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ALMOST as soon as this copy of AVE reaches you, we shall once more be welcoming to St Mary's the Right Reverend Rocksborough R. Smith, D.D., Lord Bishop of Algoma. This annual visit from a representative of the Canadian episcopate has come to be a banner event in the winter season of St Mary's, and we hope that it will long continue. As most of you know, the Bishop is the Episcopal Visitor of our House in Canada, and has come to be intimately familiar with the life and work of our Fathers. He is no less interested in the people of St Mary's, and he seems to enjoy giving us so generously of his time and strength.

The first engagement of the Bishop here is to assist at the throne and preach at the High Mass on the Feast of the Purification of the Blessed Virgin Mary. On that day there will be sung a Solemn Votive Mass in the interests of the religious communities of our Church. Invitations have been issued to all the communities, both for men and for women, within travelling distance of New York, and a number of pews will be reserved for them. We hope that this year an even greater number than before will be able to attend the Mass, as a witness to our belief in the religious life in this branch of the Catholic Church, and to offer intercession for the increase of vocations throughout the Church.

The Feast of the Purification on February second is also known as Candlemas Day, and according to an old tradition, the candles to be used in the church during the year are solemnly blessed, followed by a procession during which the congregation hold lighted candles. These ceremonies will precede the High Mass.

**S**T BLASIUS' Day falls on Thursday, February the third. This ancient bishop and martyr has always been considered as the patron of throats, and his intercession is specially sought for protection against the bronchial affections so common in this climate during the months of February and March. The traditional blessing is administered by touching the recipient's throat with crossed candles, lighted, accompanied by a brief prayer. This blessing will be given to all who desire it immediately before the three parish Masses, and after evensong. Those wishing to receive the blessing before Mass are asked to present themselves at the altar rail as soon as the priest enters the sanctuary.

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**O**N Saturday, February the fifth, there will be an Epiphany retreat for women, conducted by the Lord Bishop of Algoma. All women of the parish and their friends are cordially invited. The retreat will begin with Mass at eight o'clock, followed by meditations at 10.30, 12.30 and 2.30. Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament after the last address will close the retreat. Breakfast and lunch will be served for those who desire it. Please be sure, though, if you intend to be present for either meal or for both, to notify the Sister-in-Charge, Mission House of the Holy Nativity, 133 West 46th Street, at least a few days in advance.

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**T**HE Lord Bishop of Algoma will sing a pontifical High Mass on Sunday, February the sixth. On Sunday, February the thirteenth, he will be the preacher at the High Mass, and will assist at the throne.

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**O**UR annual Acolytes' Festival has come to be one of the most colourful occasions of the winter. Clergy and boys come from far and near; and this year we expect well over two hundred vested acolytes to take part in the procession. The date is Saturday, February the twelfth, Lincoln's Birthday. The happy coincidence of Lincoln's Birthday falling on a Saturday should make it possible for us to have an unusually large attendance, since there will certainly be no school to interfere, and no home-work for the next

day, which is Sunday! The Lord Bishop of Algoma will pontificate at the High Mass at eleven, and there will be a sermon by Father Hoffman.

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**I**MPORTANT news about St Mary's Summer Home, Keyport, New Jersey! Several weeks ago, our good friends from London, Mr and Mrs Thomas Ogden, made a "pilgrimage" to the Home, and were very greatly impressed with the possibilities of development there. A great deal of love, time and money must be spent if we are really to have a vacation place in the true sense of the word. Many are our needs, as you have already seen them announced in previous issues of AVE. But our good English friends have taken care of one of the largest and most important ones — the playroom, to be built in the spring and made ready for use this summer. What a joy it will be actually to have a place where we can be "outside" in rain or sunshine; a place where we can play games, sing and dance, perform theatricals, and even show movies. IF we are fortunate enough to secure a projector. Mr and Mrs Ogden have also given us the money to build some new tables and benches for the dining room — another great need supplied! Our friends from overseas have set us a good and practical example by their handsome generosity to us NOW that we may be ready for summer, and we hope that a great many more friends will come to the rescue and help us in our needs listed below. Another friend has given a radio for the new playroom. Then you will remember that a rowboat has been given, and it is at present being "made to order!" Other good friends have given a new set of silverware for the dining room. For these and other good things we thank our friends and may God bless them.

Now we NEED some alterations on the men's dormitory to cost about \$300.00. Two dozen steel beds at \$15.00 each. If you cannot give all, give one or two or more. Repairs in the Chapel to cost about \$200.00. Eighteen steel beds for a girls' week-end dormitory at \$15.00 each. More adequate toilet facilities for the women and children in the "Annex" to cost about \$300.00. One hundred hymnals for the Chapel to cost \$45.00. And, lastly, a station wagon, not for luxury, but a real necessity. Father Eckman will be happy to talk with anyone about these necessities, and, if

possible, will arrange to take them on a "pilgrimage" to Keyport for inspection. To give the above needed things in the way of memorials would be a very nice idea.

