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Dear Parishioners of Saint Mary's: ----

Lent has come and gone, and now with the whole Church Catholic we are joyfully commemorating the resurrection of our Most Holy Redeemer. All of us who have received God's grace, through the manifold ways in which He has blessed us, have gone higher in the daily climb in our Christian living, for the grace of God is never wasted. We have fasted with Jesus and we have even suffered with Jesus by virtue of our union with Him in His Passion. For His sake we have been carrying our crosses. For His sake, perhaps, we have endured ridicule patiently. We have been misunderstood even by our friends, and we have accepted this misunderstanding cheerfully for the sake of Him "who came unto His own and His own received Him not."

Yes, by the cross and passion of Our Blessed Lord, we have been brought unto the glory of His resurrection. Oh, may we cling to the higher level of Christian living. It is true that special Lenten fasting and abstinence are over for another year, but let us hold the ground gained through a better disciplined life that this Lent may not have been wasted. Let us hold to our greater generosity in our prayer life, our better-prepared for communions, our deeper penitence, our more frequent attendance upon God's good things in God's House. Let us hold to our more persistent resistence in the face of temptation. In short, let us make the joy of the Easter Feast of 1940 an abiding joy that will carry us enthusiastically forward into ever closer union with the Risen and Glorified Christ.

Affectionately,



THOSE who are receiving the Sacrament of Holy Confirmation, administered by Bishop Manning on the evening of Low Sunday, March 31, are receiving first communion as members of the Confirmation Class of 1940 at the nine o'clock Mass on the Second Sunday after Easter, April 7. First confessions, generally speaking, will be made on Saturday, April 6. May those strengthened by God's Holy Spirit in their Confirmation persevere in the grace of that Holy Spirit unto their life's end!

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WCH good has come from the series of lectures on "The Church and the Ministry" that was given here at Saint Mary's during Lent under the auspices of the Clerical Union for the Maintenance and Defence of Catholic Principles. Many Episcopalians who value their Catholic heritage have beheld this heritage in a clearer light. Many isolated Catholics have taken heart again in a time when the Faith, held by the Episcopal Church and definitely enunciated in the Book of Common Prayer, is being watered down and otherwise tampered with. Many uninformed Episcopalians have come to see what is the teaching of their own Church in matters of faith and practice. Not a few have learned that recent attacks on the three-fold ministry of the Church bishops, priests and deacons — are in reality attacks on the authority of the Church as well. It was our privilege to have these lectures delivered on home ground. For our part, it is our hope that more such lectures may be given here and elsewhere throughout the Church. A fully instructed laity (and clergy, for that matter) will not so easily be swept off its feet by that which on the surface appears to be so broad and kind, but which in reality is but a new cause of disunion in Christendom. In the words of one of the Church's collects let us pray "Give us grace that being not like children, carried away with every blast of vain doctrine, we may be established in the truth of thy holy Gospel."

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THE special preacher at High Mass on the Fourth Sunday after Easter, April 21, will be the Very Reverend Hughell E. W. Fosbroke, D.D., Dean of the General Theological Seminary, New York City. It will be a pleasure again to welcome Dean Fosbroke to Saint Mary's where he has so kindly consented to preach from time to time.

THE recently organized Guild of Saint Francis for young people has had a good beginning. The young people of Saint Mary's who know each other wish to welcome into this guild the young people who worship with the Saint Mary's family but who are not acquainted with the other members of the family. The regular Sunday evening meetings are for brief religious instruction and a social get-together. Many good times are being planned. Best of all, there is a Corporate Communion scheduled for the second Sunday in each month at the nine o'clock Mass.

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YOUR three priests are busily at work making pastoral calls. One of our chief joys is meeting with the sheep of the flock of Christ in their homes. We want to know you better that we may serve you better. We want you to know us in normal times that we may not be strangers to you in your hour of greatest need. "Ourselves your servants for Jesus' sake." THE Book of Common Prayer at the close of the Sacrament of Holy Unction gives the following direction: "The Minister is ordered, from time to time, to advise the People, whilst they are in health, to make Wills arranging for the bestowal of their temporal goods, and, when of ability, to leave Bequests for religious and charitable uses." Some Christians regard the making of a will as morbid when in reality is it just plain common sense. It is more than that, it is a kindness to the nearest survivors to arrange definitely for the disposal of all earthly possessions. In one's will it is a privilege, as well as a duty, to remember members of a family and close friends, especially if they are among the needy. It is also a privilege as well as a duty to present to Our Blessed Lord such gifts as we can for the furtherance and maintenance of charitable and religious work.

