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Dear Parishioners of St Mary's, —

May is Mary's month! In our beloved parish whose Patron is Our Lady every month is Mary's month, yet we are happy to hold year by year our May Festival in special honor of the Blessed Virgin Mary. This year the May Festival will be held on the Sunday after Ascension Day, May the sixth, at eight in the evening. The service as usual will consist of Vespers of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Procession, Coronation of the Statue of Our Lady, and Solemn Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.

All of which should remind us of our privilege of taking Our Lady into our prayers. Not only should we delight day by day in saying the *Hail Mary* but we should in all humility ask Our Lady to pray for us. Our blessed Lord has taught us to say as follows: "Whatsoever ye shall ask the Father in my name, he will give it you". But so many of our prayers, with the best intention possible, are not in the name of Jesus. They are in our own name. True, we end them with "through Jesus Christ our Lord" and yet so often we have in these same prayers asked for what we want with little thought as to what our blessed Lord desires of the Father for us. Now Our Lady is always thinking of what her Divine Son desires. How natural then to ask Our Lady to pray for us, not to supplant our prayers but rather to complement them by taking them close into the prayers continually offered by her Son and our great High Priest before the throne of the Father in heaven.

Affectionately,

Grieg Taber

SACRAMENTALS

Sacramental Devotions

OUTSIDE the Sacraments themselves, there are very few provisions of the Church Catholic that have had so marked an effect on the faithful as those devotions to the Blessed Sacrament often referred to as *extra-liturgical*. Most if not all of our readers would agree that the devotional value of Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Procession of the Host and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament is unsurpassed except by the administration of the Seven Sacraments themselves. These devotions are of such inestimable worth in bringing the grace of God to human souls that they may be properly listed among the Sacramentals, — outward practices whereby interior blessing is assured to the faithful worshipper. Indeed these extra-liturgical devotions to the Blessed Sacrament have been the happy means of converting many souls to the glory and beauty of Catholicism as they witness it uniting the redeemed with their Redeemer.

The form of Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament best known is the observance of Holy Hour. The Sacred Host is taken from the Tabernacle of the Reserved Sacrament and exposed in a Monstrance that the faithful may honor Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament as they view Him and pay their devotions to Him. Ideally, Holy Hour calls for no singing, no preaching, no praying aloud — just silent adoration of Him who though King of kings and Lord of lords humbly presents Himself to sinners through the Sacramental Veil. The heart and soul of each of those present is alone with Jesus. Ideals, however, cannot always be reached since very many worshippers seem to wish their Holy Hour devotions directed. This direction best takes the form of a meditation, litany of the Blessed Sacrament and a Eucharistic hymn or two. However, Holy Hour should never be turned into a hymn-sing or a preachment!

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament is often the background for special services of intercession at times of great public need, such as a time of war or threat to public safety and welfare. The present day Wednesday noon service at Saint Mary's of Exposition and Intercession is a good example of this. Week by week the faithful come to offer their intercessions to the Father through

and in the name of Jesus who silently in the Blessed Sacrament continually offers Himself for the sins of the world and for the graces and blessings for the world. Thus intercessions are powerfully kept from being mere requests for a safety-first life here on earth and for self-interest of every sort and kind. The World Day of Prayer for Women, or the American Church Union Cycle of Prayer, or indeed any special call to prayer is best answered at Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. Here the great incentive is to pray only in and through the name of Jesus Christ and our poor prayers become, as they should, drenched with the spirit of our blessed Saviour. Such prayers alone have wings!

Now another extra-liturgical devotion to the Blessed Sacrament is Benediction. This devotion is really the blessing given at the end of Exposition. The priest takes the Blessed Sacrament in the Monstrance in his hands, enshrouded by the Humeral Veil, and with it makes the Sign of the Cross in silence over the people. The ceremony is just this simple, although it is preceded by the singing of *O Salutaris* (Oh, Saving Victim) and *Tantum Ergo* (Therefore we before Him bending, etc.) and a prayer to the Blessed Sacrament, and it is followed by the Divine Praises and the Psalm "O praise the Lord", with its antiphon. The Blessed Sacrament is censed at intervals. This homely ceremony is merely one in which Jesus in a holy silence blesses His own children. What could be more appealing?

