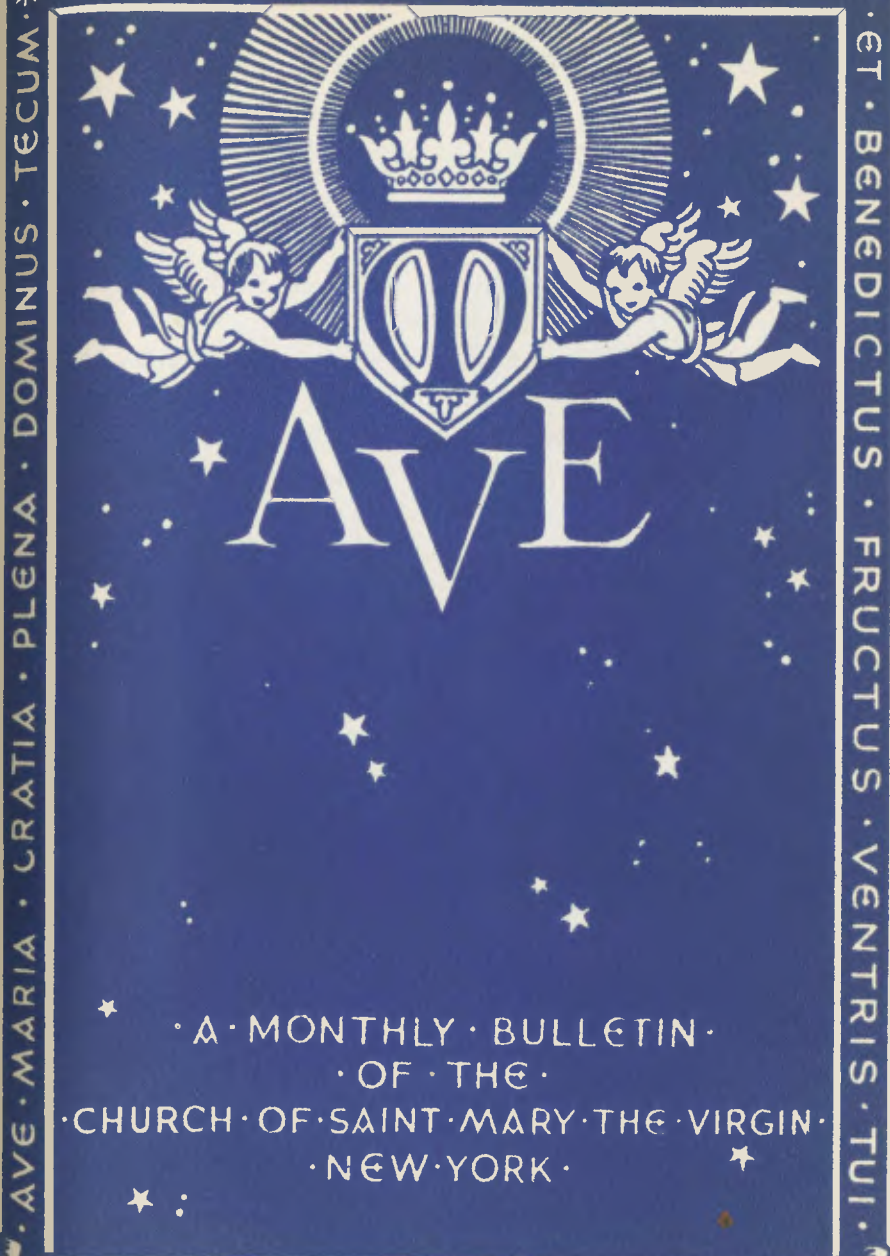
