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Dear Parishioners of Saint Mary's:

In a little over two weeks we shall have the privilege of beginning another Lent together. The Church calls upon each one of us to withdraw a little more from the world, its noise and its incessant activity, that we may draw into more loving union with our Blessed Lord. Lent is not a time set apart for sermon tasting, nor is it a time for a self-advertising control of the human appetite. It is rather a season when Christians use the power of the Holy Ghost in making their religion ring true.

To this end, here at Saint Mary's we do not provide for many extra services or addresses. We do urge all to attend the Stations of the Cross each Friday evening when it is a pleasure to welcome into the pulpit some devoted Catholic preacher. We do provide a noonday Mass each weekday, which this year will be followed by a brief address on the Gospel for the day. We do recommend such a measure of self-discipline as will help to give strength in the hour of temptation. We do urge on the faithful more communions and better preparation for receiving the Blessed Sacrament.

May we all keep Lent in such fashion as will bring us into union with Him who offered Himself a sacrifice for us on Calvary and who still re-presents to God the Father that sacrifice in the Holy Mass. May Lent be filled with spiritual joy for each and everyone of us!

Affectionately,

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ON January the fifth, God called into Life Eternal the soul of Philip John Smith. For twenty-eight years he had faithfully served God in this parish, first as a choir boy, then as an acolyte. For many years he held the office of president of the Saint Mary's chapter of Saint Vincent's Guild. In the fall of 1939, by vote of the Trustees, he became Sacristan and Ceremonarius, which post he held until his death. Those who were privileged to serve at the altars with him will never forget the quiet dignity and reverence with which he conducted himself in the Sanctuary. Indeed, the orderly beauty of our outward worship has been due in large measure to Philip Smith's constant care. He was always at his post. He never failed. May God at length admit him to the joy of the worship of heaven itself!

ON the Eve of the Feast of the Purification, February the first, at the regular Sunday evening service at eight, candles will be solemnly blessed and distributed and there will be a Procession of Lights. On the Feast day itself, February the second, Masses will be celebrated at 7, 8 and 9:30.

On Saint Blasius’ Day, February the third, there will be the blessing of throats before each Mass.

THE annual Acolytes’ Festival will be held as usual on Lincoln’s Birthday, February the twelfth. A Solemn Votive Mass of the Blessed Sacrament will be celebrated at eleven, followed by a Procession of the Host and Solemn Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. The preacher at the High Mass will be the Reverend Harvey D. Butterfield, Rector of Saint Luke's Church, Germantown, Pennsylvania. Clergy and acolytes from many parishes, far and near, are guests of the Saint Mary’s clergy and acolytes at this great festival of devotion to our Blessed Lord in His Most Holy Sacrament. All of the congregation are invited to attend.

ON Saturday afternoon and evening, February the fourteenth, the annual pre-Lenten retreat for men will be held with the Reverend Miles L. Yates, Chaplain of the General Theological Seminary as conductor. The retreat addresses will be given at 3:00, 4:30 and 7:30. Evening Prayer will be said at six, followed by supper. The men of Saint Mary’s and their friends from other parishes are urged to avail themselves of spiritual strength by attending this retreat. Reservations for supper may be made by notifying Father Taber. Those men who have attended retreats in the past will wish to attend this retreat. It is also hoped that many other men will make this a first retreat.

Father Yates has kindly consented to preach at High Mass on Sunday, February the fifteenth.

LAST year just before the beginning of Lent a most auspicious parish dinner was held at Schrafft's, Fifth Avenue at Forty-sixth Street. This year a similar dinner is already arranged for in the same place on the evening of Monday, February the sixteenth, at six forty-five. Two of our faithful parishioners have graciously consented to speak at the dinner: Hoxie Neale Fairchild, Professor of English at Hunter College and Mrs John G. Winant, wife of the United States Ambassador to England. In due time invitations, together with applications for dinner reservations, will be mailed to all of the parishioners. Save the date.

