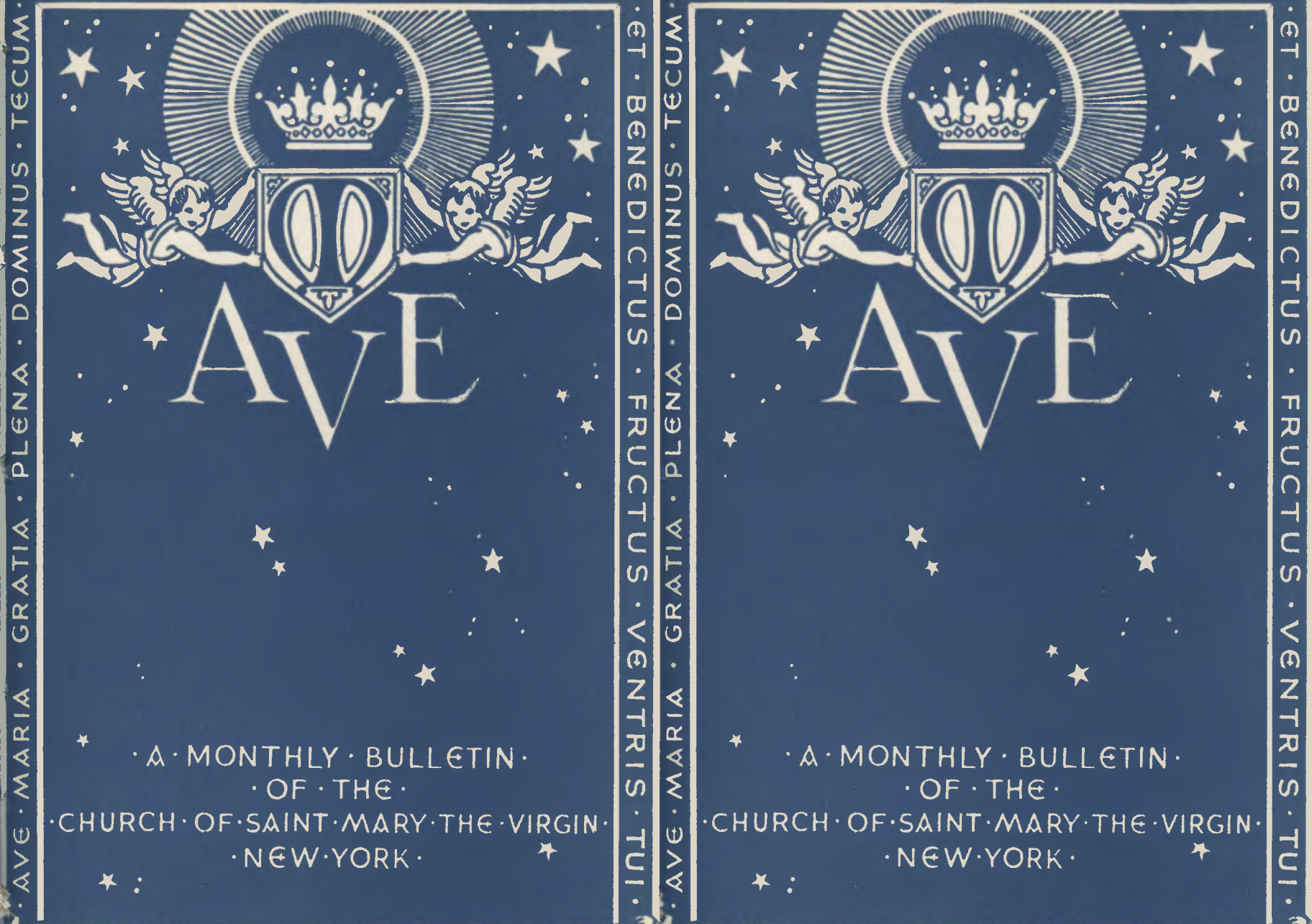


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Dear Parishioners of St Mary's,

Another Lent approaches. Ash Wednesday this year falls on February the twenty-second. I call upon every member of the parish family to keep a holy Lent.

What does this mean? Well, I fear that too often a holy Lent is lost sight of with a multiplication of little acts of devotion that are disconnected from fundamental principles. Lent in such a case becomes a season of petty observances instead of a season of outpouring of love. Small wonder then that so many hate Lent as they should hate routine pettiness.

