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SATURDAY, January the first, is the Feast of the Circumcision of our Lord, and a Holy Day of Obligation. That means, as you know, that all loyal Catholic Christians will be present at Mass on that day. It is fitting that the Church should impose this discipline on her children. For, although the Church's year officially begins on the First Sunday in Advent, we cannot ignore the secular "New Year's Day," and most of us will have formed habits of New Year's resolutions. How could we better fortify these resolutions than by offering them to our Lord at Mass, and, if possible, sealing them by a well-prepared communion?

There will be Low Masses for communion at 6, 7, 8, 9.30 and 12.10. At eleven o'clock High Mass will be celebrated, with a brief sermon by Father Eckman.

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ON Sunday, January the second, we shall have for our preacher at High Mass the Reverend Bernard Iddings Bell, D.D., Canon of the Cathedral at Providence, Rhode Island. Dr Bell is a man who combines both wit and wisdom; and his trenchant literary style has placed his books on apologetics in the class of religious best-sellers. He is a conspicuous figure in the movement toward an intelligent Catholic sociology, and has been specially successful in presenting the Church's faith to the younger generation.

May we add a word on sermons in general? It is probable that Episcopalians are the most preached-at body of Christians in America. Hardly a Guild or a Mother's Meeting or a Bible class or a Church troop of Boy Scouts can gather together without listening to a devotional or inspirational address by the clergy. On the

other hand, we hear complaints that the level of preaching in our communion is not very high, and at times the clergy themselves doubt the value of sermons—as witness the call for a moratorium on preaching issued a year ago by a prominent New York rector.

Perhaps some share of the difficulty may be due to a lack of the best kind of listening on the part of our congregations. The purpose of a sermon or address may be instruction, or exhortation, or both. At least it represents real prayer and thought and work on the part of the priest delivering it. He is commissioned to preach the Word of God, as well as to administer the sacraments. We may be sure, then, that if we listen sympathetically and attentively, and ask the Holy Spirit to direct our minds, we shall find something in every sermon to strengthen our spiritual life, no matter how lacking it may be in style or presentation. Go over the sermon in your mind when you get home. Jot down one or two points that seem to apply to your particular spiritual needs. Then try to put into practice the precepts you have heard.

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THIS year the Feast of the Epiphany falls on Thursday, January the sixth. It forms part of our joyful celebration of Christmas, and marks our Lord's manifestation to the Gentiles. As this is not a Holy Day of Obligation there will be simply the usual Masses at 7, 8 and 9.30.

The Wise Men followed a star, and found a Baby. They kept their eyes fixed on a light in the heavens, and at last they discovered a Life—a very little bit of life, dimpled and winsome and fascinating, with big strange eyes, and something about Him which brought them to their knees.

The Magi were wise men, sages, mystics—men, that is, who had found God and were seeking Him—like all mystics. So far as we know they returned without adventure to their own country, avoiding Herod by taking a different route, lest he should be troublesome. Apparently they were not the least concerned as to the fate of the Child. God could take care of His Son. You see, they had followed the star with conviction, having known God; they returned home with certainty, having found Him. If we, having known God, can find Him week by week in the Blessed Sacrament, we shall return to our own homes, like the Wise Men, without anxiety and without fear.

THERE will be two more illustrated lectures on Japan in January by the Father Rector. On Friday, January the fourteenth, the subject of the lecture will be Glorious Fuji and the Inland Sea; and on Friday, January the twenty-eighth, The Island of Kyushu. These lectures are held in St Joseph's Hall at 8.15 in the evening. They are followed by a social hour, with refreshments.

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ONCE more we shall have the pleasure of a visit from the Lord Bishop of Algoma. He plans to arrive this year on January the thirty-first, and on Wednesday, February the second, the Feast of the Purification, he will preach at the High Mass devoted especially to forwarding the interests of Religious Communities. On Saturday, February the fifth, he will conduct the Epiphany retreat for women; and he will pontificate at our High Mass on Sunday, February the sixth.

Bishop Rocksborough Smith has been a good friend for many years to the Society of St John the Evangelist, and to the parish of St Mary the Virgin. We are fortunate in having him for the Episcopal Visitor of the Society in Canada, and much of the credit for the success of our fathers' work there is due to his encouragement and advice.

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WEDNESDAY, January the nineteenth, is the date set for our parish dinner. This annual event is of great importance to all of us, since the proceeds are used for the benefit of St Mary's Summer Home at Keyport, New Jersey. The last season at Keyport was a conspicuous success, and we are looking forward to even greater things for next summer. Some of these will not be possible unless sufficient funds can be provided. Do plan definitely to come to our parish dinner, and bring your friends. Tickets are one dollar each.