ON Washington’s Birthday, which this year is kept on Monday, February the twenty-third, the American Church Union is holding a Regional Conference for the New York area. We of Saint Mary’s are privileged to be chosen as the hosts for this Conference. A Solemn Votive Mass of the Holy Ghost will be celebrated at eleven, at which Mass the preacher will be the Reverend Richard T. Loring, Rector of Saint David’s Church, Roland Park, Baltimore. The Mass will be followed by a luncheon at the Hotel Edison, Forty-seventh Street just west of Broadway. At the luncheon Bishop Manning will give a word of greeting and the principal address will be made by Chauncey Brewster Tinker, Sterling Professor of English Literature, Yale University. Father Dubois, Rector of Saint Agnes’ Church, Washington and Promotion Chairman of the American Church Union, will give a picture of the work and aims of this Union to which all Episcopalians who value their Catholic heritage should belong. At the close of the
addresses all present will return to Saint Mary's for Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. Luncheon reservations at one dollar each may be made through the Saint Mary's Church Office, 145 West 46th Street. A very large delegation from this parish will undoubtedly attend the devotions and luncheon.

The American Church Union is that organization in the Episcopal Church seeking to unite all of its members in worship and work, based on the conviction that, as part of the Anglican Communion, the Episcopal Church is no sect but a part of the One, Holy, Catholic, and Apostolic Church of the ages. The Union is not interested in forming a party within the Church but rather in uniting all Episcopalians in the acceptance of the Episcopal Church as part of the Catholic Church of Christ, with her three orders of the ministry as Catholic orders, her seven Sacraments as Catholic Sacraments, and the Prayer Book as a Catholic document rightly serving as guide and authority for teaching.

In these days when, from many quarters, efforts are arising to water down the faith as received by the Episcopal Church, to minimize and neglect her Sacraments, and to tamper with her ministry, the A.C.U. must let its light shine for the Catholic Cause. Your prayers and your active interest are confidently asked.

Bishop Manning has appointed the Fourth Sunday in Lent, March the fifteenth, at eight p.m., as the time for the administration of the Sacrament of Holy Confirmation here at Saint Mary's. This announcement challenges the members of the congregation to missionary zeal in bringing the un-churched to the grace of this Sacrament, whereby the Christian life begun in Baptism is strengthened by the Holy Spirit. Instructions preparatory for confirmation for boys and girls under twelve will be given by the Sisters of the Holy Nativity. Parents and godparents will kindly consult with the Sister-in-Charge. Instructions for adults will be given by Father Taber in place of the sermon at the eight o'clock service on five successive Sunday evenings, beginning with Sunday, February the eighth. The subjects of these instructions will be: The Church and the Incarnation, The Church a Power House, The Church and the Altar, The Church a Hospital for Sinners, The Church and her Precepts.

ON Shrove Tuesday, February the seventeenth, the faithful will wish to make their confessions, thus beginning Lent with the barrier of sin removed by God's mercy. The schedule for confessions on Shrove Tuesday follows:

Father Taber — 12-1, 3-5, 8-9.
Father Craven — 11-12, 4-6, 7-8.
Father Haskin — 10-11, 2-4, 7-8.

ON Ash Wednesday, February the eighteenth, Masses will be celebrated at 7, 8, 9:30, 11:00 (with sermon) and 12:10. Imposition of Ashes will precede each Mass.

THE full schedule of Lenten services is printed in a special folder which is being distributed with this copy of AVE and from the Tract Table. May this folder be a ready reminder of your many privileges!

YOUR clergy humbly suggest the following Lenten Rule.
Out of glad generosity may you break its bounds!

1. Receive Holy Communion at least once a week.
2. Make your confession on Shrove Tuesday and at the end of Holy Week.
3. In addition to attendance at Mass each Sunday, be present at one weekday Mass.
4. Attend Stations of the Cross each Friday evening.
5. Deny yourself some oft-indulged-in pleasure and add the money you would have thus spent to your Easter Offering.
6. Keep Wednesdays as well as Fridays as days of abstinence from meat.
7. Spend at least fifteen minutes each day in Bible reading, meditation and spiritual reading.
8. Be generous with your devotions, spending more time in God's House than formerly.
IN the annual report of the Woman's Auxiliary, Mrs James H. Carll, the retiring president, stated that $350 had been raised during the year 1941 which was given in part for Bishop Jenkins' work in Nevada and in part for Bishop Burton's work in Haiti. The United Thank Offering for the year amounted to $318.65. The supply work representing a total value of $443 was sent out to various missions. It is hoped that as time goes on many more of the women of the congregation of Saint Mary's will identify themselves with the missionary work of Holy Church.

