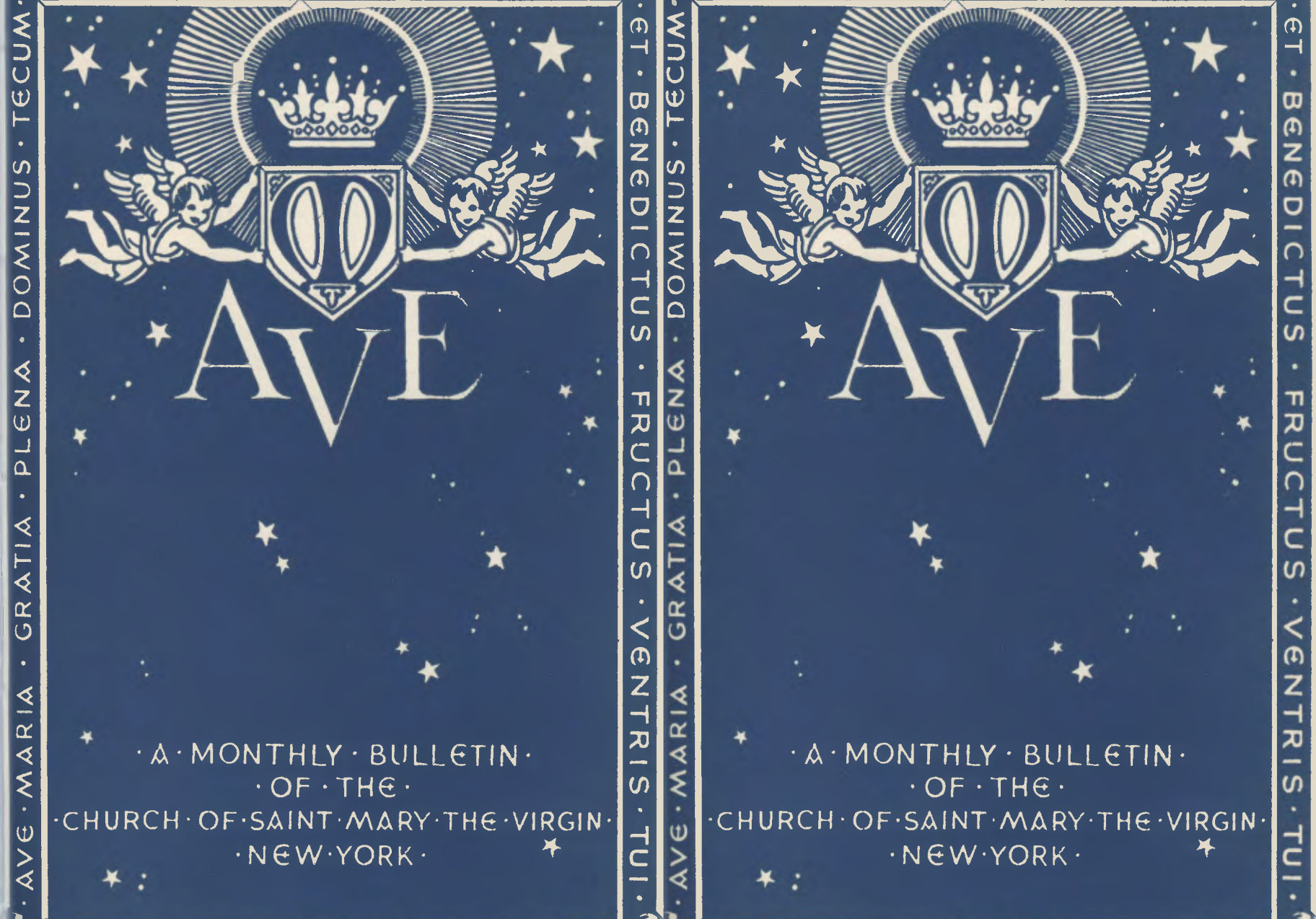


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Dear Parishioners of St Mary's,

We are always grateful for the labors of the faithful but gratitude breaks all bounds when it would express our appreciation for what is affectionately called *a labor of love*. What is a labor of love? In the name of religion, a labor of love is work offered for the glory of God and without any worldly remuneration and un-mixed with any other motive.