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**I**T may not be amiss to remind you that this little magazine is in constant need of financial support. It has been the policy for several years to send it free to all who asked for it, since we knew that there were many who would greatly value it, who yet could not honestly afford a subscription of two dollars, or even one. We cannot feel justified, though, in this free distribution of AVE, unless those of our friends who can reasonably do so will help to defray the deficit. Some of you have been consistently generous to AVE, and have sent a donation every few months. Others, perhaps, would like to do so if it were brought to their attention. No contribution is too small, and none too large. Ten cents will print one or two copies, and a thousand dollars will endow AVE for nearly two years!

Speaking of contributions to AVE, why should we not have some literary contributions from our parishioners? The Editor of AVE is a unique species among the genus of editors, since he writes practically everything and edits practically nothing! By nature he is a cheerful soul, but once a month he goes into a decline, with horrid groans and anguished cries and tearing of the hair [he is doing it now!] This signifies that he is in the throes of "editing"—(a lovely word)—AVE. Having set forth the activities of the month in such prose as he can muster, he scratches about among his commonplace books, old magazines, etc. to find little tid-bits with which to inject into AVE that sprightliness and sparkle, that wit and piety and wisdom which his stern Superior tells him he must achieve.

Have pity on the "Editor." Give him something to edit. There are poets and poetesses among our parishioners. There may be those who have no gift for verse, but who are men and women of prayer, and who could from time to time strike off a paragraph of pithy piety, not untinged with humour. We might even have an occasional "Letter to the Editor" about some timely topic. And those who are utterly destitute of a gift for composition in verse

or prose might submit interesting items from treasured scrap-books—documented, when possible, with author and source. One caution—brace yourself for the reception of an occasional rejection slip. That is the only trick we editors know for bolstering up our egos!

By the way, here is the latest tid-bit — to help fill up this page:

There once was a metaphysician,  
Who said that he didn't exist;  
And when he'd explained his position,  
They said that he wouldn't be missed.

Can you send us a better one? — THE EDITOR.

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**T**HE Bishop of the Diocese has appointed Friday, March the twenty-fifth, as the day for the administration of the Sacrament of Confirmation. In preparation for the Bishop's visit there will be six lectures given on Monday evenings in the Lady Chapel at a quarter past eight, commencing on Monday, February the fourteenth. Three of these lectures occur during the month of February, as follows:

February 14—The God We Christians Worship—Father Eckman, S.S.J.E.  
February 21—What We Believe about Jesus Christ—The Father Rector.  
February 28—The Body of Christ, The Holy Catholic Church—The Father Rector.

These lectures do not furnish the only preparation for confirmation. The entire course of six lectures will cover, it is true, the most important fundamentals of Christian faith and practice, and anyone is welcome to attend, whether confirmed or not. But the clergy will, in addition, have individual conferences, with their candidates, and will suggest certain books for study. Children will be prepared for the sacrament by the Sisters, under the direction of Father Eckman.

Let us be clear about the nature of Confirmation. It is a sacrament—that is, an outward and visible sign of an inward and spiritual grace. The Bishop, the successor of the Apostles, lays his hands on the head of the candidate, with an invocation of the Holy Spirit. Thereby we believe that the gift of the Holy Spirit

received in Holy Baptism is augmented, so that he who receives this added grace is strengthened to fight more manfully against sin, the world and the devil, and is better enabled to continue Christ's faithful soldier and servant unto his life's end.

Originally, Baptism and Confirmation were administered together, and the Eastern Church still retains the practice of this twofold rite. In the Orthodox Church a baby is baptized and confirmed at the same time. The Confirmation is accomplished by means of holy oil blessed by the bishop and administered by the priest. After that, the infant is given his first Holy Communion, not to be repeated till after the age of seven. But in the Western Church the Sacraments of Baptism and Confirmation have been separated, and the Rite of Confirmation has been traditionally reserved to the Bishop. In that way, Confirmation has come to be the gateway to the Eucharist.

There are certain advantages in this procedure. In our Anglican Confirmation, the child, young though he may be, has an opportunity to affirm the promises made for him by his sponsors in Baptism, and voluntarily assumes the promises then made for him and on his behalf. There are two emphases in our Anglican service of Confirmation. The first is the given element—the grace received by the laying on of hands, symbolic of the Apostolic commission; the second, the voluntary assumption on the part of the candidate of those responsibilities undertaken for him by his sponsors in Baptism, which he now ratifies of his own free will.