There is also the extra-liturgical devotion to the Blessed Sacrament called the Procession of the Host. In this devotion which is mainly held on the Feast of Corpus Christi the Blessed Sacrament is carried in a Monstrance through the aisles of the church, or in an outdoor procession, in token of the fact that Jesus is among His people, — their Saviour and their King. Stations are sometimes made during a Procession of the Host at especially arranged altars where Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament is given, but in any event, the Procession of the Host ends at the principal altar in the church itself for a final Benediction before the Sacred Host is again placed in the Tabernacle of the Reserved Sacrament. At a Procession of the Host, the Blessed Sacrament is honored by being borne under a canopy. A Blessed Sacrament banner leads the Procession. The way is often strewn with flowers. The faithful kneel as "Jesus of Nazareth passes

by". Smoking censers precede the Sacred Host and lighted torches precede and follow and often surround the canopy. Bells are rung out of joy for the Sacramental Presence of the Son of God!

Now of course Exposition and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament and Procession of the Host can never take the place of the Holy Mass itself. Indeed these extra-liturgical devotions depend upon the Sacrifice of the Holy Mass when the Sacred Host for Exposition, Benediction and Procession of the Host is consecrated. Thus then Anglican Catholics can never substitute Sunday attendance at Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament for Sunday attendance at Mass and thereby consider themselves to have fulfilled their Sunday obligation for attendance at worship. Sunday attendance can be kept only by attendance at the Lord's own service, the Mass. These extra-liturgical devotions to the Blessed Sacrament are *extra*. They are observed on the principle that there is no such descriptive word as *enough* when it comes to the worship of Him who so humbly presents Himself beneath the Sacramental Veil.

Now and then some one who would put a damper on enthusiastic honor paid to Jesus in the Most Holy Sacrament of the Altar — and someone is always trying to spoil natural worship — quotes coldly from Article Twenty-eight of the Articles of Religion: "The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper was not by Christ's ordinance reserved, carried about, lifted up, or worshipped". True, but the gracious Lord would naturally leave it to His Church to honor Him as she would and that Church to which He had given the power of "binding and loosing", that is of making and annulling regulations, has paid honor throughout her history to the Sacramental Presence of Jesus by reserving that Presence in her tabernacles from at least the Second Century and probably earlier. Devotions in connection with the Reserved Sacrament have very naturally followed for you cannot keep the faithful who believe that Jesus is really objectively present in the Blessed Sacrament from basking in the sunshine of that Presence and being blessed by it. If you believe, you act on your belief or you are a hypocrite. This writer was once asked by his bishop to abandon extra-liturgical devotions to the Blessed Sacrament, particularly Benediction. He, in turn, asked the bishop if he had ever attended Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament and the

bishop replied "No". He then begged the bishop to slip quietly and unobserved into the rear of the church during Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament and join in with the devotions of the congregation and then consider whether he, as chief shepherd of the flock of Christ in that Diocese, wished to forbid the sheep from adoring and uniting themselves with Jesus present in the Blessed Sacrament. No more was heard from the bishop and no one, save God alone, knows whether that bishop ever attended Benediction.

The long and the short of the matter is this: Those who believe in the real and objective presence of Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament will rejoice in innumerable opportunities for honoring that Sacramental Presence. They will visit Jesus reserved in the Tabernacle. They will be grateful for the wings added to their prayers at Exposition. They will, so to speak, touch the hem of the garment of their Jesus as He passes through the aisles in the Procession of the Host. They will love to receive in silent adoration Jesu's blessing from the Monstrance in Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.

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THE FEAST OF PENTECOST

OF all the great festivals falling this year in the month of May — Ascension Day, the Feast of Pentecost, Trinity Sunday, Corpus Christi — the greatest is the Feast of Pentecost. Indeed Holy Church places Pentecost on an equality with Easter. You see Easter marks man's redemption, the victory of Christ over sin and death, and Pentecost marks the Holy Ghost as taking possession of man redeemed. Pentecost, however, could come only after Ascension Day which in a sense fulfills Easter by placing Jesus, Conqueror of sin and death, at the right hand of the Father where together with the Father He prepares the Mission of the Holy Ghost to this earth of ours. You will recall that Saint John in one place in his gospel remarks "the Holy Ghost was not yet given because that Jesus was not yet glorified". Yes, it was only after Jesus had entered into glory with the Father that the Holy Ghost, proceeding from both the Father and the Son, could be sent to mankind for His mission here on earth.

