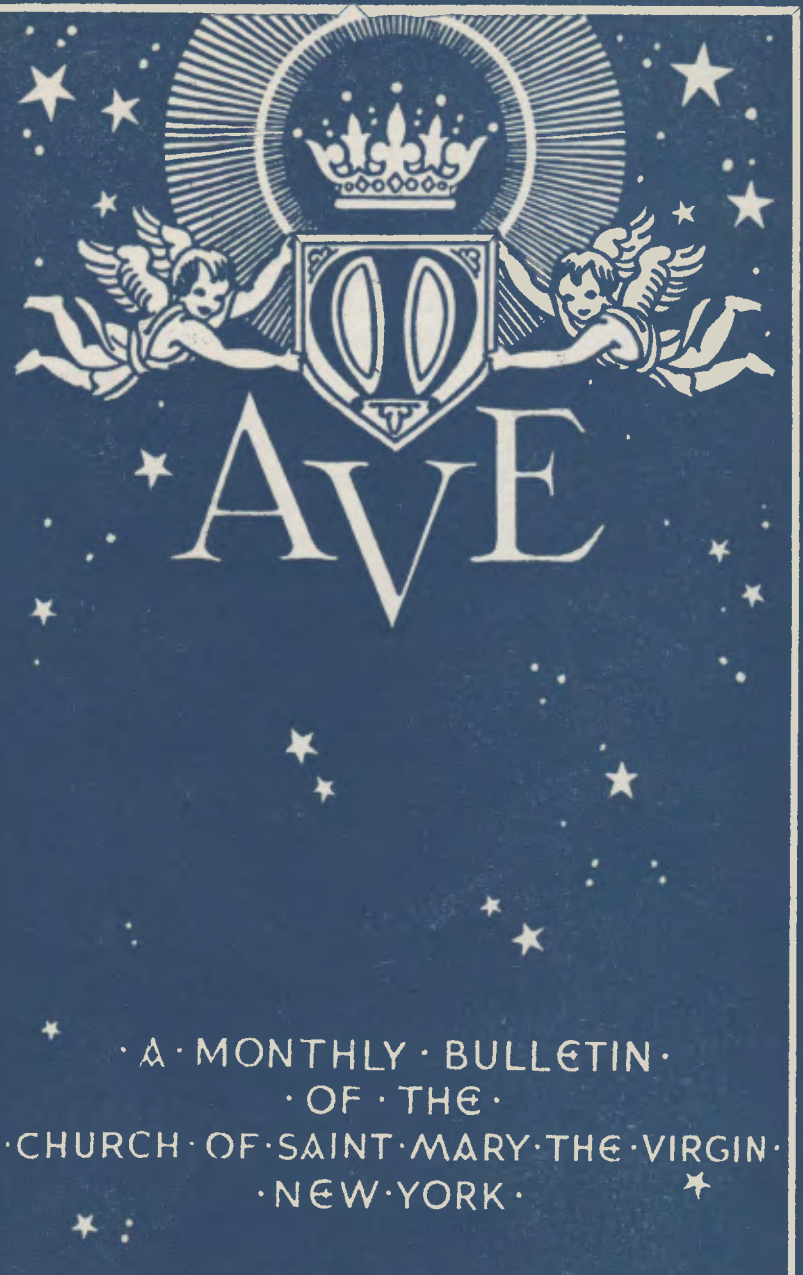


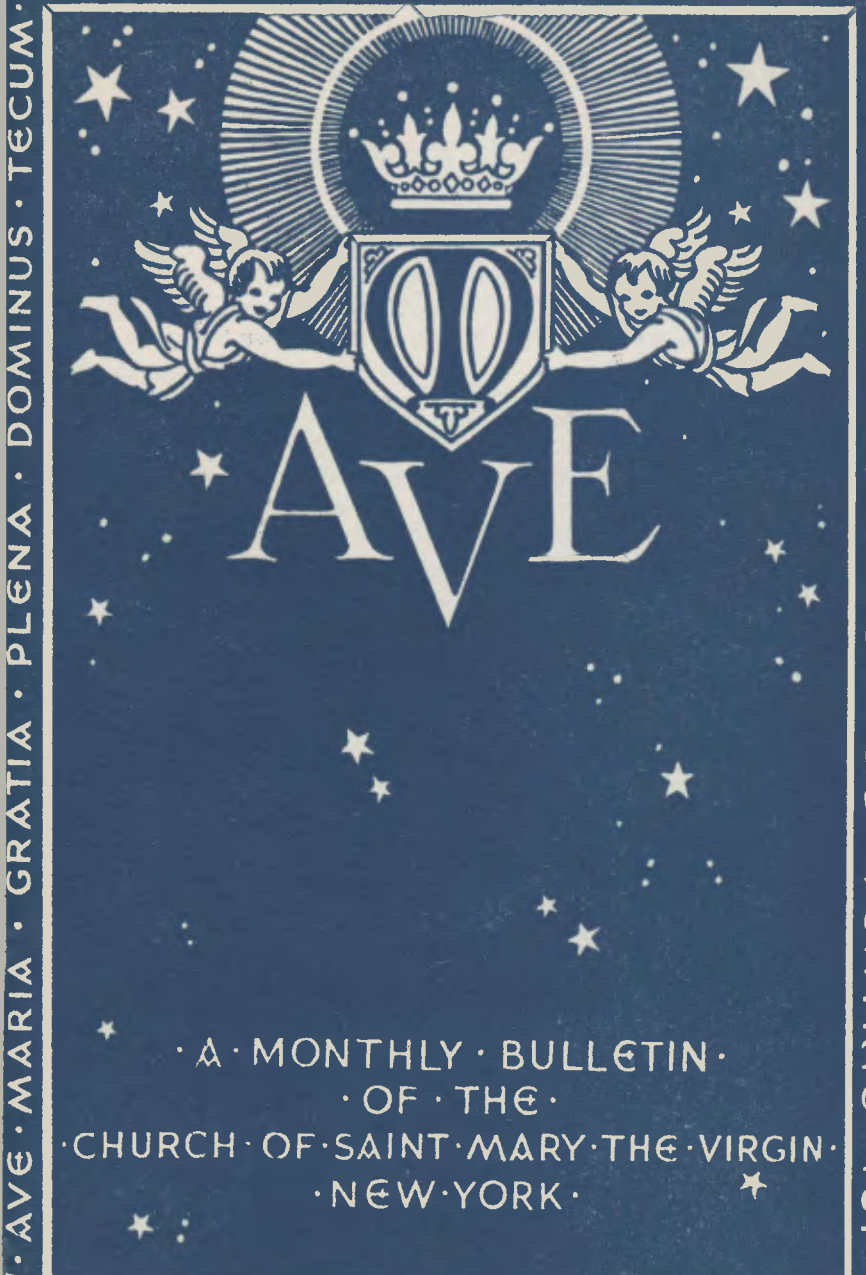
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Dear Parishioners of St Mary's, —

The season of Advent is one both of sadness and hope, —sadness of the sinner but the hope of a Saviour. Holy Church gives us this season that we may thoroughly prepare ourselves for the coming of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. A good Advent means a good preparation. The refrain of a familiar hymn might well serve as a constant prayer during the Advent season, "Oh come to my heart, Lord Jesus, there is room in my heart for Thee". May we make certain then that there is room in our hearts for Jesus when He comes. When is this?

Our blessed Lord came to this earth in time when He became Incarnate in the womb of Our Lady and was born in Bethlehem. However, His coming here on earth in time still takes place for He comes both in His divinity and His glorified humanity to every altar where the Holy Mass is celebrated. He came therefore and He comes to those who will receive Him, — those whose hearts are open to Him. He came and He comes only to those whose hearts are penitent.