Now, thanks be to God, in our beloved parish the labors of love are without number. Each day is filled with them. They are carried on without ostentation and in a spirit of genuine humility. They make the wheels run smoothly and happily in our parochial life. These labors would be called by the world insignificant, but without doubt they are great in the sight of God since they are offered solely for His greater glory.

What are these labors? They are those of our masters-of-ceremonies and acolytes who give generously of their time in providing our worship with a well ordered and beautiful setting of Catholic tradition. They are those of our ushers who so willingly spend themselves in one of the most difficult and unrewarding of the works of the parish, namely, the making of the congregation to feel happily situated. They are those of the members of our working guilds who keep vestments in repair, make new vestments, work for missions and many charitable projects. They are those of our volunteer women who keep our shrines supplied with clean and attractive glasses for votive lights. They are those of other volunteer women who prepare and serve communion breakfasts and luncheons for several groups who meet at Saint Mary's. They are those of the members of the Board of Trustees and the officers of the Board who are unsparing in their time and efforts for the temporal welfare of the parish. And let us not forget that they

are those of the Sisters of the Holy Nativity who cheerfully respond to some three thousand calls made on them through the Mission House each year.

This does not mean that the clergy, members of the music department, parish secretary and sextons do not offer their work as a *labor of love*. Indeed, I believe that more often than not they do, and in this letter I would add my thanks to them as to all whom I have mentioned who make the work — and there is plenty of work — of the Church of Saint Mary the Virgin such an outpouring of love in honor of Our Lady who is our Patron and for the glory of her Divine Son.

Affectionately,

Grieg Taber

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SHRINES OF ST MARY'S

Our Lady of Mercy

IN our Chantry, the altar piece is a very appealing statue of the Blessed Virgin Mary. She is depicted in the double role of Queen of Heaven, for she wears a crown, and of Our Lady of Mercy, for her hands are outstretched to draw the children committed to her care into the loving mercy of her Divine Son.

Since this beautiful statue is in the Chantry Chapel where Requiem Masses are said and where the bodies of the faithful rest before the hour of burial, we have made a shrine of it and placed before it a votive light stand with amber lights in order that the worshippers may thus memorialize before Almighty God their departed loved ones.

After the death of our Most Holy Redeemer, blessed Mary received His wounded and dead body into her arms. With what anguish she must have received that body! Some of the Fathers of the Church have maintained that the wound in the sacred side of Jesus was the sword of sorrow, prophesied by the aged Simeon, that would pierce our Lady's heart. Beautiful beyond measure was the Son that Mary presented to the world, but disfigured beyond

description was the Son that Mary received back from the cruel hands of sinful men on Calvary. What a shameful contrast!

Now none of us would question that blessed Mary is the Mother of us all. She is our Mother by virtue of the fact that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of her Son. As Mother of the Divine Son she is in a very real sense mother of all of His members. We love to believe that as Mother of all the faithful Our Lady presents each of us not only to her Divine Son but also to the world of men where she bids us witness faithfully to her Divine Son. We further love to believe that after our death this blessed Mother receives us back from the conflict with the world in our ever imperfect witness-bearing that she may present us to her Divine Son. She presents us wounded by the blows of the injustices and inhumanity of man as well as the blows inflicted by our own self love. In thus presenting us she prays her Divine Son to have mercy on our souls.

When a casket containing the body of a faithful warrior of the army of Jesus is met at the door of the church by a priest, a pall on which is embroidered a large cross is thrown over it. The priest then precedes the body into the Chantry, as he recites the Office of the Reception of the Body, praying that the Saints of God will come to the assistance of the departed one, that the Angels of God will hasten to meet him and that his soul will be received and offered in the sight of the Most High. The priest then commends the soul into the hands of our Most Merciful Saviour, praying that He may "acknowledge a sheep of His own fold, a lamb of His own flock, a sinner of His own redeeming". Then, the Office of the Reception of the Body finished, the priest leaves, but thank God he leaves the body of the dear departed in the hands, so to speak, of the blessed Mother. She watches over that body for she loves it as one of her children. She prays that the departed soul in spite of the way it has treated her Divine Son may be forgiven through its pledged love, imperfect though that may be. She prays that this soul may go on loving by the mercy of the Divine Son. She knows that love alone of all the virtues is needed beyond the grave and gate of death. Not even hope and faith will be required for hope issues forth into delight and faith into sight. She prays that the departed one may have love enough to make a willing satisfaction in purgatory for all the pain it has caused Jesus in the moments

of his rebellion or indifference. Yes, blessed Mary prays for progress in love for the soul of every member of the mystical body of her Divine Son.