What is the solution? Does it not lie in being drenched in the spirit of Lent? And what is this spirit? It is that of detachment from everything including self in order that we may become attached only to God. We are too closely attached to the world and the flesh and the devil to have any genuine attachment to Jesus Christ. Therefore during Lent let us cut ourselves loose from such dependence on transitory things that we may be united to Him who is Unchanging Love.

Let us detach ourselves from just one favorite sin. If we do we shall discover to our joy that we are becoming detached from many another sin. Let us detach ourselves from one pleasure which may be innocent enough in itself but which is exacting too much of our money and our time. If we do we shall find to our joy that we are becoming detached from many another pleasure on which our efforts have been wasted. Let us detach ourselves from an excess of worldly reading and conversation. If we do we shall discover that we have time for spiritual reading and conversation with God from which alone can come true enlightenment and soul healing.

Now of course detachment must not be synonymous with idleness. If however we become properly detached we shall then

discover that we have the energy and the time for attaching ourselves to the wisdom and the love and the will of God Himself. In this attachment there is joy and peace which cannot be taken away.

The suggested Rule for Lent printed below is a call to detachment and to holy attachment. May the words of blessed Paul ring in our ears and be engraved in our hearts "I beseech you, therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service. And be not conformed to this world, but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect will of God."

Affectionately,

Giving Taber

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A SUGGESTED LENTEN RULE

1. Receive Holy Communion at least once a week and attend at least one weekday Mass in addition to attendance at Mass each Sunday. (A most happy life is that of Daily Mass.)
2. Make your confession at least on Shrove Tuesday and again before Easter Day.
3. Give up one favorite sin.
4. Attend the 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 meat on Wednesdays as well as Fridays.
7. Deny yourself some favorite pleasure, adding the money you would thus have spent to your Easter Offering.
8. Spend at least a half hour each day in Bible reading, meditation and spiritual reading.
9. Make frequent, if not daily, visits to the Blessed Sacrament.
10. Try to convert someone else to living in the glorious light and the spiritual strength of the Catholic Faith.

11. At the close of each day examine yourself on the basis of this Rule, begging forgiveness for any thorn you may have added to Jesus' crown and seeking His grace to persevere on the morrow.
12. Break the bounds of this Rule by generously responding to God's love.

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SHRINES OF ST MARY'S

The Sacred Heart

AN unknown spiritual writer has penned these telling words "The key to the mystery of the world is God, the key to the mystery of God is Christ, the key to the mystery of Christ is His Heart." It is because these words proclaim the truth that we may be glad that at Saint Mary's we have a Shrine of the Sacred Heart of Jesus.

Blessed John the Beloved Disciple when he rested on Jesus' bosom at the Last Supper must have heard the beatings of the Sacred Heart. It was a Heart beating for St John and the other Apostles and every member of the mystical body of Christ, every member of Holy Church. You see, the heart of man is a symbol of his power of loving. Now Jesus is the perfect man as well as perfect God and so His Heart was like that of other human beings, a heart of flesh, a heart that beats out a melody such as the world has never known, the melody of perfect love. The melody of the Sacred Heart was silent for only a few hours, namely, those between the moment when the soldier's spear pierced it as the loving Redeemer died on the Cross and the moment in the dawn two days later when the same merciful Redeemer rose from the tomb.

The throbbings of the Sacred Heart of Jesus are most efficacious for by these heart beats there rises to the Heavenly Father an expression of love. And since this love proceeds from the Incarnate Son of God it is an infinitely pleasing love. What is more, it is a most effective love because the Sacred Heart is in a very real sense a ladder on which all homage must pass between man and God. Into His great Heart Jesus gathers up all of us and as He does so He corrects our imperfections and supplies our deficiencies and harmonizes our discordant cries and in this way offers to the blessed Trinity perfect praise and adoration.

