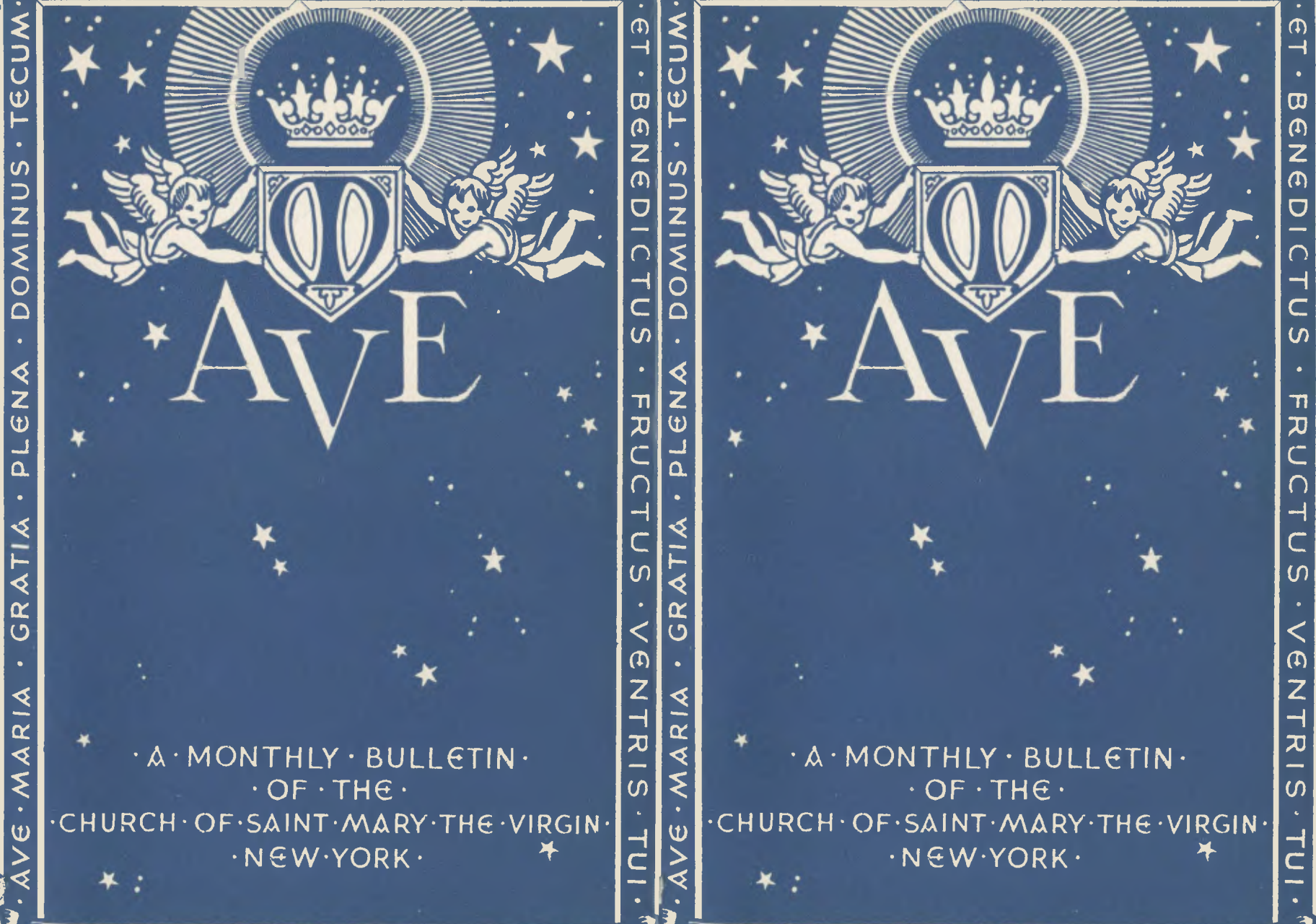


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Dear Parishioners of St Mary's,

Come with me into the observance of another Holy Week! On Palm Sunday the High Mass is begun, then suspended while the Church turns to the blessing of palms. Then the palm procession is formed, symbolic of our blessed Lord's triumphal entry into Jerusalem. First the procession goes down the north aisle and out into the main vestibule of the church where the doors are found to be shut. Presently these doors yield as they are struck by the Cross. The procession passes through them and then continues in praise of Him who is the Resurrection and the Life up the main aisle to the sanctuary. You see, the first part of the palm procession, symbolizing Christ's entry into the earthly Jerusalem, is merely a figure of His entry into the heavenly Jerusalem which is symbolized by the second part of the procession up the main aisle to the sanctuary. We are reminded that the heavenly Jerusalem is opened to us by the Cross of Christ. The High Mass is then celebrated during which the Passion is solemnly chanted. The entire devotion has been one of mingled joy and sorrow.

Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday in Holy Week find us watching Jesus in spirit as He teaches in the Temple in Jerusalem. The Gospel on these days contains large parts of the narrative of the Passion, thus keeping before our minds and in our hearts the redemptive suffering of our Most Merciful Saviour.

On Maundy Thursday the High Altar becomes the Table in the Upper Room in Jerusalem. All of us gather at the one Mass as the children of the Church round about the Table of the Lord to assist at the institution of the Blessed Eucharist. The High Mass of Maundy Thursday is celebrated solemnly yet with splendor. The altar is festively adorned and white vestments are used. However, the memory of the Passion is kept in our minds. The

bells which ring out at the *Gloria in excelsis* thereafter remain silent out of mourning for Christ's Passion. After all, the world lost her melody and her joy when Christ suffered and was crucified. At the close of the Mass there is a procession of the Host, which is to be reserved for the Mass of the Presanctified on Good Friday. This procession wends its solemn way to the Altar of Repose, resplendent with hangings and surrounded with flowers. We shall take our glad share in the Watch at the Altar of Repose, thus recalling the night-long vigil of Jesus in the Garden of Gethsemane. We shall refuse to allow Christ's sorrowful question to His followers to be ignored, "What, could ye not watch with me one hour?" All of the altars in the church, save the Altar of Repose, are then stripped of their hangings. Properly an air of desolation then pervades the church.

Good Friday finds us at the High Altar for the observance of our Lord's death. We hear chanted appropriate lessons together with the narrative of the Passion. Intercessory prayers are then offered in union with our Great Intercessor who, by offering Himself on the Cross to the Father, prayed and pleaded for all. Then, out of reparation for the many indignities and humiliations heaped on Jesus before His crucifixion, we venerate the Cross. It is elevated three times—first, symbolizing the first preaching of the Cross by the Apostles themselves to a few of the faithful; second, symbolizing the preaching of the mystery of the redemption in the infant Church after Pentecost; and third, symbolizing the preaching of the Cross to the whole world. As the Cross is elevated, it is gradually unveiled and at length placed on the altar to remind us that He who died on the Cross is soon to triumph in His Resurrection. The Cross is for a time placed on the floor of the chancel where each worshipper may have the privilege of kissing it in humble reverence and gratitude. A procession is then formed to go to the Altar of Repose that the Sacred Host, consecrated at the Maundy Thursday Mass and then reserved, may be borne solemnly back to the High Altar. The Mass of the Presanctified then commences. It is a greatly curtailed Mass since there is to be no Consecration, but rather a pre-sanctified (or pre-consecrated) Host is to be used for the communion of the celebrant. This Mass proceeds amid confusion and ends with dramatic abruptness, representing the very moment when Jesus bowed His head and gave up the ghost and recalling to our minds that the

Shepherd was smitten and the sheep were scattered. Later, on Good Friday, many of us will watch with Jesus at the Cross of Calvary in the Three Hours' Devotion.

Holy Saturday dawns. On this day an eager body of Christians anticipates Easter morning. The New Fire is blessed which represents our blessed Lord rising from his rock-hewn sepulchre. From this New Fire a triple candle is lighted. As each branch of this candle is illuminated the deacon chants "The Light of Christ", reminding us of the revelation by Jesus Christ of the divinity of the Father, of the divinity of Himself the Son, and of the divinity of the Holy Ghost. Then the Paschal Candle, emblem of Christ, is lighted from the New Fire. Finally, the various lamps in the church are lighted one by one to show that Jesus' Resurrection was made known to the world gradually and not all at once. The service then provides for the Sacrament of Holy Baptism. Twelve prophecies are chanted which complement instructions previously given to those who have been prepared for baptism. The font is then blessed. At this blessing the Paschal Candle is dipped in the font to signify Christ's baptism in the river Jordan. After the blessing of the font and the baptisms, if there be any, the Litany of the Saints is chanted for the newly baptized. Then comes the glory of the First Mass of Easter. The altar is made resplendent, bells peal out all through the *Gloria in excelsis*, alleluias resound and the tidings "The Lord is Risen" are never gladder.

