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Dear Parishioners of St Mary's,-

The month of December brings us the season of Advent and also the Feast of the Holy Nativity. Too often each Advent is used for the preparation for the Christmas following yet such should be but an incidental use. In reality the season of Advent should lift our souls far out of time and into eternity.

Customarily the Church during the solemn penitential season of Advent asks her children to consider carefully the four last things, —death, judgment, heaven and hell. She points our thoughts to the end of the world and to the Last Great Day marking the end of the world when Christ will come again to be the final Judge of all nations and of all individuals. This is called the Second Coming of Christ.

When the Second Coming of Christ will take place no man knows or will know but we are assured by our blessed Redeemer Himself that He will come again to be our Judge. Thus the Church has placed in her creed in the Mass "And He shall come again with glory to judge both the quick (those living at the time) and the dead, (those who have already entered heaven or purgatory or hell).

At His second coming Jesus will not return from absence but rather as One ever present He will reveal Himself afresh and finally. The sign under which He will thus reveal Himself will be the sign of that cross on which He redeemed the world. At His second coming all godly mortals who have died will rise again with spiritualized, glorified bodies that will express the glory of their souls whereas all ungodly mortals will arise with unglorified bodies. It is natural that resurrection bodies will be given to men for the simple reason that they are men and not angels. At the sight of the sign of the cross the damned who in this life saw the cross as foolishness will then see themselves as fools and the redeemed will triumph in that cross which in this life was their hope and their salvation. Jesus, the Judge, will separate the sheep from the goats 130

and this separation will be forever. Those still living in the flesh at the Last Great Day will be judged for the first time.

How shall we prepare for judgment? We shall busy ourselves by preparing to receive Jesus in our next communion, not merely in our Christmas communion. Our preparation will be based on repentance and faith and love.

A blessed next communion to you all and a blessed Christmas with its good communion and a blessed end at the last!

Affectionately,



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CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE CONFESSIONS

 FATHER TABER
 FATHER MEISEL

 December 23: 11-1
 December 23: 4:30-5:30

 December 24: 11-1; 2-3; 7-8
 December 24: 12-1; 3-5; 11-11:45

FATHER MAYER

December 23: 7-8 December 24: 3-4; 8-9; 10-11:45

SERVICES

Christmas Day, Friday, December 25

Low Mass	7,	8,	9,	10	a. 1	m.
Morning Prayer (Lady Chapel)			. 7	:40	a. :	m.
High Mass and Sermon						
Evening Prayer (Lady Chapel)				. 6	p. 1	m.

Note: The regular Friday evening School of Religion and Devotions will be omitted on Christmas Day.

THE GLORY OF CHRISTMAS

And was made Man — Oh, the wonder of it! Within the tender body of a Babe Lies veiled the power, glory, omnipotence of God! We long with words of love to weave a coverlet for Him, But all our words are poor thin threads, Unfit for such an offering. We can no more than whisper — Thank You, thank You Lord, Kneel, and in the silence of our hearts — adore.

Elsie Gertrude Dickey

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ANOTHER RUNG IN THE LADDER

We are thinking of the rungs in the ladder which reaches from earth to heaven as various virtues. It is fun to climb. Shall we take the next rung and strive by the power of the Holy Ghost to grow in the virtue of joy?

Joy is gratitude. It is that happy consciousness of the infinite goodness of God in Whom we live and move and have our being. Joy may also be thought of as the natural reward for the victories which we have won by God's grace in the battle with the temptations hurled our way by the world or the flesh or the devil. Above all else joy is choosing God afresh. It is saying yes and yes and again yes to the grace and light which God offers. It is, therefore, joy in new beginnings even when we seem to have fallen so low. Yes, joy comes from the acknowledgement that we are incomplete. Too often we see our little pitiful individuality as if it must stay pitiful and little but if we press on and accept gratefully all that God gives and reveals and all of the beauty and love that reaches us through Him, then joy floods our souls. Then we know of a surety that our blessed Lord came here on earth to touch us with a life that would make all other life cheap and commonplace and unsatisfying.

But what of our suffering as Christians? Have you ever stopped to think that one of the greatest triumphs of the Christian religion is that it makes roses of joy to blossom among the thorns of suffering? True, we are to "take up our cross" and follow Jesus along the path of suffering but we may take up that cross with joy akin to that of the Divine Redeemer as He endured His cross of suffering, since all suffering may be brightly tinted with the color of redeeming love. Thus all of the schooling and discipline necessary for our growth in unselfish love becomes joyful schooling and joyful discipline.

All will probably agree that one of the greatest joys in life is to please the person we most love. This is why the genuine husband or wife or child or friend is so happy. Now we are members of the family of the redeemed and as such our greatest joy is to please the Redeemer. May we make Jesus happy! May we bring joy to His Sacred Heart not only some times but from morning to evening. Pray to please Him, act to please Him, speak to please Him, yes, suffer to please Him. It was that happy saint, blessed Teresa of Lisieux who once said "Great saints work for the glory of God but I, who am only a little soul, work only to please Him." In our dominant desire to please Jesus we shall find our chief joy. If this desire is an abiding desire, our joy will be an abiding joy.