We naturally rejoice in the privilege of the Shrine of Our Lady of Mercy. We love to use this Shrine not only in connection with funerals of our loved ones but also day in and day out as we commend the souls of our faithful departed to the prayers of the Mother of us all, the Mother of all mercy and compassion, the Mother who knows how to receive the wounded in life's battle and present them to Him who once was wounded for their sakes.

Were any letters to be emblazoned over the Shrine of Our Lady of Mercy they would read "Jesu, mercy — Mary, pray".

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THE FEAST OF THE ASCENSION

AT the close of the observance of the Great Forty Days, those days following the Day of the Resurrection, the faithful observe the Feast of the Ascension of our blessed Lord. This Festival is too frequently neglected and overlooked by otherwise careful followers of the Church's round of festival and fast. It is a somewhat forgotten festival because it always falls on a Thursday and catches "Sunday Christians" napping. Although it is a festival with an octave observance, yet the Sunday in the Octave by its teaching turns the minds of the faithful toward the coming of the Holy Spirit. Its Collect, Epistle and Gospel all join in emphasizing the promise of the Holy Ghost the Comforter, the preparation for the receiving of so great a promise and the responsibility with attending persecution of those who will bear witness both to Jesus and to the revelations from the Holy Spirit.

However, the Feast of the Ascension is one of the most important festivals and one of the most joyful festivals of the entire Christian year, and Catholic-minded Christians love to have it so. Christ's divinity was never absent from heaven but His humanity was enthroned in heaven by His Ascension. This means that His glorified humanity is not only in the Blessed Sacrament of His Body and Blood, but it is also exalted into heaven. There His crown of thorns has been replaced by a crown of precious stones. The cross laid on His shoulders on His journey to Calvary has become the standard of His mighty power. The wounds made

by the nails and the spear at the Crucifixion have become suns which light up heaven with dazzling brightness. There He is King of kings and Lord of lords in eternal and everlasting glory.

Now the gate of heaven was closed to mortals by the sin of the first Adam. The same gate was opened to mortals by the spotless perfection of the second Adam, the Incarnate Son of God. As He entered heaven on that first Ascension Day he carried with Him as His trophy all the faithful souls who for ages upon ages had been waiting for the company of their Redeemer. The souls of the patriarchs and prophets and holy men and women of old, together with the souls of the penitent thief and other penitents, thronged into heaven by virtue of the merits of their and the world's Redeemer. Tradition happily assumes that the hour of the Ascension was the same hour in the day as that of the Crucifixion. What a blessed thought, namely, the work of redemption being fulfilled by a triumphant entry into heavenly glory both of the Redeemer and of the redeemed!

There are not a few Christians who think that it is sufficient to hope in the merits of the Passion of Christ or to rejoice in the Resurrection whereby the same Lord Christ conquered death. Actually this is not enough for this is stopping short of the resulting victory. It is absolutely essential to unite the mystery of the Ascension with the mysteries of the Atonement and of the Resurrection, for it is by the Ascension that the gate of heaven has been opened. This is the moment of ultimate victory. The *Te deum* puts it "When thou hadst overcome the sharpness of death, thou then didst open the Kingdom of Heaven to all believers." Yes, when Jesus had conquered death, He opened the gate of heaven to all the faithful who might otherwise be conquered by death and remain in the prison house of departed souls, there waiting endlessly for release.