This double reference—toward God and toward man—is typical of the deeper truths of our religion. Salvation is offered us—indeed, it is already won for us—but we must enter into the victory Christ has won by our own moral effort. We are risen with Christ—yet only if we have died with Him—to sin, and to the allurements of the carnal life. God is Love—yet only known and loved by those who have abandoned lesser loves and given their hearts to Him. So we come, strengthened by the gift of the Holy Spirit in Confirmation, meekly to receive Him, who is the first-born of creation, the image of the invisible Father, God, our Lord.

Those who desire to be confirmed this year should give their names to one of the clergy. Parents who have children to be instructed for confirmation should notify Father Eckman or one of

the Sisters. Don't make the mistake of putting off your children's confirmation on the ground that they cannot completely understand the Christian faith. The best age is from nine to twelve—not later. At that age a boy or girl can learn to love the Lord Jesus and to hate sin and to reverence Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament, from which he draws the grace and strength for Christian living. Is not that sufficient?

We hope for a large class this year. Many of you might be able to do a real missionary work by bringing some unconfirmed person regularly to the course of lectures. Such people will be under no obligation to be confirmed, but the Holy Spirit might win them to a deeper faith in God, and might convince them of the importance of sharing fully in the sacramental life of the Church.

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**T**HE annual meeting of St Mary's Guild was held on January the fifth, and the following officers were re-elected:

Mrs Warrington G. Lewis, President.  
Mrs Newbury Frost Read, Vice-President and Treasurer.  
Miss Hildegard Nicholas, Recording Secretary.  
Mrs Lawrence Davis, Corresponding Secretary.

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**T**HE Father Rector has, as you know, been giving a most interesting course of lectures on Japan, illustrated by postcards, and by excellent pictures, both in black and white and in colour, which he took himself during his trip last spring. At a time when public sentiment is markedly antagonistic to the Japanese people, perhaps without complete justification, it is surely a privilege to learn at first hand of the fascinating culture which lies back of one of the world's oldest and greatest civilizations. The excellent attendance at the lectures is a tribute to the skill of the lecturer as well as the intrinsic interest of the subject. Don't miss the last two of the series. They are held in St Joseph's Hall on Friday evenings, and commence promptly at eight-fifteen. The titles are as follows:

Friday, February 11 — Nara, the Buddhist Rome.  
Friday, February 25 — Kyoto, City of the Arts.

**A**T the annual meeting of St Mary's Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary held on January the fourteenth, the following officers were elected for the year 1938:

Mrs John F. Southmayd, President.  
 Miss Edna S. Finch, First Vice-President.  
 Mrs James H. Carll, Second Vice-President.  
 Miss Ethel Jones, Treasurer.  
 Mrs James R. English, United Thank-Offering Custodian.  
 Mrs William C. Dickey, Recording Secretary.  
 Miss Elizabeth M. Bryan, Corresponding Secretary.

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**E**VERY so often it is necessary to call to your attention the financial needs of St Mary's. We are not a wealthy parish, nor are we heavily endowed; and such endowments as we have are yielding far less income than formerly. Many of you are doing all that you reasonably can toward the support of your church by making generous pledges and seeing that they are faithfully paid up. There is another way, though, of helping St Mary's financially — a way far less painful than your weekly almsgiving! That is to make a generous provision in your will for the work of the church which has for years ministered to your spiritual needs.

Many people are simply careless about making a will. They keep putting it off until a more suitable time, and then perhaps a stray microbe finishes them off before they ever get around to making a proper disposition of their worldly goods. A few people are foolishly morbid on the subject. We remember a wealthy old woman who would not allow death to be mentioned in her presence, and walked out of the room if anyone did so. This sensitiveness on the subject of death did not prevent her from dying herself eventually, but it did lead to endless and bitter litigation over her estate. Of course she had made no will.

We urge you, then, as a Christian duty, even if you have only a few hundred dollars, to make a clear and sensible will. Provide for those of your family who are in any need, and of the share that you set aside for charity, give as generously as you can afford

to your church. It is best to use a set form, so that your intentions will without fail be carried out. Here is one for your convenience:

"I hereby give, devise and bequeath to THE SOCIETY OF THE FREE CHURCH OF ST MARY THE VIRGIN, a corporation organized and existing under the Laws of the State of New York, and having its principal office at 145 West 46th Street, New York City, ..... (here stating the nature or amount of the gift)."

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**A**LL the Fathers wish to express their thanks to those who have so generously responded to the appeal for phonograph records in the last two issues of AVE. We have the foundation now of a really fine library of recorded music, covering a wide range of artists and composers. Certainly it has been a merry Christmas for us, and these gifts are of the kind that go on giving pleasure through the years. We shall not, like Oliver Twist, ask for more, but we may be permitted to hint that there is still room on our record shelves for additions! Again, many thanks!