At recent elections in Saint Mary's Guild and in the Woman's Auxiliary the following were chosen officers for the ensuing year:

SAINT MARY'S GUILD
President — Miss ANNE LOUISA ARNOLD.
Vice-President — MRS GENEVIEVE MORRISON.
Recording Secretary — MRS ELISIE WICKENDEN.
Corresponding Secretary — MRS LAWRENCE DAVIS.
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Corresponding Secretary — Miss ELIZABETH BRYAN.
Treasurer — Miss HELENA D. APPLETON.
United Thank Offering Custodian — MRS JOHN F. SOUTHMAYD.

ON Tuesday afternoons, February the third and tenth, at two-thirty, Father Taber is giving instructions on the Prayer Book to the Day Branches of the Woman's Auxiliary of Manhattan and the Bronx. These instructions will be held in the Guild Hall of Saint Thomas' Church, Fifth Avenue and 53rd Street.

MRS John G. Winant, wife of the United States Ambassador to England is one of the communicants of Saint Mary's of whom the parish family should feel greatly proud. She has been through several blitzes in London and she has witnessed at first hand the fine spirit of the English people, stalwartly carrying on. The Rector begged from Mrs Winant the following article in which he knows that the readers of AVE will be genuinely interested:

WHAT THE WOMEN OF ENGLAND ARE DOING

Had this great modern catastrophe not fallen upon them, English women might never have realized to what stature they could rise. Before the war they were occupied as were women in most other countries: some of them graced the social horizon, some were in business or domestic service, and still others filled the home-making jobs, which have always been considered women's work. But now that little narrow plot called “women's sphere” has spread in all directions until there scarcely remains any visible demarcation between jobs for women and jobs for men. English women are in every branch of civilian and military service, in some capacity, and it may even be true that the catalogue of their activities is longer now than that of the men, since in addition to the jobs which both share, the women still have the domestic and child-care fields largely to themselves.

Today practically every woman and girl is using her full talents in war efforts. Starting with Her Majesty the Queen and Mrs Churchill, who furnish shining examples to the rest of their countrywomen of what total war exertion can mean, and running down the ranks of English women to housewives who extinguish bombs, and little nursemaids in the country, who devote their days and night to the welfare of evacuated mites from the cities, the roster is complete.

The American public knows in a general way about the uniformed women in England and their special duties: the ATS, the WRENS, the WAFS, yet when Prime Minister Churchill's lovely young daughter, Mary, felt the call of her country’s need and enlisted in the ATS to help man the guns, her action showed us how tremendously in earnest these young women are.

And not only is it the young women who are active. I have seen a prominent elderly peeress solicitously fitting shoes to the feet of
an old charwoman who had been bombed out of her home and possessions. War service levels out social distinctions.

All of the women work, and these are the different types of work they do, some giving full, some part time, some for pay and others as volunteers:

They take charge of a great many of the barrage balloons, working in well-coordinated crews. They help with the anti-aircraft guns in the parks and work in control and plotting rooms for the R.A.F. and the Navy Air Arm.

In hospital service they do bed-side nursing as they have always done, but they do it now under blast and blitz and black-out. They also drive ambulances and portable X-Ray Units at all hours and in all weathers. Incidentally, it was a great pleasure to me to be present when New Hampshire, U.S.A., presented one of these units to Hampshire, England. Women also drive milk wagons and various other conveyances, and they act as conductors on buses.

After the blitzes it is the women who drive the mobile canteens into blasted areas, set them up, and hand out tea, soup, biscuits, and sandwiches to thousands of people for hour after weary hour. Because it is easier and more efficient to feed people en masse, communal kitchens are maintained in some areas. There is a large one in the British Museum, for instance, where nourishing and well-balanced meals are served reasonably. Even a baby can get a dish of pudding for a penny. More and more of these community feeding centers are springing up, and it is the women who are running them.

What happens to children when their mothers go into munitions plants to release men for the battle line? In most of the towns splendid day nurseries have been established with capable women in charge, where the young children are well looked after until their mothers return from work.