Have you ever cried for joy? You have whenever you have made a good confession. From your tears of repentance joy issued and your guilt was lifted and you shouldered no longer the load that was crushing you down to earth. Indeed, God's forgiveness snatched you from the jaws of hell and set your feet firmly on the road leading to Him and His heaven. Out from the confessional you emerged a new man, radiantly clean from guilt and enriched as well by the grace of God. The Sacrament of Holy Penance veritably brought a whole heaven of joy into your heart that was so heavy.

Why oh why are there so many kill-joys both within and without the Christian Church? Why such a shadow over God's fair earth? The shadow is caused by these kill-joys because they abuse created things instead of using them. God creates these things for their good and they use them for evil purposes. They use their physical powers for sinning; they use science and also art for misleading people; they use technical skill for destruction instead of construction; and as for the community, the family of God, they use that for something over which they may tyrannize. The kill-joys also fail to give things their proper value. They attach greater value to material things than to the things of the spirit. They treat passing things which in reality are as wind and vapors as if they were eternal things. The result is worldly instead of spiritual joy, shadow instead of substance. After all, worldly joy is a fading and transient joy. It resembles the flower that fades and dies at the first blast of the autumn wind. As a matter of fact, the brightness of worldly joy can be changed into darkness by a mere word or look or gesture. Indeed, worldly joy moves along a low level, it literally hugs the earth and so it becomes tainted with the world's dross. Not infrequently it wallows in the mire of sensuality.

But it is spiritual joy that we seek and how shall we best find it? We may possess it if we use the power of the Holy Spirit to become masters in just one sphere, namely, that of living as children of God instead of worldlings. Spiritual joy will cause us to soar on high and scale the mountain tops of the spiritual life until we happily rest in God. It is this joy which will show in our open faces. A good communion and the least bit of humble praying as well as the great worship at a High Mass will be enough to set our faces aglow with joyful serenity. The world needs more Christians whose faces are radiantly happy and God surely loves such as these.

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If we dare wonder, the Holy Babe's first thought, Lying and watching or not watching as the case may be, May He not wonder at our little naught So bold to think because He made us free?

Yet only free to seek what He has given, Do we consign all else inferior place? For if we do, the Mystery of His Grace Wills our souls assurance and our sins forgiven!

Or do we absurdly talk

Forgetting His silence, His Surrendered sound, The distinction between words and The Word who walks Obedient, that Life freely may abound?

Infinitely more than any other child, we know We can no more His Sacred Infancy perceive Unless as children too we grow, And gracefully consent whichever way He please!

CHRISTIAN WORSHIP (3)

When we affirm that with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify God's holy Name, we are reminded of a very basic fact of Christian worship: it is social and corporate. You may have heard some such definition of the word religion as "the flight of the alone to the Alone" or "what a man does with his loneliness"; these may be true of some forms of religion but certainly not of the Christian. There are two related reasons for this.

First, man is a social being even on the merely natural level. We are all born little animals, as it were, and whatever human knowledge and skills and wisdom may be found in us are not transmitted by heredity but are acquired from the human society and culture into which we are born. The legendary "gazelle boy" of some years ago, reputed to have been seen in Africa with the animals among whom he grew up, would have been recognizable as a sample of the species homo sapiens and would, of course, have had a soul in the sight of God, but apart from his physiological characteristics we would hardly have called him human in any other sense. Society, human interaction of mind, are required to produce a full human being even though, having once acquired our heritage, we may then go apart from society and achieve feats of individual creativeness. Now God's work in and for us is not opposed to the best we can become on the natural level but uses it as a vehicle for its action. No wonder, then, that God has always worked through a people, made Himself known to it, called it to bear witness to Himself and to carry out His will. In Old Testament times this was the chosen people of Israel; in our Lord's day, the inner circle of the Apostles and the wider one of the disciples; since Pentecost the supernatural family of the Church.

The second reason is related to this first one. We Christians are members of a holy people, the Church. The Church is not created by so many individuals joining together to form it; it is there first, because it is the Body of Christ, and we are Christians only insofar as we are members of it. "He cannot have God for his Father who has not the Church for his Mother", as St Cyprian put it. We have no individual claims on God but only as members of the Body of God the Son may we also be bold to address God as "Abba, Father." We are most truly our Christian selves, then, when we stand before God together as the Church, as that living temple which is the outward and visible sign, in this world, of redeemed humanity. Private prayer, meditation, devotional exercises, — all these have their very important place in the life of a true Christian. They have value, however, only as they are derived from, and placed in the context of, the worship of the Church as a whole. Anyone whose religious activity takes place by preference or entirely outside the regular services of the Church, or who seeks only those "quiet" services where he can avoid rubbing elbows with his fellow-Christians, is indulging in an individualistic pietism which is only a faint shadow of what true Catholic life should be.

The high point of Catholic worship, around which all else revolves, is therefore our High Mass on Sunday. There we stand before God as an organic body, offering our worship with and through Christ, whose Body we, as the Church, are; there the corporateness of our worship finds its fullest expression, as every rank of the Church militant, from Bishop (if he be present) down to layman, performs its particular function; there the ordered harmony of rite and ceremony bears witness to our unity as members of one Body, joined together as we praise and worship our God.

