Dear Parishioners of St Mary's,

I would remind you that the Patronal Festival of our beloved parish falls on the Feast of the Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Thursday, December the eighth. How should each loyal member of the parish observe this great Festival?

First, by giving thanks to Almighty God for the patronage of Our Lady and for the many blessings that have come to us as a parish through her prayers.

Second, by receiving Holy Communion at some Mass at St Mary's during the Octave of the Festival, preferably on the Feast Day itself, December the eighth, when Low Masses will be celebrated at the High Altar at 7, 8, 9:30, 11 and 12:10.

Third, by attending on the Sunday in the Octave, December the eleventh, as a member of the parish family the family High Mass of the Patronal Festival celebrated at eleven. Bishop Campbells, Superior of the Order of the Holy Cross, will preach and preside at this Mass.

Fourth, by making a special thank offering for your varied blessings as a member of St Mary's that through a generous Patronal Festival offering, as well as through your prayers, your parish may confidently enter upon another year of worship and work for God's glory.

Give thanks — receive Holy Communion — share in family worship — make a special thank offering — these are the happy privileges extended to all parishioners at the yearly glorious Patronal Feast. May God bless us and keep us in His loving service as a parish family in the days that by His mercy are still to be granted us.

Affectionately yours,

[Signature: Grieg Taber]
CHRISTMAS

A FAITHFUL Catholic makes his confession before and receives his communion at the Christmas Feast.

CHRISTMAS CONFESSIONS

FATHER TABER
December 22: 12-1
December 23: 11-1, 2-3
December 24: 11-1, 2-3, 8-9

FATHER JACOBY
December 22: 4-5
December 23: 12-1, 3-4
December 24: 4-5, 8-10

FATHER MAYBURY
December 22: 7-8
December 23: 4-5, 7-8
December 24: 3-4, 10-11:45

CHRISTMAS SERVICES

Christmas Eve, Saturday, December 24
Church School Festival .................................................. 4 p.m.
Evening Prayer ............................................................ 6 p.m.
Midnight Mass and Holy Communion ............................... Midnight

Christmas Day, Sunday, December 25
Low Masses ................................................................. 7, 8, 9, 10 a.m.
Morning Prayer .......................................................... 7:40 a.m.
High Mass with sermon ................................................. 11 a.m.
Evensong and Benediction .............................................. 8 p.m.

The Church School Christmas Festival, Saturday afternoon at four, takes the form of Carols, Procession to the Créche 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 Newborn King at the Christmas altar.

SHRINES OF ST MARY’S

Our Lady

NEXT to the Tabernacle or any Shrine erected in honor of our blessed Lord, a shrine of Our Lady would be the most treasured of shrines and more especially in a church dedicated to Our Lady.

In early Christian art our blessed Lord was set forth most frequently as the Good Shepherd — young, and with a lamb slung on His shoulders, followed by a flock of sheep. And Our Lady was represented by the side of her Divine Son, feeding with her hand a flock of fluttering birds. Yes, in the eyes of the early Christians the Blessed Virgin Mary, the Mother of God, was Lady of Mercy. We love to think of her as loving so tenderly those whom her Son loves. We love to kneel at her Shrine and pour forth our sorrows, knowing full well that she understands our sorrows as only a mother could whose soul was seven times pierced by sorrow — at the prophecy of Simeon, in the flight into Egypt, at the three days’ loss of the boy Jesus, at the carrying of the Cross by her Divine Son, at Jesus’ crucifixion, at His descent from the Cross and at the entombment of His crucified body. Surely she who was so stalwart in her seven great sorrows must best know how to pray for us in the midst of our lesser sorrows.

And blessed Mary is in a very real sense our Mother. Our blessed Lord says through His Holy Gospel, “Except ye be converted and become as little children, ye cannot enter into the kingdom of heaven.” In other words, our most merciful Saviour, who has opened to us heaven’s gate by the shedding of His own blood, has warned us that unless we continue in spiritual childhood we cannot reach the maturity of the sons of God. Now spiritual childhood demands a spiritual mother and this Mother God has provided for us. Indeed, on Calvary’s Hill she was given to us through the person of St John. As the Beloved Disciple stood at the foot of the Cross he represented every member of the family of God, represented you and me, and to him the dying Saviour said “Behold thy Mother” as he gave to blessed John and through him to all who would be abundantly blessed through the ages His most treasured possession, namely, His Mother. Yes, the Blessed Virgin Mary is the Mother of Jesus and thus the Mother of God, but lo! she is also the spiritual mother of John and all the host of the redeemed whether in heaven or in purgatory or here on earth. When you and I kneel before the Shrine of Our Lady, we humbly claim her as our Mother and we know that she will watch over us and pray tenderly for us with prayers that flow from a mother’s heart.

