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Dear Parishioners of St Mary's:

You will find enclosed in this copy of AVE a green envelope in which you may offer your gift which shall go to make up the tribute to Bishop Manning. As you already know, our beloved Bishop is retiring on December the thirty-first. The tribute will be presented at a service at the Cathedral on Sunday, December the fifteenth. You will note that individual gifts are not to exceed one dollar, since the altogether commendable idea is that this tribute shall represent the many thousands of communicants in the Diocese of New York and not just a few well-to-do communicants. The dead line for placing your gift in the collection plate at St Mary's is Sunday, December the eighth. I am more than confident that all will wish to have a share in this tribute to Bishop Manning who for his many years of devoted service has been a staunch proponent and defender of the Catholic Faith as the Episcopal Church has received the same.

Happily we again look forward to keeping the Patronal Festival of our beloved parish on the Feast of the Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary on Sunday, December the eighth. At the Masses on that day we shall thank God for the exceedingly generous patronage of Our Lady and for the loyalty of the faithful who have made this parish a stronghold of Catholic Faith and Practice during the many glad years of its existence. I hope that each member of the parish may use the special envelope, found in the pledge envelope boxes, for a thank offering at the Patronal Festival that the needs of St Mary's may be more adequately met. This is a practical way to say *Thank you* for your many parochial blessings.

Then, too, I shall hope to welcome the members of the parish at our annual Parish Dinner on Monday evening, December the

ninth. Because of space limitations at Schrafft's, Fifth Avenue and Forty-Sixth Street, where the dinner is held each year, only members of the parish can be invited. The principal idea of the dinner is that the members of St Mary's may get together in a happily informal way and become better acquainted with each other and with the policies and ideals of their parish. I look forward to greeting each parishioner on this joyous occasion.

Affectionately,

Grieg Taber

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REFLECTIONS ON THE GENERAL CONVENTION AND ITS AFTERMATH

DURING those September days when the General Convention of the Episcopal Church was assembled in Philadelphia many, many Masses were offered for the guidance of the Holy Spirit on its deliberations. Two very important matters, that of a new Marriage Canon and that of the proposal for unity with the Presbyterian Church, were taken up.

We Anglican Catholics may rejoice in the new Marriage Canon which in the manner of the ancient marriage canons rigidly reaffirms that Christian marriages are indissoluble and which clearly sets forth any justifiable nullifications of the marriage contract. It is not a perfect marriage canon but it marks a great step in advance, for it more nearly holds to the ideal of Christian marriage than our present canon and at the same time it more justly faces up to the whole question of nullification, or, in other words, to the fact that some marriages are in no sense to be considered Christian marriages.

We Anglican Catholics may also rejoice in that the General Convention rejected the majority report for proposed unity with the Presbyterians, since that report had little or no regard for the Sacraments and Ministry of the Episcopal Church and utterly ignored her Faith and her Discipline. This does not mean that

the Episcopal Church has thrown overboard any idea of unity with any other Christian body, but it does mean that the Episcopal Church in the United States of America will in the future suggest only such proposals for unity as may be acceptable to the whole Anglican Communion and therefore representative of that great Catholic body.

Now that the General Convention of 1946 has taken its place in past history, we are hearing much about loyalty to the Book of Common Prayer. This is all to the good, providing that we know what we mean when we talk about such loyalty. Many of us Anglican Catholics are convinced that before the Episcopal Church seeks to unite with any other Christian body it should have greater unity within itself and that the rallying point of this unity should and must be the Book of Common Prayer. This we assert because the Book of Common Prayer intends in no way to depart from the doctrine of the whole Catholic Church of Christ. We must unite about Catholic doctrine. For this reason it would be a fine thing if the Presiding Bishop of the Episcopal Church were to request every priest for one whole year to substitute for sermons instructions on the doctrines explicitly stated or tacitly implied in the Prayer Book. A Protestant friend was recently invited to give his observations concerning Episcopalians. He observed three main groups—the liberal churchmen who recklessly flaunt the standards of the Prayer Book and who should therefore resign, the low churchmen who shout for the Prayer Book but do not acquaint themselves with its teachings and the Anglican Catholics who believe all that is in the Prayer Book and then some. Now these observations may or may not be correct, but one thing is certain and that is that Episcopalians themselves could and should unite on the common ground of Prayer Book doctrine.