We who are still on our earthly pilgrimage are in exile. On our death we shall still be in exile while in purgatory we enter upon a period of purification. However, our exile will be ended when the purification of purgatory is finished. It will then be Our Lady's part to show us Jesus, the blessed fruit of her womb and the "first fruits" who has gone on before to prepare the way for "them that are Christ's at His coming". To us Christ will

open the gate, yes, to all the faithful, if we and they set our heart's love on the love of the Sacred Heart of Heaven's Eternal King. In other words, there will be and now is a continual procession of happy souls into that place where "they shall hunger no more neither thirst any more; neither shall the sun light on them nor any heat for the Lamb which is in the midst of the throne shall feed them and shall lead them unto living fountains of waters. And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes."

Now Jesus Christ in heaven is the holiest, the purest, the loveliest of the human race representing us for ever in the kingdom of our inheritance. At our baptism we were made inheritors of the Kingdom of Heaven — children of grace. In heaven our great representative, perfect man united to perfect God in the one person Christ Jesus, represents us and actually re-presents us to the Father from whom we have strayed through our sins of willfulness and rebellion and indifference. Our Divine Redeemer represents us effectively because He is eternally re-presenting that sacrifice He made once on the Cross for the sins of the whole world just as in time He is re-presenting that Sacrifice whenever the Holy Mass is celebrated. Therefore, it is not without reason that at the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass the Church just before the re-presenting of Calvary's Sacrifice in the Mass calls to her children "Lift up your hearts". She bids us soar heavenward in spirit and join ourselves to the heavenly chorus of saints and angels in chanting that great hymn of praise, "Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of hosts, Heaven and earth are full of thy glory; Glory be to thee, O Lord most High. Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest". Yes, both heaven and earth are full of glory, for in both heaven and earth a sacrifice is being re-presented to the Father through which reconciliation is brought about even after the waywardness of wilful sinning. The Lord of Hosts, the Lord of the armies of the Redeemer, is leading countless numbers of souls to the bosom of the Father.

We speak so often of the ascended Lord of Glory as our Heavenly Intercessor. Rightly do we thus speak because the priesthood of Calvary was by our blessed Lord's Ascension transformed into the priesthood of glory. In short it is a heavenly priesthood. But it is a priesthood, nevertheless. Jesus as our great High Priest intercedes for us in heaven where He perpetually

pleads the merits of His Passion before the Father on our behalf. And as He does so he displays tokens of His dear Passion, the wound prints in his hands and feet and side. Oh, the power of that heavenly intercession! In the words of a favorite hymn we pray
"Intercessor, Friend of sinners

Earth's Redeemer, plead for me,
Where the songs of all the sinless
Sweep across the crystal sea."

We should always bear in mind that our blessed Lord's departure into heaven ushered in for all believers the reign of faith. The followers of Christ no longer, as in the days of the Apostles, depend on the sight of Jesus in their midst. No, the Christians of this and all the ages since that of the Apostles use the gift of faith. They accept all of the revelations brought to the race of men by Jesus Christ, for they know that it is the revelation of Him who came down from heaven to redeem mankind and returned to heaven to open the gate to the final victory of the redeemed. He who won for them this victory has said "Blessed are they that have not seen and yet have believed". And in such blessedness we may exclaim

"Glory to our ascended Lord, that He is with us always.

Glory to the Word of God,

Going forth with His armies, conquering and to conquer.

Glory to Him who has led captivity captive,
And given gifts for the perfecting of His saints.

Glory to Him who has gone on before

To prepare a place in His Father's Home for us.

Glory to the Author and Finisher of our Faith:

That God in all things may be glorified through Jesus Christ:

To whom be all worship and praise, dominion and glory,
Now and for ever and ever. Amen."

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PARISH NOTES

OUR annual May Festival in the Month of May, Our Lady's month, will be held this year on Sunday evening, May the fourteenth, at eight. Solemn Vespers of the Blessed Virgin Mary will be sung, followed by a May Procession and the Crowning of Our Lady's Statue. Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament will close the devotions. A brief address will be given by Father Taber.

ON Thursday, May the eighteenth, the Feast of the Ascension, a High Mass with communions will be celebrated at seven. Low Masses will follow at 8, 9:30, 11 and 12:10.

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WE are happy to announce that there will be a Pontifical High Mass on the Sunday in the Octave of Ascension Day, May the twenty-first at eleven. The Right Reverend Reginald Mallett, Bishop of Northern Indiana, will pontificate and preach. Bishop Mallett has visited Saint Mary's before and it will be a joy to welcome him back again.