Have you remembered Saint Mary's in your will? Have you done so out of gratitude for the nurture and care she has extended to you during the years? Have you done so to express your appreciation of the glories of Catholic Worship which you have been privileged to enjoy in this parish? Do you wish to hand on these blessings and joys to the generations that are yet to come? Then, of your Christian love, make Saint Mary's a beneficiary in your will. The legal form of bequest follows:

"I give, devise and bequeath the sum of......dollars to the Society of the Free Church of Saint Mary the Virgin, a religious corporation duly organized under the laws of the State of New York, and located at 139 West 46th Street, New York, New York."

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THERE is great need for articles of clothing for the needy of the parish and for the needy of the Mission of Saint Mary's in the Mountains, Sewanee, Tennessee. Some thoughtfulness on the part of our readers will result in the delivery of such clothing to the Mission House, 133 West 46th Street. We shall be deeply grateful for your response to this worthy appeal for those less fortunately blessed with this world's good than ourselves.

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MY PRAYER

I pray the Holy Family To bless, wherever you may be, Your precious soul, your heart so brave: For them I whisper, "Jesu, save!"

When through the day we are apart, And I am busy in the mart, I often tear my thoughts from trade And softly whisper, "Mary, aid!"

And when at last the day is done, And stars replace the guardian sun, To bless you till the coming day I gently whisper, "Joseph, pray!"

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H.E.H.

PREPARATION for Easter had been arduously made. Lent seemed to be of short duration. Palm Sunday had come before the long season of penitence and fasting had even begun, and the exciting dreariness of Holy Week had passed quickly by. The Parish Priest was weary through and through, but he was exceedingly happy. Had there not been great signs of spiritual alertness on the part of his flock? Had there not been lost sheep who had returned to the fold? Had not new souls been won? Best of all, his utter weariness had been completed by long hours in the confessional, for his people had done much soul-searching, the Lord had done much quickening. As he passed from the church through the sacristy on his way to needed sleep and refreshment the Priest was thankful. The morrow was the day of joy. Throngs would fill the church in his care, that the Lord's Resurrection might be thankfully commemorated.

Alleluias rang through his tired mind, lightening his heart. The great Sacrifice would be offered in honor of His Lord's triumphant rising. The Alleluias helped him, too, for there was still a sermon to be got ready. Holy Week had been so filled that there had been no time for the preparation he ordinarily made for the weekly sermon. Like a painful twinge was his momentary thought of the many who would be more intent on the sermon than the Mass. He did not want to fail them, either, for there was so much to tell, so much more than he felt able to tell, so tired was he. The Alleluias persisted. Insistently they resounded within his mind, and he permitted them full reign. There was no space for thought. In his mind and heart there were Alleluias only, but then his body made its demand. That was for sleep. . . .

Insistently the Alleluias were sounding again, and he roused himself to listen. Yes, there they were. But somehow the sound was changing. Could that tinkling really be the sound he had been hearing? Not at all. The voice he heard was his alarm-clock, calling him to a new day. Still tired, as though his sleep had been a cruel dream, he signed himself and reached out to shut off the blaring he now heard and understood. Consciousness returned slowly but his heart lightened as he arose, for though he had been called by the same old alarm this was a new day, the greatest of all the year. He dressed quickly and eagerly that he might have the more time to make preparation for Mass. Weariness was forgotten in the face of all that lay ahead. Hurrying through the dark sacristy he reached instinctively for his office book and hastened on into the Sacrament chapel he loved so dearly, and kneeling in the Presence he thanked Him for the day and all that it must mean. In saving Lauds he found the Alleluias elusive, and as he fumbled

for the word he smiled when he thought how easily it had come to him the night before. He thought too of the hindering sleepiness and then, suddenly, quicker than the dawn itself, he found his sermon. "This is the day which the Lord hath made, alleluia. We will rejoice and be glad in it, alleluia."