The portals of the Sacred Heart of Jesus are wide open to all of us who by Baptism have been united with Him. Into His heart we may look and as we do so we are filled with heavenly graces and our souls burst out into song. It will not be difficult to hear Jesus plead as He points to His heart "Learn of me for I am meek and lowly in heart and ye shall find rest for your souls". After all the hearts of mortals too often hate instead of love and as a result of this hate chaos takes the place of harmony and order in our lives. We do yearn ever so fervently to have our hearts beat again in love and, ashamed of our pettiness, we cry out for mercy to the Sacred Heart which beats ever so strongly for us sinners. Our cry is heard and our hearts begin to beat in love through our reunion with that Heart that only beats in love. Yes, we conform our hearts to the Sacred Heart.

There are those who are inclined to believe that since Jesus has ascended into heaven He is too far off from us for our union with the Sacred Heart. It is well however to recall that in His Ascension our blessed Lord carried into heaven not only His divinity but His glorified humanity and that He is seated at the right hand of the Father in the place of highest honor where His heart still throbs for those of us His followers whom He has redeemed from eternal perdition.

Now there are practical considerations to be taken into account in the devotion to the Sacred Heart. In such devotion we repair the loss caused by the indifference and hatred and outrages of rebellious sinners, and all the while we inflame our own hearts with greater love. In devotion to the Sacred Heart we pay honor to Jesus in the very source and motive of all the manifestations of His love, namely, in the infinite love of His Sacred Heart itself. In such devotion, too, we supplement and sum up all other devotions to Jesus. The incentive is aroused in us to be pure and holy in our daily living. Think of it, if one single conversation with Jesus at the well sufficed to convert the sinful woman of Samaria, how much more will our frequent and affectionate converse with the Sacred Heart fill our own heart with the spirit of Jesus Christ.

And with what joyful results! Our devotion to the Sacred Heart will draw us toward the Shrine of shrines, the Tabernacle, which is the dwelling place of Christ's Heart here on earth. We shall be drawn to the communion rail where His Heart, veiled

beneath the white Host, may be received by each one of us. We shall also be drawn to Gethsemane where the Sacred Heart underwent its agony and to Calvary too where the Sacred Heart shed its precious blood to the last drop for us sinners. Yes, our devotion to the Sacred Heart will bring home to us the reality and the intensity of Jesus' love for sinful men and as we include ourselves we shall never despair.

Gladly, then, let us dedicate ourselves to the Sacred Heart. Let us honor the Sacred Heart in our devotional life. Let us after receiving the Sacred Heart in Holy Communion pray in some such manner as, "O Lord Jesus Christ, who hast given unto us to taste of the sweetness of thy gracious Heart: kindle in us by these holy mysteries the fire of thy divine charity; that we may learn to despise the joys of earth and to set our affections on things above. Who livest and reignest with the Father in the unity of the Holy Ghost ever one God world without end. Amen." Let us frequent the Shrine of the Sacred Heart using some such prayer as "O God, who hast suffered the Heart of thy Son to be wounded by our sins, and in that very Heart hast bestowed on us the abundant riches of thy love: grant that the devout homage of our hearts which we render unto him may of thy mercy be deemed a recompense, acceptable in thy sight. Through the same Jesus Christ Thy Son our Lord who with thee in the unity of the Holy Ghost ever livest and reignest one God world without end. Amen."

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DON'T BE A SPONGER

NO man loves a sponger and God loves a sponger only for what by His grace a sponger may yet become. Now a sponger is an individual who resembles a sponge. He absorbs and soaks in and sops up as does a sponge and he also swells out like a sponge. He lives by the efforts of others and then he sticks out his chest and says "What a fine man am I!" One of the popular philosophies of our present day is "Get as much as you can for nothing, from whom it does not matter". As a result of this philosophy of life the government, the school or college, the industrial concern, the labor union, yes, and the Church, are being drained of their resources. In short, the blood of society is being sucked out by leeches.

To put it differently, society is filled with individuals who plan and expect to succeed in 'thumbing their way' through life. They believe they are entitled to everything they want, including heaven. They insist that they have a right to share (even the Church is full of sharers) everything the other fellow possesses, including eternal life. They are always looking for a 'lift'. Those who drive an automobile know that at almost every crossroad an individual is standing and striking the pose described as 'thumbing a ride'. The poseur is often a young husky who climbs into your car as if it were his right and then, wonder of wonders, asks to be let out three blocks hence where he alights without so much as a 'thank you'. And what has he been saving? Time? He has time to burn! Vigorous exercise? He would not take any mild exercise for anything! No, he has been merely playing the role of a sponger.

