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Dear Parishioners of St Mary's,---

I need hardly remind you that the month of May is Mary's month. I should like to summon you to join me in still greater veneration of Our Lady under whose patronage our beloved parish carries on her worship and work.

Each of us properly aspires to become "another Christ," that is to extend Christ, as best he can and as a member of His mystical Body the Church Catholic, to that part of the world in which he lives. This aspiration can be fulfilled only if each of us aspires to become "another child of Mary."

Now the Blessed Virgin Mary is the mother of Christ's family of which we are happy members and as such she makes her home with us whom Jesus calls to be one with Him. She presides in a sense over that blessed family life. Indeed, she presides over our family solitude and our family prayer and our family love.

Often we should remind ourselves that Christ has bidden us to become little children if we would enter the Kingdom of Heaven. Yes, we are to become spiritual children and it matters not how old we are. Children, however, always need a mother for there is nothing more destitute than a motherless child and Christ who has wished us to become children has given us a mother. From His Cross on Calvary He bequeathed blessed Mary to us in the person of His spiritual child, St John.

Oh how wonderful to have our Lady as our spiritual mother! As Mother of Christ she is ever a patron of the Christ-life in each of us. She prays for and watches over that life. How natural that we should venerate her since she is the mother of all with whom her Son Jesus is to be identified by grace. Devotion to her fosters in us simple faith in Christ and leads to reproducing in ourselves her loving response to Him and leads as well to greater honor for her Divine Son. How natural too that we should ask her prayers because from her own humanity she will wish to help us and from her close 66

union with God her help will be with the power of God's grace.

Let us one and all delight to fill the month of May with veneration of blessed Mary, the Mother of God and our mother too, since we are all brethren of her Divine Son.



ANI'S MAY SONG

In the singing month of May Come and sing to Our Lady. I'll sing high and you sing low, We'll dance together fast and slow, Merrymaking here below, In honor of Our Lady. My voice squeaks and yours is poor; If they put us out the door, We'll dance and sing just as before, In honor of Our Lady.

—Ani mnC

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JOYFUL SPIRITUAL PROGRESS Through Love of our Fellow Men

We are surrounded by souls in need and these needy souls of our fellow men afford us an opportunity for a life of joy in loving and serving our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ by loving and serving them. To all of us Jesus says "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto Me" and at the Last Judgment Jesus has told us ever so clearly that He will substitute Himself for our neighbor. Yes, it happens that our love for our neighbor must issue in giving him pleasure as though we were giving it to Christ and in suffering by and with him as though we were suffering at the foot of the Cross of Calvary. In all our relations with our neighbor we must have Christ present in our minds and in our hearts. If we do, we shall delight in performing our duty to our neighbor by loving him.

Sometimes Christians hesitate to do their duty to their neighbor for fear of getting into a "holier than thou" attitude by thinking of themselves as above others because of the grace and light they have received from God. In reality such Christians should look on themselves, because of those favors from God, as under a happy obligation to share them with others. After all, we are all debtors to God and deeply indebted are we to Him. We can pay off that debt only as we are busy in transferring to others the privileges God has given us in spite of our unfaithfulness. In so doing we shall fulfill our happy vocation which shall be a faint reflection of St Paul's enthusiasm as a debtor paying lavishly what he owed to God but at tremendous cost to himself. We shall appreciate too the meaning of St Peter when he wrote "As every man hath received the gift, even so minister the same one to another as good stewards of the manifold grace of God." All we need to do is honestly to count the grace and light that God has bestowed on us. Every Christian is rich in heavenly treasure, however empty his pocketbook may be, and every Christian has the happy duty of bestowing this treasure on all with whom he comes in contact. His love must be universally shown. As a Good Samaritan, his neighbor is any soul in need. For him the Jericho Road is any street along which he is travelling. Indeed, it is his life's path.