Offices said, preparation made, he returned to the sacristy to see that all was in readiness. Automatically, with one movement, he lifted burse, veil and pall from the vessels to make certain that a Host lay on the paten. Replacing them he glanced within the burse, another habit, to see that the corporal was in its place. Next he took up the Missal, placing markers in the places for Easter Day and the Easter Preface. Then he remembered that he had not glanced at the Ordo. No need for that, surely he thought, but his habit was a strong one. He went to the place where the Ordo hung and read "Trinity XVIII. Gloria. 2nd Collect, 'Defend us."" and turned away, satisfied. His mind was fastened on the Feast and the words had meant nothing. There was wonder in his mind about the server and he turned to go into the church to see whether he could be there. As he turned away, the words he had read entered his mind. "Trinity XVIII." "Trinity XVIII." Whatever could have made him think that? That could not be. This was Easter. He went back once more, to shake this strange cobweb from his mind. This time he read with less certainty. slowly. "Trinity XVIII. Gloria. 2nd Collect, 'Defend us,' 3rd ad. lib. Creed. Trinity Preface." He looked about him, dazed, uncertain, almost frightened. Where had those thoughts of Lent and Easter come from? Or was this just a trick, a joke played by some boy, pages carelessly torn from the Ordo. He looked at the calendar on the desk, beneath the place where the Ordo was hanging, and he looked away again, out through the window into the empty street, staring blankly. Yes, this was the Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity. This thing must be. He turned back to the vesting table and saw the color of the chalice veil. Green. Yes, this thing

must be. Slowly he reached out for the Missal and rearranged the places, leaving one ribbon in the place for Easter. Ad. lib., he thought. Then he glanced at the clock and saw that he must vest at once. The sexton came into the sacristy to signify readiness. The Priest looked more tired, he felt much older. Mass was not well said that morning.

In his study, after breakfast, habit again seized upon the Priest. Almost idly one hand reached out for a large book, the other for a pencil. Taking them, he went out and passed once more through the sacristy and on into the Sacrament chapel. There he knelt, collected himself, and sitting down he began to make his meditation. He was has own self once more. That is, except for the Alleluias which continued to ring out from within him. From the Gospel for the day, his material for meditation, his thoughts would be turned, it seemed. There was but one thing to do, and that was to yield to this wild insistence. Alleluia. Easter. Joy. The Risen One. Alleluia. Sunday. Joy. The Risen Jesus. Alleluia.

Without awareness of the fleeting time he had to be called to celebrate the Holy Mass for the second time that morning. He found the few acolytes gathered in the sacristy, and the subdued commotion in the church indicated that the people had come together too. The Priest and his attendants went in unto the altar. "Lord, have mercy ... Glory be to God on high.... The continuation of the Holy Gospel . . . I believe in one God . . ." Slowly, hesitantly, he removed chasuble and maniple and went to the pulpit. Unprepared. Lord, have mercy. But willing. More strongly, I believe. Then turning to his people he made the sign and said, "In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost." "This day is Sunday, and all Sundays are dedicated to keeping freshly in mind our Lord's Resurrection. His achievement is our hope. My text this morning is in these words. 'This is the day which the Lord hath made, alleluia. We will rejoice and be glad in it. alleluia.' "

Mass was well sung that morning.

FROM THE PARISH REGISTER

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"And they continued stedfastly in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread and the prayers."

February 6 — Sophie Charlebois Wood Gallow February 23 — Mary Van Dusen Rogers Mary Jane Irwin Nancy Louise Irwin

BURIALS

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

February 15 — John Metzger February 19 — Patrick Miller Boggs February 21 — Nena A. Freeman

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CORPORATE Communions for the month of April will be as follows:

Monday, April 1, 8:00: (The Mission House) The Associates of the Sisterhood of the Holy Nativity.

Wednesday, April 3, 9:30: St Mary's Guild.

Thursday, April 4, 8:00: The Confraternity of the Blessed Sacrament.

