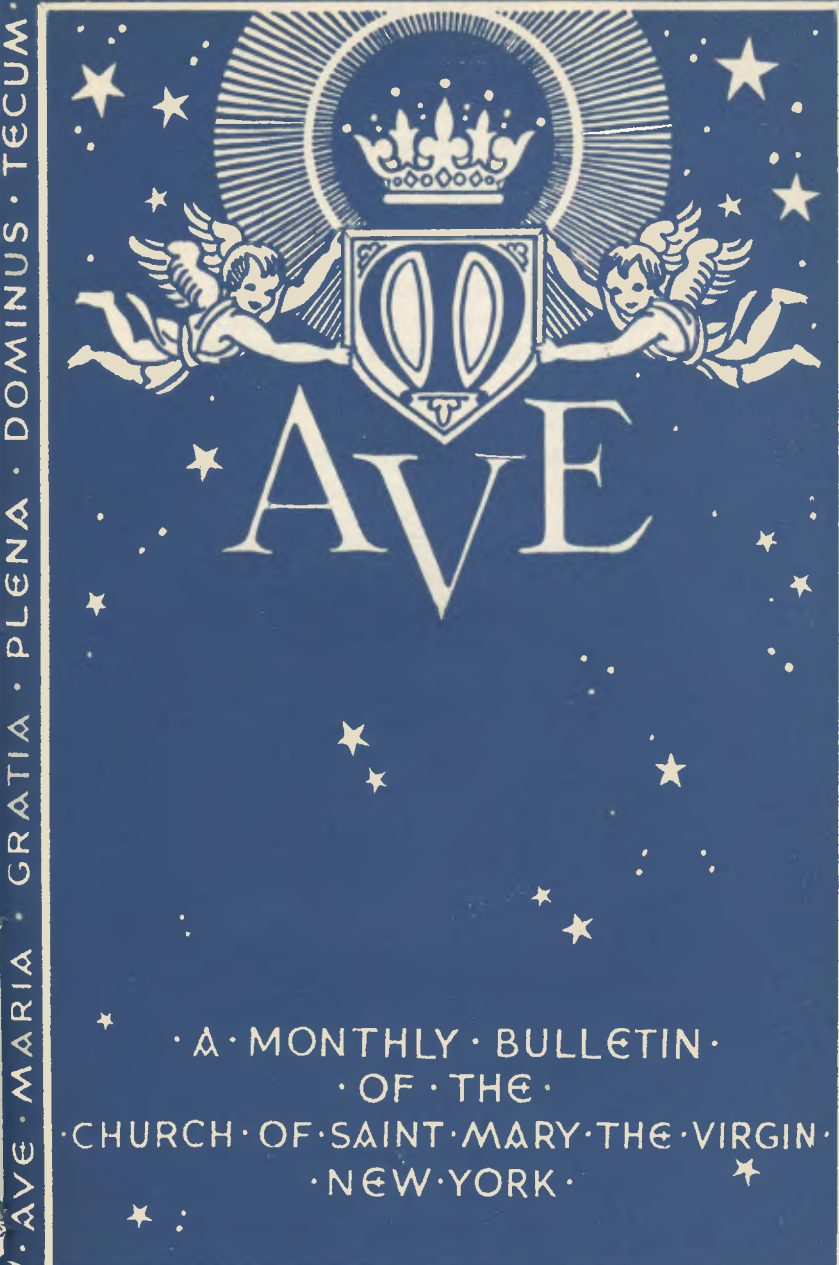


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Dear Parishioners of St Mary's:

Not infrequently a former member of the parish who has removed to another part of the country writes of his homesickness for St Mary's and of his appreciation for the full Sunday Mass schedule which he found here and of its marked contrast with the too abbreviated schedule of his new-found parish. He often adds that he hopes that the present members of St Mary's appreciate to the full their privileges. Do you?