One of the joys in loving our fellow men is that thereby we deal a blow at self-love through which all our misery comes. Self-love is as violently opposed to our love of our neighbor as it is to love of God. Not infrequently we think so highly of our own worth that we employ most of our talents in disregarding even the existence of others. We even try to rise above others and when we fail to do so we start in envying them. In our jealousy we discredit them and begin thereby to console ourselves over their little success. The strange part of it is that our self-love demands love from others but we will give none to them. Now in accepting the happy duty of loving our neighbor we shall accommodate ourselves to those we aim to win for Christ and therefore cease to be guided in our actions merely by our own personal likes and dislikes which in any event are fickle and unfounded. Indeed, we shall be deaf to the complaints of outraged self-love. We shall toil to gain souls for Christ as hard as we toil to gain an income for ourselves. In this toil we shall be happy at finding ourselves wearing out day by day, spending our strength and our life in winning souls and so cooperating with Christ in the work of salvation and thus becoming closely

identified with Him who wore Himself out to save us.

Now this does not mean that we shall become nuisances as busybodies by neglecting our daily duties to spend our breathing moments in seeking opportunities to prove our love for our fellows. No, in the course of any day plenty of unsought opportunities will present themselves in which we may exercise our love for souls. After all, Christ can be found and loved and served in *any one*. We must not bypass a member of our household by going abroad in search of a soul in need. It should not be said of anyone of us that he is kind out in the world but hell on earth to live with at home!

So often you hear people say "I mind my own business. I would not harm anyone. This is the best policy for living." But is it? To harm no one else is merely just. We have no right to injure or offend one of God's children for whom the blessed Saviour hung on the Cross because He placed such a high value on every soul. To do good to everyone else is love. We cannot say that we love the Crucified unless we deliver souls saved and made lovely through our charity to Him who died for them.

It is necessary that we sanctify ourselves before we try to help others to be holy. We must look after our own souls. The commandment is "Thou shalt love thy neighbor as *thyself.*" We need to love ourselves to the point of making ourselves holy so that we may become power houses in a network of such for the distribution of grace and light to destitute souls in a state of mortal sin. This sanctity means that we shall leave a state of mortal sin ourselves by living a life of faith and hope and love and humility and glad abandonment to the will of God. Supernatural grace will then be given us to live in a state of grace. It is only in this state that we can really love our fellow men.

You see, love of one's neighbor is supernatural love, not natural love. It is love for God and according to God. It is love without rash judgment or suspicion or envy or ill will. It is love in a setting of both kindness of speech and kindness of silence. It is love which will impel us to perform corporal as well as spiritual works of mercy without any taste even for publicity or domination or patronage or self-exaltation. In other words, all that we do for our fellow men must be done for Christ. The value of our Christian pilgrimage must be judged by what we have done for our fellow men without any thought of Christ. It is well to remind ourselves that others must be permitted to fulfill their happy duty in loving us. We are to be gracious receivers even when we feel that that which we are receiving is not worth the effort being made on our behalf. After all those who love us are thereby serving Christ and the opportunity for this service we dare not take away from them. What is more, we are and always will be beggars in need.

Let us come back to where we began. The world is full of souls comparatively if not absolutely destitute of grace and light. They are souls in dire need, unhappy souls for whom God wills happiness. Meanwhile, as Christians who have been brought into close touch with Him who is Grace and Light we are overflowing with blessing. If our lives have been made strong by God's power then let us dedicate them to others. Let us experience the joy of sharing with others our blessings. In order that we may carry out this sharing in a kindly way, that is, always within the bounds of Christian love, let us pray always before we speak or act. Let the words of the Lord of all love remain in our ears, "Unto whomsoever much is given, of him much will be required."

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JONAH

Jonah was a difficult man; He lived in the days of old, And just like you and me He didn't do what he was told; Oh, Jonah!

God told Jonah to preach, But Jonah didn't mind the Lord. He ran away to sea, and a storm came up, And the sailors threw him overboard; Oh, Jonah!

He swam and he swam and he swam Though the sea tried to make him drown; And a big whale came and swallowed him up, But Jonah wouldn't stay down; Oh, Jonah!

God told him again to preach, But this time Jonah was wise; The king and the people repented, Much to Jonah's surprise; Oh, Jonah! Now he is up in Heaven, And he wears a crown of gold; And if you and I want to go to Heaven, We'd better do what we're told; Like Jonah!