Very fittingly Advent is a season of penitence. "Repent ye" was the cry of blessed John the Baptist as he bent every effort to prepare the inhabitants of Palestine for the advent of their Saviour. "Repent ye" is the cry of Holy Church as she makes every effort to prepare her children for the coming of their Redeemer into their lives. If we Christians bring forth the fruits of repentance in our daily living we shall be prepared at the Last Great Day to receive Jesus when He comes in glory to become our Judge.

During Advent then with the prophets of the Old Testament let us cultivate sentiments of holy expectation for the Incarnate

Word of God and with the saints throughout the Christian era let us cherish sentiments of hospitality toward Jesus so that there will be room in our hearts for Him at His Coming.

Affectionately,

Giorgio Taber

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CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE CONFESSIONS

FATHER TABER

December 21: 12-1; 2-3
December 22: 2-4; 8-9
December 24: 12-1; 2-3; 7-8

FATHER JACOBY

December 21: 4-5
December 22: 4-5; 7-8
December 24: 11-12; 3-4; 8-10

FATHER COPE

December 21: 7-8
December 22: 12-1; 3-4
December 24: 5-6; 10-11:45

SERVICES

CHRISTMAS EVE, Monday, December 24

Church School Festival 4 p.m.
Evening Prayer (Lady Chapel) 6 p.m.
Midnight Mass and Holy Communion Midnight

CHRISTMAS DAY, Tuesday, December 25

Low Masses 7, 8, 9, 10 a.m.
Morning Prayer 7:40 a.m.
High Mass and Sermon 11 a.m.
Evening Prayer 6 p.m.

The Church School Christmas Festival, Monday afternoon at four, takes the form of Carols, Procession to the Crèche 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.

PRAY THE MASS

Kyrie — Gloria in Excelsis

WHEN we reach the *Kyrie* in the Holy Mass, we vividly remind ourselves that we are mendicants here on earth and mere creatures needing mercy and vision from God the Creator, — mercy because of our sins and vision because these sins of ours do blind us to God's love and goodness. Once we forget that we are beggars in need and mere creatures to be moulded as clay by the heavenly Potter, our lives become upsidedown and the truth is not in us. So in the Mass we cry "Lord, have mercy upon us". Yes, Lord have mercy on us and our friends and our enemies and the whole race of mankind for all have sinned and failed to respond with fullness of love to the perfect love of God. Lord have mercy on us who are in some way responsible for the broken mystical Body of Christ, the Church which by man's sin has been split into three Catholic bodies and shattered into numerous Protestant sects. Mercy it is that we need for we have sinned and are not worthy that Jesus should come into our midst in the Blessed Sacrament. When we join in the *Kyrie* we must certainly be reminded of Saint John the Baptist, the brunt of whose teaching was *repentance and confession of sins* since the Redeemer, the Lamb of God, was drawing nigh to sinful men.

The *Kyrie* is often said or sung in Greek which carries us in spirit back to the earliest Masses which were in Greek and reminds us too of the universality of God's mercy extended to all the members of the Church be they of Eastern or Western origin. The *Kyrie* is usually ninefold and as the nine cries for mercy go up to God from our penitent hearts we may well think of the nine heavenly choirs who forever praise God as an atonement for the sin of Lucifer and his fallen angels. Then too, the *Kyrie* is uttered in threes, — three *Kyries* addressed to God the Father, three *Christes* addressed to God the Son, and finally three *Kyries* addressed to God the Holy Ghost. Thus each of the persons of the Blessed Trinity is supplicated by us creatures, humiliated and unworthy and grovelling by reason of our sins.