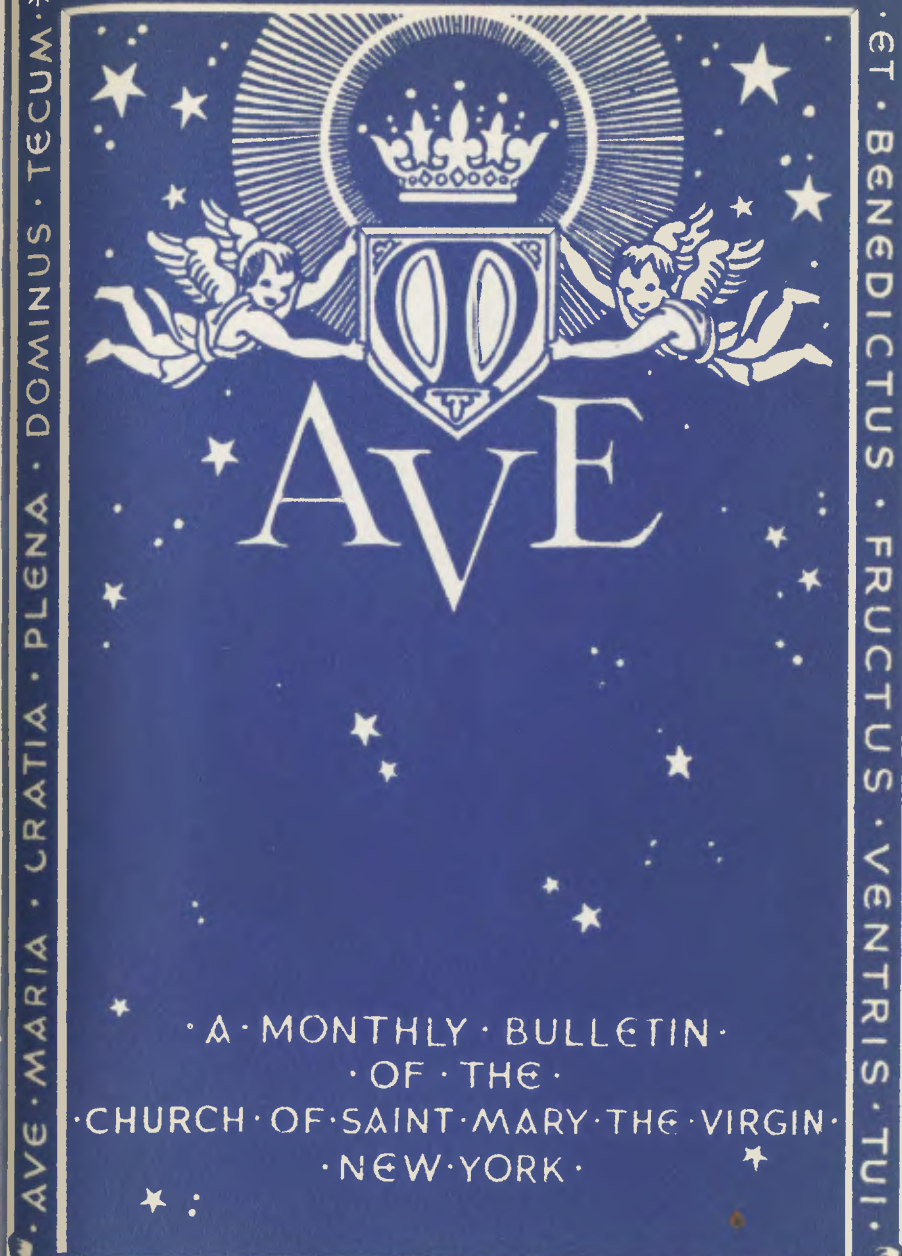