----A. D. S.

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WHAT ABOUT GOD? (8)

We have come to the end of a first group of Divine attributes and so this will be a good place to have a brief summary of what we have been able to learn about what God is like. At the end of last month's article we came to the conclusion that God's life is fully realized within His-own being and not in His creation. Now this is what this first group of characteristics is about — what God is in Himself. We have yet to consider what He is as shown by the character of His activity; and what He is as shown by His relations with us and other creatures. These are the second and third groups of the Divine attributes. There are names for these groups which are sometimes used, but they're not very good ones and are likely to be misleading; so we'll just call them groups one, two, and three.

We have learned, then, that God is a single, infinite, personal being who is —

1. Eternal. He is outside the category and limitations of time. The terms, beginning, ending, past, and future have no application to Him. The succession of events which we finite creatures call time, is not a succession to Him for all events are forever present to Him. He is.

2. Self-sufficient. He is not dependent on anyone or anything or any relationship. He is uncaused and so is the first cause of everything else. He is.

3. Simple. He is indivisible and uncomplex. Nothing can be added to Him or taken from Him. He is all that He can be. He is.

4. Immutable. He does not, indeed cannot, change in any way. All His qualities and attributes are eternally perfect and identical with Him and with each other. He does not grow nor wither away. What He does, He does once for all and so is infinitely trustworthy. He is.

5. Pure Spirit. He has no material, physical body and so is not

perceptible to our senses. He is infinite power without limitations of time or space. He is.

6. Immense. He is outside the category and limitations of space. He cannot be measured or circumscribed in any way. He penetrates all space and substance and goes beyond them, but there is nothing beyond Him. He is.

7. Life. Spirit and life are inseparable ideas. He is both and is the source of all life. He is.

8. Pure Act. He is not in any way passive or undeveloped. His energy is never dormant. He has no unrealized possibilities. He is all that He can be. He is.

These are the eight attributes of the first group and I hope that they have become in some degree intelligible to you because they are basic to all that can be said about the Christian doctrine of God. All the attributes of the other two groups grow out of them. What God does, the relationships He establishes with us, all depend on them and are determined by them.

Let us take an example from the second group: Omnipotence. The English for that is Almighty, and it's a word that appears in the Creeds and in innumerable prayers and collects. Right down through the ages it seems to be the first and most prominent attribute of God that Christians think of. This is quite natural when you remember that Christianity had its first growth in the midst of a pagan world, whose gods were each more or less mighty, but none of them was Almighty. Consequently, this is the first and most obvious distinction between the one God and the many.

It is also obvious, once you stop to think of it, that the infinite First Cause must be the source and controller of all power. And, of course, we cannot measure the extent of that power. We can and do experience it in operation in innumerably varied ways from the tumultuous power in the sun and other burning stars to the power in the growth of a blade of grass; from the rush of a mighty waterfall to the movement of God's grace in our own souls. Now, in every one of these cases the power we perceive is limited, even though the limits are sometimes very wide. And you may ask, "If God is Almighty, where do these limits on His power come from?" The first and most direct answer is that if God is all-powerful, then He has the power to limit the use of His own power. There is no trouble about that. We do the same thing. But are there, pethaps, some things beyond the reach of power? Here is a simple (?) problem in geometry to play with for the next month: Has the Creator the power to create a square triangle?

---E. B.

----E. G. D.

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THE OFFERING

Musing upon the loveliness of God's creation I longed to take some of this beauty And bring it to the Altar of my Lord, An offering of joyous gratitude.

First to the dawn I went and plucked a flower of flame, Rose centered with outer petals tipped in silvered mist. At noon I found the golden sun lying athwart a field of wheat, And took its light and warmth, God's benison to man. On to the sunset then I went to grasp the marvel of its color; A pageant of yellows, purples, reds, marching across the skies. And when it passed and left the soft black night, The white moon came, and of her beams I made a spray And tied it with a strand of star-dust.

My treasure fast held to my heart I hastened to the Sanctuary — But Lo! E'en as I laid it there it faded into nothingness Before the tremor of a small white light guarding a Mystery. And in a blinding flash I knew that here, Hidden in Humility past comprehension was all of Beauty — Its one sublime Symbol!