The *Kyrie ended*, the Church bids us cheer up for we are meant to be joyful, radiant Christians. So she begins the *Gloria in Ex-*

celsis, that very early Greek hymn of praise and adoration. It begins with the message of Christmas given by the angels at the very dawn of redemption. When the celebrant starts "Glory be to God on high" and we go on "and on earth peace, good will towards men" we can in our mind's eye get a glimpse of angels heralding Jesu's birth even amid the blackness of Bethlehem's night. It is no far cry to lift up our souls to glory even amid the darkness of our sins. Oh, let us put our souls into the *Gloria* that Christmas may yet be for the world. Let us unite with all men as we stand as one and let us join with the poor in spirit in these modest yet exultant words "We praise thee, we bless thee, we worship thee, we glorify thee" and then lose ourselves in "we give thanks to thee for thy great glory". Yes, it is this glory that brings home to our minds and hearts the infinite distance God's love has crossed to reach us in our unworthiness.

Now as the *Gloria in Excelsis* goes on, we in awe and wonder address ourselves to Jesus Incarnate with the words "O Lord, the only begotten Son Jesus Christ". In spirit we are taken from Bethlehem through a flight of thirty years to the beginning of Christ's ministry on earth. With blessed John the Baptist as he preaches repentance for the shadow of sin on the earth we behold Jesus approach and we cry "O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us". Then we are carried on in spirit years later and unite with Saint John the Divine and see Jesus in glory and beg for mercy of Him "that sittest at the right hand of God the Father". What a sweep of devotion for the worshipper who is not bound to *today!*

The *Gloria in Excelsis* draws to its close with "For thou only art holy, thou only art the Lord, thou only O Jesus Christ with the Holy Ghost art most high in the glory of God the Father". Is it any wonder that the average composer of a musical setting for the Mass lavishes all his genius at this part of the *Gloria* to try to make the worshippers feel the triumph of it all? This final burst of praise gathers up in words all that the Holy Mass is to be, namely, the one sacrifice by which we may give to God the

Father what is His due — Jesus Christ in union with the Holy Ghost — that through this perfect Gift our imperfect offerings may be accepted. This is worship at its height! Let the *Gloria in Excelsis* lift us off our feet. It can if we will.

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"WITH THE HOLY . . ."

Saint Nicholas

ON December the sixth Holy Church keeps the Feast of Saint Nicholas, Bishop and Confessor. The Saint was born in Patara in Lycia of immensely wealthy parents. His father and mother died when he was quite young, leaving him an enormous fortune. However, he had learned as had Saint Paul that "the love of money is the root of all evil" and saw fit then and there to dedicate all his wealth for the work of God. In art, he is depicted with three bags of gold at his feet, having offered them to his Lord.

The elevation of Saint Nicholas to the office of Bishop was a great surprise to him. Myra, a city of Lycia, had lost its bishop and so the bishops of the whole province assembled together to elect a successor. In a revelation from heaven they were told that they should choose him who on the next day should first enter the church with the name "Nicholas". The bishops found the holy man of Patara waiting at the church door and so they consecrated him as Bishop of Myra. His episcopate was outstanding for he spent himself in befriending widows and orphans both with money and counsel. He defended all who suffered affliction of any sort. He was present at the Council of Nicea along with three hundred and eighteen Fathers of the Church who condemned the Arian heresy, namely, that Jesus Christ was not God, merely man.

In the year 326 Saint Nicholas was taken severely ill. Soon thereafter he died as he prayed "In thee O Lord have I hoped" and "Into thy hands I commend my spirit". He is always thought of as the patron saint of the common people for he was patron of good will to all men. He could fittingly be patron of any Christian league comprised of all nations and of all classes. He was every

man's friend as he was every orphan's father. His name "Nicholas" really means "conqueror of people". He did conquer human hearts for Christ.