-M.G.M.

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PARISH NOTES

ON Tuesday, December 8th, the Feast of the Immaculate Conception of the Virgin Mary, we keep our Patronal Festival. High Mass with communions will be celebrated at 7, followed by low masses at 8, 9:30 and 12:10. Every parishioner should plan to make his communion on this blessed day out of gratitude for Our Lady's patronage over our Parish.

On the Sunday in the Octave, December 13th, all should plan to gather as the Parish Family at the High Mass at 11 when Father Joseph, O.S.F., will be the preacher.

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THE Advent Retreat for men and women will be held on Saturday, December 12th, beginning with Mass at the High Altar at 8 followed by meditations at 10:15, 11:30 and 2:15 which will be given by Father Joseph, Superior of the Order of Saint Francis. The day will close with Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament at 3. Reservations for breakfast after High Mass and luncheon at 12:30 may be made through the Sister-in-Charge-of-the-Retreat, 133 West 46th Street (Plaza 7-6464) by Wednesday, December 9th.

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N Tuesday, December 1st, the Advent In-Gathering of the United Thank Offering of the women of the Diocese of New York will be presented at the 10:30 Mass at the Cathedral of St John the Divine. All women of the parish are invited to attend this Corporate Communion, the Box Luncheon following in the Undercroft of the Cathedral and the Advent Missionary Meeting in Synod Hall. If you have not already done so kindly send your thank offering to your Parish Custodians:

DAY BRANCH

Mrs. James R. English, 4 E. 95th St., N. Y. C.

EVENING BRANCH

Mrs. Madolin Cervantes, 675 West End Ave., New York 25, N.Y.

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VOU will find in the St Francis de Sales Shop religious Christmas cards, many religious articles and books of devotional value and the 1960 Ordo Kalendars. The latter cost 60c (or 75c if mailed).

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THE Day Branch of the Women of the Church (Woman's Auxiliance) will meet in St Joseph's Hall Friday morning Auxiliary) will meet in St Joseph's Hall Friday morning December 18th, at 10:45 when there will be a Christmas Miscellaneous Shower for the ambulatory and bedridden men and women at Orange County Farm, an Episcopal charity of which Father Magnan is Chaplain. The monthly corporate communion of the Day Branch will be held that morning at the 9:30 Mass in the Lady Chapel. All women of the congregation are warmly invited to attend both the Mass and the meeting.

THE friends of Catherine Carstens Schiffmayer, an oldtime parishioner of St Mary's, will be sorry to learn of her death and will pray for the happy progress of her soul in life eternal.

FROM THE PARISH REGISTER

BAPTISMS

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

May 2-Lowell Mark Mullins Ayling October 25-Linda Mary Nosworthy November 4-Marie Gabrielle Clark November 4-Michael Kirchwey Clark

CONFIRMATION

BY THE RIGHT REVEREND HORACE W. B. DONEGAN, D.D. "Grieve not the Holy Spirit whereby ye were sealed unto the day of redemption."

November 7-Michael Kirchwey Clark November 7-Virginia Cecilia Nelson Kahn

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

- October 6-Richard W. Johnson October 7-Bernice E. Anderson
- October 11-Esther Ann Holland Weeks
- October 13-Dana Roscoe Reasor
- October 15-Peter Frederick Gross

October 26-Maxine Joseph Williams

November 7-Edmée Susanne Clark

BURIALS

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

October 24-Florence Anna C. Dodge

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

- December 8-The Feast of the Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Departed Trustees.
- December 13-The Third Sunday in Advent. Helen Janet and Lois Marie Warrell.
- December 25-Christmas Day. Thomas McKee Brown, Priest, Founder and First Rector.

December 27-The Sunday after Christmas. George Coldham.

The Corporate Communions for the Month of December are as follows:

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

- Sunday, December 6, 9:00, The Guild of St Mary of the Cross. St Martha's Guild.
- Sunday, December 13, 9:00, The Living Rosary of Our Lady and St Dominic.

Friday, December 18, 9:30, Woman's Auxiliary (Day Branch).

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

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THE CATHOLIC MOUSE

Every heart is a small green tree

With colored tapers that vary,

For some are red as Calvary

And some are white as Mary.

The candles burn unquenchably

Clear into January,

Alight with love, festivity

And joy in Christ and Mary.

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KALENDAR FOR DECEMBER

- 1. Tu. Feria. Requiem 7.
- 2. W. St Bibiana, V.M. Com. Feria.
- 3. Th. St Francis Xavier, C. Com. Feria.
- 4. F. St Peter Chrysologus, B.C.D. Com. St Barbara, V.M., St Clement of Alexander, C.D., and Feria. Abstinence.
- 5. Sa. Of our Lady. Com. Feria, and St Sabas, Ab.
- ★ 6. Su. ADVENT II. Com. St Nicholas, B.C.
 - 7. M. St Ambrose, B.C.D. Com. Feria, and Vigil. Requiem 8.
- 8. Tu. THE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY. Com. Feria. (High Mass at 7)
 - 9. W. Of the Octave. Com. