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THE RETOR'S MESSAGE

WITH the large number of out-of-town visitors expected in New York this summer in connection with the World's Fair we have decided to make a special effort to hold the Sunday services at St Mary's at their winter level of excellence. The entire choir will be on hand throughout the Summer, and will continue to sing the beautiful music for which St Mary's is famous. A complete list of the summer music will be found elsewhere in AVE. In addition, it has seemed to me important to secure as preacher at the Sung Mass on Sundays someone who could bring a worthwhile message to our congregations. I count the parish fortunate in having secured as our special preacher on the Sundays from June eighteenth to August thirteenth the Reverend Bernard Iddings Bell, of Providence, Rhode Island. Dr Bell is one of the most outstanding of the Church's theologians, writers and preachers, and I am happy, indeed, that he has agreed to accept my invitation to be with us on the Sundays named. We hope to secure some other outstanding preacher for the remaining Sundays of the summer.

The Summer Home at Keyport, New Jersey will be open as usual during the months of July and August. Final details as to plans have not as yet been worked out, but I am endeavouring to secure a priest to have general superintendence of the Summer Home, and to have him assisted, as in past years, by men and women of our congregation.

As the time of my own departure from this beloved parish draws near, I feel impelled to send a parting word of counsel to friends and parishioners who have shown themselves so faithful during the past years. That word is: "Loyalty and Faith" — loyalty to this great parish; faith in its future. As the Church is greater
than any individual priest, the Parish is greater than any individual Rector. It is a mistaken loyalty, and but a poor Christianity, which withdraws from a parish because some well-loved priest has gone elsewhere. Such actions form a sad commentary on the work accomplished by the priest in question. For every true priest tries to draw men and women not to himself, but rather to Christ our Lord. “He must increase, but I must decrease.” Those who do appreciate what the other Fathers and I have tried to accomplish during the past years can best show that appreciation now by rallying to the support of St Mary’s. Be loyal!

And have faith! God who has begun a good work here, through the years that are past, will surely perform it through the years to come. Your new Rector, when he finally comes, will be found to be a worthy and true leader. In the meantime, the Trustees of the parish, faced with the heavy responsibility of calling him, deserve your support and your prayers. A Board of Trustees responsible for the temporal affairs of the parish was the arrangement favoured and set up by Father Brown, the saintly founder of the parish, as best adapted for assuring perpetuity of Catholic teaching and Catholic worship here at St Mary’s. The wisdom of this arrangement has been demonstrated through past years, and nothing has occurred to make me believe that some other arrangement — an elected Vestry, for example — would be superior to our present system. During my Rectorship the Trustees have always acted in perfect harmony with the Rector. They have never attempted to interfere with the Rector’s responsibility — the conduct of the services and the worship of the Church. They have confined themselves strictly to administering in trust the “temporalities” of the parish. They will now do their best to secure for the parish a competent Rector who will carry on our Catholic traditions. But they need your prayers and your sympathy. And I am confident that they will have both.

It has been a privilege to serve St Mary’s. It will be hard to leave, but I have no misgivings as to the future. “Loyalty and Faith.” Those must be our watchwords now.

Affectionately your friend and Rector,

Sincerely yours,

[Signature]

The summer schedule at St Mary’s will begin this year on Sunday, June the fourth, but on that Sunday, being Trinity Sunday, and on the next Sunday, being Sunday within the Octave of Corpus Christi, there will be a High Mass, instead of the usual Sung Mass. After June the fourth, Matins and Evensong will no longer be said publicly in church; Sunday Vespers will be omitted, and there will be only three Masses on Sunday and one on weekdays, with an extra Mass on Thursdays and on greater feasts, as announced.

SUNDAYS
Low Masses: 7 and 9 a.m.
Sung Mass with sermon: 11 a.m.
Vespers: Omitted.

WEEKDAYS
Low Mass, daily: 7 a.m.
Low Mass on Thursdays and greater Holy Days, as announced: 9.30 a.m.
Matins and Vespers: Omitted.

CONFESSIONS
Thursdays: 5 p.m.
Saturdays: 2.30, 5 and 8 p.m.

At least one priest will be on hand for confessions at the hours noted above, but he will not remain in the church for any stated length of time, but only until the penitents on hand have been cared for. Please try to come for your confession promptly at the announced hours. If, however, these hours are impossible for you, an appointment may be made by telephone. It is always possible to make your confession immediately after the daily Masses.

THE Feast of Corpus Christi falls this year on Thursday, June the eighth. This ancient and beautiful feast was instituted by the Church in order that appropriate honours might be paid to the Blessed Sacrament of the Body and Blood of Christ at a time removed from the overpowering sadness of Holy Week. The Mass on Maundy Thursday morning is, of course, a festal High Mass with white vestments and music, in honour of our Lord’s institution of the Sacrament on that day, but our rejoicing at that time
is dimmed by the imminence of Good Friday and our commemoration of our Lord's crucifixion. So the Church wisely appointed another day, shortly after the close of Eastertide, on which we may honour our Lord in His sacramental presence, free from the shadow of the Passion.

Since it is impossible for most people to be present at High Mass on a weekday, the solemnities of the feast are usually transferred to the Sunday within the Octave. On that day we shall have the Corpus Christi High Mass, followed by a Procession of the Blessed Sacrament. The sermon will be omitted.

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At last—after over a year,—the station wagon has been given to St Mary's Summer Home, Keyport, New Jersey. It is the gift of our good friends, Mr and Mrs Thomas Ogden of London, who have already been so generous to us. Several small amounts have been given towards the purchase of the station wagon, and these will be used as a fund to keep the 'bus in operation. What a joy the 'bus will be to our people this year and in years to come, and also how greatly it will improve the operation of the Summer Home! In Merrie England, instead of saying, "fill the car with gas," the people use rather better phraseology, i.e., "fill the car with spirit!" As we fill the car with spirit which gives it the power for operation, we are reminded that by filling our lives with the Holy Spirit we shall have power to live better and enjoy life more fully. Mr and Mrs Ogden have made the gift of the station wagon quite complete, including insurance to cover the coming season. Certainly if everyone who goes to the Summer Home, and others too, could express themselves personally to our English friends, they would all be saying, "Thank you very much, and God bless you!"

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The Guild of St Mary of the Cross has been unusually busy during the past season—not only having fun themselves, but by helping others to be happy. The ladies have made one hundred and ten NEW garments, and sent them to Canada for the poor people in the district of Muskoka. Father Palmer has written to tell us how much these new dresses mean to the poor children in his district. They are usually accustomed to wearing any old things which can be secured for them. The ladies have also contributed a number of new pillow tickings for the Summer Home at Keyport, plus a number of new blankets.

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Sarah Louie Cook, whose munificent bequest to our parish made the present church buildings possible, passed into Life Eternal on the twenty-first day of July. On that day her soul will be remembered at a seven o'clock Requiem Mass to be said in the Chantry.

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Requiems for the repose of the souls of the faithful departed are celebrated in the Chantry Chapel on every Monday at seven in the morning, unless that day happens to be a festival, or within an octave, in which case the Requiem is said on the first free day following. The priest will be glad to commemorate at the altar any names sent to the sacristy before the Mass.

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The Feast of the Assumption, or the Falling Asleep of the Blessed Virgin Mary, occurs on August the fifteenth, and is a holy day of obligation when Catholics should be present at Mass. There will be Masses in the church at seven and nine-thirty on that day.

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As the summer approaches, plans are being made for vacations. But vacations from the practice of our religion are not desirable even in the summer. It is usually possible, if care is taken beforehand, to choose for our vacation some place where it is possible to get to Mass on Sundays. That is of obligation for Catholics, and quite as important—if our vacation is to be profitable—as pleasant scenic surroundings or a good beach for bathing.

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Those who are fortunate enough to escape from the hot city for the summer, or at least for a part of it, ought to remember the plight of those who cannot enjoy even a brief "breathing spell" without the help of those more blessed in the world's goods. St Mary's Summer Home, at Keyport, New Jersey, for many years
past has made possible a delightful time of change and rest for some of our parishioners who otherwise would have no holiday. The Home will be performing this same service this summer, but it takes money to keep it open. Please send some gift, however small, for the Summer Home to our Treasurer, Mr Newbury Frost Read, at 373 Fifth Avenue, before you leave for your own vacation. You will have a happier time if you have thus shared with others.

FROM THE PARISH REGISTER

BAPTISMS

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

April 2 — Randolph Hunter Jackson (Adult)
April 8 — Frederick Charles Schmidt, 3rd (Infant)
April 23 — Carol Isobel Stoving (Infant)
April 23 — Kenneth Alfred McAdams (Infant)

MARRIAGES

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

April 24 — Thomas Jules Lanyon and Mildred Lee Giesler

BURIALS

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

April 25 — Charles Frederick Mampoteng
April 28 — Christina Maresca

THE altar flowers during the months of June, July, August and September are given in memory of the following:

June 4 — Trinity Sunday. Ellen Knight.
June 18 — Second Sunday after Trinity. In memory of departed members of the Guild of St Mary of the Cross.
June 24 — Nativity of St John Baptist. George W. Lewis.
July 2 — Fourth Sunday after Trinity. Emily Spence.
July 9 — Fifth Sunday after Trinity. John Perrin Appleton, Priest.
July 16 — Sixth Sunday after Trinity. Benedita Carstens.
July 23 — Seventh Sunday after Trinity. Orpha P. Johnson.
July 25 — St James. James Harvey Carll.
July 30 — Eighth Sunday after Trinity. Anna J. Appleton.
August 13 — Tenth Sunday after Trinity. Andrew Pfau.
August 20 — Eleventh Sunday after Trinity. Peter Mattison and Angelina Mattison.
August 27 — Twelfth Sunday after Trinity. Lillian T. Blackford.
September 8 — Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Glover Crane Arnold.
September 17 — Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity. Harry B. Livingston.
September 24 — Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity. Mary Fell Pfau.

Of your charity pray for the happy repose of their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed. Requiescant in aeternam.
CONTRIBUTIONS for AVE are gratefully acknowledged as follows: Miss Helena Appleton, $1; Miss Margaret Barrows, $1; Mrs H. B. Livingston, $1; Miss Marjorie Spencer, $2; Mrs T. J. Williams, $1.25; Edith St Loe Saunders, $2.

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KALENDAR FOR JUNE

1. Th. In Octave of Whitsunday.
4. Su. TRINITY SUNDAY. Masses, 7, 9 and 11 (High Mass).
5. M. St Philip Neri, C. Com. St Boniface, B.M.
6. Tu. St Joan of Arc, V. Com. St Norbert, B.C.
12. M. In Octave.
18. Su. TRINITY II. Masses, 7, 9 and 11.
20. Tu. Feria.
26. M. In Octave St John Baptist.
27. Tu. In Octave.
KALENDAR FOR JULY

1. Su. OCTAVE OF NATIVITY OF ST JOHN BAPTIST.
4. Tu. Translation of St Martin, B.C.
5. W. Feria.
11. Tu. Feria.
16. Su. TRINITY VI. Masses, 7, 9 and 11.
18. Tu. Feria.
19. W. St Vincent de Paul, C.
23. Su. TRINITY VII. Masses, 7, 9 and 11.
29. Sa. St Martha, V.
30. Su. TRINITY VIII. Masses, 7, 9 and 11.
31. M. St Ignatius Loyola, C.

KALENDAR FOR AUGUST

4. F. St Dominic, C. Abstinence.
12. Sa. St Clare, V.
16. W. In Octave Assumption.
18. F. In Octave. Abstinence.
23. W. Vigil.
25. F. St Louis, (K.) C. Abstinence.
27. Su. TRINITY XII. Masses, 7, 9 and 11.
28. M. St Augustine, B.C.D.
### Kalendar for September

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SUMMER MUSIC LIST (Continued)

AUGUST 27. — TRINITY XII.
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  Motet, "O salutaris hostia"  Handl

SEPTEMBER 3. — TRINITY XIII.
  Mass, "Missa octavi toni"  Anerio
  Motet, "Ave Maria"  Verdonck

SEPTEMBER 10. — TRINITY XIV.
  Mass, "Missa Misericordias Domini"  Rheinberger
  Motet, "Ego sum panis vivus"  Byrd

SEPTEMBER 17. — TRINITY XV.
  Mass, "Missa secunda"  Hassler
  Motet, "A Prayer to Mary"  Brahms

SEPTEMBER 24. — TRINITY XVI.
  Mass, "Missa in honorem Sancte Clare Assisiensis"  Rieche
  Motet, "Ave Maria"  Victoria

*First time.

*SUMMER SCHEDULE OF SERVICES*

SUNDAYS
  Low Mass  7 and 9 a.m.
  Sung Mass, with sermon  11 a.m.

WEEK DAYS
  Mass, daily  7 a.m.
  Also on Thursdays (and greater Holy Days)  9:30 a.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 6 p.m.

CONFESSIONS
  Thursdays, 5 p.m.; Saturdays, 2:30, 5 and 8 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.

The Parish Secretary’s office is open at the following times:
  Mondays to Fridays  9:15 to 1 and 2 to 5

Closed on legal holidays and Saturdays (June 1 to September 3).
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, 10.30 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 missions of the Church. 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. Supper, Sewing and Games, Tuesdays, 6:30 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, in charge.

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