And bowing low I lost myself in wordless adoration.

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PARISH NOTES

ONE of the happiest festivals of the year at St Mary's is our annual May Festival which this year is being held on Sunday evening, May the eighth at eight. This devotion takes the form of Solemn Vespers of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Procession, Crowning of the Statue of Our Lady and Solemn Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. An address will be given by Father Norgren, a one-time communicant and acolyte at St Mary's, now a tutor at the General Theological Seminary. Come and bring many of your friends and rejoice with Our Lady in her month, the month of May. THE month of May blesses us also with two of the great festivals of the Christian year, — Ascension Day and Pentecost. On Ascension Day, Thursday, May the nineteenth, there will be a High Mass with communions at seven, followed by Low Masses at 8, 9:30 and 12:10. On Pentecost, May the twenty-ninth, there will of course be the usual Sunday Masses with a Procession in honor of the Holy Spirit before the High Mass. Our altars should be thronged on both of these blessed Feasts.

BOOK Review, under the auspices of the St Mary's Guild of Help, will be given by Father Taber on Thursday afternoon, May the twelfth at three at the apartment of Mrs Marion Eppley, 510 Park Avenue. Following upon the Review Mrs Eppley will be our gracious hostess at afternoon tea. Subscription is two dollars and fifty cents and tickets may be obtained from a member of the Guild or from the Church Office, 145 West 46th Street. The Review is a benefit for the Youth Consultation Service of the Diocese of New York and your patronage is confidently hoped for.

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YOU will be happy to know that in the annual Red Cross campaign for memberships St Mary's contributed three hundred and ninety-seven dollars through our parochial chairman for the Red Cross, Miss Rena Garlick.

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ST MARY'S Station Day in the American Church Union Cycle of Prayer is Friday, May the thirteenth. There will be Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament in the Lady Chapel following the twelveten Mass and the day will close with Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament at five-thirty. You are asked to sign your name on the blank posted on the bulletin board in the church vestibule for a half hour that you may pray for the spread of Catholic doctrine, discipline and worship throughout the Episcopal Church that she may glory in her Catholic heritage more and more.

THE following Sundays are available for gifts of flowers for the High Altar as memorials or thank offerings: August twentyfirst and September eleventh. If anyone wishes the privilege of offering flowers for one of these Sundays, kindly get in touch with Mrs Newbury Frost Read, Chairman of the St Mary's Flower Fund, 277 Park Avenue (PLaza 5-7600), or the Church Office, 145 West 46th Street (PLaza 7-5845).

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THE Day Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary meets in St Joseph's Hall on Friday afternoon, May the twentieth, at three-thirty, followed by a Mission Tea from four until six during which time Miss Edith Van Schoick will give a talk on the work done at St Mary's-in-the-Field, Valhalla, New York. There will also be a display of winter work, and with righteous pride, for this work is all for our blessed Lord. The Corporate Communion will have been held at the nine-thirty Mass that day.

The Evening Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary meets on Tuesday evening, May the seventeenth at seven-fifteen in St Joseph's Hall. The evening will close with a social hour. A Corporate Communion will have been held at the nine o'clock Mass on Sunday, May the first.

All women of the congregation are most cordially invited to attend these Auxiliary meetings.

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THE next Presentation of the United Thank Offering will be made at the ten o'clock Mass at the Cathedral of St John the Divine, Tuesday, May the third. Every woman of the parish is invited to attend this Mass as well as the business meeting which will follow in the Synod Hall. Contributions for the United Thank Offering may be sent to our Parish Custodian, Mrs Charles Edgar, 535 East 14th Street, New York City 9 before Sunday, May the first, or given to her personally after the High Mass on that day.

The members of the Evening Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary will make their offerings through their Parish Custodian, Miss Adelaide D. Simpson, 520 West 114th Street, New York 25.

It is hoped that any woman of the parish not at present having a share in the United Thank Offering by faithful use of a blue box will request the Parish Custodians for such a box.