Sunday by Sunday there are three Low Masses, one of them at the hour of ten o'clock for those living at a distance or those wishing to receive communion and then to have a hurried breakfast at a nearby restaurant and later return for worship at High Mass. There is the Sung Mass with incense at nine which is provided especially for the boys and girls of the Church School. This Mass is a very intimate Mass. It is celebrated at the new St Francis' Altar where the young people are near enough to the Altar to see and hear the Church's ritual. There is congregational singing with familiar hymns and a simple musical setting for the Mass. The worship at this Mass is often punctuated by the cries of the very young — cries that must be welcome to the Lord of all. Indeed, there is a wholesome informality and naturalness much appreciated by a certain type of worshipper. And then there is the High Mass at eleven, celebrated in a setting of music and ceremonial that is as perfect as we poor mortals know how to make it. This High Mass is formal, calmly well-ordered, yet accompanied with a devotion in which human pettiness is swallowed up by the greatness of the Incarnate Son of God. There is an opportunity at this High Mass for worshippers to be literally "lost in wonder, love and praise".

One of the precepts of Holy Church is that each member shall attend Mass each Sunday, since every Sunday is a Day of Obligation. Choose that Mass at which you can pay highest honor to your Lord and rejoice that the Mass schedule is so varied that every other member of St Mary's can choose a Mass at which he too can pay his heartfelt devotion to Him who is both Priest and Victim.

Affectionately,

*Ernie Taber*

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## LENT

**A**N early Easter means an early beginning of Lent. Easter Day this year falls on April the sixth, with Ash Wednesday falling on February the nineteenth. It is not too early to begin to plan your Lenten Rule, suggestions for which are appended below. Lent will be a happy and holy season for you if you accept its abstinences and fastings as an opportunity to do penance for your sins, join in its devotions that you may unite yourself more completely with your most holy Redeemer, and share its almsgivings that you may support the Church and her charities and thus serve Him whose Mystical Body the Church is. Try to consider Lent as a season that shall be a rehearsal for that spiritual life by which you will join the company of blessed Paul and "press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus".

Suggestions for guidance in formulating a worth-while Lenten Rule:

1. Receive Holy Communion at least once a week.
2. Be present at one weekday Mass in addition to attendance at Mass each Sunday.
3. Make your confession on Shrove Tuesday and again just before Easter Day.
4. Attend Stations of the Cross each Friday evening.

5. Fast on each of the forty days of Lent by limiting yourself to a light breakfast, one full meal and one half meal.
6. Abstain from flesh meat on Wednesdays as well as Fridays.
7. Deny yourself some favorite pleasure and add the money you would thus have spent to your Easter offering.
8. Spend at least thirty minutes each day in Bible reading, meditation and spiritual reading.
9. Make frequent visits to the Blessed Sacrament.
10. Try to convert someone else to the love of God and an appreciation of Holy Church.
11. Be generous in adding to this Rule.

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## CANDLES AND ASHES

**T**HIS month of February contains two Holy Days on which candles and ashes are solemnly blessed.

Sunday, February the second, is the Feast of the Presentation of Christ in the Temple, or the Purification of the Blessed Virgin Mary, commonly called Candlemas. Since this Sunday this year is also Septuagesima Sunday, the Feast of Candlemas is transferred to Monday, February the third, yet by common Catholic tradition the ceremonies connected with the candles are observed before High Mass on Septuagesima Sunday.

It is supposed that originally the Christian Feast of Candlemas took the place of an ancient Pagan festival at which the Pagans went through the City of Rome with lighted torches in their hands. The Church Catholic instituted the Feast of Candlemas to commemorate that sacred mystery in which Jesus, the Light of the world, was presented in the Temple at Jerusalem by His Virgin-Mother. The present-day ceremonies connected with Candlemas date back to the Seventh Century. Candle wax, formed from the juice of flowers by the bee (now always considered an emblem of virginity) signified the virginal flesh of the Infant Jesus, who neither by His conception nor birth altered the spotless purity of His blessed Mother. The flames of the candles reminded those early Christians of Jesus who came into the world to bring light into the darkness of human beings whose deeds were evil.

It was St Anselm, Archbishop of Canterbury, who saw in the blessed candle three things—the wax, the wick and the flame.

The wax, the protection of the virginal bee, symbolized the flesh of our Lord. The wick within the wax symbolized His Soul. The flame which burned on the top of the candle symbolized His Divinity.

Now in early Christian history the faithful brought their candles to the church on Candlemas Day that these might be blessed along with the candles to be borne in the Candlemas Procession. They then took the blessed candles to their homes to be lighted near the bed of dying Christians as symbols of that immortality merited and won by Christ Himself and as symbols of the protection of His blessed Mother, Our Lady.

You will notice that in the present day ceremony of the Blessing of Candles, after five prayers have been chanted, the candles are sprinkled with holy water and then censed and immediately distributed to the clergy and laity present. Devout worshippers are ever moved at the sight of lighted candles for they seem to see Jesus in the arms of the aged Simeon who confessed Him to be the "light to lighten the Gentiles" as the choir chants the familiar Canticle of Simeon, the *Nunc Dimittis*, "Lord, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace, according to thy word, for mine eyes have seen thy salvation, which thou hast prepared before the face of all people; a light to lighten the Gentiles, and to be the glory of thy people Israel".

Presently a procession is formed whereby the Church, filled with holy joy and radiant with light, imitates that procession once formed in the Temple at Jerusalem on blessed Mary's Purification Day, that procession in which four devout souls took part — Mary, who brought Christ to the Temple, Joseph who presented him to the Lord as His Son (not his own), Simeon who proclaimed Him the Light and Anna a widow who confessed Him before men. Our modern procession is expanded to include all the faithful who proceed forth to meet and to know Jesus the Light. The Procession ended, the Mass of Septuagesima follows since the Mass of Candlemas is deferred until the following day.

Another blessing takes place on Ash Wednesday, February the nineteenth — that of ashes. From ancient times ashes have been the symbols of humiliation and penance. Frequently they are mentioned in the Old Testament where their use seems to have acknowledged man as but dust and ashes.

When the Christian Church first instituted the imposition of ashes they were not for all of the faithful but only for those who had committed sins of such enormity as to call for public penance. Such sinners presented themselves at their church on Ash Wednesday and confessed their mortal sins, whereupon the priests clothed them in sackcloth and sprinkled ashes on their heads. They were then driven from the church by the bishop and not allowed to return until Maundy Thursday when they were granted absolution. After the Eleventh Century public penance was no longer exacted and ashes were then imposed on all the faithful to remind them of their nothingness.

Thus on Ash Wednesday ashes made from palms blessed on the previous Palm Sunday will be blessed and set apart to symbolize contrition and humility. After the prayers of blessing, these ashes are sprinkled with holy water and censed and then imposed on the foreheads of the faithful with the words "Remember, O man, that dust thou art and unto dust shalt thou return". As we receive ashes we are to remember that sin has brought death and that sin came when man preferred his own will to that of God. We are to remember too our own sins and be moved to adore the mercy of God who asks only one death for all of our misdeeds.

Presently we regain confidence through our honest act of humility in receiving ashes and, as the Introit of the Mass is taken up by the choir, we approach the God of all mercy with the words "Thou hast mercy upon all, O Lord, and abhorrest nothing which thou hast made and winkest at the sins of men because they should amend, and sparest them for thou art the Lord our God".

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## THE OUTWARD GLORY OF ST MARY'S

(Continued)

THE North Aisle of the Church toward the Eastern end contains several interesting decorative details. Let us begin at the Altar of our Lady of Bethlehem. Above this Altar, which is in the French style of the Eighteenth Century, is a good example of glazed terra cotta. The subject is readily understood — the Virgin and Child, and is reputed to be a Della Robbia. Just east of the Altar is a large mural painting of the Nativity

scene, showing the Virgin and Child with St Joseph, all in a setting exhibiting the naïveté so characteristic of the work of the medieval artisans. There is an orange tree, various flowering plants, a rabbit, and even a canary in a gilded cage. On the left side is the Symbol of St Joseph — a Square (done in gold leaf). In the next bay is another mural obviously by the same artist, depicting the Flight into Egypt. Just east of this mural is a large bas-relief of the Crucifixion — a copy in plaster of a wood carving which adorns the High Altar of the Cathedral in Milwaukee. This is a perpetual reminder of a beloved former Rector, Father Barry, who had it placed there.

Let us now take particular note of the stained glass windows in the north aisle. There are three of them, all almost triangular in shape, and divided into trefoils and cinquefoils. The window nearest the High Altar is the St Matthew Window. The very centre of the tracery contains a bit of glass with a scroll on which are the words of St Matthew. The lower left cinquefoil shows Matthew sitting at the receipt of custom, in other words collecting taxes. Several taxpayers are standing nearby, one with the scroll of his account. Two posts on either side of the desk display placards with Hebrew characters — presumably advertising the present tax-rates. The right-hand cinquefoil shows the same scene, only this time you will note the addition of the figure of our Blessed Lord — He is calling Matthew away from tax collecting, bidding him to follow Him. The top cinquefoil shows St Matthew seated, with a book in his lap. You can guess what the book is — the Gospel according to St Matthew. Back of him is a man with wings, the symbol of St Matthew. The next window (over the Flight into Egypt) tells something of the life of St Anne. You will note the letter A in the very centre of the window. The top trefoil shows an angel appearing to St Joachim, husband of St Anne, informing him that St Anne, who has been barren, will bear a daughter. The lower left trefoil shows St Joachim and St Anne, as he carries the glad tidings that she is to be the mother of a child. The last trefoil (lower right) is a scene in the Temple some time later on. We see St Anne standing there with her daughter, the Blessed Virgin Mary, and the High Priest, and the event is the Presentation of the Blessed Virgin in the Temple. The last window (nearest the west end) tells something of the life of St Ursula. The centre of the window displays her coat

of arms — a shield with three arrows placed on it, alluding to the manner of her death. The top light shows St Ursula consulting with several maidens, telling them of the proposed pilgrimage to Rome. (In order to remain a Virgin a little longer and put off marriage to her espoused, she obtained his permission to take eleven thousand virgins on a pilgrimage to Rome). The lower left light depicts St Ursula leading the maidens into a boat that will take them to Rome. The next light (lower left), tells of her disastrous arrival in Cologne, where she and all the eleven thousand virgins were cruelly shot to death with arrows. You can see the archers with their bows leaning out of the buildings of Cologne. Thus St Ursula fulfilled her wish of remaining a virgin and receiving the crown of Martyrdom as a reward for her high ideals and her devotion to our Blessed Lord.

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#### PARISH NOTES

OUR annual Acolytes' Festival is being held as usual on Lincoln's Birthday, Wednesday, February the twelfth, at eleven. There will be a Solemn Votive Mass of the Blessed Sacrament, followed by a Procession of the Host and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. Before the Introit of the Mass a Charge will be addressed to the acolytes by Father Johnson, Rector of St Martin's Church, New York City. Acolytes from all parishes in New York City and vicinity are invited to this Festival, as well as their parish priests, and the procession in honor of the Blessed Sacrament is usually made up of some four or five hundred acolytes. At the close of the service a buffet luncheon is served in St Joseph's Hall to all of our guest priests and acolytes. The members of St Mary's and their friends are invited to attend the Mass at which there is a genuine outpouring of devotion to Jesus in the Most Holy Sacrament of the Altar.

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ON Septuagesima Sunday and thereafter Mite-Boxes will be available to the congregation that day by day until Palm Sunday they may put by offerings for the needs of St Mary's. The Mite-Boxes are handed in on Palm Sunday and their contents form a hopeful introduction to the Easter Offering.

**T**HE Bishop has appointed Sunday evening, March the sixteenth, for the administration of the Sacrament of Holy Confirmation. The instructions preparatory to Confirmation are being given for adults by Father Taber on six successive Sunday evenings, February the second through March the ninth. The subjects will be: Authority, Prayer, Sin, Sacrifice, Ritual and Discipline. Instructions for boys and girls are being given by the clergy and sisters according to a specially arranged schedule.

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**A**DVANCE notice is given of the Annual Lenten Retreat for Women which is being conducted this year by Father Taber on Saturday, March the eighth.

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**T**HE Woman's Auxiliary will hold its monthly meeting on Friday, February the fourteenth, in St Joseph's Hall at ten-forty-five. At this meeting Mrs S. Harrington Littell, Chairman of the Manhattan District, will speak on the scope of the Auxiliary work in this particular district.

The meeting will be preceded by a Requiem Mass for the deceased members of the St Mary's Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary in the Chapel of Our Lady of Mercy at nine a.m.

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### SHROVE TUESDAY CONFESSIONS

**T**HE Church expects the faithful to make their confessions on Shrove Tuesday, February the eighteenth, that they may have the joy of beginning Lent in a state of grace. The Sacrament of Holy Penance will be administered according to the following schedule:

FATHER TABER — 11-1, 2-3, 8-9  
 FATHER JACOBY — 12-1, 4-5, 7-8  
 FATHER KREUTLER — 11-12, 3-4, 5-6

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**O**N Ash Wednesday, February the nineteenth, Low Masses will be celebrated at 7, 8, 9:30 and 12:10. A High Mass with sermon by Father Dawley, Professor of Ecclesiastical History at the General Theological Seminary, will be celebrated at eleven. Ashes will be imposed before each Mass and at the night service at eight.

### FROM THE PARISH REGISTER

#### BAPTISM

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

December 14 — Kathryn Maurine Barnes (Adult)  
 December 15 — Schuyler Graves Burdett, III (Infant)  
 December 19 — Berton Winford Lowe (Adult)  
 December 22 — Olga Ruth Talke (Adult)

#### CONFIRMATIONS

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

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

December 17 — Lydia Hess Allan  
 Kathryn Maurine Barnes  
 Margaret Ann Fisher

#### MARRIAGE

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

November 27 — Kenneth Marshall Allan and Lydia Hess

#### RECEIVED BY CANONICAL TRANSFER

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

December 13 — Clyde Harold Wortham  
 December 18 — Corinne M. Bilby  
 December 31 — Royal Wesley Burnett Cowan  
 December 31 — Lillian Martha (Curtis) Cowan

#### BURIAL

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

December 11 — Emma Widmayer

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**T**HE altar flowers for the month of February are given in memory of the following:

February 3 — The Purification of the Blessed Virgin Mary.  
 Ursula Dumont Arnold  
 February 12 — The Acolytes' Festival. Mrs Archibald Russell.

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 Communion for the month of February are as follows:

Sunday, February 2, 9:00, The Guild of St Mary of the Cross.

Wednesday, February 5, 9:30, St Mary's Guild.

Sunday, February 9, 9:00, The Living Rosary of Our Lady and St Dominic.

Friday, February 14, 9:30, The Woman's Auxiliary.

Sunday, February 23, 9:00, The Church School.