Now Our Lady’s prayers must be the most God-centered prayers ever offered by any creature of God for she is, as the Angel Gabriel proclaimed her, full of grace. So full of grace was she
from her very birth that of all the galaxy of God's saints she alone could pray without wavering "Be it unto me according to Thy word". And so Our Lady will never present to Jesus as our only Mediator and Advocate by virtue of the merits of His Passion any petitions save those in accord with His divine will. How natural then for us to kneel at her Shrine and say "Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners now and at the hour of our death". How natural to ask her to pray for us who know how self-centered our prayers do become. Oh, there are wings to Our Lady's prayers!

Then, too, we kneel at the Shrine of the Blessed Virgin Mary to venerate her. We venerate her because she is the model of womanhood. We venerate her in that she is the example of purity and humility and selfless love and patience in the midst of affliction. We venerate her because she is in a generous measure a reflection of her Son and repeats Him to us in a most appealing way. We venerate her because she was the first Christ-bearer and a constant reminder to us that we are to be Christ-bearers by allowing her Son to live in us, exclaiming with blessed Paul "I live, yet not I, but Christ liveth in me". We venerate her as the most perfect creature of God, reserving our worship for God who created her and filled her with grace and chose her for His Mother and at length raised her to the exalted position of Queen of Heaven.

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ILL AT EASE

ARE you ill at ease over your religion when in the public eye? If so, is not such a situation detrimental to your spiritual progress as well as to that of others?

Sometimes we Anglicans are too proper for words! We cling to a certain reticence and conservatism in the practice of our religion to such an extent that we miss the fun of being Christians. What is the remedy? The cure lies in the ability to laugh at ourselves, but the cure is too frequently not taken. Instead we quote our blessed Lord as substantiating our reticence and conservatism. We hear Him say "When thou prayest, enter into thy closet, and when thou hast shut thy door, pray to thy Father which is in secret and thy Father which seeth in secret shall reward thee openly." (The writer has yet to hear of a Christian who prays in his closet.) Since Jesus has warned us not to be as hypocrites, praying standing in the synagogues and in the corners of the streets to be seen of men, we feel that we should be ill at ease whenever we pray in public or witness to our faith in public. What nonsense!

Our blessed Lord's instruction to His dear followers in the matter of praying is very clear. He warns all to have as the motive for prayer the lifting up of the soul to the heavenly Father, and not the being seen of men. But if the motive is the first, surely we should not feel ill at ease when praying or witnessing to the faith in the sight of men. Indeed, we are to pray with a pure motive and not merely to be seen of men, but we are not to pray that no one will see us praying.

After all we are "members one of another". Our blessed Lord Himself preached to crowds as well as to individuals, performed works of mercy for groups as well as individual men and women, celebrated the first Mass before all the Apostles and not in the presence of a specified single Apostle and sent the Holy Spirit at Pentecost to all the Apostles, thereby ordaining them all at one ceremony and not each one separately. And when Jesus had given His parting command before His Ascension, "Go ye into all the world and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Ghost", He was establishing a family of Christians here on earth, just as when He died on the Cross He won salvation not merely for those present at the crucifixion but for the whole wide world. Every modern Christian therefore is a member of a parish family as well as of the neighborhood of which the parish church is the center. And so every modern Christian shares in the family worship and in the practice of the Christian religion in a neighborly group.

Let us now be specific. Do you make use of the shrines in your parish church, or would you be ill at ease in doing so? As a matter of fact everyone praying at a shrine shares in the Church's witness to active belief in the communion of saints. Such witness is sorely needed. There are far too many Christians who in the Creed proclaim their belief in the communion of saints and who then hold their belief in academic seclusion. Actually there should be so many Christians praying at our shrines that they
would be falling over each other. These falls would be in a holy cause and not like most falls!

Do you make your confessions during public hours for confession or would you be ill at ease in doing so? Would you prefer to make a private appointment for confession hoping that no one else would be in the church at that hour? Actually you owe it to your fellow-sinners to witness to your belief that God's mercy can be experienced in the Sacrament of Holy Penance. It is a salutary thing for crowds to form a queue outside a confessional. And it is a still more salutary thing to find yourself in a queue! “What will others think?” you will say. Well, they will think that you are human, after all!

Do you frequently drop into the church for a visit to the Blessed Sacrament or would you be ill at ease in doing so? “Suppose someone should see me”, you whisper. Well, let us hope someone will see you and thereby be encouraged in the thought that there is one more person who loves Jesus in the Most Holy Sacrament enough to visit Him and adore Him.