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**C**ORPORATE Communions for the month of February are announced as follows:

Wednesday, February 2, 9:30: St Mary's Guild.  
 Thursday, February 3, 9:30 (Mission House): Associates of the Sisterhood of the Holy Nativity.  
 Sunday, February 6, 9:00: Guild of St Mary of the Cross, Guild of St Mary of Nazareth, The Church School.  
 Wednesday, February 9, 9:30: St Mary's Guild.  
 Sunday, February 13, 9:00: Knights of St Mary.

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**D**URING the month of February the altar flowers are given in memory of the following:

February 2 — Purification of the B.V.M. Ursula Dumont Arnold.  
 February 6 — Octave of the Purification. Reuben R. F. Richardson.  
 February 12 — Lincoln's Birthday. Mrs Archibald D. Russell.

## FROM THE PARISH REGISTER

## BAPTISMS

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

December 26 — Carole Lea Heimann (Infant).

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

## KALENDAR FOR FEBRUARY, 1938

1. Tu. St Ignatius, B.M. Com. St Bridget, V.
2. W. THE PURIFICATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY. Blessing of Candles. Procession and High Mass, 11 a.m.
3. Th. St Blasius, B.M.
4. F. St Gilbert, Ab.C. *Abstinence.*
5. Sa. St Agatha, V.M.
- ✕ 6. Su. Epiphany V.
7. M. *Feria.* Chantry Masses.
8. Tu. *Feria.*
9. W. *Feria.* Votive of the Sacred Heart.
10. Th. St Scholastica, V.
11. F. *Feria.* Votive of the Holy Cross. *Abstinence.*
12. Sa. *Feria.* Masses of St Mary. Solemn Votive Mass and Procession, 11 a.m. (Acolytes' Festival).
- ✕ 13. Su. SEPTUAGESIMA.
14. M. St Valentine, P.M.
15. Tu. *Feria.* Chantry Masses.
16. W. *Feria.*
17. Th. *Feria.* Votive of the Blessed Sacrament.
18. F. *Feria. Abstinence.*
19. Sa. *Feria.*
- ✕ 20. Su. SEXAGESIMA.
21. M. *Feria.* Chantry Masses for names in the Chantry Book.
22. Tu. St Joseph of Arimathea, C.
23. W. Vigil.
24. Th. ST MATTHIAS, AP.
25. F. *Feria. Abstinence.*
26. Sa. *Feria.* Masses of St Mary.
- ✕ 27. Su. QUINQUAGESIMA.
28. M. *Feria.* Chantry Masses.

*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 FEBRUARY

## FEBRUARY 2. — PURIFICATION OF THE B.V.M.

MASS, "Missa dorica" . . . . .	Schroeder
Motet, "Sancta Maria" . . . . .	Victoria

## FEBRUARY 6. — EPIPHANY V.

MASS, "Messe solennelle" . . . . .	Franck
Motet, "Laudate cæli" . . . . .	Benevoli

## EVENSONG:

Magnificat and Nunc dimittis (Short Service) . . . . .	Gibbons
Motet, "Panis angelicus" . . . . .	Titcomb

## FEBRUARY 12. — ACOLYTES' FESTIVAL.

MASS, "Missa O quam gloriosum" . . . . .	Victoria
Motet, "Jubilate Deo" . . . . .	Gabrieli
Motet, "O sacrum convivium" . . . . .	Aichinger

## FEBRUARY 13. — SEPTUAGESIMA SUNDAY.

MASS in C . . . . .	Rheinberger
Motet, "O admirabile commercium" . . . . .	Palestrina

## EVENSONG:

Magnificat, Tone II, with <i>faux-bourbons</i> . . . . .	Willan
Nunc dimittis, Tone III, with <i>faux-bourbons</i> . . . . .	Willan
Motet, "Jesu dulcis memoria" . . . . .	Victoria

## FEBRUARY 20. — SEXAGESIMA SUNDAY.

MASS in C . . . . .	Henschel
Motet, "O salutaris hostia" . . . . .	Tallis

## EVENSONG:

Magnificat and Nunc dimittis (Second Service) . . . . .	Byrd
Motet, "Adoramus te, Christe" . . . . .	Rosselli

## FEBRUARY 27. — QUINQUAGESIMA SUNDAY.

MASS in G . . . . .	Schubert
Motet, "Adoramus te, Christe" . . . . .	Corsi

## EVENSONG:

Magnificat and Nunc dimittis, Tone VI, with <i>faux-bourbons</i> . . . . .	Tomkins
Motet, "O bone Jesu" . . . . .	Bai

## 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 Communions, 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.

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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.	

## SACRAMENTS AND OTHER RITES

## 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  
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the day of the funeral. It is the usual custom at St Mary's  
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**MUSIC.**—Arrangements for music at weddings or funerals should  
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