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Dear Parishioners of St Mary's,

I have learned that the presence of eight "Special Thank Offering" envelopes in the boxes of pledge envelopes troubles some. These envelopes are not placed with the regular pledge envelopes to trouble anyone, but rather to give those who love St Mary's enough to support her opportunities to surprise her pleasantly with extra gifts from time to time. How life is gladdened with pleasant surprises!

The point is this: St Mary's actually needs more than is actually pledged year by year to maintain her physical properties in good repair, to hold to her standards of work and worship and to witness to the glory of the Catholic Faith and Practice that through such witness many parishes in the Episcopal Church may be encouraged to do the same. Now if each of us would give St Mary's an additional financial lift as we are able, accompanying the greater lift of our prayers, her financial worries could easily be allayed. If, therefore, you receive an unexpected gift of money, share it with St Mary's. If you realize that you are spending more on personal pleasures than you need to spend for your proper recreation, decrease the amount so spent and give it to St Mary's. If you are doing more than might be justly expected of you in fulfilling your social obligations, explain to your friends that you are cutting down on entertaining in favor of St Mary's needs. Give to St Mary's one, two, or even eight surprise gifts during the year, thereby giving pleasure both to yourself and to those who must be responsible for the financial affairs of your beloved parish. This is really not too much to ask, is it? And to link these pleasant surprises with the Holy Days of the Church when our

hearts are overflowing with gratitude for so many spiritual joys is all the more natural.

Affectionately yours,

SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

THE highest Christian privilege is that of receiving Holy Communion. Most of the faithful believe that when they pray "Give us this day our daily bread" they are seeking among other things the privilege of receiving Holy Communion on any and every day. It is for this reason that any church that rightly calls itself a church provides for a daily celebration of the Holy Mass and many churches provide for several celebrations of the Holy Mass each day.

Now there are some devoted followers of Jesus who receive Holy Communion every day of their lives, excepting on Good Friday and Holy Saturday when there are no Masses for communions. There are others who receive every Sunday at least. There are still others who receive much less frequently, some of whom think of the first Sunday in the month as a peculiarly holy day, why, the Lord only knows. (The second, third, fourth and even fifth Sundays in the month appear to be perfectly good Lord's Days.) The parish that is daily becoming a spiritual stronghold is the parish in which communions are being made more regularly and more faithfully and with more devout preparation.

To be sure those who plan definitely to receive Holy Communion at stated intervals are sometimes hindered from carrying out their plans. The most common hindrances are ill health, too great distance from the altar, obligation to care for children or the sick at home, household duties, and business and professional demands. Of course, under urgent circumstances Holy Communion is given by the priest from the Reserved Sacrament in the

home or hospital or prison. However, it would not be humanly possible for the average parish priest to carry the Blessed Sacrament as often as desired to all who cannot get to Mass. Therefore, for those legitimately hindered from receiving the Blessed Sacrament according to their Rule, manuals of devotion provide a devotion called "Spiritual Communion". The act of "spiritual communion", however, could never be honestly used by the lazy since slothfulness is never a legitimate hindrance to going to Mass.

What is the devotion called "spiritual communion"? It is, generally speaking, quite informal — an Act of Faith, an Act of Contrition, an Act of Love, an expression of desire to join with the offering up of the Sacrifice of the Mass at the altar, a plea that, since Jesus cannot be received sacramentally, He will come spiritually to the soul for cleansing, healing and strengthening, and then all is concluded by the "Our Father", the "Hail Mary" and the "Anima Christi". This last devotion is pecularily appropriate to the Act of Spiritual Communion for it is the Church's devotion strengthening a worshipper's union not only with the divinity of Christ but with His glorified humanity which is in the Blessed Sacrament as well as in heaven.

Even when the priest carries the Blessed Sacrament to a very sick person and it is found that the sick person cannot possibly receive the Body of Christ, the priest conducts the devotion called "spiritual communion", in which in such an extreme case is included the very beautiful prayer "Grant, O Lord Jesus Christ, that as the hem of Thy garment touched in faith healed the woman who could not touch Thy Body, so the soul of this Thy servant may be healed by like faith in Thee Whom by reason of weakness he cannot now receive. Through Thy tender mercy, Who livest and reignest with the Father in the unity of the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. Amen."

Some may be inclined to think that the whole subject of Spiritual Communion has to do with excessive piety prescribed by a party within the Church, but this is not so. Throughout her entire existence the Holy Catholic Church has taught that her children receive God's mercy and love even though they be hindered from receiving through the normal channels of the Sacraments. Those who desired to be baptized but who died before the Sacrament of

Holy Baptism could be administered were proclaimed by the Church to have received the gift of regeneration through baptism by desire. Those who as martyrs shed their life's blood for Jesus before they were united to Him by the Sacrament of Holy Baptism were considered by the Church to have received baptism of blood.