Will you come with me to the awe-inspiring observances of Holy Week that we may truly rejoice together at the great High Mass on Easter Day?

Affectionately yours,

*Ernie Taber*

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ON account of the serious and prolonged illness of Mr Ernest White, our esteemed Director of Music, it will be necessary this year to somewhat alter the customary musical arrangement for the Holy Week devotions. It seems wisest to omit the chanting

of Tenebrae on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday evenings at eight and to substitute for Tenebrae on each of these evenings Stations of the Cross, with a sermon. Possibly there may be some other changes but, thanks to Mr White's fine work and to the faithful efforts of Mr Hilliar and Mr Wicher, these changes will be scarcely noticeable. We are all praying for Mr White's speedy and complete recovery that he may soon be restored to his happy part in the worship at St Mary's.



## HOLY WEEK AND EASTER DAY SERVICES

### PALM SUNDAY, APRIL 2nd

Low Masses .....	7, 8, and 10:00
Sung Mass .....	9:00
Morning Prayer .....	7:40
Blessing of Palms, Procession and High Mass.....	11:00
Evening Prayer .....	6:00
Litany in Procession, with Sermon and Benediction.....	8:00

### MONDAY AND TUESDAY IN HOLY WEEK

Low Masses .....	7, 8, 9:30 and 12:10
Morning Prayer .....	9:00
Noon-day Address .....	12:40
Evening Prayer .....	6:00

### WEDNESDAY, APRIL 5th

Low Masses .....	7, 8, 9:30 and 12:10
Morning Prayer .....	9:00
Noon-day Address.....	12:40
Evening Prayer and Litany .....	6:00
Stations of the Cross, with Sermon.....	8:00

### MAUNDY THURSDAY, APRIL 6th

High Mass and Holy Communion, followed by Procession to the Altar of Repose, Stripping of the Altars.....	7:00
Morning Prayer .....	9:00
Evening Prayer .....	6:00
Stations of the Cross, with sermon.....	8:00

## GOOD FRIDAY, APRIL 7th

Morning Prayer and Litany .....	8:00
Mass of the Presanctified .....	9:30
Preaching of the Cross .....	12:00 to 3:00
Stations of the Cross (Church School).....	3:00
Evening Prayer .....	6:00
Stations of the Cross, with Sermon.....	8:00

## HOLY SATURDAY, APRIL 8th

Morning Prayer .....	8:00
Blessing of the New Fire and Paschal Candle, The Prophecies, Blessing of the Font, Litany of the Saints and First Mass of Easter.....	10:00
Evening Prayer .....	6:00

## EASTER DAY, APRIL 9th

Low Masses .....	6, 7, 8, 9 and 10:00
Morning Prayer .....	7:40
Procession, High Mass, and Sermon .....	11:00
Evensong, with Sermon and Benediction .....	8:00

## HOURS FOR CONFESSION

MAUNDY THURSDAY	GOOD FRIDAY	HOLY SATURDAY
Father Taber, 11-12, 3-4	Father Taber, 3-4	Father Taber, 2-4, 8-9
Father Craven, 12-1	Father Craven, 1-3	Father Craven, 3-5, 7-8
Father Ward, 5-6	Father Ward, 11-1, 5-6	Father Ward, 4-6, 8-9
Father Bruce, 7-8	Father Bruce, 3-4, 7-8	Father Bruce, 2-3, 7-8



THE Lenten mite boxes which have been used by the congregation should be handed to an usher on Palm Sunday or brought to the Church Office on a weekday soon thereafter.

The missionary mite boxes of the boys and girls of the Church School should be returned at the Good Friday afternoon Church School service of Stations of the Cross at three, or failing this, at some service on Easter Day.



THE Easter Offering is a yearly challenge to the members of St Mary's to give at such cost to themselves that our beloved parish may proceed into the future without excessive financial worries. We are confident that every member of the congregation will see to it that this year's offering will be a generous answer to our appeal for help. "St Mary's is in need" is an appeal that

cannot but bring a sacrificial response from grateful hearts. Offerings from our fighting men in the armed forces have already begun to come in. Let not their appreciation eclipse ours!



WE hope that you do not read those cheaply and superficially expressed Want 'Ads' that sometimes appear in religious magazines and papers. If you do, you will discover that vestries sometimes seek parish priests who will be good mixers, or eloquent preachers, or fine organizers, or excellent money raisers. A friend of St Mary's has been persuaded to release for AVE the following article which he wrote for a professor in a divinity school and his students. The article was inspired by a phrase from *Northern Catholicism* which is quoted at its beginning. May the readers of AVE look for the best in their parish priests! May they pray for their priests that they may measure up to the ideals which should be theirs!

