A MONTHLY BULLETIN OF THE CHURCH OF SAINT MARY THE VIRGIN NEW YORK
Dear Parishioners of St Mary’s:

It is our privilege as well as our great joy to be permitted by God’s mercy to go forward together into another full schedule of devotions and parochial work. Happily the Feast of the Dedication is kept here at Saint Mary’s on the first Sunday in October. On this festival, year by year, we give thanks to Almighty God for this true house of worship, this beautiful shrine in which we gather as a parish family for our corporate devotions. It is my earnest hope that every member of Saint Mary’s will be at one Mass on the Feast of the Dedication on October the fourth and that as many as possible will attend the High Mass on that day, for the High Mass is, after all, the normal family worship every Lord’s Day.

The family is much scattered by the exigencies of war. Many young men have gone forth from the number of our acolytes, our choir and our congregation. Though they are literally scattered to the four corners of the earth, yet they are bound to us by the strong bond of prayer. My desk is filled with their letters, scarcely one of which omits to express appreciation of the intercessions of those of us who still are carrying on in Christ’s dear name at the parish church. We shall remember them by name at the Wednesday noon Service of Exposition, Intercessions, and Benediction. We shall also remember that they with us pray each Mass that is
offered, since every member of the Church Catholic, living or
departed, saint or sinner, is part and parcel of every offering of
the Holy Sacrifice. In our own liturgy we give thanks to God the
Father Almighty who “dost assure us that we are very members
incorporate in the mystical body of his Son, which is the blessed
company of all faithful people”. Furthermore we pray to our
“Heavenly Father so to assist us with his grace that we may con-
tinue in that holy fellowship”.

This leads me to remind you that your greatest privilege is that
of the daily Mass. A day begun in union with the Son of God,
who in great humility re-presents and re-pleads the sacrifice of
Calvary in our very midst, is a day in which this union is much
more apt to be preserved through self-sacrifice. A day lived by
the grace that flows from the altar is a day in which there can be no
feeling of hopelessness or discouragement. May many such days
be yours!

Affectionately yours,

During the coming months we are planning for AVE a series
of articles on the Holy Mass, the first of which follows.

One of the most significant ceremonies of Holy Church is that of
The Asperges which properly comes before High Mass on any
Sunday. The name of this ceremony is derived from the Latin
aspergo, or “I sprinkle”, and as the name implies it is a ceremony
of sprinkling with Holy Water.

Almighty God has clothed water with marked dignity. He has
used it as an instrument of man’s sanctification. The soul that
submits to the water of Baptism finds it to be a well of water
springing up into everlasting life. By Baptism each soul is born
again into another family, the Body of Christ, and consequently
shares in the spiritual life that resides in the Church Catholic. By
Baptism each soul receives remission of sins through the water of
cleansing. By Baptism each soul is adopted as the child of God
and an heir of the Kingdom of Heaven, or, to put it differently in
the words of our Blessed Lord, “from henceforth I call you not
servants, for the servant knoweth not what his lord doeth, but I
have called you friends”.

Yes, by the use of water there is set forth the mystery of God’s
love. This is why Holy Water is at the door of the church, namely,
that it may remind us of our Baptism wherein we were first
cleansed from the stain of sin and began to live as the children of
God. This is why the celebrant before the Sunday High Mass
scatters Holy Water, namely, that it may fall on the faithful as
the dew of gladness. It is indeed the dew of gladness and as it falls
there is singing “Thou shalt purge me, O Lord, with hyssop and
I shall be clean; Thou shalt wash me, and I shall be whiter than
snow”, or, in Paschaltide, “I saw water proceeding out of the
temple, from the right side thereof, alleluia: and all they soever
to whom the water cometh, they are healed, and they say, alleluia,
alleluia.”

On September the fifteenth Father Haskin left Saint Mary’s
to become an army chaplain. He had been expecting to sever
his official relation with us and to take up a new work when the
call came to enter the service of our country. On October the
first he reports for duty at the School for Army Chaplains con-
ducted by the United States Army at Cambridge, Massachusetts.
After a four weeks’ course of instruction Father Haskin will then
without doubt be assigned to active duty at some army post. The
prayers of his many friends will be offered that he may serve in the
armed forces to God’s greater glory.
On the first of October we shall welcome to the clergy staff of Saint Mary's the Reverend John O. Bruce, a Tutor of the General Theological Seminary, Chelsea Square, New York. Father Bruce will devote only part of his time to Saint Mary's. He will continue to live at the Seminary, carrying on his work there, but he will also take a full schedule of Masses and confessions here with us.