Now, ten days after our blessed Lord entered into glory at His Ascension, while there were gathered together in the Upper Room the Apostles and Mary the Mother of Jesus, with the women and brethren, they all heard a sound like to that of a strong, violent wind. It filled the room in which they were gathered together so that all were moved with emotion. Indeed, crowds had gathered about the house, filling the little narrow streets and lanes. Fire in the shape of tongues then rested on the heads of all in the house, — fire that did not burn, but rather enlightened. What was this fire? It was the Holy Ghost, come to take possession of each and everyone in that Upper Room, for the Kingdom of Christ had begun and His Church would move forward with glorious conquests. Now this heavenly fire, the Holy Ghost, came in form of tongues since they to whom He was given were to teach all nations in all places and at all times as they should speak of the Son of God, man's Redeemer, of the Holy Ghost who renews souls, and of the Father who adopts men as His children for He loves them. Now this teaching is the Catholic Faith and they who teach are members of the Catholic Church. Since the Holy Ghost, the fire, is all-powerful the Church and her Faith cannot be prevailed against even by the gates of hell. That is why you and I are proud possessors of the Catholic Faith today.

It is well to remember that Our Lady, blessed Mary, was in that Upper Room at Pentecost. Indeed this is the last mention made of the Mother of God in Holy Scripture. To her then the Holy Ghost was given. Yes, she was to have a new mission in life with new duties. The Church Catholic was born of Mary. In a real sense Our Lady had given birth to the bride of her Divine Son, — the Church. To fit her for her new mission she must receive a fresh outpouring of grace and this she received to the full as the tongues of the Pentecostal fire hovered over her head. Thirty-three years before this, the Holy Ghost had overshadowed her and empowered her to become the Mother of God and now most fittingly the same Holy Ghost made her the Mother of all the followers of that Son of God who were to make up His Mystical Body, — the Holy Catholic Church. We may well imagine that our Lady mothered the infant Church

Catholic not by preaching in public but by speaking directly to the Apostles encouraging and consoling words and to the early timid Christians word of such gentleness yet persuasiveness as to inspire them to die as martyrs for the Faith.

Too, in the Upper Room at Pentecost the promise of Jesus to the Apostles was fulfilled, namely, that they should be "endued with power from on high". With the Pentecostal wind and flame that power came. These Apostles dared accept their mission to conquer the world for Christ Jesus their Lord since their souls were on fire with love and their hearts were filled with holy enthusiasm. What a change for these very human Apostles who so lately had withdrawn from their Master in His Passion for fear of painful consequence to themselves. At Pentecost they were ready to suffer persecution and death, if need be, if only they might preach Jesus and Him crucified to all the sons of men.

Then again, on this great day of Pentecost, Saint Peter who had denied his Lord and later been restored to a position of trust — the feeding of the sheep of the Christian family — preached his first sermon. This lowly fisherman of Gennesaret, surrounded by the eleven Apostles — Matthias had already filled the place of Judas Iscariot — was moved by the Holy Ghost to eloquence that surpassed the greatest of the world's orators. He converted the souls of all who heard him to such an extent that all were pricked in the heart and said to Saint Peter and his brother Apostles, "Men and brethren, what shall we do?" Blessed Peter was not long in replying, "Repent and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost. For the promise is unto you and your children and to all that are afar off, even as many as the Lord our God shall call". And that day, as a result of that sermon inspired by the Holy Ghost, some three thousand souls were baptized and "they continued stedfastly in the Apostles' doctrine and fellowship, and in breaking of bread and in prayers".

Ah, the mission of the Holy Ghost! Souls new-born, souls filled with faith in Christ, souls repenting of the crime of His death on Calvary! Yes, conversions — three thousand of them! Church of the Living God!

So on the Feast of Pentecost 1951 let us come to know the Holy Ghost, the Lord and Giver of life, as we have never known Him before. Knowing Him, let us open our hearts to receive Him and take our places among the three thousand who listened to and were converted by Saint Peter as he preached under the inspiration of the Holy Ghost on Pentecost, 33 A.D.

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PARISH NOTES

ON Sunday, April the fifteenth, Father Maybury took his leave of Saint Mary's to accept a call to become Vicar of Saint Barnabas' Church, Troy, New York. His friends of the congregation will pray a special blessing on his new work.