" . . . the subtle power which sanctity and devotion alone can give."

If I, as a very ordinary layman, might venture to suggest something to your students it would be this: that we laymen, in their congregations, will care very little about their social graces, their tact, their scholarship,—least of all, perhaps, about their rhetorical skill. What we want, the one thing we look and hope for, the greatest appeal that they can make to us, the one great help they can give us, is the transparent clarity of utter and complete sincerity in the religion they profess as shown forth in their own lives. This silent example of their own personal lives is more potent than all the sermons ever written. It is not so much what they say (although we all know how enormously that helps too) as the translation of their message to their own lives. And warn them that they can't fool us,—not for a minute. We know, almost instinctively, whether they're the real thing or not.

Rather than to the most polished of personalities and preachers the heart of the layman goes out to the humble priest who in his daily life illustrates the truth he teaches. And a saintly life is almost the only life that really impresses the sceptic. Hence the tragic folly of him who yields to the temptation to be a "man among men". We don't want him to be a mere man; we want him to be a priest among us. Nothing is so hard for the layman to

answer as the charges of insincerity which the outsider is so ready to cite against individual members of the clergy. Nothing so deeply impresses us, and the sceptics, as to see a priest live on a plane of sanctity (and of course I do not necessarily mean austerity) which we ourselves are unable to attain.

We realize very clearly that we have no shadow of a right to ask anyone to make so supreme a sacrifice from which we ourselves shrink. We do not ask it; the young priest offers it; but we the laymen hope that it will be an utter sacrifice,—or none at all. We look to the priest to personify all the longings which must be forever beyond our reach. We don't want him to be one of ourselves; we want him to be what we ourselves would like to be. An impossible ideal, of course, for humanity to reach; but a well-recognized ideal none the less. So what does it matter to us whether or not he possesses the social graces, whether he is or is not an added attraction to a dinner-party? Or whether he is a scholar, or tactful, or "soigne" in his dress and habits? All that's good, but it doesn't really matter. Is he, or is he not, utterly, transparently sincere? Does he, or does he not, exemplify in his life, in his character, the spirit of our Lord Incarnate? Ah, if students only knew how hopelessly we laymen long to lay hold of something of the Man-Christ here on earth,—how eagerly we look to His priests to reveal it! "The world is too much with us",—we are fed up with it. We *don't* want the worldly priest!

And that is why this expression, "the subtle power which sanctity and devotion alone can give" stood out so clearly on the page as I read it. The humble parish priest! What a wonderful person he is! It is to him that commemorative tablets should be erected, for him that thanks should be given, to him that we laymen bow down in grateful reverence, and in him we see a new meaning in our Lord's promise "For lo! I am with you always!"



THE American Church Union has put forth a leaflet on what the Church requires of her members as to worship, fasting and abstinence, and the six precepts. The requirements are based on the Book of Common Prayer, Canon Law and general Catholic usage. This pamphlet fills a long-felt need. Unfortunately the bishops of the Episcopal Church for the most part have not enlightened those committed to their pastoral care as to these matters.

Consequently, conscientious lay folk have been troubled in their consciences not knowing whether they have or have not fulfilled their duties as members of the Episcopal Church and unconscientious layfolk have serenely drifted into individualism which has well nigh cut them loose from any standards. Thank God, however, we have standards which are now set forth in a leaflet, *What the Church Requires*, and in a pamphlet, *A Statement*, both of which may be obtained from the Tract Table of St Mary's. The pamphlet gives a clear and authoritative explanation of the material found in the leaflet.

For the benefit of the readers of AVE we gladly summarize the contents of the leaflet.

I. The Church requires attendance at Mass on the Holy Days of Obligation which are the Sundays throughout the year, Christmas Day, The Circumcision, Ascension Day, All Saints' Day. The faithful will feel impelled to attend Mass also on the Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Corpus Christi, the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, and the Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

II. The Church requires:

- a) Abstinence from flesh meat on Fridays throughout the year (except those falling on Christmas Day or Epiphany or between those feasts).
- b) Fasting, usually meaning not more than a light breakfast, one full meal and one half meal, on the forty days of Lent.
- c) Fasting with abstinence on Ember Days, on Wednesdays and Fridays in Lent, and on Easter even up to noon.