In our own Book of Common Prayer a rubric in the Office of Communion of the Sick states, But if a man, either by reason of extremity of sickness, or for want of warning in due time to the Minister, or by any other just impediment, do not receive the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood, the Minister shall instruct him, that if he do truly repent him of his sins, and stedfastly believe that Jesus Christ hath suffered death upon the Cross for him, and shed his Blood for his redemption, earnestly remembering the benefits he hath thereby, and giving him hearty thanks therefor, he doth eat and drink the Body and Blood of our Saviour Christ profitably to his soul's health, although he do not receive the Sacrament with his mouth. Thus we see that it is of the mind of the Church that the faithful when legitimately prevented from receiving God's grace through the Sacraments do receive the same grace spiritually.

The next time that you, dear reader, are prevented for a good reason from making your communion at a Mass which you planned to attend, make an Act of Spiritual Communion that you may receive spiritually even though you cannot receive sacramentally. As you make the Act of Spiritual Communion unite yourself if possible to the altar of your parish church in union with your fellow parishioners. There is a faithful communicant who by reason of his business responsibilities is taken far afield and is therefore unable to get to Mass for his communion with any degree of regularity. However, he takes his watch out of his pocket each morning at seven and reminds himself thus that at that hour the Holy Mass is being offered at the altar of his parish church. He then and there unites himself with our blessed Lord Who is offering Himself to the Father in the Sacrifice of the Mass and with his fellow parishioners and the whole family of God who, whether present or not, are offering up every Mass since the Mystical Body of Christ cannot be divided.

One who would isolate himself cannot make an Act of Spiritual Communion. The whole basis for such an Act is the desire to be one with our blessed Lord and one with the members of His Mystical Body, the Church. This is why in a spiritual communion we project ourselves in spirit into the Mass, the great corporate act of worship. We are awakened to the spirit of true communion as our inner walls of self-assertion break down and we no longer defend the sphere of the eqo. It is possible for us to join a club and still be egotistical, but it is not possible for us to join with others in Christ and be egotistical. If we join with others without Christ we experience a purely superficial communion which we might call mass egotism which is more dangerous than the egotism of the individual. We have only to remind ourselves of certain examples of mass egotism which we have witnessed in our century in various forms of totalitarianism. Only if we join with others in Christ can we say "Our Father". Only if we join with others in Christ can we cease to be conformed to the world and rather be transformed by the renewing of our souls and bodies. This is the importance of the Mass. This is the importance of projecting ourselves into the Mass in acts of spiritual communion.

If we are lazy, let us bestir ourselves and go to Mass more often. If we are kept from going to Mass for a really good reason, let us bestir ourselves to make acts of spiritual communion. Let us honestly face up to the fact that an act of spiritual communion is always out of order for the lazy and the indifferent. It is solely for those who have a holy desire to feed on the Bread of Life, and, with a heart full of love, to hunger and thirst after Jesus Christ.

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NAMADIC NOTIONS

Drearily Necessary — Necessarily Dreary

THERE is an old story about an officer of a large corporation who died.

The undertaker waited upon the bereaved family to receive their instruction in regard to the final arrangements and was surprised to note that no provisions were made for automobiles to follow the hearse. When rising to take his leave he called this omission to the family's attention. The eldest son replied: "We prefer to be driven in our own car" and seemed to think that he had explained the situation. The undertaker hinted that inasmuch as the deceased had been a prominent officer of a large corporation, numerous friends might be expected to appear. To this the son replied: "Oh no they won't — father was the treasurer and nobody loves the treasurer."

This melancholy fact is probably true, and probably is as it should be, since treasurers are notoriously low-minded, grubbing and grabbing graspers; but there lurks in the back of one's mind the confused idea that they may be necessary evils, like rainy days and visits to the dentist. In any event, in our present system of organization they are more or less usual and must therefore bear the obloquy which attaches to their duties with what equanimity they may.

In a church they seem to be even more than usually offensive, which again is proper since they have nothing to do with the high-minded and glorious side of the organization. But again the doubt creeps in that the church building might not be so attractive a place unless it were heated, and that heat costs money, and that money must be got from somewhere.