Much has been told about the nurseries in the country where little evacués from one to six years of age are taken care of by the owners of estates, assisted by nurses, but not so much is known about the “sick bays,” also run by women, which are homes in the country where are sent city children who, because of some physical disability, cannot be sent to the regular homes for evacués until their troubles are cured.

Each town has large halls set aside to which the wounded can be taken after raids. Here trained women, with the assistance of ARP wardens, who are sometimes men and sometimes women, administer first aid with the equipment which is in constant readiness.

Out on the farms the girl hands run tractors, milk cows, harvest the hay, and look after the stock, thus releasing man power from the farms.

Nothing is wasted in England. Economy is practiced to the point where women of the WVS go from door to door, hotel to hotel, store to store, salvaging everything imaginable. At the hotels they collect cigarette butts, papers, everything thrown into the wastepaper baskets. They even hang bags outside the shop doors, and they go so far as to sweep out the stores to retrieve scrap paper, bits of metal or anything of value.

There is no job too tough, too tedious or too menial for these women of England. They are fearless, indefatigable, uncomplaining in their service. I know that the women of America, now that their hour has struck, will serve their country in the same generous and self-sacrificing way.

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UNDER authority of General Convention, the National Council of the Episcopal Church again asks us to come to the assistance of British Missions. The need is even greater than it was in 1941. Bishop Manning urges all communicants of the Diocese to have some part in aiding this work. An envelope is enclosed for your offering, which may be placed in the collection plate at any time before February the sixteenth.

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THE Guild of Saint Mary of the Cross will hold a Cake Sale in Saint Joseph’s Hall on the afternoon of Wednesday, February the fourth, commencing at three o’clock. The proceeds will go toward the work of the Summer Home at Keyport.
FROM THE PARISH REGISTER

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

December 2 — Alice Amelia (Underhill) Ross
December 3 — William Robert Hudson
December 3 — Minna Christella Hudson
December 8 — Sarah Virginia (Roach) Wolf
December 16 — Annette Dourdan
December 26 — Dorothy Edwards Stengleine
October 7 — William Maclay Sutherland

BURIALS

"Grant them, 0 Lord, eternal rest, and may light perpetual shine upon them."

December 12 — Anna R. (Barry) King

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THE altar flowers for the month of February are given in memory of the following:

February 2 — The Purification of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Ursula Dumont Arnold
February 12 — The Acolytes' Festival. Mrs Archibald D. Russell
February 23 — American Church Union High Mass. Philip John Smith.

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

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CORPORATE COMMUNIONS for the month of February will be as follows:

Sunday, February 1, 9:00, The Guild of Saint Mary of the Cross.
Monday, February 2, 8:00 (Mission House), The Associates of the Sisterhood of the Holy Nativity.

Sunday, February 8, 9:00, The Guild of Saint Francis.
Friday, February 13, 9:30, The Woman's Auxiliary.
Wednesday, February 18, 8:00, The Associates of the Community of Saint Mary.

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KALENDAR FOR FEBRUARY

1. Su. SEPTUAGESIMA. Com. St Ignatius of Antioch, B.M., and St Bridget, V.
2. M. THE PURIFICATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY.
3. Tu. St Blasius, B.M. Com. St Ansarius, B.C.
4. W. St Gilbert of Sempringham, Ab.C.
5. Th. St Agatha, V.M.
7. Sa. St Romuald, Ab.C.
8. Su. SEXAGESIMA.
9. M. St Cyril of Alexandria, B.C.D.
10. Tu. St Scholastica, V.
14. Sa. St Valentine, P.M.
15. Su. QUINQUAGESIMA.
17. Tu. Feria. (Shrove Tuesday.)
22. Su. LENT I. Com. St Joseph of Arimathea, C.
25. W. EMBER DAY. Fast and abstinence.
28. Sa. EMBER DAY. Fast and abstinence.