Sunday, April 7, 9:00: The Church School, The Guild of St Mary of the Cross, The Guild of St Mary of Nazareth.

Monday, April 8, 8:00: The Guild of All Souls.

Friday, April 12, 9:30: The Woman's Auxiliary.

Sunday, April 14, 9:00: The Guild of St Francis.

Wednesday, April 17, 9:30: The Associates of the Community of St Mary.

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D^{URING} the month of April the altar flowers are given in memory of the following people:

April 1 - The Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Martha Fiske.

- April 7- The Second Sunday after Easter, Emily Speir Arnold.
- April 14 -- The Third Sunday after Easter, Admiral Carl Theodore Vogelgesang.

April 21 - The Fourth Sunday after Easter, Glover Crane Arnold.

April 28 - The Fifth Sunday after Easter, Louise C. Read.

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

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KALENDAR FOR APRIL

- 1. M. ANNUNCIATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY.
- 2. Tu. ST JOSEPH, SPOUSE OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY. Com. St Francis of Paula, C.
- 3. W. St Richard, B.C.
- 4. Th. St Isidore of Seville, B.C.D.
- 5. F. St Vincent Ferrer, C. Abstinence.
- 6. Sa. Feria. Requiem Mass, 7.

▼ 7. Su. EASTER II.

- 8. M. Feria. Requiem Mass, 8.
- 9. Tu. Feria.
- 10. W. Feria.
- 11. Th. St Leo the Great, B.C.D.
- 12. F. Feria. Abstinence.
- 13. Sa. Feria.
- **№14.** Su. EASTER III. Com. St Julian, M.
 - 15. M. Feria. Requiem Mass, 7.
 - 16. Tu. Feria.
 - 17. W. Feria.
 - 18. Th. Feria.
 - 19. F. St Alphege, B.M. Abstinence.
 - 20. Sa. Feria.
- ₩21. Su. EASTER IV. Com. St Anselm, B.C.D.
- 22. M. Feria. Requiem Mass, 8.
- 23. Tu. St George, M.
- 24. W. Feria.
- 25. Th. ST MARK, EV.M.
- 26. F. Feria. Abstinence.
- 27. Sa. Feria.
- ¥28. Su. ROGATION SUNDAY. Com. St Paul of the Cross, C.
- 29. M. St Peter, M. (Rogation Day)
- 30. Tu. St Catherine of Sienna, V. (Rogation Day)

Days indicated by M 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 7. - Easter II.

MASS, "Missa Il bianco e dolce cigno"							
Motet, "The Veneration of the Cross"	•	·	•	F	Rac	hm	aninov
Evensong:							
Magnificat, Tone VII, with faux-bourdons							Tallis
Nunc dimittis, Tone I, with faux-bourdons							Tallis
Motet, "O bone Jesu"		•			•	•	. Bai

APRIL 14. - EASTER III.

Mass in E minor									•		Bruckner
Motet, "Laudate Dominum"	•							•	•	•	Bonamico
Evensong:											
Magnificat and Nunc dimittis	(S	eco	ond	I S	erv	vice	e)				. Byrd
Motet, "Adoramus te, Christe											Aichinger

April 21. - EASTER IV.

	MASS, "Missa O quam gloriosum"				. Victoria
	Motet, "O sacrum convivium"				
	Evensong:				
	Magnificat, Tone VIII, with faux-bourdons			Sixte	eenth Century
	Nunc dimittis, Tone III, with faux-bourdons	•			. Palestrina
	O salutaris hostia (Opus 17, No. 3)				Kromolick
	Motet, "Adoramus te, Christe"	•		Sixte	enth Century
	Tantum ergo (No. 6)	•	•	• •	. Bruckner
A	PRIL 28. — EASTER V.				
	MASS "Missa In die tribulationis"				di Lassa

MASS, "Missa in die tribulationis"	٠	•	•	•	•	dı Lasso
Motet, "Adoramus te, Jesu Christe"	•	•	•	•	•	. Handl
Evensong:						
Magnificat, Tone II, with faux-bourdons .						
Nunc dimittis, Tone VIII, with faux-bourdon	s	•			•	Holmes
Motet, "Panis angelicus"	•	•	•	•	•	Casciolini

SERVICES

SUNDAYS

Low	Mass				•	•	•	•	•	•	•	7 :3 0 a.m.
Mor	ning P	rayer				•		•	•	•	. 1	8:15 a.m.
Sung	g Mass,	with	add	ress	•				•	•	•	9 a.m.
High	n Mass,	with	seri	non						•		11 a.m.
Even	isong an	d Ber	nedio	tion,	wi	th in	stru	ction				8 p.m.