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THE RECTOR'S MESSAGE

MAGAZINES, as you know, have to be prepared some time before they reach the hands and eyes of their readers, and I am therefore writing what should be an Eastertide message to you towards the end of Passion Week. I hope that Easter will have brought to all of you that joy in the Lord which is ever the reward of a Lent well spent. I trust that our self-denial during Lent will have resulted in a good and generous Easter offering for the support of our well-beloved Church. And knowing our St Mary's people I feel that I can congratulate you on both these things, though, as I write, Easter is still in the future.

As I announced last month, I am taking a five months' leave of absence from the parish, with the generous consent of our Board of Trustees, in order to visit Japan: to be present at the fiftieth anniversary of the Nippon Sei Kokwai (the Japanese Holy Catholic Church) and to see something of the houses of the Fathers of the S.S.J.E. who are working there. In my absence, the work of the parish will be carried on by our regular staff of priests, Father Hoffman being in charge. He and the other clergy who remain here will, I know, be glad to assist any of you in any way they can. Please turn to them if you need advice or spiritual help. At

least two priests will be in regular residence at St Mary's throughout the summer.

St Mary's Summer Home at Keyport, New Jersey will be open as usual this year. Three separate groups of vacationists will visit the Home, which will be ready for the reception of guests from July first to August nineteenth. Father Eckman will be the priest-in-charge, assisted as usual by our faithful Sisters. It costs a good deal of money to run the Home which provides a brief but refreshing vacation for so many of our people who otherwise would not be able to escape from the hot city. May I suggest that before leaving for your own holidays, you send an offering (however small) for this work of which we are all so justly proud. Such contributions may be forwarded to the Treasurer of the Parish, or, if you prefer, to Father Eckman or to Sister Mary Virginia, S.H.N.

I am planning to take a camera with me to Japan, and I have hopes of securing some good photographs so that I may tell you all something of my adventures when we gather together again in the Fall. In the meantime, may we all have a blessed Easter-tide and a happy Summer.

Affectionately your Rector,

Granville Mercer Williams, S.S.J. C.

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THE evening of Tuesday, March the thirtieth (in Easter week), marks an important occasion for the men of the parish. The Men's Club will hold their annual dinner that evening in connection with the Catholic Laymen's Club of New York. The

place is the Hotel Wentworth, 59 West 46th Street; the time is a quarter past seven; the price is \$1.35. A good dinner is assured us; but the food is not the principal attraction. We are to hear three speakers of unusual distinction. Dr Howard R. Patch is Professor of English at Smith College, Northampton, Massachusetts. He is also one of the most enthusiastic Catholic laymen in the East. Dr Hoxie N. Fairchild is Professor of English at Barnard College in this city, and is on the staff of Columbia. His own approach to the Catholic faith is both intellectual and modern. The Reverend W. Norman Pittenger teaches at the General Theological Seminary, and has already made a reputation for himself as a brilliant writer and speaker.

Men who are members of this parish, or members of the Catholic Laymen's Club are urged to come, and they are invited to bring other men as their guests. We are offered good food, good fellowship and good speeches — all at a very moderate price. Send your reservation at once (with cheque enclosed) to Mr William E. Sims, *Treasurer*, 103 East 75th Street; or, if you prefer to pay at the door, simply notify any one of the following committee of your intention to be present.

WILLIAM C. DICKEY, *Chairman*, 120 Broadway
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ON Friday evening, April the second, at 8.15 p.m., the Guild of the Living Rosary of our Lady and St Dominic will have their regular devotional meeting in the Lady Chapel, followed by a business meeting and refreshments in St Joseph's Hall.

THE Confraternity of the Blessed Sacrament and the Guild of All Souls will have their regular monthly meeting on Friday, April the sixteenth in the Lady Chapel at 8.15 p.m. We hope that several new members will be admitted to these devotional guilds at this meeting.

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THE Guild of St Mary of the Cross will have its Easter party on the evening of April the seventh in St Joseph's Hall. The regular weekly meetings will be resumed with a meeting on April the fourteenth.

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AS members of St Mary's we have reason to be proud of St Vincent's Guild, which consists of the boys and young men who serve at our altars both on Sundays and weekdays. Not only is their service at the altar accurate and reverent, but they are always ready to sacrifice their spare time and their own amusements, in order that some special service may be supplied with an adequate number of acolytes.