NOTE 1: Fasts of devotion (not a requirement) may commendably be observed by fasting and abstinence on:

- 1) Christmas Eve
- 2) Vigil of Pentecost
- 3) Vigil of All Saints

NOTE 2: The major Fast Days of Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are stricter in obligation though not in observance.

III. The Church requires a strict fast from both food and drink from midnight and until after receiving Holy Communion.

IV. The Six Precepts of the Church are:

- a) Of Mass. To assist at Mass every Sunday and Holy Day of Obligation.
- b) Of Fast and Abstinence. To keep the fasts and abstinences, prescribed in the Prayer-Book, according to normal Catholic custom.
- c) Of Confession. To seek sacramental absolution when needed for mortal sin, and at Easter time to do so as a matter of obedience to normal Catholic custom.
- d) Of Communion. To receive Holy Communion at least once a year, during Eastertide.
- e) Of Almsgiving. To give regularly to the support of the Church and the ministry.
- f) Of Marriage. To keep the Church's law of marriage.

It should be noted that the above requirements are the normal *minimum* requirements for the faithful. None of us should dispense himself from any of these requirements and all of us should accept these in generous devotion to our blessed Lord and His holy Church. Strongly we recommend that the leaflet and the pamphlet be studied by the faithful. They will go far in helping to eradicate rampant individualism that has so weakened the godly discipline of the Church. No Catholic wants to be an individualist!



AT the meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary on Friday morning, April the fourteenth at ten-thirty in St Joseph's Hall, Sister Mary Josephine, S.H.N. will speak on the work of the Sisters of the Holy Nativity among the Indians at Las Vegas, Nevada. The women of the congregation are most cordially invited to attend. This meeting will be preceded by a corporate communion in the Lady Chapel at nine-thirty.



THE spring meeting of the Guild of Help will be held at the apartment of Mrs William C. Dickey, 123 East Fifty-third Street on Thursday afternoon, April the twentieth at four. Mrs Elizabeth E. J. Kjaer, a case worker at the Episcopal City Mis-

sion, will address the gathering on the work with the girls at Westfield State Farm. Tea will be served. It is hoped that the women of the St Mary's congregation will accept this cordial invitation to learn more of the work of the Episcopal City Mission and the St Mary's Guild of Help.



**M**R<sup>S</sup> John Whiteley has graciously accepted an appointment to succeed Miss Helena Appleton as Secretary for the St Mary's Ward of the Guild of All Souls. The annual dues which are now payable should be promptly sent to Mrs John Whiteley, 34-42 Eighty-third Street, Jackson Heights, Long Island.



**T**HE annual Parish Meeting will be held on Tuesday morning, April the eighteenth in St Joseph's Hall at nine o'clock. The polls will be kept open until nine-fifteen. At this meeting delegates are to be elected to the Convention of the Diocese of New York which is to be held on May the ninth.



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

February 9 — Mrs Constance Andrews Paul-Jones  
 February 9 — Helena Paul-Jones  
 February 25 — Gertrude Cushing Yorke  
 February 28 — Margaret Anne Cargill

#### BURIALS

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

February 7 — Julius Rodriguez Amoros  
 February 7 — John J. Leonard

**T**HE altar flowers during the month of April are given in memory of the following:

April 6 — Maundy Thursday. Julia Arnold White.  
 April 9 — Easter Day. Joseph Gayle Hurd Barry, Priest (High Altar).  
 Haley Fiske (Lady Chapel). Clara Wigton Pike, (St Joseph's Chapel).

Of your charity pray for the happy repose of their souls.



**T**HE Corporate Communion during the month of April are as follows:

Sunday, April 2, 9:00, The Guild of St Mary of the Cross.  
 Wednesday, April 5, 9:30, St Mary's Guild.  
 Friday, April 14, 9:30, The Woman's Auxiliary.  
 Wednesday, April 26, 9:30, The Associates of the Community of St Mary.  
 Sunday, April 30, 9:00, The Church School. The Guild of St Mary of Nazareth.