All of which leads to the humble apology of one treasurer for mentioning so dreary a subject, which he nevertheless feels he must mention in view of the fact that the maintenance of a large plant has more than doubled in cost during the past few years, while the contributions out of which it must be maintained are substantially what they were at the same past period. This is not to say that the treasurer, who is willing to take the major part of the blame for needing money, expects to receive three or four large donations which will reduce his worries and put everything on a sound basis; but his present purpose is to suggest that a very large number of people visit St Mary's each week, many of them to attend services and many merely to receive the comfort of individual prayer, and that if each of these people was able and willing to leave ten cents more than they leave at present it would go a long way toward wiping out a small but steadily mounting deficit which is insidiously undermining the financial security of the Parish. The days of large gifts are probably past, but the present treasurer believes that there is still interest enough in the place we love so much to insure its continuance by the practice of some such scheme as is outlined above. If we all give a little St Mary's can be made self-supporting, which she has not been for some years.

N. F. R.

☆ THE TRYST

There comes a morning when I go to meet a Friend.
Through the murmur of a drowsing city I haste to keep a Tryst
Of unimaginable beauty — the Lord of Lord's is there!
That Majesty should wait upon the halting footsteps of a vassal!
It cannot be — and yet it is — this sublime Mystery awaits me.

It seems too poor a thing to say — I am not worthy, Before such overwhelming grandeur I am mute, Such tenderness toward my need abases me, Prostrate with awe my soul can only cry — O most dear Lord, because I'm here believe I love Thee!

E. G. D.

PARISH NOTES

THE Sacrament of Holy Confirmation will be administered at St Mary's on Sunday evening, the First Sunday in Lent, March the sixth, at eight. A series of Sunday night pre-Confirmation instructions is now being given in the place of the address at the regular Sunday evening services. These instructions form part of the preparation of Confirmation candidates. Every member of the congregation should make it his privilege to invite to accompany him to these instructions such of his friends as have no definite church connections. Many of them are waiting for just such an invitation. Much individual instruction supplements these more or less formal instructions. Young boys and girls are prepared for Confirmation by the Sisters of the Holy Nativity. Pray that many may seek the power of the Holy Spirit in the Sacrament of Holy Confirmation.

TEAR by year the clergy and acolytes of St Mary's are hosts to the clergy and acolytes of many parishes at the Annual Acolytes' Festival on Lincoln's Birthday, February the twelfth. High Mass, followed by Procession of the Host and Solemn Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament will be celebrated at eleven. Visiting priests and acolytes take part in the Procession. A five-minute Charge will be given before the Introit of the Mass to the attending acolytes by Father John Butler, Rector of Trinity Church, Princeton, New Jersey. At the close of the Festival a buffet luncheon is served by the ladies of St Mary's to our guests. The members of the congregation and their friends are cordially invited to attend this Mass which is a great and loving witness to the Real Presence of Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament, but lack of space prohibits our inviting to the luncheon any save priests and acolytes who are officially representing their parishes.

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DVANCE notice is given of the annual Lent Retreat which this year will be conducted by Father Simpson, Professor of Literature and Interpretation of the Old Testament, on Saturday, April the second.

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IN several places throughout the church and parish house various works of ecclesiastical art have been placed much to the joy of the members of the parish. Lack of space forbids a detailed description of these art treasures. We are most grateful for such an aid to our devotional life provided through the thoughtful generosity of a faithful communicant of the parish, Mrs John G. Winant.

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THERE will be given four programs of organ music on the four Monday evenings in February at eight-thirty. The organist on February seventh and twenty-eighth will be Ernest White, on February fourteenth, Edward Linzel and on February twenty-first, Marie Schumacher. All are invited to attend.

THE monthly meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary will be held Friday morning, February the eleventh, at ten-forty-five, preceded by a Corporate Communion in the Lady Chapel at the nine-thirty Mass. An address on the Missions in Japan will be given.

The amount of knitting and sewing done by the women of the parish during the summer months is valued at \$569.63. The garments made were all sent to diocesan institutions,

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FROM THE PARISH REGISTER

BAPTISMS

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

December 5-Lee Sutcliffe Clarke (Infant)

December 12 - Craig Eugene Robert (Infant)

December 26 - Tina Claire Barbara Jacobs

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

December 28 - Jane Lawrence

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THE altar flowers for the month of February are as follows:

February 2 — The Purification of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Ursula Dumont Arnold.

February 6 — The Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany. Edmund Wilfred Harding.

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 Communions for the month of February are as follows:

Wednesday, February 2, 9:30, St Mary's Guild.

Sunday, February 6, 9:00, The Guild of St Mary of the Cross.

Friday, February 11, 9:30, The Woman's Auxiliary.

Sunday, February 13, 9:00, The Living Rosary of Our Lady and St Dominic.

Sunday, February 27, 9:00, The Church School.