At the present time there is an urgent need for new servers' cassocks, both red and black. The Guild has recently increased in numbers; and although good care is taken of the supply of cassocks, and they are repaired as long as they will hold together, it sometimes happens that it is difficult or impossible to find a cassock of the right size for each server. Probably six more cassocks of each colour, in assorted sizes, would be needed to relieve the present shortage. If you would like to show your appreciation for the work of this guild in a tangible way, and are able to do so, would you please communicate with their chaplain, Father Hoffman?

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WITH the May issue, AVE intends to celebrate with a Jubilee Number, since this will be the fiftieth appearance of our little magazine. The first number came out in January, 1932,

and it has appeared regularly ever since, except for the summer months, which are combined in one issue. Most of the credit for the general style and attractiveness of the magazine should go to Father Dale, its first editor. Others have followed in his footsteps, until AVE has become a real part of the life of St Mary's.

Next month we hope to have special articles and pictures, and a distinctive cover. All this will mean a bit more expense than usual. No doubt some of our regular readers will be glad to help with this additional cost. The Editor will be grateful for any donation you may care to make.

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EVIDENTLY the Dramatic Society has something up its sleeve. There is something so intriguing about the notice which appeared on the editorial desk of AVE that it must be printed just as it stands, without the change of a comma.

"Dear Editor: I think a straight note is the best, above all I think it should not be too definite.

"The Dramatic Society is considering a Spring Program of a rather unusual kind. Several plays of a type quite different from any previously done by this Society (or any other Society for that matter) will be attempted. Your appearance on Wednesday, April 28th with unfettered imagination in St Joseph's Hall will be appreciated. Further notice will be contained in the Weekly Leaflet."

We are all agog. Shall we have Soviet melodrama, or an ancient masque, or a sur-realist tragedy, with an immense naked eye painted on the backdrop, or some subtle little comedy with the scene laid in the morgue—or what? Come on the 28th—if only out of curiosity. We are sure you will remain to applaud our talented company.

THE spring meeting of the Guild of Help will be held at the residence of Mrs William Lee Ward, 30 East 55th Street, on Thursday afternoon, April the fifteenth, at four o'clock.

Miss Alice Palmer, who has for a number of years been at the head of our Church's Social Service at Ellis Island will speak on the problems and opportunities of that work.

Afternoon tea will be served, and, as always, the women of the parish, whether they are members of the Guild or not, are cordially invited.

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ON Friday evening, April the ninth, the parish branch of the Woman's Auxiliary will meet in St Joseph's Hall at 8.15 p.m. Deaconess Edith Smith, who has been working under Bishop Jenkins in Nevada, will be the speaker.

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MANY of you have no doubt formed the habit of looking over the tract table at the back of the church when you come to mass, and purchasing a few of the tracts from time to time. It is surprising what a lot of information can be compressed into the brief compass of a tract. They have the further advantage that they can be read in your own free time at home, and then passed on to others who may need to know more of the Church and her ways. A very real missionary work can be accomplished by those who will undertake to distribute tracts among their friends, using discretion in their selection, and never forcing them on those who are not interested.

Unquestionably a certain number of tracts are taken from the table without being paid for. We regret this, but we are somewhat consoled by the reflection that those who steal Bibles or Prayer

Books or tracts may at last be converted by reading this pilfered literature. But there is another custom for which nothing good can be said, that of passing a half hour or so reading various tracts and church magazines, and then returning them to the table, presumably to be sold to others in a shop-worn condition. The tract table is *not* a lending library. If you are curious to know what the author of a tract has to say, please first drop the proper coin in the box provided. Prices are plainly marked.

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DURING Eastertide, that is, from the first Mass of Easter on Holy Saturday till First Vespers of Trinity Sunday, the *Regina Coeli* is said instead of the *Angelus* at the appointed times. The number of bells is usually different, too, to indicate this change—four single strokes and then nine, instead of three three's and nine. Since the words of the *Regina Coeli* may not be familiar to all of you, we are printing them here.