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AT a special meeting of the Board of Trustees held on March the nineteenth, there was an election to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Mr Newbury Frost Read, of blessed and grateful memory. May his soul rest in peace!

Mr. Leslie Evan Roberts was elected a trustee and treasurer of the parish and Mr Calvin Nash, already a trustee, was elected secretary of the Board of Trustees. Remember in your prayers these two faithful sons of Saint Mary's that they may serve for the greater glory of God and for the benefit of our beloved parish.

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FRIENDS of Father John O. Bruce, who served as a part-time assistant at Saint Mary's while he was a tutor at the General Theological Seminary, will be happy to learn that he was clothed as a novice of the Order of Saint Benedict on Monday, March the twentieth. He takes as his name in religion "Michael". Pray a special blessing on his novitiate.

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THE monthly meeting of the Evening Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary will be held on Monday evening, May the first, in the upper guild room. The Corporate Communion of this group will be held on the following Sunday, May the seventh, at the nine o'clock Mass.

The monthly meeting of the Day Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary will be held on Friday, May the twelfth, at three-thirty in the afternoon, followed by a Missionary Tea at which the speaker will be the Reverend John Randolph who will take as his topic "Prison Work". At this meeting there will be a display of the work of the women of the Auxiliary during the winter. All

women of the parish are invited and urged to attend. The Corporate Communion will be held as usual at the nine-thirty Mass on that day.

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THE second United Thank Offering will be presented at the Cathedral of Saint John the Divine on Tuesday, May the second at a Corporate Communion at ten o'clock. All the women of the parish are invited to attend the service at the Cathedral and the Annual Meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary in the Synod Hall, immediately following.

Contributions for the United Thank Offering may be sent to the Parish Custodian, Mrs James R. English, 4 East 95th Street, New York 28 before April thirtieth, or given to her after High Mass in the vestibule of the church on Sunday, April thirtieth.

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YOU are invited to attend a May series of organ recitals in the church on four successive Monday evenings at eight-thirty, beginning with Monday, May the first and ending Monday, May the twenty-second.

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FROM THE PARISH REGISTER

MARRIAGE

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

March 26 — William Hermann Schwartau and Mary Caroline Bell

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

March 24 — Charles Johnstone Rough

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

May 6 — The Feast of St John before the Latin Gate. The departed Members of the Fellowship of St John the Evangelist.

May 7 — The Fourth Sunday after Easter. Glover Crane Arnold

May 14 — Rogation Sunday. Emma Frances Taber

May 18 — Ascension Day. Mary Selena Arnold

May 21 — The Sunday after Ascension. Newbury Frost Read

May 28 — Whitsunday. George Martin Christian, Priest and Rector

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

Wednesday, May 3, 9:30, St Mary's Guild.

Saturday, May 6, 8:00, The Fellowship of St John.

Sunday, May 7, 9:00, The Guild of St Mary of the Cross.

The Woman's Auxiliary (Evening Branch).

Friday, May 12, 9:30, The Woman's Auxiliary.

Sunday, May 14, 9:00, The Living Rosary of Our Lady and St Dominic.

Sunday, May 28, 9:00, The Church School, St Vincent's Guild.