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

KALENDAR FOR FEBRUARY

- 1. Tu. St Ignatius, B.M. Com. St Bridget, V.
- 2. W. PURIFICATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY.
- 3. Th. St Blase, B.M. Com. St Ansgarius, B.C. Requiem Mass, 7.
- 4. F. St Andrew Corsini, B.C. Com. St Gilbert of Sempringham, C. Abstinence.
- 5. Sa. St Agatha, V. M.
- ₩ 6. Su. V EPIPHANY. Com. St Titus, B.C., and St Dorothy, V.M.
 - 7. M. St Romuald, Ab. Requiem Mass, 8.
 - 8. Tu. St John of Matha, C.
 - 9. W. St Cyril of Alexandria, B.C.D. Com. St Apollonia, V.M.
 - 10. Th. St Scholastica, V.
 - 11. F. Vision of Our Lady. Abstinence.
 - 12. Sa. Seven Holy Founders of the Servites, CC. At 11, Solemn Votive Mass of the Blessed Sacrament, Procession and Benediction (Acolytes' Festival).
- ¥13. Su. SEPTUAGESIMA. Com. St Kentigern, B.C.
 - 14. M. St Valentine, Pr. M.
- 15. Tu. SS Faustinus & Jovita, M.M. Com. Martyrs of Japan.
- 16. W. Feria. Requiem Mass, 9:30.
- 17. Th. Feria.
- 18. F. St Mary Bernard Soubirous, V. Com. St Simeon, B.M. Abstinence.
- 19. Sa. Of Our Lady.
- ¥20. Su. SEXAGESIMA. Com. The African Missionaries and Martyrs.
 - 21. M. Feria. Requiem Mass, 7.
- 22. Tu. St Peter's Chair at Antioch. Com. St Paul, Ap., and St Joseph of Arimathea, C.
- 23. W. St Peter Damian, B.C.D. Com. Vigil.
- 24. Th. ST MATTHIAS, AP.
- 25. F. Feria. Abstinence.
- 26. Sa. Of Our Lady.
- ₩27. Su. QUINQUAGESIMA. Com. St Gabriel, C.
- 28 M. Feria, Requiem Mass, 8.

Days indicated by Mare days of precept, with an obligation of attendance at Mass.

MUSIC FOR FEBRUARY

February 6 — EPIPHANY V	
Mass, Missa brevis	Mozart
Motet, Turn our captivity	Byrd
Evensong	
Magnificat and Nunc dimittis	Whitlock
Motet, Laudate caeli	
O salutaris	Rehm
Motet, Adoramus te	
Tantum ergo	Gigault
FEBRUARY 12 - FESTIVAL FOR ACOLYTES	
Mass, Missa S. Clarae Assisiensis	Refice
Motets, Exultate Deo	Scarlatti
Sicut cervus	Palestrina
Tantum ergo	Schroeder
FEBRUARY 13 — SEPTUAGESIMA	
Mass, Missa Quarti toni	Victoria
Motet, O salutaris	
Evensong	
Magnificat and Nunc dimittis	Tomkins
Motet, Ave Maria	Bruckner
O salutaris	Nicholson
Motet, Jesu dulcis	
Tantum ergo	Nicholson
FEBRUARY 20 — SEXAGESIMA	
Mass, Missa Misericordias Domini	Rheinberger
Motet, O admirabile commercium	Palestrina
Evensong	
Magnificat and Nunc dimittis	Willan
Motet, And I saw a new Heaven	Bainton
O salutaris	Henschel
Motet, Ave Verum	Noyon
Tantum ergo (4 part)	Victoria
FEBRUARY 27 — QUINQUAGESIMA	
Mass, Missa festiva	Kromolicki
Motet, Ego sum panis vivus	Palestrina
Evensong	
Magnificat	16th Century
Nunc dimittis	
Motet, Panis angelicus	
O salutaris	
Motet, Adoramus te	
Tantum ergo	nenscnei

SERVICES

Sundays	
Low Mass 7:00 a.n	1.
Morning Prayer 7:40 a.m	1.
Low Mass 8:00 a.n	ì.
Sung Mass (St Francis' Altar) 9:00 a.m	ì.
Low Mass (Lady Chapel)	1.
High Mass, with sermon	١.
Evening Service and Benediction, with address 8.00 p.m	ı.
Week Days	
Mass, daily 7, 8, and 9:30 a.m	ı.
Also on greater Holy Days as announced	
11 a.m. and 12:10 p.m	
Mass, Fridays	
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	۱.
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.	i•
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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
Closed on legal holidays.	-
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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.—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. Holy Hour (St Francis' Altar) 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. Recitation of the Rosary (St Francis' Altar) second Fridays, 8:15 p.m. Father Kreutler, Chaplain.

Guild of All Souls. — St Mary's Ward. Stations of the Cross, 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.

REMEMBER ST MARY'S IN YOUR WILL

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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