FROM THE PARISH REGISTER

BAPTISMS

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

March 20—Faith Barnard Ann Barnard

CONFIRMATIONS

BY THE RIGHT REVEREND CHARLES FRANCIS BOYNTON, D.D.

"Grieve not the Holy Spirit whereby ye were sealed unto the day of redemption."

March 20-Betty Ann Cutrone Martha Glowacki Harris Thomas Richard Harris Russell Emerson Hunting, Jr. Alice Kathryn Lalor Carmen Sylva Keller Mathews Iohn Will

Anthea deForest Mellon rris Barbara Evelyn Miller ris Jack Foster Montaldo tting, Jr. Horace Emile Perret Mary Isabelle Sonnenberg Mathews Carole Isabelle Stoving John William Thomas

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

March 14—Elizabeth Anne Macauley March 20—Mary Florence Drake Donald Claude Gooch Pearl May Hogan March 28—John Henry Thomas, Jr.

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

- May 1-The Third Sunday after Easter. Annie Rebecca Durang.
- May 6---The Feast of St John before the Latin Gate. Departed members of the Fellowship of St John.

May 8-The Fourth Sunday after Easter. Glover Crane Arnold.

- May 15-The Fifth Sunday after Easter. Emma Frances Taber.
- May 19-Ascension Day. Mary Selena Arnold.
- May 22-The Sunday after Ascension Day. Newbury Frost Read.
- May 29-Whitsunday. George Martin Christian, Priest and Rector.

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

Sunday, May 1, 9:00, The Guild of St Mary of the Cross. The Woman's Auxiliary (Evening Branch).

Wednesday, May 4, 9:30, St Mary's Guild.

- Sunday, May 8, 9:00, The Living Rosary of Our Lady and St Dominic.
- Friday, May 20, 9:30, The Woman's Auxiliary (Day Branch).
- Sunday, May 29, 9:00, The Church School. The Order of St Vincent. The Guild of St Stephen.

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KALENDAR FOR MAY

- ▶ 1. Su. SS PHILIP AND JAMES, APP. Com. Easter III.
 - 2. M. St Athanasius, B.C.D. Com. Octave.
 - 3. Tu. Finding of the Holy Cross. Com. SS Alexander I, B.; Eventius, Theodolus, MM., and Juvenal, B.C.
 - 4. W. Octave Day of the Solemnity of St Joseph. Com. St Monica, W.
 - 5. Th. St Pius, B.C. Com. Conversion of St Augustine.
 - 6. F. St John before the Latin Gate, Ap. Ev. Abstinence.
 - 7. Sa. St Stanislaus, B.M.
- ✗ 8. Su, EASTER IV. Com. Vision of St Michael, Archangel.
 - 9. M. St Gregory of Nazianzus, B.C.D.
 - 10. Tu. St Antoninus, B.C. Com. SS Gordian and Epimachus, MM.
 - 11. W. Feria. Requiem, 7.
 - 12. Th. SS Nerius, Achilles, Domitilla, and Pancras, MM.
 - 13. F. St Robert Bellarmine, B.C.D. Abstinence. 14. Sa. St Boniface, M. Com. St Pachomius, Ab.
 - 14. 3a. St Domiace, M. Com. St racionius, MD.
- ¥15. Su. EASTER V. Com. St John Baptiste de la Salle, C.
- 16. M. ROGATION DAY. Com. St Ubald, B.C., and St Simon Stock, C.
- 17. Tu. ROGATION DAY. Com. St Paschal Baylon, C.
- 18. W. Vigil of Ascension. Com. St Venantius, M., and Rogation Day.
- 19. Th. ASCENSION OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST. High Mass at seven.
- 20. F. St Bernadin of Siena, C. Com. Octave. Abstinence.
- 21. Sa. St Yves, Pr. C.
- 22. Su, SUNDAY IN THE OCTAVE OF THE ASCENSION. Com. Octave.
- 23. M. Of the Octave.
- 24. Tu. St Vincent of Lerins, C. Com. Octave.
- 25. W. St Gregory VII, B.C. Com. Octave, St Urban I, B.M., and St Aldhelm, B.C.
- 26. Th. Octave day of the Ascension. Com. St Philip Neri, C., and St Eleutherius, B.M.
- 27. F. St Bede, C.D. Com. St John I, B.M. Abstinence.
- 28. Sa. Vigil of Pentecost. Fast and Abstinence.
- ¥29. Su. PENTECOST (Whitsunday).
 - 30. M. MONDAY IN WHITSUN WEEK.
 - 31. Tu. TUESDAY IN WHITSUN WEEK.

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

MUSIC FOR MAY

MAY 1-SAINTS PHILIP AND JAMES (Easter III)	
Mass, Messe en sol	Poulenc
Motet, Christus resurgens	
Evensong	
Magnificat and Nunc dimittis	Whitlock
Motet, Alma Redemptoris Mater	Palestrina
O salutaris hostia	
Motet, Adoramus te	
Tantum ergo	
MAY 8-EASTER IV	
Mass, Missa Solennelle	Langlais
Motet, Ave Regina	Philips
Evensong	Fo
Magnificat and Nunc dimittis	Favrfax
Motet, Beata es Virgo Maria	Gabrieli
O salutaris	
Motet, Adoremus te (No. 2)	
Tantum ergo	
MAY 15-ROGATION SUNDAY (Easter V)	
Mass, Missa Festiva	Gretchaning
Motet, O salutaris	Handl
Evensong	in a second s
Magnificat and Nunc dimittis	Tallie
Motet, Salve Regina	Monteverdi
O salutaris	
Motet, Ave Verum	Novon
Tantum ergo	
May 19—ASCENSION DAY	Docimian 140.)
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Mass	Plainchant
MAY 22-SUNDAY AFTER ASCENSION	
Mass, Missa Solennelle	Langlais
Motet, Alleluia	Goodman
Evensong	
Magnificat and Nunc dimittis	Tompkins
Motet, Salutis humanae sator	Schroeder
O salutaris	
Motet, Adoramus te	
Tantum ergo	Stradimayr
May 29—PENTECOST	
Mass, Missa Lutgardis	Peeters
Motet, Gloria in excelsis	Cooper
Evensong	
Magnificat and Nunc dimittis .	Byrd
Motet, Tota pulchra es, Maria	de Ranse
O salutaris	Peeters
Motet, O bone Jesu	Bai
Tantum ergo	Bruckner No. 3

SERVICES

SUNDAYS	
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	Low Mass	•		•		•			٠	7:00 a.m
	Morning Pr	ayer							•	7:40 a.m
	Low Mass									8:00 a.m
	Sung Mass	(St I	Franci	is' Alt	tar)	· .				9:00 a.m
	Low Mass (Lady	y Cha	upel)					- •	10:00 a.m
	High Mass,	with	ı serr	non						11:00 a.m
	Evening Ser	vice	and I	Bened	ictio	n, and	addi	ess		8:00 p.m
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	Mass, daily Also on g								', 8, a	nd 9:30 a.m
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	Wednesd	ays	•	•	•		•	•	12:1	0-12:40 p.m
	Mass, Frida	ys	·					•	•	12:10 p.m
	Morning Pr	ayer	(wit	h Lita	any,	Friday	ys)		•	9:00 a.m
	Evening Pra	yer	(with	Lita	ny, N	Wedne	sdays).	•	6:00 p.m
	Special Dev	otion	ns, Fr	idays	(St.	Franc	cis' A	ltar)		8:15 p.m
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The Church is open daily from 6:30 a.m. till 9 p.m.

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

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Mondays to Fridays					9:15 to 1 and 2 to 5
Closed on legal holida	ys.				

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SACRAMENTS AND OTHER RITES

CONFESSIONS

- FATHER TABER: Fridays, 12 to 1; Saturdays, 2 to 3 and 8 to 9 p.m.
- FATHER BOSSHARD: Thursdays, 4:30 to 5:30; Saturdays, 4 to 5 and 7 to 8 p.m.
- FATHER SCHUMAN: 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 arrangements 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* arrangements are made. The bodies of baptized persons i be brought to the Chantry of the church at any time be: the day of the funeral. It is the usual custom of St Ma 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.