In the days when the Incarnate Son of God carried on His blessed ministry on this earth He was disappointed to find among those to whom He would preach and minister so many spongers. To them He said "Unto whomsoever much is given, of him shall be much required". These words should be ringing in the ears of every Christian, be he nominal or real, in these days of effortless living.

When a neophyte seeks to join the Church of God he should be warned that he will be loaded with responsibility as well as showered with graces and blessings and that he will then be held accountable by God for the use he makes of his responsibility and his heavenly treasure. It is no kindness to a new convert to tell him that once having embarked on a way of salvation he will be miraculously wafted into heaven where he may become a skilled harpist. No, the ascent from earth to heaven is the way of self-sacrifice, or love in action. The convert to the Christian Faith must be honestly told that he is in for dangerous and vigorous living, — dangerous to self and vigorous in bringing the intellect and the emotion and the will into responsive action to the eternal activity of the love of God.

You see the Church is filled with spongers. They may keep up their nominal membership by receiving Holy Communion once a year, Easter Day usually, and that ends it. They expect, however, to use the parish church for functions, — a family baptism or a

family wedding or a family funeral (their own included) for after all one must have a church. Like the sponge, on Easter Day they swell up with pride and swell out with finery as they take their places in their church and they hide a ten cent piece (one ride in the subway) in an envelope and put it on the plate with a generous gesture.

Christian spongers ask others to pray for them but decline for themselves the work of prayer. They allow the rest of the family to worship for them. They send and do not accompany their children to church. They allow others to keep Lent so that there may be a joyous Easter, but they forget that for them it is falsely joyous. They are willing to let the other members of the congregation pay a pledge Sunday by Sunday, but they themselves are not on the list of pledgers for church support. They believe in sacrificial giving, but for the other fellow.

All of this sounds uncharitable, but is it really? Must honesty be synonymous with uncharitableness? Our blessed Lord did not make it so. It was He, the Lord of all compassion, who told the parable of the talents in which we have the sorry picture of the servant entrusted with one talent who rejected the trust, with the result that the talent was taken away from him and he himself was cast into the outer darkness as an unprofitable servant. And then our blessed Lord described the Last Judgment, the final reckoning following upon which comes a welcome to the Eternal Kingdom or a departure into everlasting punishment.

Oh, may we all keep out of the class of purely nominal Christians who may be described as spongers. May we help any in this class to get out of it before it is too late. May we remember that whereas we shall always need help to get into heaven, — help from our fellow Christians, help from the prayers of the saints, help from the Divine Helper, Jesus the Redeemer, yet we can gain heaven only by journeying the way of self-discipline, self-sacrifice, humble subjection to the will of God, with plenty of love in action. It is true that "God helps those who help themselves". Therefore may we step out on the King's Highway that reaches from earth to heaven and start right in climbing, refusing to wait on the corner for a 'lift' since we cannot 'thumb a ride' into heaven. There is another place for spongers utterly lacking in the joy of which spongers deprive themselves.

PARISH NOTES

ON Shrove Tuesday, February the twenty-first, confessions will be heard according to the following schedule:

FATHER TABER — 11-1, 2-3, 5-6, 8-9

FATHER JACOBY — 12-1, 4-6, 8-9

FATHER MAYBURY — 11-12, 3-5, 7-8.

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IT will be a privilege to welcome to St Mary's the Right Reverend Charles K. Gilbert, the Bishop of New York, on the evening of the First Sunday in Lent, February the twenty-sixth, at eight at which time he will administer the Sacrament of Holy Confirmation. Pray a special blessing on our parochial preparation for this Sacrament and plan to be present at the Confirmation not only to greet our beloved Diocesan, but also to pray for the outpouring of the Holy Spirit upon each and every candidate for Holy Confirmation.

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ON the Feast of the Purification of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Candlemas Day, February the second, the candles to be used in our worship for the coming year will be solemnly blessed before the seven o'clock Mass.