There are many stories and not a few legends concerning Saint Nicholas the best known of which is that of a neighbor of the saint who was so poor that he was determined to deliver his three daughters to prostitution so as to make a living from their profits. The saint wrapped a lump of gold in a cloth and hurled it through a window of his neighbor's house and then fled so as to escape detection. The neighbor was pleased to find the gold and with it he prepared for the nuptials of his eldest daughter. Later the saint repeated his gold-throwing act and his neighbor then made up his mind to watch carefully in the future so as to discover the source of the gold. A few days went on when a quantity of gold twice as large as the amounts formerly received was thrown into the neighbor's house. He heard the noise and rushed out in pursuit of Nicholas. He cried out to him to stop but the saint would not. Finally he caught up with him and was able to recognize him but Nicholas made him promise to keep his identity a deep secret until after his death. To this day the symbol of three golden balls, that of Saint Nicholas, has been adopted by pawnbrokers. One wonders if in honor of the saint these pawnbrokers use their money to alleviate suffering caused by sin. Saint Nicholas used his money on destitute boys and girls, travellers, merchants and seamen to rescue them from sin.

In early times Christians believed that on December the sixth Saint Nicholas always revisited this earth. On this day men began to prepare for Christmas (not as they do now at the beginning of Fall) since Saint Nicholas was known to be beloved of the Holy Child of Bethlehem and of His blessed Mother. On his Feast day he was invoked in the people's prayers to bring to God's children their Christmas gifts. Indeed, he was entrusted with messages to the Holy Child and children put notes in the windows of their homes or hid letters up the trunks of trees and the Saint delivered them to the Christ Child.

May we all learn that only by giving shall we lay up treasure in heaven!

Saint Nicholas, pray for us!

MERRY CHRISTMAS

When in its course the year returns to bring us Christmas,
 We stand enthralled before its beauty.
 Our human eyes see but a little baby,
 While yet our souls cry out — O Lord most High!
 Is it for us this precious Gift,
 Lying there wrapped in Heavenly Love?
 Yes — we hear the Divine Mercy say — you are My children,
 And to you I give My All.
 Like happy children we grasp our lovely Present,
 Murmuring — thank You, O dear kind Father — thank You!
 Then turn with laughing joy to wish each other —
 Merry Christmas!

E.G.D.

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PARISH NOTES

OVER a year ago an organization was established under the title "Friends of Saint Mary's". The membership in this organization is open to non-parishioners who would by prayer and an annual offering help Saint Mary's to continue its mission in spreading Catholic Faith and Practice. After all, the congregation at Saint Mary's is often made up one-half of visitors. Up to this time a goodly number have joined the "Friends of Saint Mary's" and we do feel the power of their prayers and we are grateful for their support. If any of the readers of AVE, who are not members of the parish and who value the witness Saint Mary's is trying to set forth in the Episcopal Church, wish to become members of the "Friends of Saint Mary's" kindly write Father Taber.

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THE Feast of the Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary, December the eighth, is the Patronal Festival of our beloved parish. The High Mass of the Feast is celebrated on the Sunday within the Octave, December the ninth, at which time the Right Reverend James P. DeWolfe Bishop of Long Island will preside

and preach. Every loyal parishioner will receive Holy Communion on the Patronal Festival, or at least within the Octave, and be present at the High Mass of the Festival on the ninth. Pray for our parish that God may bless her efforts to glorify Him in all things.

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BISHOP DeWolfe has graciously consented to conduct the Advent Retreat for Men and Women on Saturday, December the eighth. The Retreat Mass will be celebrated at eight, with Meditations at 10:15, 11:30 and 2:15 and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament at three. Those who will avail themselves of the privilege of this Retreat kindly notify before December the fifth the Sister-in-Charge-of-the-Retreat, Saint Mary's Mission House, 133 West 46th Street (PLaza 7-6464) so that adequate provision may be made for breakfast and luncheon.

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AS Christmas approaches the question arises "What shall I give that Anglican Catholic friend of mine?" May we suggest: The Anglican Missal (People's Edition) at five dollars; the Ordo Kalendar for 1952 at fifty cents; A Pictorial Pilgrimage Through the Church of Saint Mary the Virgin at two dollars; medals, statues, rosaries, crucifixes and so forth on sale at various prices in Saint Joseph's Hall after High Mass on Sundays. If you wish to order a Missal or Kalendar or Pictorial Pilgrimage by mail kindly add twenty-five cents to cover expense of wrapping and mailing.