When you are out in society, do you speak up for Christ's religion, or are you ill at ease in doing so? Do you explain to the bewildered or those who would ridicule why you refuse to eat meat on abstinence days? Do you give the reason you cannot join the weekend party that would take you away from your Sunday Mass? Do you explain why you must get to your church on every Sunday and every other day of obligation? Do you proclaim the positive glory of the Catholic Faith and Practice during those religious arguments, or bull sessions, in which you become entangled? Or are you timid and apologetic? No one has any respect for a Christian “Mr Milquetoast”. Our Lord has warned us, “Neither do men light a candle and put in under a bushel but on a candlestick and it giveth light unto all that are in the house”. Remember that those who surround you are waiting to behold the light of your life fed by the oil of conviction. Only as you expose such light would they be attracted to the Jesus whom you follow.

When you see a hearse pass on the street, what do you do? Are you ill at ease knowing that you should go into action while hesitating to do so? Of course you should trace the sign of the cross on yourself and beg our most Holy Redeemer to grant to the soul represented by the body in the hearse a cleansing progress through purgatory. But you say “What if that soul is headed for hell?” Well, surely the good God will accept your prayers on behalf of some other soul in purgatory who has no one to pray for him.

The long and short of it is this — we Anglicans should find fun in our happy religion by being more natural and more at ease in the practice of it. The writer once was threading his way through a crowded aisle of a large department store when a lady who was in the process of purchasing a sacred medal whirled about and said “Oh, father, will you please bless this medal? It is for my boy who sails tonight for the war overseas.” And there in that crowded aisle, while a startled sales clerk gaped and many a hurrying customer jostled him off his feet, he blessed that medal and gave it back to the happy mother. What would you think of a priest who would say to such a mother “I will bless the medal, but not here. We must find some quiet and obscure corner for the ceremony, far away from this crowd.” Again, the writer at a May Festival here at Saint Mary’s, during a moment of absolute silence while all were gathered about Our Lady’s statue, was asked by a small boy in a stage whisper, “Father, have you been to the circus yet?” And when he answered the boy that he had not but expected to go at the earliest opportunity, both he and the boy continued to honor Our Lady who would most certainly have taken her boy Jesus to a circus.

Now you are not of necessity being urged to throw kisses to Our Lady every time you visit her shrine, or set off fireworks during the next Corpus Christi Procession, or march with a band in the next Solemn Procession before High Mass (although these customs would certainly be accepted by heaven and might give the needed blow to ultra-conservatism) but you are urged to witness normally and happily to the Catholic Faith in the glad assurance that it is the business of others what you do, for the Catholic religion is a family affair.

**PARISH NOTES**

We are confident that the time is ripe for the establishment of an Evening Branch of the Woman’s Auxiliary here at Saint Mary’s. Very many of our faithful women are at work...
through the day and we are sure that out of love for our blessed Lord they wish to have a real share in the missionary work of Holy Church. This Evening Branch, like the Day Branch of the Woman’s Auxiliary here at Saint Mary’s, would hold monthly meetings at which missionary projects would be fostered.

A call is hereby issued for all women who cannot join the Day Branch to meet with Father Taber, Miss Southmayd, Secretary of the District of Manhattan Evening Branches, and other officers of the Auxiliary, on Monday evening, December the fifth at eight-fifteen in Saint Joseph’s Hall. At this time Saint Mary’s will hope to establish an Evening Branch of the Auxiliary. Do not fail us.

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This year the Annual Advent Retreat is open to men as well as women. It will be conducted by Bishop Campbell, O.H.C., on Saturday, December the tenth, with a Retreat Mass at 8, meditations at 10:30, 12:30 and 2:30 and closing with Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament at 3. Breakfast and luncheon will be served to all men and women who before December the seventh notify the Sister-in-Charge-of-the-Retreat at St Mary’s Mission House, 133 West 46th Street, New York 19 (Plaza 7-6464), of their intention to attend. The fact that Saturday these days is very much of a holiday should make it possible for many men to join with the large number of women in accepting the spiritual privilege afforded by this Retreat.

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The Ordo Kalendars for 1950 are on sale for fifty cents each at the Tract Table and through the Church Office, 145 West 46th Street. Every family should display in the home an Ordo Kalendar as a constant reminder that the call to Catholic devotion is a daily as well as a Sunday call. This new Kalendar has an excellent picture of our newest Shrine — the Calvary Shrine.

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The Woman’s Auxiliary holds its monthly Corporate Communion at the nine-thirty Mass in the Lady Chapel on Friday, December the ninth, followed by a meeting in Saint Joseph’s Hall at ten-forty-five at which there will be a Toy Shower for the children at Saint Barnabas’ House. Later the members of the Auxiliary will make a pilgrimage to Saint Barnabas’ House to witness the work of love that is being carried on through this Church shelter.