Hail to thee, O Queen of heaven, alleluia;
He whom thou wast meet to bare, alleluia,
As He promised hath arisen, alleluia;
Pour for us to Him thy prayer, alleluia.

Rejoice and be glad, O Virgin Mary, alleluia.
For the Lord is risen indeed, alleluia.

Let us pray:

O GOD, who, by the resurrection of thy Son Jesus Christ, didst vouchsafe to give gladness unto the world: grant, we beseech thee, that we, being holpen by the prayers of the Virgin

Mary, his Mother, may attain unto the joys of everlasting life. Through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.

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WE brought to your attention in a former issue of AVE the work of the "Guides Committee" of the Forward Movement Commission. Two of these Guides, or tracts, have been already published and are for sale on the tract table—"Forward into all the World," a missionary tract, and "My Own Steps Forward," a little brochure on personal religion. The headquarters of the Commission, in Cincinnati, has just announced the publication of two more titles—"Christian Worship", a splendid presentation of the meaning of Christian devotion, with special reference to the Eucharist; and "Forward to a New Economic Order," a frank condemnation of the capitalistic system as it is at present constituted, and a call to all Christians to coöperate in finding something better. These two will shortly be for sale on the tract table, and we hope that they will find a wide sale.

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IT will be of great interest to all of you to know that the Congress Committee of the Clerical Union is now laying definite plans for the next Catholic Congress. It is to be held here in New York in the latter part of October, 1938. Two features which have been settled on can be announced at this time. The Congress will open on a Wednesday evening with Choral Evensong and sermon at the Cathedral of St John the Divine. It will be closed with Solemn High Mass in Madison Square Garden on Sunday at eleven o'clock. This will enable working people, and especially men, to be present; and we hope to fill the Garden to overflowing. Although this Congress is a year and a half from now, we hope that you will keep it in your prayers. St Mary's may feel a personal interest in the work of preparation, since one of the clergy staff here is a member of the Congress Committee.

FROM THE PARISH REGISTER

CONFIRMATIONS

By the Right Reverend Robert E. Campbell, O.H.C., D.D.

"Grieve not the Holy Spirit of God, whereby ye were sealed unto the day of redemption."

March 12—

Julius Amoros	Russell Elwyn Dill
Violet Blake	Grace Louise Flock
Dorothy Virginia Blank	Kenneth Walter Gibson
Gertrude Broda	Thelma Barbara Guthrie
William Nesbit Chambers	Lucy Anne Johnson
Irene Williams Clarke	Ursula Sally Marshall
Marion Beach Davidson	Mavis Moore
Frederick William Davis	Mildred Noriega
Georgiana Mary Dee	Jacques O'Connor
Eleanor Thorpe Post Dill	Elizabeth Lane Toole
	Mildred Underwood Yarnell

BURIALS

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

February 1—Cora Ethel Stevenson

" 8—Adelaide Cleminshaw Norton

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

April 5—Annunciation B.V.M. Martha Fiske.

" 11—Second Sunday after Easter. Emily Speir Arnold.

" 18—Third Sunday after Easter. Admiral Carl Theodore Vogelgesang.

" 25—St Mark. Glover Crane Arnold.

Of your charity pray for the happy repose of their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed. *Requiescant in aeternam.*

Are there not some of our readers, who are not now doing so, who would like to place flowers on our altars in memory of some relative or friend? The following Sundays and feast days are available for such memorials:

Nativity of St John Baptist—June 24.
 St James (Trinity IX)—July 25.
 Trinity XI—August 8.
 Assumption B.V.M. (Trinity XII)—August 15.
 Trinity XVI—September 12.
 Trinity XVIII—September 26.

The cost during the summer months is only two dollars. Miss Louisa V. Richards, 38 West 93rd Street, the treasurer of St Mary's Flower Fund would be glad to receive your gifts for this purpose.