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## KALENDAR FOR APRIL

1. Sa. *Greater Feria. Fast.*
- ✠ 2. Su. THE SUNDAY NEXT BEFORE EASTER.
3. M. Monday before Easter. Com. St Richard, B.C. *Fast.*
4. Tu. Tuesday before Easter. Com. St Isidore, B.C.D. *Fast.*
5. W. Wednesday before Easter. Com. St Vincent Ferrer, C. *Fast and abstinence.*
6. Th. MAUNDY THURSDAY. *Fast.*
7. F. GOOD FRIDAY. *Fast and abstinence.*
8. Sa. EASTER EVEN. *Fast and abstinence till midday.*
- ✠ 9. Su. EASTER DAY.
10. M. MONDAY IN EASTER WEEK.
11. Tu. TUESDAY IN EASTER WEEK.
12. W. Wednesday in Easter Week.
13. Th. Thursday in Easter Week. Com. St Hermengild, M.
14. F. Friday in Easter Week. Com. St Justin, M., and SS Tiburtius, Valerian & Maximus, MM. *Abstinence.*
15. Sa. Saturday in Easter Week.
- ✠ 16. Su. THE FIRST SUNDAY AFTER EASTER.
17. M. St Anicetus, B.M.
18. Tu. *Feria. Requiem Mass, 8.*
19. W. St Alphege, B.M.
20. Th. *Feria.*
21. F. St Anselm, B.C.D. *Abstinence.*
22. Sa. Of St Mary. Com. SS Soter and Caius, BB.MM.
- ✠ 23. Su. THE SECOND SUNDAY AFTER EASTER. Com. St George, M.
24. M. St Fidelis of Sigmaringen, M. Requiem Mass, 7.
25. Tu. ST MARK, EV.
26. W. PATRONAGE OF ST JOSEPH. Com. SS Cletus and Marcellinus, BB.MM.
27. Th. St Peter Canisius, C.D.
28. F. St Paul of the Cross, C. Com. St Vitalis, M. *Abstinence.*
29. Sa. St Peter, M.
- ✠ 30. Su. THE THIRD SUNDAY AFTER EASTER. Com. St Catherine of Siena, V.

*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 FOR APRIL

## APRIL 2 — PALM SUNDAY

- Mass*, Missa Kyrie magnae Deus potentiae.....*Plainchant*  
 Motet: Judas Mercator .....*Victoria*  
*Evening*, The Litany in Procession  
 Motet: Adoramus te Christe .....*Saladino*  
 O salutaris .....*Beobide*  
 Motet: Ave Verum .....*Cipolla*  
 Tantum ergo (No. 4).....*Kodály*

## APRIL 9 — EASTER DAY

- Mass*, Mass for Three Voices.....*Byrd*  
 Motet: Alleluia-Psallat .....*13th Century*  
*Evening*, Magnificat and Nunc dimittis.....*Viadana*  
 O salutaris .....*Caplet*  
 Motet: Salve Regina .....*Monteverdi*  
 Tantum ergo .....*Victoria*

## APRIL 16 — LOW SUNDAY

- Mass*, Missa in honorem Sanctae Clarae.....*Refice*  
 Motet: Pascha nostrum .....*Ravanello*  
*Evening*, Magnificat and Nunc dimittis.....*Bachieri*  
 O salutaris .....*Terrabugio*  
 Motet: Ave verum .....*Fauré*  
 Tantum ergo .....*Boellmann*

## APRIL 23 — EASTER II

- Mass*, Missa Kyrie fons bonitatis.....*Plainchant*  
 Motet: Ego sum panis vivus.....*Caldara*  
*Evening*, Magnificat and Nunc dimittis.....*Asula*  
 O salutaris .....*Ravanello*  
 Motet: Panis angelicus .....*Casciolini*  
 Tantum ergo .....*Fauré*

## APRIL 30 — EASTER III

- Mass*, Missa in E.....*Rehm*  
 Motet: In te Domine speravi.....*Saladino*  
*Evening*, Magnificat and Nunc dimittis.....*Grassi*  
 O salutaris .....*Noyon*  
 Motet: Ave verum .....*Bruckner*  
 Tantum ergo (No. 1).....*Kodály*



## 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\*

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.
Wednesdays, Exposition, Intercessions and Benediction.	
Fridays, Votive Mass.	

\* Consult the Weekly Parish Leaflet for schedule of Lenten services, April 1st to 9th (inclusive).

*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 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 WARD: Fridays, 7 to 8; Saturdays, 3 to 4 p.m.

FATHER BRUCE: Fridays, 4:30 to 5:30 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, Thursdays, 4-5:30 p.m. Corporate Communion, last Sunday, 9 a.m. Father Ward, *Chaplain*.

GUILD OF HELP.—For forwarding the social service work of the Church. Meetings as announced from time to time. Father Taber, *Chaplain*.

GUILD OF ST VINCENT.—For Altar Servers. Father Craven, *Chaplain*.

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