However, unity to some minds betokens uniformity. We are told by these minds that our ceremonial should always be confined to that provided for in the Book of Common Prayer. From a practical standpoint, the ceremonial directions in the Prayer Book are not only incomplete but often vague. Try to run a service in accordance with them and you will break out into merry laughter or jump into the river in utter despair. It is the genius of the Episcopal Church that she is patient with varying forms.

In the Preface to the Prayer Book it is stated "It is a most invaluable part of that blessed liberty wherewith Christ hath made us free that in his worship different forms and usages may without offence be allowed, provided the substance of the Faith be kept entire". Thus Anglican Catholics who love the picture language of the ancient Church Catholic are accepted as loyal Episcopalians along with those who seem to like a bare service, quite devoid of outward beauty, which the public press calls *simple but impressive*. (The High Mass may yet be termed by the press as *elaborate but expressive*.)

Uniformity of worship, then, is not expected by the Episcopal Church. Those who insist that unity among ourselves means, among other things, uniformly keeping to the ceremonial directions contained in the Book of Common Prayer would reduce our corporate worship to the *lowest common denominator*, and if there is a more unlovely thing in the world, name it! It spells worship that is rubric-bound and that cannot soar heavenward! The writer once thought that he could conduct the Church's worship within the confines of the Prayer Book, but he soon discovered that this meant the spiritual impoverishment of the flock committed to his pastoral care. This discovery naturally follows on the fact that the Prayer Book is a compromise book to quite a large extent, and compromises usually mean impoverishment rather than enrichment. But to depart from the confines of the Prayer Book in individualistic ways is one thing but in the manner of an accepted Catholic norm it is quite another thing. The former spells chaos and the latter order.

Is there any solution to the apparent confusion? In cities or towns where there is more than one Episcopal Church there is usually represented both the simple and the ritualistic form of public worship and, since there are no geographical parish boundaries, individuals will naturally gravitate where their devotional needs are filled. Where there is but one Episcopal Church, or where the faithful must worship in a private chapel in an Episcopal institution, why could there not be two types of service each Sunday and varying with the weekdays — a simple celebration of the Holy Communion (possibly with hymns) and a Mass with all of its glorious Catholic setting? Neither would violate the principles of the Book of Common Prayer, and the fact that both

were generously admitted into the service schedule would save the worshippers from bondage to that deadly *lowest common denominator*.

CHRISTMAS

TO the practising Catholic Christmas calls for a good confession and a good communion.

CHRISTMAS CONFESSIONS

FATHER TABER

December 23: 2-3, 8-9

December 24: 2-3, 5-6, 7-8

FATHER JACOBY

December 23: 4-5, 7-8

December 24: 4-5, 8-10

FATHER KREUTLER

December 23: 12-1, 3-4

December 24: 3-4, 10-11:45

CHRISTMAS SERVICES

Christmas Eve, Tuesday, December 24

Church School Festival 4 p.m.

Evening Prayer 6 p.m.

Midnight Mass and Holy CommunionMidnight

Christmas Day, Wednesday, December 25

Low Masses 7, 8, 9, 10 a.m.

Morning Prayer 7:40 a.m.

High Mass, with sermon 11 a.m.

Evening Prayer 6 p.m.

The Church School Christmas Festival, Tuesday afternoon at four, takes the form of Carols, Procession to the Crèche and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament, followed by a Christmas party in St Joseph's Hall.

Cards of admission to the Midnight Mass are mailed to each communicant of St Mary's and will also be given on application at the Church Office to others who would worship the New-born King at the Christmas altar.

THE OUTWARD BEAUTY OF ST MARY'S (Continued)

ALTHOUGH the decoration of the Sanctuary is not lavish, it still remains the chief glory of the outward beauty of St Mary's, and quite rightly so. Its beauty depends on scale rather than on detail of ornament, which would for the most part be lost in a building of such dimensions. The Altar itself is very plain and contains almost no symbolic adornment. It is the colour of the Frontals and the Tabernacle Veil which gives a radiant splendour to the focal centre of the building. The tabernacle, wherein dwells our Lord in His Sacramental Presence, is crowned by a majestic yet delicate canopy, beautifully polychromed and surmounted by a Calvary group, with adoring Angels in flight about the figures of our Lord on the Cross, St Mary and St John. The Altar Cross, a magnificent example of the skill of the metal worker, together with the Candlesticks complete the adornments of the Altar proper.

Four beautiful paintings above and behind the Altar lend colour to the Sanctuary. The one directly above the Altar which is really on the wall of the Ambulatory partakes of the nature of an altar piece. The central figure is Our Lady St Mary, seated on the clouds of heaven, surrounded by angels swinging censers and playing upon musical instruments. She wears a royal crown and is glorified with dazzling golden rays in the form of a vesica. Below her stand three figures of saints. The first is that of St Anselm, who proclaimed that the Feast of the Conception on December the eighth should henceforth be kept at Canterbury Cathedral, thus instituting in Christendom what is the Patronal Festival of this church. The second is that of St Dominic, clad in the robes of his order, bearing witness to the chief devotion of Our Lady, the Rosary, for it is he who according to tradition first proclaimed its use. The last figure is that of St John, to whose care our Lord's Mother was entrusted. We all recall those wonderful words of our Lord from the Cross "Son, behold thy Mother". The lowermost portion of this painting contains five small panels, representing the five Joyful Mysteries of the Holy Rosary—the Annunciation, the Visitation, the Nativity, the Presentation in the Temple, and the Finding of our Lord with the Doctors in the Temple.

High above the Altar, below the clerestory windows, are three murals. The central one shows our Lord reigning in Heaven, seated on a throne and holding the sceptre and the orb of authority, while surrounding Him are figures representing the company of heaven, Saints and Martyrs, worshipping Christ their Lord. We recall our own worship of our Lord taking place at the Altar—"Therefore with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven . . ." On the right hand side of this scene (as we look at it) is a great mural of the Ascension of our Lord with the Apostles gazing up at Him as He departs out of their sight. And on the left side is a corresponding group of the Resurrection of our Lord, showing the tomb, the soldiers fast asleep, with angels gathered round about. We are reminded of the importance of these two events in the life of our Lord and their centrality in the Christian Faith.

Three stained glass windows complete the decoration in the Sanctuary. They are good examples of English glass. The central window (reading upwards) depicts the Angel and the Shepherds, the Nativity, the Resurrection. The right hand window—the Three Kings, the Presentation, the Expulsion from the Garden. The left hand window—the Marriage of the Virgin, the Visitation, the Fall of Adam and Eve.

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PARISH NOTES

THE Advent Retreat for Women is to be conducted this year by Father Yates, Chaplain of the General Theological Seminary, on Saturday, December the seventh. The Retreat Mass will be celebrated at eight, with meditations at 10:15, 11:30 and 2:30, and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament at 3. Those women who would keep this retreat will please notify the Sister-in-Charge-of-the-Retreat, 133 West Forty-Sixth Street (BRyant 9-3232), before December the fourth, that breakfast and luncheon may be adequately provided for.

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FATHER YATES has also consented to preach at High Mass on the Patronal Festival, Sunday, December the eighth, and he will be the principal speaker at the Parish Dinner.

THE Guild of St Mary of the Cross holds its annual Fair and Supper on Wednesday afternoon and evening, December the fourth. The Sale will be in progress from three in the afternoon. Afternoon tea will be served and supper may be had from five until seven o'clock. The members of this Guild rightly anticipate the generous patronage of the congregation of St Mary's that they may increase their many charitable works.