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## KALENDAR FOR FEBRUARY

1. Sa. St Ignatius, B.M. Com. St Bridget, V.
- ✕ 2. Su. SEPTUAGESIMA. (*Blessing of candles at High Mass.*)
3. M. PURIFICATION OF B.V.M. (transferred) Com. St Blaise B.M. & St Ansgarius, B.C.
4. Tu. St Andrew Corsini, B.C. Com. St Gilbert of Sempringham, C.
5. W. St Agatha, V.M.
6. Th. St Titus, B.C. Com. St Dorothy, V.M.
7. F. St Romuald, Ab. Requiem Mass, 7. *Abstinence.*
8. Sa. St John of Matha, C.
- ✕ 9. Su. SEXAGESIMA. Com. St Cyril of Alexandria, B.C.D., and St Apollonia, V.M.
10. M. St Scholastica, V.
11. Tu. Vision of our Lady.
12. W. Seven Holy Founders of the Servites, CC. At 11, Solemn Votive Mass of the Blessed Sacrament, Procession and Benediction (*Acolytes' Festival*).
13. Th. St Kentigern, B.C. Requiem Mass, 8.
14. F. St Valentine, Pr. M. *Abstinence.*
15. Sa. Of our Lady. Com. SS Faustinus & Jovita, MM., and The Martyrs of Japan.
- ✕ 16. Su. QUINQUAGESIMA.
17. M. *Feria.* Requiem Mass, 7.
18. Tu. St Mary Bernard Soubirous, V. Com. St Simeon, B.M. (*Shrove Tuesday*).
19. W. ASH WEDNESDAY. *Fast and Abstinence.* High Mass and Sermon, 11.
20. Th. *Feria.* Com. African Missionaries & Martyrs. *Fast.*
21. F. *Feria. Fast and Abstinence.*
22. Sa. St Peter's Chair at Antioch. Com. St Paul, Ap., *Feria, Vigil,* and St Joseph of Arimathea, C. *Fast.*
- ✕ 23. Su. LENT I. Com. St Peter Damien, B.C.D.
24. M. ST MATTHIAS, AP. Com. *Feria. Fast.*
25. Tu. *Feria.* Requiem Mass, 8. *Fast.*
26. W. EMBER DAY. *Fast and Abstinence.*
27. Th. St Gabriel, C. Com. *Feria. Fast.*
28. F. EMBER DAY. *Fast and Abstinence.*

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 FEBRUARY — 1947

## FEBRUARY 2 — SEPTUAGESIMA

<i>Mass</i> , Missa Festiva in E.....	Kromolicki
Motet, Tota pulchra es, Maria.....	Bruckner
<i>Evensong</i>	
Magnificat and Nunc dimittis.....	Byrd
Motet, To the Mother of God.....	Rachmaninoff
O salutaris .....	Whyte
Motet, O bone Jesu.....	Bai
Tantum ergo .....	Boellmann

## FEBRUARY 9 — SEXAGESIMA

<i>Mass</i> , Missa Sancti Josephi.....	Peeters
Motet, Sicut cervus.....	Palestrina
<i>Evensong</i>	
Magnificat and Nunc dimittis.....	Whitlock
Motet, The Veneration of the Cross.....	Rachmaninoff
O salutaris .....	Nicholson
Motet, Adoramus te .....	16th Century
Tantum ergo (No. 4) .....	Bruckner

## FEBRUARY 12 — FESTIVAL FOR ACOLYTES

<i>Mass</i> , Missa Festiva in E .....	Kromolicki
Motets, Sicut cervus .....	Palestrina
Adoramus te .....	Handl
Tantum ergo .....	Kodaly

## FEBRUARY 16 — QUINQUAGESIMA

<i>Mass</i> , Missa Sanctae Clarae Assisiensis.....	Refice
Motet, O admirabile commercium .....	Handl
<i>Evensong</i>	
Magnificat and Nunc dimittis .....	William
Motet, Ave Maria .....	Rachmaninoff
O salutaris .....	Noyon
Motet, Adoramus te .....	Rosselli
Tantum ergo .....	Beobide

## FEBRUARY 19 — ASH WEDNESDAY

<i>Mass</i> , Missa Deus genitor alme .....	Gregorian
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## FEBRUARY 23 — LENT I

<i>Mass</i> , Missa Secunda .....	Hassler
Motet, Caligaverunt .....	Victoria
<i>Evening</i>	
The Litany in Procession .....	Gregorian
Motet, Turn our Captivity .....	Byrd
O salutaris .....	Victoria
Motet, Adoramus te .....	Perti
Tantum ergo (No. 3) .....	Reger

## 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.

\* Consult enclosed Lenten Leaflet for schedule of services, February 19th to 28th (inclusive).

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.

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, 10:45 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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The following is the form of bequest:

"I hereby give, devise and bequeath to THE SOCIETY OF THE FREE CHURCH OF SAINT MARY THE VIRGIN, a corporation organized and existing under the Laws of the State of New York, and having its principal office at 145 West 46th Street, New York City, ..... (here stating the nature or amount of the gift)."

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