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THE Church School Christmas party will be held on Monday afternoon, December the twenty-seventh, at four o'clock. The parents and friends of our children are invited to the party, but gifts will be given only to regular scholars in the Church School.

THE Guild of St Mary of the Cross will have its Christmas party on January the fifth, 1938, at four p.m. This year the Guild has sent a box of dresses and night clothes to St John's Orphanage, Springfield, Illinois, which is under the care of the Sisters of St Anne. The dresses were made by our women, and will be a very welcome Christmas gift to the Orphanage. It is also of interest to note that the fair held recently by the Guild has netted some one hundred and five dollars for the work of St Mary's Summer Home at Keyport, N. J. Several parties and sales have been planned for the early spring.

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THE annual meeting of St Mary's Guild will be held in St Joseph's Hall on Wednesday morning, January 5th, at 10:30.

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OUR Men's Club will hold a luncheon in connection with the Catholic Laymen's Club of New York City on Saturday, January 15th at 1:15 p.m. at the Hotel Belmont Plaza, 50th Street and Lexington Avenue. The speakers will be the Reverend Gordon B. Wadhams, Rector of the Church of the Resurrection and the Reverend Frederic S. Fleming, D.D., Rector of Trinity Church. Tickets are \$1.25. Please make your reservation with Mr William E. Sims, 103 East 75th Street.

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ALITTLE surprise is in store for those who saw the presentation of "Stars Over Bethlehem" some years ago at St Mary's, and a bigger surprise is in store for those who have not yet seen it. The play takes you into Bethlehem on that eventful night, some nineteen hundred years ago, and gives you a delightfully different view of the story of the coming of Christ.

This play will be presented again this year in St Joseph's Hall on Wednesday evening, December the twenty-ninth, at 8.30 p.m.

And here is something that everyone likes to hear in connection with a play: the admission is free, and everybody is invited. The players and those connected with the Dramatic Society are particularly eager to have every member of St Mary's attend and join them in their Christmas celebration.

We hope that we shall see you all there!

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ON Tuesday, January the twenty-fifth, at four in the afternoon, at the residence of Mrs Eugene W. Mason, 111 East 69th Street, the Father Rector will discuss some of the more important books recently published. A similar "book-review" lecture given by the Father Rector last year aroused considerable interest and proved of great value to those who attended. The lecture is sponsored by the Guild of Help for the benefit of the Social Agencies of the Church. Tickets are two dollars. Please mail check for your reservation to Mrs Mason.

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WE are to have a special treat on Wednesday, January the twenty-sixth. On that evening, at eight-thirty, in St Joseph's Hall, Miss Bessie Ballan will present a unique moving picture, entitled "From Cairo to the Cape." It is a record of an adventurous trek through the Dark Continent, and includes unusual shots of wild animals in their native habitat.

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DURING January and February Father Eckman will give a series of instructions on matters of the Faith at Evensong on Sunday evenings. A good many of our parishioners have expressed their desire to have some Mission type of instruction given from the pulpit, and we hope that these instructions will help us on to a better understanding and following of our Blessed Lord. No scriptural texts will be used, and the series will be just what they are announced to be—INSTRUCTIONS—not addresses nor even

sermonettes! The topics for the Sunday evenings of January and February are as follows:

- January 2 — Conversion. What is it?
 “ 9 — Religious Conversion.
 “ 16 — Do good people need Conversion?
 “ 23 — Do Church people need Conversion?
 “ 30 — Conversion a daily process.
- February 6 — What is repentance?
 “ 13 — What is Contrition?
 “ 20 — What is Confession?
 “ 27 — What is Satisfaction?

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A WORD about the Mission recently preached at St Mary's Church, Keyport, New Jersey. It is quite difficult for us here in New York to visualize the needs of our very near neighbors in the country. We have a comfortable church building to assemble in for worship of Almighty God. We have a relatively good number of priests to help us with our spiritual problems. They, our neighbors in the country, have only a small and inadequate church building, and only one-tenth of a priest to help them! The village priest has so many other places and duties that he cannot give more than a tenth of his time to his flock. What a pathetic situation! So it is good from time to time for us to help them in their search for God and the better things of life. One cannot even begin to measure the results of any Mission, but the priest who acted as Missioner to our friends in Keyport feels that it was one of the best he ever did. The loyalty, support, and goodwill of the people during the Mission certainly speaks for better things to come in the future. And we feel too, that now our neighbors understand us better, so we hope not to be called “city slickers” any more. For all of which we say, *Laus Deo!*