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THE Day Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary will meet at ten-forty-five in Saint Joseph's Hall Friday morning December the fourteenth when there will be a Toy Shower and a speaker from the Christian Social Relations department of the National Council. Corporate Communion at the nine-thirty Mass will precede the meeting.

The Evening Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary will meet at eight o'clock in Saint Joseph's Hall on Tuesday, December the fourth. Their Corporate Communion is scheduled at the nine o'clock Mass on Sunday, December the second.

THE Advent United Thank Offering will be presented at the Cathedral of Saint John the Divine on Tuesday, December the fourth, with a Corporate Communion at the ten-thirty Mass. All of the women of the parish are invited to attend the service at the Cathedral, following which there will be a box luncheon in the Undercroft. A missionary meeting will be held in the Synod Hall at one-thirty. This will be the fifth presentation in this Triennium. Contributions may be sent to the Parish Custodian, Mrs James R. English, 4 East 95th Street, New York 28 before December the first or given to her after High Mass on Sunday, December the second.

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THE Guild of Help will hold its autumn meeting Thursday afternoon, December the sixth at four at the apartment of Mrs William C. Dickey, 200 East 66th Street. Father Taber will greet those present and Mrs Margaret Stewart Hoag, Executive Director of the Youth Consultation Service will tell something of the organization's latest development. All the women of the congregation, whether members of the Guild or not, are invited to attend to show their interest in the charitable work of this Guild which consists mainly in helping to support the Youth Consultation Service of the Diocese of New York.

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FROM THE PARISH REGISTER

BAPTISMS

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

October 14 — Jan Wallace Schermerhorn

October 26 — Anton Fenner Baker

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

October 30 — Virginia Guion Gregory

October 30 — Carter Gregory

October 30 — Mrs Charles Stuart Douglas

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

December 9—In the Octave of The Patronal Festival. Departed Trustees.

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

December 30—The First Sunday after Christmas. George Coldham.

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 December are as follows:

Sunday, December 2, 9:00. The Guild of St. Mary of the Cross. The Woman's Auxiliary (Evening Branch).

Wednesday, December 5, 9:30. St Mary's Guild.

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

Friday, December 14, 9:30. The Woman's Auxiliary (Day Branch).

Thursday, December 27, 8:00. The Fellowship of St John.

Sunday, December 30, 9:00. The Church School. The Order of St Vincent. The Guild of St Stephen.