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ON Monday, February the thirteenth (the transferred Lincoln's Birthday holiday), the members of the Guild of St Vincent at St Mary's will be hosts to their brother acolytes from many parishes near and far at our annual Acolytes' Festival at eleven. The service will be High Mass, Procession of the Host and Solemn Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. Before the Mass a five-minute address will be given by the Reverend James Harry Price, Rector of the Church of St James the Less, Scarsdale, New York. There will be some four or five hundred visiting acolytes with their priests in the Procession. This is one of the outstanding devotional services of the year to which the members of the congregation and their friends are invited. The luncheon following the Mass, because of lack of space in St Joseph's Hall, will be served only to acolytes and clergy.

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THE annual Red Cross Sunday will be February twenty-sixth. The members of St Mary's are asked to make their annual contributions on that Sunday to Miss Katharine Southmayd,

parochial chairman of the Red Cross, who will be in the vestibule of the church to receive your gifts.

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A BOOK Review is being given by Father Taber for the benefit of the Guild of Help on Thursday, February the second, at three-thirty. Mrs Eugene W. Mason has invited the Guild to hold this benefit in her home, 111 East 69th Street, where she will be hostess at Tea to those who attend the Review. The price of the tickets is two dollars and forty cents (including Federal tax) and they may be obtained from a member of the Guild or from the Church Office, 145 West 46th Street.

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OUR monthly bulletin AVE is sent as you know free to all members of the congregation. It is supported largely by an annual voluntary contribution. If you have not made a contribution since October the first perhaps you will do so now.

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ADVANCE notice is given that the annual Lent Retreat will be held on Saturday, March eighteenth, with Father Taber as the conductor. Men as well as women are invited to attend.

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THE Woman's Auxiliary will hold its February meeting on Friday, the tenth, in St Joseph's Hall 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 Mrs William Leidt, Diocesan Missions Promotion officer. She will take for her topic "Missions Promotion".

The Auxiliary appeals for new articles (baby articles are most acceptable) for sale on the Mission Table.

There was a well-attended and enthusiastic organization meeting of the Evening Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary on Monday, January ninth. At this time the following were elected officers:

President.....	KATHARINE B. SOUTHMAYD
Vice President.....	CRELLIN GARVER
Treasurer.....	THELMA DALMAS
Recording Secretary.....	CATHERINE B. ENGLEMAN
Corresponding Secretary.....	MARY WILKINSON
Supply Officer.....	RUTH GORDON
United Thank Offering Custodian.....	MARY LOU RAYMOND

The next meeting of the Evening Branch will be held Monday evening, February sixth, in St Joseph Hall at eight.

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YOU and your friends are invited to attend four evenings of music according to the following schedule:

January	30—Organ Recital.....	Marie Schumacher
February	6—Chamber Music, including Mozart Mass in D.....	Chorus and Orchestral Instruments
February	13—Liturgical Choral Music including Poulenc Mass in G.....	Chorus and Organ
February	20—Organ Recital.....	Edward Linzel

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FROM THE PARISH REGISTER

BAPTISMS

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

December	4—John Portner Humes, Jr. (Infant)
December	11—Richard Bache Ayers
December	18—Susan Marie Campbell (Infant)
December	20—Charles Stanley Schwarz

MARRIAGES

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

December	3—Robert O. Grund and Alice M. Byrnes
December	17—Harold Bernard Newman and Charlotte Mary Jacobs
December	31—Lester A. Abbey, Jr. and Hermione V. Belarski

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

December	2—Howard Bonnell Spencer
December	6—Mary Isabel Spencer
December	16—Evelyn M. Eaton
December	22—John Oliver Stigall
December	23—Waldtraut E. Schilke
December	30—Joseph Magnus Goodman

BURIALS

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

December	1—Amelia Isobel Pratt
December	31—John Joseph Gordon

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

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

February 13—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.*

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

Wednesday, February 1, 9:30, St Mary's Guild.

Sunday, February 5, 9:00, The Guild of St Mary of the Cross.

Friday, February 10, 9:30, The Woman's Auxiliary.

Sunday, February 12, 9:00, The Living Rosary of Our Lady and St Dominic.

Sunday, February 26, 9:00, The Church School, The Guild of St Vincent.