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IT is a fundamental tenet of Catholic belief that the Deity we worship is transcendent righteousness, sublime holiness, perfect love, far beyond any human dreams of perfection. In spite of the

revelation of the tender compassion of Almighty God vouchsafed to us in our Saviour, Jesus Christ, Catholic theology has always insisted on maintaining the majesty of God, His “numinous” quality, His “otherness.” “Our God is a consuming fire.” So Catholic worship has always embodied a deep sense of reverence, joined with enthusiasm, for the service of the God we adore is perfect joy as well as perfect freedom. It is this fervour and joy coupled with reverence which distinguish the best type of Catholic worship from the stodgy respectability of most of nineteenth century Anglicanism. As an amusing expression of the latter type of religion, now happily on the wane, we cannot forbear quoting a paragraph from a book we ran across — “All Trivia,” by Logan Pearsall Smith.

“I have my Anglican moments; and as I sat there that Sunday afternoon, in the eighteenth-century interior of the London church, and listened to the unexpressive voices chanting the correct service, I felt a comfortable assurance that we were in no danger of being betrayed into any unseemly manifestations of religious fervour. We had not gathered together at that performance to abase ourselves with furious hosannas before any dark Creator of an untamed Universe, no Deity of freaks and miracles and sinister hocus-pocus; but to pay our duty to a highly respected Anglican First Cause—distinguished, undemonstrative, gentlemanly—whom, without loss of self-respect, we could decorously praise.”

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POPULAR PROVERBS RENDERED IN RHYME

Who counts, ere fractured are the shells,
 His bipeds gallinaceous,
 Is apt to find his calculations
 Utterly fallacious.

Teach not your mother's mother to extract
 The golden juices of the egg by suction;
 This feat the good old lady can enact
 Quite irrespective of your kind instruction.

THE MOVEABLE FEASTS

A.D. 1938

Septuagesima Sunday	February 13th
Ash Wednesday	March 2nd
Easter Day	April 17th
Rogation Days	May 23rd, 24th and 25th
Ascension Day	May 26th
Whitsunday	June 5th
Trinity Sunday	June 12th
Corpus Christi	June 16th
The Sacred Heart of Jesus	June 24th
Our Lord Jesus Christ the King	October 30th
First Sunday in Advent	November 27th

EMBER DAYS

Spring. March 9th, 11th and 12th*Summer.* June 8th, 10th and 11th*Autumn.* September 14th, 16th and 17th*Winter.* December 14th, 16th and 17th

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THE following Corporate Communion are announced for the month of January:

Sunday, January 2, 9:00: Guild of St Mary of the Cross, Guild of St Mary of Nazareth, The Church School.

Wednesday, January 5, 9:30: St Mary's Guild.

Thursday, January 6, 9:30 (Mission House): Associates of the Sisterhood of the Holy Nativity.

Sunday, January 9, 9:30: Knights of St Mary.

Wednesday, January 12, 9:30: Associates of the Community of St Mary.

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DURING the month of January flowers are given in memory of the following:

January 1— The Circumcision. James Otis Sargent Huntington, O.H.C., Priest.

“ 2— Second Sunday after Christmas. Spencer and Harriet Aldrich.

- “ 6— The Epiphany. James H. Gorman, O.H.C., Priest.
 “ 9— First Sunday after Epiphany. Ursula Marshall.
 “ 16— Second Sunday after Epiphany. George Harding.
 “ 23— Third Sunday after Epiphany. William V. B. Kip.
 “ 30— Fourth Sunday after Epiphany. Benjamin and Eliza F. Verplanck Richards.

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FROM THE PARISH REGISTER

BAPTISMS

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

- November 14 — Robert William Gordon (Infant).
 — Richard Walter Gordon (Infant).

CONFIRMATIONS

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

- November 7 — Thomas Ronald Dawson.
 — Marilyn Ruth Dawson.
 — Mary Magdelin Hugger.

BURIALS

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

- November 5 — Anthony Maler.
 November 11 — Reuben Ravinet Fernandez Richardson.

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DURING the Christmas season, many will be renewing their wardrobes, and we appeal again for used clothing. A great many calls are made upon us by worthy people for all sorts of clothing and especially for shoes. By sending your cast off things to us you will help very materially in our efforts to relieve suffering.

Please send men's clothing to the rectory in care of Father Eckman, and women's clothing to the Mission House in care of the Sisters. Just now our supply of clothing is completely exhausted.