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KALENDAR FOR DECEMBER

1. Sa. Of Our Lady.
- ✕ 2. Su. ADVENT I. Com. St Bibiana, V.M.
3. M. St Francis Xavier, C. Com. Feria and St Birinus, B.
4. Tu. St Peter Chrysologus, B.C.D. Com. Feria, St Barbara, V.M. and St Clement of Alexandria, C.D.
5. W. Feria. Com. St Sabas, Ab.
6. Th. St Nicholas, B.C. Com. Feria.
7. F. St Ambrose, B.C.D. Com. Feria and Vigil. *Abstinence.*
8. Sa. CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY. Com. Feria.
- ✕ 9. Su. ADVENT II. Com. Octave.
10. M. Of the Octave. Com. Feria and St Melchiades, B.M.
11. Tu. St Damasus I, B.C. Com. Octave and Feria.
12. W. Of the Octave. Com. Feria.
13. Th. St Lucy, V.M. Com. Octave and Feria.
14. F. Of the Octave. Com. Feria. *Abstinence.*
15. Sa. Octave Day of the Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Com. Feria.
- ✕ 16. Su. ADVENT III (Gaudete). Com. St Eusebius, B.M.
17. M. Feria. Com. Raising of St Lazarus, B.C.
18. Tu. Feria. Requiem, 8.
19. W. WEDNESDAY OF EMBER WEEK. Com. Feria. *Fast and Abstinence.*
20. Th. Vigil of St Thomas, Ap. Com. Feria.
21. F. ST THOMAS, APOSTLE. Com. Ember Day. *Fast and Abstinence.*
22. Sa. SATURDAY OF EMBER WEEK. Com. Feria. *Fast and Abstinence.*
- ✕ 23. Su. ADVENT IV.
24. M. Vigil of the Nativity. High Mass (First Mass of the Nativity) 12 Midnight. *Fast and Abstinence.*
- ✕ 25. Tu. NATIVITY OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST. Com. St Anastasia, M., in 2nd Mass.
26. W. ST STEPHEN, THE PROTOMARTYR. Com. Octave.
27. Th. ST JOHN, AP., EV. Com. Octave.
28. F. HOLY INNOCENTS, MM. Com. Octave.
29. Sa. St Thomas of Canterbury, B.M. Com. Octave.
- ✕ 30. Su. SUNDAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF THE NATIVITY. Com. Octave.
3. M. St Sylvester I, B.C. Com. Octave.

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

MUSIC FOR DECEMBER

DECEMBER 2 — ADVENT I	
Mass, Missa Quarti toni	Victoria
Motet, O admirabile commercium	Handl
<i>Evening</i>	
The Litany in Procession	Plainchant
Motet, Alma Redemptoris Mater	Palestrina
O salutaris hostia	Martini
Motet, O bone Jesu	Ingegneri
Tantum ergo	Calegari
DECEMBER 9 — WITHIN OCTAVE OF CONCEPTION B.V.M.	
Mass, Mass in E minor	Bruckner
Motet, Beata viscera Mariae Virginis	Desderi
<i>Evening</i>	
The Litany in Procession	Plainchant
Motet, Rorate caeli desuper	Palestrina
O salutaris hostia	Rehm
Motet, Adoramus te	Mozart
Tantum ergo	Colonna
DECEMBER 16 — ADVENT III	
Mass, Missa Ascendo ad Patrem	Palestrina
Motet, Ecce veniet Dominus	Handl
<i>Evening</i>	
The Litany in Procession	Plainchant
Motet, Magnificat	Rachmaninoff
O salutaris hostia	Farnaby
Motet, Ave verum	Noyon
Tantum ergo	Kodaly
DECEMBER 23 — ADVENT IV	
Mass, Missa Cantabo Domino	Viadana
Motet, O salutaris hostia	Tallis
<i>Evening</i>	
The Litany in Procession	Plainchant
Motet, Facta es cum angelo	Handl
O salutaris hostia	Whyte
Motet, Adoramus te (No. 1)	Perti
Tantum ergo (No. 4)	Bruckner
DECEMBER 24 — FIRST MASS OF CHRISTMAS (Midnight)	
Mass, Mass in E minor	Bruckner
Carols	
DECEMBER 25 — THIRD MASS OF CHRISTMAS	
Mass, Messe in E	Rehm
Motet, Tui sunt caeli	Hilber
DECEMBER 30 — CHRISTMAS I	
Mass, Missa in hon. Sanctae Clarae Assisiensis	Refice
Motet, O magnum mysterium	Byrd
<i>Evening</i>	
Magnificat and Nunc dimittis (Short Service)	Byrd
Carols	
O salutaris hostia	Rehm
Motet, Adoramus te	Rosselli
Tantum ergo, Opus 11, No. 5	Kromolick!

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:

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 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.

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*.

GUILD OF HELP.—For forwarding the social service work of the Church. Meetings as announced from time to time. Father Taber, *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*

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. Meetings (Lady Chapel) second Fridays, 8:15 p.m. Father Cope, *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 Cope, *Chaplain*.

OTHER ORGANIZATIONS

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