WEEK DAYS

Mass, daily			7 and 8 a.m.
Also on Wednesdays and	other day	s as announced	. 9 :3 0 a.m.
Children's Mass and cate	chism, Sa	iturdays	. 9:30 a.m.
Morning Prayer			. 7:30 a.m.
Evening Prayer (with	Litany,	Wednesdays a	nd
Fridays)			. 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 Fridays9:15 to 1 and 2 to 5Saturdays9:15 to 1Closed on legal holidays.

SACRAMENTS AND OTHER RITES

Confessions

- Father Taber: Sundays, 8:30 to 9 a.m.; Saturdays, 4 to 5 and 8 to 9 p.m.
- Father Peabody: Saturdays, 3 to 5 and 8 to 9 p.m.
- Father Craven: Thursdays, 4:30 to 5:30 p.m.; Saturdays, 3 to 5 p.m.
- A Priest can always be seen after any service.
- BAPTISMS.—Sundays at 3 p.m., by arrangement with the clergy. Proper sponsors should be chosen, and the mother should be churched.
- MARRIAGES are solemnized only after arrangement with the clergy and after three days' notice has been given. A certificate of Baptism should be produced by both parties. Those to be married should, if confirmed, receive Holy Communion. A nuptial Mass is suggested. It is against God's law to marry anyone divorced, as long as the other partner is living. Marriages are not solemnized during Lent, nor on Sundays or Christmas Day.
- SICK CALLS, Holy Unction and Communion of the Sick, on application to the clergy, in person, by telephone, or by post.
- BURIALS.—The clergy should always be consulted *before* any arrangements are made. The bodies of baptized persons may be brought to the Chantry of the church at any time before the day of the funeral. It is the usual custom at St Mary's to have the funeral service a requiem Mass.
- MUSIC.—Arrangements for music at weddings or funerals should be made directly with Mr Nold, the Director of Music.

PARISH GUILDS AND ORGANIZATIONS

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

- THE WOMAN'S AUXILIARY.—Second Fridays, Corporate Communion, 9:30 a.m. Business Meeting, 10:30 a.m. FATHER TABER, 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. FATHER TABER, *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 TABER, 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 PEABODY, Chaplain.
- GUILD OF HELP.—For forwarding the social service work of the Church. Meetings as announced from time to time. FATHER TABER, *Chaplain*.
- ST MARY'S DRAMATIC SOCIETY .--- FATHER PEABODY, Chaplain.
- GUILD OF ST VINCENT. For Altar Servers. Meetings last Wednesday of the month, 8 p.m. FATHER CRAVEN, Chaplain.
- GUILD OF ST FRANCIS. For Young Adults. Meetings first and fourth Sundays, 5:30 p.m. Corporate Communion, second Sunday, 9 a.m.
- CHURCH SCHOOL.—Saturdays, Children's Mass and catechism, 9:30 a.m. Sundays, Sung Mass, 9 a.m. FATHER CRAVEN, in charge.

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DEVOTIONAL GUILDS

- CONFRATERNITY OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT. St Mary's Ward. Corporate Communion, usually first Thursdays, 8 a.m. FATHER TABER, *Chaplain*.
- GUILD OF ALL SOULS.—St Mary's Ward. Corporate Communion, usually first Mondays, 8 a.m. Meetings as announced. FATHER CRAVEN, Chaplain.
- LIVING ROSARY OF OUR LADY AND ST DOMINIC.—St Mary's Ward. Meetings (Lady Chapel) first Fridays at 8:15 p.m. FATHER PEABODY, *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. FATHER TABER, 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 Mondays, 8 a.m., in the Sisters' Chapel in the Mission House.

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.