Days indicated by \( \Box \) 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 FOR FEBRUARY

FEBRUARY 1—SEPTUAGESIMA
Mass, Missa Misericordias Domini ......................... Rheinberger
Motet, Sicut cervus ................................... Palestrina
EVENSONG—Eve of Purification
Magnificat, Tone VI, with faux-bourdons ................. Whitlock
Nunc dimittis, Tone Peregrinus with faux-bourdons ........ Whitlock
O salutaris (No. 1) .................................. Elgar
Motet, Adoramus te .................................. Rosselli
Tantum ergo (No. 6) .................................. Bruckner

FEBRUARY 8—SEXAGESIMA
Mass, Messe solennelle de Ste. Cécile .................... Gounod
Motet, O salutaris .................................... Tallis
EVENING—The Litany in Procession
Motet, Ave Maria ...................................... Rachmaninoff
O salutaris (No. 2) .................................... Elgar
Motet, Adoramus te .................................. di Lasso
Tantum ergo (No. 2) .................................... Reger

FEBRUARY 12—ACOLYTES' FESTIVAL
Mass, Mass in D ........................................ Henschel
Motet, Sicut cervus ..................................... Palestrina
Motet, Surge illuminare ................................ Palestrina

FEBRUARY 15—QUINQUAGESIMA
Mass, Missa Ascendo ad Patrem ......................... Palestrina
Motet, O admirabile commercium ....................... Händl
EVENING—The Litany in Procession
Motet, The Veneration of the Cross .................. Rachmaninoff
O salutaris (No. 3) .................................... Liszt
Motet, Adoramus te .................................. Peri
Tantum ergo ............................................. Desideri

FEBRUARY 18—ASH WEDNESDAY
Mass, Missa Deus genitor alme ......................... Plainchant
FEBRUARY 22—LENT I
Mass, Missa Quarti toni ................................. Victoria
Motet, Ego sum panis vivus ............................ Palestrina
Credo I ................................................ Mode IV
EVENING—The Litany in Procession
Motet, Turn Our Captivity ............................. Byrd
O salutaris ............................................. Noyon
Motet, O bone Jesu .................................... Ingegneri
Tantum ergo (No. 4) .................................. Bruckner

FEBRUARY 23—SOLEMN VOTIVE MASS OF THE HOLY SPIRIT
Mass, in E minor ........................................ Bruckner
Motet, O admirabile commercium ....................... Händl
SERVICES

Sundays

- Low Mass: 7:00 a.m.
- Morning Prayer: 7:40 a.m.
- Low Mass: 8:00 a.m.
- Sung Mass: 9:00 a.m.
- Low Mass (Lady Chapel): 10:00 a.m.
- High Mass, with sermon: 11:00 a.m.
- Evening Service and Benediction, with address: 8:00 p.m.

Week Days (February 1st to 17th, inclusive)*

- Mass, daily: 7, 8, 9:30 a.m.
  Also on greater Holy Days as announced: 11 a.m. and 12:10 p.m.
- Morning Prayer (with Litany, Fridays): 9:00 a.m.
- Evening Prayer (with Litany, Wednesdays): 6:00 p.m.
- Special Devotions, Fridays: 8:15 p.m.
- Special Devotions in time of war: 12:10 p.m.
- Wednesdays, Exposition, Intercessions and Benediction.
- Fridays, Votive Mass.

*Consult the Lenten folder for special schedule of services beginning Ash Wednesday, February 18th.

SACRAMENTS AND OTHER RITES

Confessions

- Father Taber: Fridays, 12 to 1; Saturdays, 2 to 3 and 8 to 9 p.m.
- Father Craven: Fridays, 4:30 to 5:30; Saturdays, 4 to 5 and 7 to 8 p.m.
- Father Haskin: Thursdays, 4:30 to 5:30 p.m.; Saturdays, 3 to 4 p.m.

Confessions will also be heard Sundays, 8:30 to 9:00 a.m.
A Priest can always be seen after any service.

Baptisms.—Sundays after High Mass by arrangement with the clergy. Proper sponsors should be chosen.

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 White, 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 CHURCH SCHOOL. — Sundays, Sung Mass and Instruction, 9 a.m. Corporate Communion, last Sunday, 9 a.m.

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 Craven, Chaplain.

GUILD OF ST MARY OF NAZARETH. — For Girls, Senior Group, Thursdays, 7:30 p.m. Junior Group, Fridays, 4 p.m. Corporate Communion, last Sunday, 9 a.m. Father Haskin, 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 Haskin, 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 third Sundays, 5:30 p.m. Corporate Communion, second Sunday, 9 a.m. Father Craven, Chaplain.

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