On Monday, April the sixteenth, the Reverend Robert B. Cope, Jr., joined Father Taber and Father Jacoby in our work and worship here at Saint Mary's. Father Cope comes to us from the clergy staff of Saint Luke's Church, Germantown, Pennsylvania. His college education was received at Carroll College and the University of Pennsylvania and his theological training was at Nashotah House. All will welcome him to our happy life as a parish family and pray God's richest blessing on his priestly work in our midst.

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THE spring presentation of the Women's United Thank Offering will be made at the Cathedral of Saint John the Divine on Tuesday, May the first, with a Corporate Communion at the ten o'clock Mass. All women of the parish are invited to attend the service at the Cathedral as well as the annual meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary to be held in the Synod Hall immediately following. Contributions to the United Thank Offering may be sent to the Parish Custodian, Mrs James R. English, 4 East 95th Street, New York 28, before April the twenty-ninth, or given to her after High Mass in the vestibule of the church on Sunday, April twenty-ninth.

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THE Evening Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary meets in Saint Joseph's Hall Tuesday evening, May the first, at eight. The speaker will be Father Bigham, Chaplain of the Youth Consultation Service in the Diocese of New York. The

women of the congregation are most cordially invited to be present.

The Day Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary holds its annual Spring Tea at the home of Mrs William C. Dickey, 200 East 66th Street, Apartment D 202, on Friday afternoon, May the eleventh at three-thirty o'clock. Mrs Dickey has kindly offered the use of her Manhattan House apartment for this occasion and will give an opportunity to those present to inspect the Dream Kitchen. All women of the parish are warmly invited to attend. A missionary speaker will give an account of the Church's work in Japan.

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WE shall welcome as the preacher at High Mass on the Feast of Pentecost, May the thirteenth, the Reverend Cuthbert Simpson, Professor of Literature and Interpretation of the Old Testament at the General Theological Seminary. We really think of Father Simpson as one of our parish family as he so frequently and regularly celebrates Mass at our altars.

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THE Sunday in the Octave of Corpus Christi, May the twenty-seventh, will as usual be kept as a high day at Saint Mary's. At eleven the Solemnity of Corpus Christi will be observed, with High Mass followed by a Procession of the Host and Solemn Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. There will be no sermon. This is one of the outstanding devotional services of the entire Christian year and one that you will not miss if you have genuine regard for your soul's health.

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FROM THE PARISH REGISTER

BAPTISMS

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

March 24 — John Edward Luke Mueller (Infant)

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

March 7 — Felix Louis Dalmas
 March 15 — Edith Florence Ketcham
 March 17 — Marjorie Ann Roberts
 March 22 — Eunice Crellin Garver
 March 26 — Mary Virginia Grear

BURIALS

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

March 12 — Leonore Hibbard

March 21 — Harold Bernard Newman

March 30 — Pauline Lenk

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

May 3 — The Ascension Day. Mary Selena Arnold.

May 6 — The Sunday after Ascension. Newbury Frost Read.

May 13 — Whitsunday. George Martin Christian, Priest and Rector.

May 20 — Trinity Sunday. William and Mary Dickey.

May 24 — The Feast of Corpus Christi. Abigail Guion Burt.

May 27 — The First Sunday after Trinity. Josephine Howard.

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 May are as follows:

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

Sunday, May 6, 9:00, The Guild of St Mary of the Cross. The Woman's Auxiliary (Evening Branch). The Fellowship of St John.

Friday, May 11, 9:30, The Woman's Auxiliary (Day Branch).

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

Sunday, May 27, 9:00, The Church School. The Order of St Vincent. The Guild of St Stephen.