Father Bruce is a native of Freeport, Illinois, where he received his early education in the public schools. He graduated from Hobart College with the degree of Bachelor of Arts. He is a member of Phi Beta Kappa. In 1941 he was graduated from the General Theological Seminary with the degree of Bachelor of Sacred Theology. The Bishop of Chicago ordained him to the Diaconate at Saint Luke's Church, Evanston, in June 1941, and to the Priesthood at the Church of the Redeemer, Chicago, in December 1941. He had the joy of celebrating his first Mass at the Church of the Ascension, Chicago. Father Bruce has been a Fellow and Tutor at the General Theological Seminary since September, 1941. He has also assisted at Saint Andrew's Church, Astoria, during the past year.

In a sense Father Bruce feels that he is "coming home" for Saint Mary's has been very close to his heart since he has served her altars at frequent intervals during his own seminary training.

That the members of the parish may become better acquainted with the work done by the Sisters of the Holy Nativity through our Mission House and that our other readers may know something of the nature of the work so faithfully carried on by sisters who are Mission Sisters and not enclosed Religious, we are here setting forth some of the items of interest from the annual report of the Mission House made to the Trustees at the close of the last season, June the first.

During the year covered by this report the Sisters prepared thirteen individuals for Confirmation and First Communion. They also prepared twenty-six persons for First Confession. Some one hundred and twenty-five instructions, both private and in groups, were given. Upwards of three thousand individuals were visited in their homes or came to the Mission House. The Sisters have helped with the work of many of the parish guilds, notably the Guild of Saint Mary of the Cross and the Guild of Saint Mary of Nazareth. They have also been with the women and children at the Saint Mary’s Summer Home in Keyport.

One of the most helpful works carried on by the Sisters has been the meeting with women and girls who come to them to seek help and to find God in the ways He has provided—ways often strange to many. The Sisters have made all such feel better acquainted with that which was strange, have comforted the lonely, have encouraged the despairing, have put the destitute in the way of obtaining work, and have brought together those who could help each other. Indeed, they have befriended those who have felt they have no friends, helping them with their social problems and their mental perplexities. But most of all the Sisters have constantly labored to bring those with whom they come into contact to know our Blessed Lord's love for them.

The Reverend Mother of the Sisterhood of the Holy Nativity has again asked the Sister Mary Josephine to act as head of the Saint Mary’s Mission House. She is to be assisted by the Sisters Mary Louise, Mary Angela and Ann Fidelia. Pray that their work may continue to be a witness to God’s love and a blessing to this parish and to those to whom Saint Mary’s ministers.

The most important organization in any parish is the Church School which at Saint Mary's reopens on Sunday, October the fourth, at the nine o'clock Mass. Our boys and girls attend this Mass each Sunday, following which there is a brief instruction period which closes promptly at quarter past ten.
The Sisters of the Holy Nativity will instruct the children of the ages of four through six. Father Craven will hold a class for boys and girls for the ages of seven through eleven, while Father Taber will give a series of instructions for those of the ages of twelve and over. In this last group adults who wish to form a “post-graduate” department are welcome.

The nine o'clock Mass is a Sung Mass with communions. Though not exclusively so, it is the Church School Mass at which our boys and girls together with their parents and, we hope, godparents learn to worship. Your priests and sisters will never feel happy until all of our boys and girls are in regular attendance at the Church School Mass and Instruction Sunday by Sunday.

* By tradition, each Friday night at Saint Mary's is "Church Night". It is fitting that the weekly memorial of our Blessed Lord's death on the cross be observed with special devotion. On the first Friday in each month a Holy Hour is kept; on the second Friday the Rosary is recited; on the third Friday the Stations of the Cross are said; on the fourth and fifth Fridays some special devotion, varying from time to time, is held. Every Friday Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament is given.

The Friday devotions begin at eight-fifteen and last for about an hour. It is a good habit to keep each week's commemoration of the Crucifixion with some extra devotion.

* Please notify the Church Office, 145 West 46th Street, of any change in address. By doing so you will save both the priests and the sisters from making futile calls. You will also save the office much unnecessary postage expense. If you have moved, kindly send in your new address today by telephone or mail.

We record with gratitude two gifts recently made. The first is a pair of silver cruets of unusual beauty. These are given in loving memory of Philip John Smith, who for twenty-eight years served God in this parish as choir boy, acolyte, sacristan and master of ceremonies. Philip Smith entered life eternal last January the fifth. The cruets are given by his mother out of a grateful heart that her son gave first place to his God and his Church.

The second gift is a pair of new sanctuary curtains which were sorely needed. These were designed by one of our parishioners, Mr Leslie Nobbs. Their beauty has already done much to enhance the existing beauty of our High Altar Sanctuary. These new curtains are permanent, with orphreys which can be changed for festival or ferial seasons. They are anonymously given as a thank offering to Almighty God for many blessings received through Saint Mary's.