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The Advent United Thank Offering will be presented at the Cathedral of Saint John the Divine, Tuesday, December the sixth at a Corporate Communion at the ten-thirty Mass. All women of the parish are invited to attend this Mass, following which there will be a box luncheon and missionary meeting in Synod Hall at one-thirty. Contributions for the United Thank Offering may be sent to Mrs James R. English, the parish custodian, at 4 East 95th Street, New York 28, or handed to her in the vestibule of the church after High Mass on December the fourth.

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From the Parish Register

Baptism

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

October 9 — Murray Francis Campbell (Infant)

Confirmation

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

October 15 — John David Goss, Jr.

Marriage

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

October 26 — Walter Petrie Mason and Ethel Cambia Jones

Received by Canonical Transfer

“And they continued steadfastly in the apostles’ teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread and the prayers.”

October 7 — George Evertson Dix, Jr.

October 14 — Russell Albert Perry

October 17 — Charles Edmond Jennings

Burial

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

October 22 — Kate Sibley Shaw

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

December 8 — The Patronal Festival. Departed Lay Officials.
December 11 — The Third Sunday in Advent. James and Susan Stoker Kennedy.

December 25 — Christmas Day. Thomas McKee Brown, Founder and First Rector.

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 December are as follows:

- Sunday, December 4, 9:00, The Guild of St Mary of the Cross.
- Wednesday, December 7, 9:30, St Mary's Guild.
- Friday, December 9, 9:30, The Woman's Auxiliary.
- Sunday, December 11, 9:00, The Living Rosary of Our Lady and St Dominic.
- Tuesday, December 27, 8:00, The Fellowship of St John.

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KALENDAR FOR DECEMBER

1. Th. Feria.

4. Su. II ADVENT. Com. St Peter Chrysologus, B.C.D., St Barbara, V.M., and St Clement of Alexandria, C.D.

11. Su. III ADVENT (Gaudete). Com. St Damasus, I, B.M.

18. Su. IV ADVENT.

27. Tu. ST JOHN, AP., EV. Com. Octave.

Days indicated by □ are days of precept, with an obligation of attendance at Mass.
**MUSIC FOR DECEMBER**

**DECEMBER 4 — ADVENT II**

*Mass, Missa brevis* ................................................. Palestrina

*Motet, Zion hears the watchmen* ................................ Buxtehude

**Evening**

*The Litany in Procession* ........................................ Plainchant

*Motet, Rorate caeli desuper* .................................... Palestrina

*O salutaris* ......................................................... Calvisius

*Motet, Adoramus te* ................................................ Händel

*Tantum ergo* ......................................................... Colonna

**DECEMBER 11 — WITHIN OCTAVE OF CONCEPTION B.V.M.**

*Mass, Missa O Crux benedicta* .................................. Meuerer

*Motet, Beata es, Virgo Maria* .................................... Gabrieli

**Evening**

*The Litany in Procession* ........................................ Plainchant

*Motet, O admirabile commercium* ................................ Rehm

*Motet, O bone Jesu* ................................................ Ingegnieri

*Tantum ergo* ......................................................... Schroeder

**DECEMBER 18 — ADVENT IV**

*Mass, Missa secunda* .............................................. Hassler

*Credo I* ................................................................. Plainchant

*Motet, Rorate caeli desuper* .................................... Palestrina

**Evening**

*The Litany in Procession* ........................................ Plainchant

*Motet, Ecce Dominus veniet* ..................................... Händel

*O salutaris* ......................................................... Rehm

*Motet, Panis angelicus* ........................................... de la Lande

*Tantum ergo* ......................................................... Calegari

**DECEMBER 24 — FIRST MASS OF CHRISTMAS (Midnight)**

*Mass, Missa Patronus ecclesiae* ................................. Lechthaler

*Carols*

**DECEMBER 25 — THIRD MASS OF CHRISTMAS**

*Mass, Missa brevis in D* .......................................... Mozart

*Motet, O magnum mysterium* ..................................... Palestrina

**Evening**

*The Christmas Story* ............................................. Schütz

*Magnificat and Nunc dimittis* ................................... Byrd

*O salutaris* ......................................................... Rehm

*Motet, O bone Jesu* ................................................ Bai

*Tantum ergo (Opus 11, No. 5)* ................................... Kromolicki

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**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 Prayers (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

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 MAYBURY: 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 Maybury, 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 as announced from time to time. Father Jacoby, 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 Maybury, 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 Maybury, 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.


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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