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KALENDAR FOR FEBRUARY

1. W. St Ignatius, B.M.
2. Th. PURIFICATION OF THE B.V.M.
3. F. St Blase, B.M. Com. St Ansgarius, B.C. *Abstinence.*
4. Sa. St Andrew Corsini, B. C. Com. St Gilbert of Sempringham, C.
- ✕ 5. Su. SEPTUAGESIMA. Com. St Agatha, V.M.
6. M. St Titus, B.C. Com. St Dorothy, V.M.
7. Tu. St Romuald, Ab.
8. W. St John of Matha, C.
9. Th. St Cyril of Alexandria, B.C.D. Com. St Apollonia, V.M.
10. F. St Scholastica, V. *Abstinence.*
11. Sa. Vision of the B.V.M.
- ✕ 12. Su. SEXAGESIMA. Com. The Seven Holy Founders, CC.
13. M. St Kentigern, B.C.
14. Tu. St Valentine, Pr.M.
15. W. SS Faustus & Jovita, MM. Com. The Martyrs of Japan.
Requiem, 8.
16. Th. Feria.
17. F. Feria. *Abstinence.*
18. Sa. St Mary Bernard Soubirous, V. Com. St Simeon, B.M.
- ✕ 19. Su. QUINQUAGESIMA.
20. M. African Missionaries and Martyrs.
21. Tu. Feria. (Shrove Tuesday). Requiem, 9:30.
22. W. ASH WEDNESDAY. Com. St Peter's Chair at Antioch,
St Paul, AP., and St Joseph of Arimathea, C. *Fast and
Abstinence.*
23. Th. St Peter Damien, B.C.D. Com. Feria and Vigil. *Fast.*
24. F. ST MATTHIAS, AP. Com. Feria. *Fast and Abstinence.*
25. Sa. Greater Feria. *Fast.*
- ✕ 26. Su. LENT I.
27. M. St Gabriel, C. Com. Feria. *Fast.*
28. Tu. Greater Feria. *Fast.*

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

MUSIC FOR FEBRUARY

FEBRUARY 5 — SEPTUAGESIMA

<i>Mass, Messe in E</i>	Rehm
Credo III	Plainchant
Motet, Give ear unto me	Marcello
<i>Evensong</i>	
Magnificat and Nunc dimittis	Farrant
Motet, As the hart panteth	Marcello
O salutaris	Bentivoglio
Motet, Cor Jesu Sacratissimum	Campion
Tantum ergo (No. 3)	Boëllmann

FEBRUARY 12 — SEXAGESIMA

<i>Mass, Missa in honorem Sanctae Lutgardis</i>	Peeters
Motet, Ave verum	Byrd
<i>Evensong</i>	
Magnificat and Nunc dimittis	Tallis
Motet, Sicut cervus	Palestrina
O salutaris	Bruckner
Motet, Ave verum	Willan
Tantum ergo (Opus 61, No. 2)	Reger

FEBRUARY 13 — FESTIVAL FOR ACOLYTES

<i>Mass, Missa festiva in D</i>	Gretchaninoff
Motets	
Exultate Deo	Poulenc
Ego sum panis vivus	Palestrina
Tantum ergo	Henschel

FEBRUARY 19 — QUINQUAGESIMA

<i>Mass, Missa Misericordias Domini</i>	Rheinberger
Motet, Surge illuminare	Palestrina
<i>Evensong</i>	
Magnificat and Nunc dimittis	Tomkins
Motet, Laudate Dominum	Bonamico
O salutaris	Liszt
Motet, Ecce panis angelorum	Cyr de Brant
Tantum ergo	Liszt

FEBRUARY 22 — ASH WEDNESDAY

<i>Mass, Missa Deus Genitor alme</i>	Plainchant
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FEBRUARY 26 — LENT I

<i>Mass, Missa Vidi speciosam</i>	Victoria
Motet, Turn our captivity	Byrd
<i>Evening</i>	
The Sacrament of Holy Confirmation	
Motet, Caro mea	Caldara
O salutaris	Rheinberger
Motet, Adoramus te, Domine Jesu Christe	Unknown 16th C.
Tantum ergo (Opus 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, daily7, 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.

* Consult enclosed Lenten Leaflet for schedule of services February 22nd 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
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.—Father Taber, *Chaplain*—Day Branch, second Fridays, Corporate Communion 9:30 a.m. Business Meeting, 10:45 a.m. Evening Branch, first Mondays, 8 p.m.

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, second Thursdays, 7:45 p.m., preceded by Vespers and Benediction. Father Jacoby, *Chaplain*.

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