* The Woman's Auxiliary will have as their regular day for meeting Tuesday instead of Friday. The first meeting of the new season is scheduled for Tuesday, October the twentieth, in Saint Joseph's Hall at ten-thirty a.m., following a corporate communion on that day at the nine-thirty Mass. The speaker at this opening meeting will be Mrs Grafton Burke, widow of the Reverend Father Burke, beloved missionary in Alaska for so many years. Mrs Burke worked along with her husband among the native children. Mrs Burke will speak to the Auxiliary about the work she is now doing for the Seaman's Church Institute.

It is earnestly hoped that all of the women of the congregation will attend the October meeting at which the knitting done through the Auxiliary for the Merchant Marine will be gathered together and exhibited.
WHAT is Saint Mary's Summer Home? Indeed, it is aptly described by its title. In Keyport, New Jersey, parishioners who might not otherwise enjoy a vacation are brought together, and there opportunities for worship, fellowship and recreation abound. It is truly a home, open to all who can benefit by it in summertime, and it is Saint Mary's, Forty-Sixth Street, come to the seashore.

Another season has passed and in retrospect all should be glad for their parts in the Summer Home. Those who provided the funds for this parochial project can be reassured of appreciation for their generosity, and those who enjoyed its fruits can be assured of strength and refreshment for the coming year's work as Christian people.

St Mary's Guild and the Guild of St Mary of the Cross should be commended particularly for their works in the Home's behalf. The former keeps St Anne's Chapel plenteously supplied with altar linens; and the latter expends much of its corporate energy in raising money for the Home's support. All will remember the Minstrel Show, given last May, and the annual Fair, as marks of their activity.

The season just completed passed quietly, therefore successfully. More than one hundred persons enjoyed the Home's hospitality for periods varying in length. There was no serious sickness. Fortunately for those who needed something to complain about to complete their happiness, there was an abundance of mosquitoes, so nothing at all was missing.

Mrs George Smith deserves especial praise for her careful and economical management of the kitchen. Each year this department is operated efficiently, and the bravest cheers on Going Home Day are always given Mrs Smith and her ready helpers.

Father Taber and the Parish Treasurer visited the Summer Home frequently, their helpfulness and friendliness being constantly appreciated. The Sisters Mary Josephine and Mary Louise assisted in making the Home a place of rest and recreation. Father Craven again served as Chaplain.

FROM THE PARISH REGISTER

BAPTISMS

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

June 6 — Carol Ann Jones (Infant)
June 30 — Walter Jay Gould (Infant)
August 2 — Frost Birnie Wilkinson, II (Infant)
August 23 — Alfred Charles Smith, Jr. (Infant)

CONFIRMATIONS

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

June 19 — Richard Joseph Blank
August 1 — Mark Riggs Houser

MARRIAGES

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

May 21 — John Edward Storey and Matilda Elizabeth Turner
May 30 — Andrew Patrick Breen and Mildred Elizabeth Frey
June 6 — Walter Edgar Frieman and Elise Dorothea Beyer
August 17 — Charles Moran and Dorothea Waters

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

June 9 — Mr and Mrs Leonard Brady
Leonard Brady, Jr.
Miss Joan Brady
June 17 — Miss Sarah Catherine Lechtman
August 24 — Romeyn Donald Balaslay
August 26 — Mrs Vera Frances Winfield Wong

BURIALS

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

July 2 — Marilyn Anne Romano

DURING the month of October the altar flowers are given in memory of the following:

October 4 — The Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity.
Virginia Wittens Blanchard.
October 11 — The Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity.
  Thomas Coit Fanning and Cornelia Lane Fanning.

October 12 — Matilda Elizabeth Turner.

October 18 — Saint Luke's. The Twentieth Sunday after Trinity.
  Wallace Clarke Brackett.

October 25 — The Twenty-First Sunday after Trinity.
  Elliott Daingerfield and Anna Grainger Daingerfield.

October 28 — SS. Simon and Jude.
  Jane and Margaret Wilson.

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

The Corporate Communions for the month of October are as
follows:

Sunday, October 4, 9:00, The Guild of St Mary of the Cross.
Monday, October 5, 8:00 (The Mission House), Associates of
the Sisterhood of the Holy Nativity.
Wednesday, October 7, 9:30, Saint Mary's Guild.
Sunday, October 11, 9:00, The Guild of St Francis.
Tuesday, October 20, 9:30, The Woman's Auxiliary.
Sunday, October 25, 9:00, The Church School. The Guild
of St Mary of Nazareth.

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Rev. Father Taber, 145 West 46th Street, New York.