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THE first presentation of the United Thank Offering of this Triennium will be made at the Cathedral of St John the Divine on Tuesday, December the third, at a Corporate Communion at ten-thirty. All the women of the parish are invited to attend this service as well as the business meeting immediately following in Synod Hall. Contributions should be sent to the Parish Custodian, Mrs Louise Gerhold, 2914 Broadway, New York 25, New York, before December the first, or given to her that day in the vestibule of the Church after High Mass. Any woman who is desirous of obtaining a blue U.T.O. box will kindly consult the Custodian.

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THE December meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary will be held in St Joseph's Hall on Friday morning, December the thirteenth, at ten-forty-five, preceded by a Corporate Communion at the nine-thirty Mass in the Lady Chapel. The speaker at the meeting will be Father Sprenger, the Director of the City Mission Society. There will also be a "shower" of small toys for the needy children of St Barnabas' House, New York.

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THE Postmaster of New York City asks that Christmas mailing be early — that for distant points before December tenth and that for local delivery before December fifteenth. This request is prompted by the right determination to excuse from duty on Christmas Day as many as possible of the men and women of the postal service that they may attend worship in their respective churches and enjoy the rest of the day at home with their families.

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THE 1947 Ordo Kalendars may be obtained for fifty cents each either at the Tract Table or at the Church Office. The Kalendar is adorned with an excellent picture of our new St Francis' Altar.

DO not allow December to come to a close without mailing in your pledge for 1947. We are counting on the generous support of every member of the parish. And have you sent your offering for the support of AVE?

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FROM THE PARISH REGISTER

CONFIRMATIONS

By THE RIGHT REVEREND CHARLES K. GILBERT, D.D.

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

October 9 — Bruce Fowler Cover
 October 9 — Oscar Berry Gunn
 October 9 — Otis Ellery Taylor

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

October 3 — Milton Grafrath
 October 16 — Martha Viall Gladden
 October 25 — Mary Isabelle Jencks
 October 25 — Phyllis Janet Jencks

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

December 8 — The Patronal Festival. Susanna and John Willis.
 December 15 — The Third Sunday in Advent. James and Susan Stoker Kennedy.
 December 25 — Christmas Day. Thomas McKee Brown, Founder and First Rector.
 December 29 — The First Sunday after Christmas. A Thank Offering.

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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THE Corporate Communion for the month of December are as follows:

Sunday, December 1, 9:00, The Guild of St Mary of the Cross.
 Wednesday, December 4, 9:30, St Mary's Guild.
 Sunday, December 8, 9:00, The Living Rosary of Our Lady and St Dominic.
 Friday, December 13, 9:30, The Woman's Auxiliary.
 Friday, December 27, 8:00, The Fellowship of St John.
 Sunday, December 29, 9:00, The Church School.

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KALENDAR FOR DECEMBER

- ✕ 1. Su. ADVENT I.
- 2. M. St Bibiana, V.M.
- 3. Tu. St Francis Xavier, C. Com. St Birinus, B.
- 4. W. St Peter Chrysologus, B.C.D. Com. St Barbara, V.M., and St Clement of Alexandria, C.D.
- 5. Th. *Feria.* Com. St Sabas, Ab. Requiem Mass, 7.
- 6. F. St Nicholas, B.C. *Abstinence.*
- 7. Sa. St Ambrose, B.C.D. Com. Vigil.
- ✕ 8. Su. CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY. Com. Advent II.
- 9. M. Of the Octave.
- 10. Tu. Of the Octave. Com. St Melchiades, B.M.
- 11. W. Of the Octave. Com. St Damasus I, B.C.
- 12. Th. Of the Octave.
- 13. F. Of the Octave. Com. St Lucy, V.M. *Abstinence.*
- 14. Sa. Of the Octave.
- ✕ 15. Su. ADVENT III. (*Gaudete*) Com. Octave Day of Conception.
- 16. M. St Eusebius, B.M.
- 17. Tu. Raising of St Lazarus, B.C.
- 18. W. EMBER DAY. *Fast and Abstinence.*
- 19. Th. *Feria.* Requiem Mass, 8.
- 20. F. EMBER DAY. Com. Vigil. *Fast and Abstinence.*
- 21. Sa. ST THOMAS, AP. Com. Ember Day. *Fast and Abstinence.*
- ✕ 22. Su. ADVENT IV.
- 23. M. *Feria.* Requiem Mass, 8.
- 24. Tu. Vigil of the Nativity. High Mass (First Mass of the Nativity), 12 Midnight.
- 25. W. THE NATIVITY OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST. At 7 Com. St Anastasia, M. High Mass, with sermon, 11.
- 26. Th. ST STEPHEN THE PROTOMARTYR. Com. Octave.
- 27. F. ST JOHN, AP., EV. Com. Octave.
- 28. Sa. THE HOLY INNOCENTS, MM. Com. Octave.
- ✕ 29. Su. THE FIRST SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS DAY. Com. St Thomas of Canterbury, B.M., and the Octave.
- 30. M. Of the Octave.
- 31. Tu. St Sylvester I, B.C. Com. the Octave.