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KALENDAR FOR MAY

1. Tu. SS PHILIP AND JAMES, APP. Com. Rogation Day.
2. W. Vigil of the Ascension. Com. St Athanasius, B.C.D., and Rogation Day.
- ✠ 3. Th. ASCENSION DAY.
4. F. INVENTION OF THE HOLY CROSS (Transferred). Com. St Monica, W., and Octave. *Abstinence.*
5. Sa. St Pius V, B.C. Com. Octave and Conversion of St Augustine, B.C.D.
- ✠ 6. Su. SUNDAY IN THE OCTAVE OF THE ASCENSION. Com. St John before the Latin Gate, Ap. Ev., and Octave.
7. M. St Stanislas, B.M. Com. Octave.
8. Tu. Vision of St Michael, Archangel. Com. Octave.
9. W. St Gregory of Nazianzus, B.C.D. Com. Octave.
10. Th. Octave Day of the Ascension. Com. St Antoninus, B.C., and SS Gordian and Epimachus, MM.
11. F. Feria. Requiem, 7. *Abstinence.*
12. Sa. Vigil of Pentecost.
- ✠ 13. Su. PENTECOST (Whitsunday).
14. M. MONDAY IN WHITSUN WEEK. Com. St Boniface, M., and St Pancras, Ab.
15. Tu. TUESDAY IN WHITSUN WEEK. Com. St John Baptist de la Salle, C.
16. W. EMBER WEDNESDAY. Com. St Ubald, B.C., and St Simon Stock, C. *Fast and Abstinence.*
17. Th. Thursday in Whitsun Week. Com. St Paschal Baylon, C.
18. F. EMBER FRIDAY. Com. St Venantius, M. *Fast and Abstinence.*
19. Sa. EMBER SATURDAY. Com. St Dunstan, B.C., St Peter Celestine, B.C., and St Pudentiana, V. *Fast and Abstinence.*
- ✠ 20. Su. TRINITY SUNDAY.
21. M. St Yves, Pr. C.
22. Tu. Feria. Requiem, 8.
23. W. Feria.
24. Th. CORPUS CHRISTI.
25. F. Of the Octave. Com. St Gregory VII, B.C., St Urban I, B.M., and St Aldhelm, B.C. *Abstinence.*
26. Sa. Of the Octave. Com. St Augustine of England, B.C., St Philip Neri, C., and St Eleutherius, B.M.
- ✠ 27. Su. TRINITY I. Com. Octave, Venerable Bede, C.D., and St. John I, B.M. Solemnity of Corpus Christi, 11.
28. M. Of the Octave.
29. Tu. Of the Octave. Com. St Mary Magdalene of Pazzi, V.
30. W. Of the Octave. Com. St Felix I, B.M., and St Joan of Arc, V.
31. Th. Octave Day of Corpus Christi. Com. St Angela of Merici, V., and St Petronilla, V.

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

MUSIC FOR MAY

MAY 3 — ASCENSION DAY

Mass, Missa Lux et origo Gregorian

MAY 6 — SUNDAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF ASCENSION

Mass, Missa brevis Kodaly
Motet, Gloria in excelsis Cooper

Evensong

Magnificat and Nunc dimittis (Short Service) Byrd
Motet, Exultate Deo Poulenc
O salutaris hostia Rheinberger
Motet, Panis angelicus de la Lande
Tantum ergo Colonna

MAY 13 — PENTECOST

Mass, Coronation Mass Mozart
Motet, Vidi speciosam Victoria

Vespers of the B. V. M.

Magnificat and Nunc dimittis Morley
Motet, Salve Regina Poulenc
O salutaris hostia Schroeder
Motet, Ave verum Mozart
Tantum ergo Schroeder

MAY 20 — TRINITY SUNDAY

Mass, Missa Dorica Schroeder
Motet, How precious are the gifts Bach

Evensong

Magnificat and Nunc dimittis (Second Service) Byrd
Motet, Benedicta sit Victoria
O salutaris hostia Rehm
Motet, O bone Jesu Bai
Tantum ergo Lechthaler

MAY 27 — SUNDAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF CORPUS CHRISTI

Mass, Missa festiva in D Gretchaninoff
Motet, Ego sum panis vivus Byrd

Evensong

Magnificat and Nunc dimittis Willan
Motet, Ave regina caelorum Charpentier
O salutaris hostia Bruckner
Motet, O Domine Jesu Christe Palestrina
Tantum ergo Henschel

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.
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Intercessions	
Wednesdays	12:10-12:40
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 COPE: 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.—Day Branch, second Fridays, Corporate Communion 9:30 a.m. Business Meeting, 10:45 a.m. Farther Taber, *Chaplain*, Evening Branch, first Tuesdays, 8 p.m. Corporate Communion first Sundays, 9 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*.

ORDER 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*.

GUILD OF ST. STEPHEN.—For young people, ages twenty to thirty-two. Meetings, first Thursdays at 8 p.m. and third Sundays at six p.m. Corporate Communion, last Sunday, 9 a.m. Father Cope, *Chaplain*

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