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THE following contributions to AVE are gratefully acknowledged: Anonymous, \$10; Miss Alice Bosworth, \$1; Mrs Clifton Bradford, \$1; Mrs Katherine Collins, \$5; Mrs Marion Davidson, \$2; Mrs Amelia Fletcher, \$1; Mrs H. K. Knoetch, \$1; Miss Dorothy Leilich, \$1; Mrs Russel D. Lewis, \$1; Mrs F. W. Lightfoot, \$2; Mrs W. S. Maddock, \$2; Mr Lester Morgan, \$1; Mrs Carpenter Morrison, \$1; Miss Wegmann, \$.50; Miss Nellie Wheeler, \$1.

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KALENDAR FOR JANUARY, 1938

- ✠ 1. Sa. THE CIRCUMCISION OF OUR LORD.
- ✠ 2. Su. SECOND SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS. Com. Octave of St Stephen and Octave of St John.
- 3. M. OCTAVE OF ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST.
- 4. Tu. Octave of Holy Innocents.
- 5. W. Epiphany Eve.
- 6. Th. THE EPIPHANY OF OUR LORD.
- 7. F. In Octave of the Epiphany. *Abstinence.*
- 8. Sa. In Octave.
- ✠ 9. Su. SUNDAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF THE EPIPHANY.
- 10. M. In Octave.
- 11. Tu. In Octave.
- 12. W. In Octave.
- 13. Th. OCTAVE OF THE EPIPHANY.
- 14. F. St Hilary, B.C.D. *Abstinence.*
- 15. Sa. St Paul the First Hermit.
- ✠ 16. Su. EPIPHANY II.
- 17. M. St Anthony, Ab.
- 18. Tu. St Prisca, V.M.
- 19. W. *Feria.* Chantry Masses.
- 20. Th. SS Fabian and Sebastian, MM.
- 21. F. St Agnes, V.M. *Abstinence.*
- 22. Sa. St Vincent, Deacon, M.
- ✠ 23. Su. EPIPHANY III.
- 24. M. St Timothy, B.M.
- 25. Tu. CONVERSION OF ST PAUL. Com. St Peter.
- 26. W. St Polycarp, B.M.
- 27. Th. St John Chrysostom, B.C.D.
- 28. F. *Feria.* Chantry Masses. *Abstinence.*
- 29. Sa. St Francis de Sales, B.C.D.
- ✠ 30. Su. EPIPHANY IV.
- 31. M. *Feria.* Chantry Masses for names in the Chantry Book.

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 JANUARY

JANUARY 1.—THE CIRCUMCISION OF OUR LORD.

- MASS, "Neunte-Messe" *Faist*
 Motet, "Ego sum panis vivus" *Byrd*

JANUARY 2.—SECOND SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS.

- MASS in B flat *Schubert*
 Motet, "Hodie nobis cælorum Rex" *Desderi*
 EVENSONG:
 Magnificat, Tone II, with *faux-bourbons* *Holmes*
 Nunc dimittis, Tone VIII, with *faux-bourbons* *Holmes*
 Motet, "Verbum caro" *Victoria*

JANUARY 9.—SUNDAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF THE EPIPHANY.

- MASS, "Missa brevis" *Meurer*
 Motet, "O magnum mysterium" *Palestrina*
 EVENSONG:
 Magnificat and Nunc dimittis (Short Service) *Byrd*
 Motet, "Adoramus te, Christe" *Unknown Composer*

JANUARY 16.—EPIPHANY II.

- MASS in C *Henschel*
 Motet, "Laudate cæli" *Benevoli*
 EVENSONG:
 Magnificat, Tone VIII, with *faux-bourbons* *Sixteenth Century*
 Nunc dimittis, Tone III, with *faux-bourbons* *Palestrina*
 Motet, "Adoramus te, Christe" *di Lasso*

JANUARY 23.—EPIPHANY III.

- MASS, "Missa dorica" *Schroeder*
 Motet, "O admirabile commercium" *Palestrina*
 EVENSONG:
 Magnificat for four voices *Farrant*
 Motet, "Ave verum corpus" *Mozart*

JANUARY 30.—EPIPHANY IV.

- MASS, "Missa brevis" *Anerio*
 Motet, "Jubilate Deo" *Gabrieli*
 EVENSONG:
 Magnificat, Tone I, with *faux-bourbons* *Fayrfax*
 Nunc dimittis, Tone VII, with *faux-bourbons*
Unknown Edwardine Composer
 Motet, "Adoramus te, Christe" *Aichinger*

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. 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 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. FATHER ECKMAN, *Chaplain*.

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 Parish Secretary's office 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.	

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CONFESSIONS

Father Williams, S.S.J.E., Wednesdays, 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. and
Fridays, 7 to 8 p.m.

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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