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 DECEMBER

DECEMBER 1, ADVENT I
Mass, Missa MonodicaGhedini
 Motet, Ecce Dominus venietHandl
Evening, The Litany in Procession
 Motet, O admirabile commerciumHandl
 O salutarisDesderi
 Motet, Adoramus teRuffo
 Tantum ergoVictoria

DECEMBER 8, CONCEPTION B.V.M.
Mass, Missa brevisPalestrina
 Motet, Ave MariaBruckner
Evening, The Litany in Procession
 Motet, Rorate caeli desuperPalestrina
 O salutarisWhyte
 Motet, Ave VerumWillan
 Tantum ergo (No. 4)Kodaly

DECEMBER 15, ADVENT III
Mass, Missa S. Clarae AssisiensisRefice
 Motet, O salutarisTallis
Evening, The Litany in Procession
 Motet, Ave MariaBruckner
 O salutarisFarnaby
 Motet, O bone JesuBai
 Tantum ergo (No. 1)Bruckner

DECEMBER 22, ADVENT IV
Mass, Missa SecundaHassler
 Motet, O admirabile commerciumHandl
Evening, The Litany in Procession
 Motet, Hosanna to the Son of DavidGibbons
 O salutarisByrd
 Motet, Adoramus te (No. 2)Perti
 Tantum ergo (No. 1)Kodaly

DECEMBER 25, CHRISTMAS MIDNIGHT
Mass, Missa S. Clarae AssisiensisRefice
 Motet, Hodie nobis caelorum RexDesderi
 Carols

DECEMBER 25, HIGH MASS AT 11
Mass, Messe in ERehm
 Motet, There is no RoseBreydert

DECEMBER 29, CHRISTMAS I
Mass, Mass in DHenschel
 Motet, Hodie nobisde Maleingreau
Evensong
 Magnificat and Nunc dimittisWillan
 Carols
 O salutarisHenschel
 Motet, Adoramus te (No. 1)Perti
 Tantum ergo (Op. 11 No. 5)Kromolicki

SERVICES

SUNDAYS

Low Mass	7:00 a.m.
Morning Prayer	7:40 a.m.
Low Mass	8:00 a.m.
Sung Mass (St Francis' Altar)	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.
Mass, Fridays	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 (St Francis' Altar)	8:15 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 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 JACOBY: Thursdays, 4:30 to 5:30; Saturdays, 4 to 5 and 7 to 8 p.m.

FATHER KREUTLER: Fridays, 4:30 to 5:30 and 7 to 8 p.m.; Saturdays, 3 to 4 p.m.

Confessions will also be heard Sundays, 8:40 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.

STICK 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, 10:45 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, 10:45 a.m. Father Taber, *Chaplain*.

GUILD OF ST MARY OF THE CROSS.—Works for charities 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 Jacoby, *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. Meetings, fourth Fridays, 8:15 p.m. Father Kreutler, *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. Corporate Communion, Second Sundays, 9 a.m. Meetings (Lady Chapel) second Fridays, 8:15 p.m. Father Kreutler, *Chaplain*.

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

SERVANTS OF CHRIST THE KING.—For young people who will keep a Catholic Rule of Life. Meetings and corporate communions as announced. Father Jacoby, *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, immediately after High Mass and before Evensong.

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