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THE following contributions to AVE are gratefully acknowledged: Anonymous: \$1; Miss Maud Dellegar, \$2; Miss Elizabeth Foote, \$1; Mrs Walter C. Gibson, \$1.75; Mr John L. Plank, \$1; Mrs Ernest Stavey, \$1.

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Inquiries concerning AVE should be sent to the Editor, The REVEREND FATHER HOFFMAN, S.S.J.E., 144 West 47th Street, New York.

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

KALENDAR FOR APRIL, 1937

1. Th. In the Octave of Easter.
2. F. In Octave. *Abstinence.*
3. Sa. St Richard, B.C.
- ✕ 4. Su. LOW SUNDAY. Com. of St Ambrose, B.C.D.
5. M. ANNUNCIATION, B.V.M. (transferred from March 25).
Com. of St Vincent Ferrer, C.
6. Tu. St Benedict, Ab.C. (transferred from March 21).
7. W. *Feria.*
8. Th. *Feria.*
9. F. *Feria. Abstinence.*
10. Sa. *Feria.*
- ✕ 11. Su. EASTER II. Com. of St Leo, B.C.D.
12. M. *Feria.*
13. Tu. St Justin, M.
14. W. *Feria.*
15. Th. *Feria.*
16. F. *Feria. Abstinence.*
17. Sa. *Feria.*
- ✕ 18. Su. EASTER III.
19. M. *Feria.*
20. Tu. *Feria.*
21. W. St Anselm, B.C.D.
22. Th. *Feria.*
23. F. St George, M. *Abstinence.*
24. Sa. *Feria.*
- ✕ 25. Su. ST MARK, EV. Com. of Easter IV.
26. M. *Feria.*
27. Tu. *Feria.*
28. W. St Paul of the Cross, C.
29. Th. *Feria.*
30. F. St Catherine of Siena, V. *Abstinence.*

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 4. — LOW SUNDAY.

MASS in C Schubert
 Motet, "Hallelujah" (Messiah) Handel

EVENSONG:

Magnificat, Tone V, with *faux-bourbons* Tallis
 Nunc dimittis, Tone I, with *faux-bourbons* Giles
 Motet, "O bone Jesu" Bai

APRIL 11. — EASTER II.

MASS in G von Weber
 Motet, "Christus surrexit" Anerio

EVENSONG:

Magnificat and Nunc dimittis (Short Service) . . Gibbons
 Motet, "Ave verum"* Titcomb

APRIL 18. — EASTER III.

MASS in D Dvorak
 Motet, "Hæc dies" Nanini

EVENSONG:

Magnificat, Tone VI, with *faux-bourbons* Whitlock
 Nunc dimittis, *Tonus peregrinus*, with *faux-bourbons* . Whitlock
 Motet, "Adoramus te, Christe" (No. 2) Perti

APRIL 24. — ST MARK, EVANGELIST.

MASS, "Missa In die tribulationis" di Lasso
 Motet, "Estote fortes in bello"* Victoria

EVENSONG:

Magnificat and Nunc dimittis in G Howells
 Motet, "Ave verum" Mozart

*First time.

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, first 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 AND THE GUILD OF ALL SOULS—St Mary's Wards. Meetings (Lady Chapel) third Fridays at 8:15 p.m. 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

FELLOWSHIP OF ST JOHN.—Object: Prayer and work for the Society of St John the Evangelist. Corporate Communion, December 27th and May 6th. The FATHER RECTOR, *Chaplain*.

ASSOCIATES OF THE SISTERHOOD OF THE HOLY NATIVITY.—Object: Prayer and work for the Sisterhood of the Holy Nativity. Meetings, as announced. Corporate Communion, first Thursdays, 8 a.m., in the Sisters' Chapel in the Mission House.

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.

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.	

SACRAMENTS AND OTHER RITES

CONFESSIONS

Father Hoffman, S.S.J.E., Saturdays 3 to 5 and 8 to 9 p.m.
 Father Eckman, S.S.J.E., 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.
 Father Lightfoot, Sundays, 8:30 to 9 a.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 appli-
 cation 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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