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CALENDAR FOR MAY

1. M. SS PHILIP AND JAMES, APP.
2. Tu. St Athanasius, B.C.D.
3. W. INVENTION OF THE HOLY CROSS. Com. SS Alexander I.B., Eventius and Theodulus, MM., and Juvenal, B.C.
4. Th. St Monica, W.
5. F. St Pius V, B.C. Com. Conversion of St Augustine, B.C.D. *Abstinence.*
6. Sa. St John before the Latin Gate, Ap., Ev.
- ✕ 7. Su. EASTER IV. Com. St Stanislas, B.M.
8. M. Vision of St Michael, Archangel.
9. Tu. St Gregory of Nazianzus, B.C.D.
10. W. St Antoninus, B.C. Com. SS Gordian and Epimachus, MM. Requiem, 7.
11. Th. Feria.
12. F. SS Nereus, Achilleus, Domitilla and Pancras, M.M. *Abstinence.*
13. Sa. St Robert Bellarmine, B.C.D.
- ✕ 14. Su. EASTER V (Rogation Sunday). Com St Boniface, M. and St Pachomius, Ab.
15. M. ROGATION DAY. Com. St John Baptist de la Salle, C.
16. Tu. ROGATION DAY. Com. St Ubald, B.C. and St Simon Stock, C.
17. W. ROGATION DAY. Com. Vigil and St Paschal Baylon, C.
- ✕ 18. Th. ASCENSION DAY. High Mass, 7.
19. F. St Dunstan, B.C. Com Octave, St Peter Celestine, B.C. and St Pudentiana, V. *Abstinence.*
20. Sa. St Bernardin of Siena, C. Com. Octave.
- ✕ 21. Su. SUNDAY IN THE OCTAVE OF THE ASCENSION. Com. Octave.
22. M. Of the Octave.
23. Tu. Of the Octave.
24. W. Of the Octave. Com. St Vincent of Lerins, C.
25. Th. Octave Day of the Ascension. Com. St Gregory VII, B.C., St Urban I, B.M. and St Aldhelm, B.C.
26. F. St Augustine of England, B.C., Com. St Philip Neri, and St Eleutherius, B.M. *Abstinence.*
27. Sa. Vigil of Pentecost.
- ✕ 28. Su. PENTECOST (Whitsunday).
29. M. MONDAY IN WHITSUN WEEK.
30. Tu. TUESDAY IN WHITSUN WEEK.
31. W. EMBER WEDNESDAY. Com. St Angela of Merici, V. and St Petronilla, V. *Fast and Abstinence.*

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

MUSIC FOR MAY

MAY 7 — EASTER IV

Mass, Missa brevis	Kodaly
Motet, O Sacrum Convivium	Titcomb
<i>Evensong</i>	
Magnificat and Nunc dimittis (Short Service)	Byrd
Motet, Jubilate Deo	Aichinger
O salutaris	de la Rue
Motet, Ave verum	Mozart
Tantum ergo	Boëllmann

MAY 14 — EASTER V (Rogation)

Mass, Missa Patronus ecclesiae	Lechthaler
Motet, Hosanna to the Son of David	Gibbons
<i>Vespers of the B. V. M.</i>	
Magnificat and Nunc dimittis	Willan
Motet, Ave Maria	Bruckner
O salutaris	Desderi
Motet, Jesu dulcis memoria	Händl
Tantum ergo	Moser

MAY 18 — ASCENSION DAY

Mass, Missa Lux et Origo	Plainchant
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MAY 21 — Sunday in the Octave of the Ascension

Mass, Mass in E minor	Bruckner
Motet, Ascendit Deus	Philips
<i>Evensong</i>	
Magnificat and Nunc dimittis	Farrant
Motet, Alleluia	Weelkes
O salutaris	Bruckner
Motet, Adoramus te, Christe	Pitoni
Tantum ergo	Messner

MAY 28 — WHITSUNDAY

Mass, Missa festiva in E	Kromolicki
Motet, Dum compleretur	Victoria
<i>Evensong</i>	
Magnificat and Nunc dimittis (Second Service)	Byrd
Motet, Vidi speciosam	Victoria
O salutaris	Noyon
Motet, Panis angelicus	Titcomb
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, daily	7, 8, and 9:30 a.m.
Also on greater Holy Days as announced	11 a.m. and 12:10 p.m.
Mass, Fridays	12:10 p.m.
Morning Prayer (with Litany, Fridays)	9:00 a.m.
Evening Prayer (with Litany, Wednesdays)	6:00 p.m.
Special Devotions, Fridays (St Francis' Altar)	8:15 p.m.

*Other Services during the Week, and on Festivals,
as announced on the preceding Sunday.*

The Church is open daily from 6:30 a.m. till 9 p.m.

Adults or children can be prepared at any time for First Confession, Baptism, Confirmation and First Holy Communion.

The Parish Secretary's office is open at the following times:

Closed on legal holidays.

Mondays to Fridays 9:15 to 1 and 2 to 5

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. Corporate Communion first Sunday, 9 a.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. Corporate Communion, last Sunday, 9 a.m. 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*.

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

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