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

KALENDAR FOR OCTOBER

1. Th. St Remigius, B.C.
   Abstinence.
   XVIII and St Francis of Assisi, C.
6. Tu. St Bruno, C. Com. St Faith, V.M. Anniversary Requiem for
   George Martin Christian, Rector, 11.
7. W. Feria.
8. Th. St Brigit of Sweden, Q.W.
   Abstinence.
10. Sa. St Paulinus of York, B.C.
11. Su. TRINITY XIX.
12. M. St Wilfrid, B.C.
13. Tu. Translation of St Edward, K.C.
15. Th. St Theresa, V.
17. Sa. St Etheldreda, Q.V.
18. Su. ST LUKE, EV.M. Com. Trinity XX.
19. M. St Frideswide, V.
21. W. St Hilarion, Ab.C. Com. St Ursula and Companions, VV.MM.
22. Th. Feria.
25. Su. OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST THE KING. Com. Trinity
   XXII and SS Crispin and Crispinian, MM.
27. Tu. Vigil.
28. W. SS SIMON AND JUDE, APP.MM.
29. Th. Feria.

Days indicated by ☥ are days of precept, with an obligation of attend-
ance at Mass. Days on which votive and requiem Masses
may be said are printed in italics.
# MUSIC FOR OCTOBER

## OCTOBER 4 — Feast of the Dedication

- **Mass, Missa Secunda**
- **Motet, O quum metuendus**
- **Evensong**
  - Magnificat and Nunc dimittis
  - *O salutaris*
  - Motet, Ave Verum
  - Tantum ergo (No. 1)
- **Mass, Missa Secunda**
- **Motet, O quum metuendus**
- **Evensong**
  - Magnificat and Nunc dimittis
  - *O salutaris*
  - Motet, Ave Verum
  - Tantum ergo (No. 1)

## OCTOBER 11 — Trinity XIX

- **Mass, Missa Misericordias Domini**
- **Motet, Ego sum panis vivus**
- **Evensong**
  - Magnificat and Nunc dimittis
  - *O salutaris*
  - Motet, Adoramus te
  - Tantum ergo (No. 6)

## OCTOBER 18 — St Luke

- **Mass, Missa brevis**
- **Motet, O quum gloriosum**
- **Evensong**
  - Magnificat and Nunc dimittis
  - *O salutaris*
  - Motet, O bone Jesu
  - Tantum ergo (No. 6)

## OCTOBER 25 — Our Lord Jesus Christ the King

- **Mass, Missa in hon. Sancti Josephi**
- **Motet, Laudate Dominum**
- **Evensong**
  - Magnificat and Nunc dimittis
  - *O salutaris*
  - Motet, Adoramus te
  - Tantum ergo

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### SERVICES

#### SUNDAYS

- **Low Mass**
- **Morning Prayer**
- **Low Mass**
- **Sung Mass**
- **Low Mass (Lady Chapel)**
- **High Mass, with sermon**
- **Evensong**
  - Magnificat and Nunc dimittis
  - *O salutaris*
  - Motet, Adoramus te
  - Tantum ergo (No. 6)
- **Mass, daily**
  - 7, 8, and 9:30 a.m.
  - Also on greater Holy Days as announced
  - 11 a.m. and 12:10 p.m.
- **Morning Prayer (with Litany, Fridays)**
- **EVENING PRAYER (with Litany, Wednesdays)**
- **Special Devotions, Fridays**
- **Special Devotions in time of war**
  - 12:10 p.m.
- **Wednesdays, Exposition, Intercessions and Benediction.**
- **Fridays, Votive Mass.**
- **Other Services during the Week, and on Festivals,**
  - *as announced on the preceding Sunday.*

#### WEEK DAYS

- **Mass, daily**
  - 7, 8, and 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.
- **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 TABER: Fridays, 12 to 1; Saturdays, 2 to 3 and 8 to 9 p.m.
FATHER CRAVEN: Thursdays, 4:30 to 5:30; Saturdays, 4 to 5 and 7 to 8 p.m.
FATHER BRUCE: Fridays, 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.—Third Tuesdays, 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.

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.

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.
DEVOTIONAL GUILDS

CONFRATERNITY OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT.—St Mary's Ward. Meetings (Lady Chapel) first Fridays, 8:15 p.m. Father Taber, Chaplain.

LIVING ROSARY OF OUR LADY AND ST DOMINIC.—St Mary's Ward. Meetings (Lady Chapel) second Fridays, 8:15 p.m. Father Taber, Chaplain.

GUILD OF ALL SOULS.—St Mary's Ward. Meetings (Lady Chapel) third Fridays, 8:15 p.m. Father Taber, Chaplain.

OTHER ORGANIZATIONS


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.

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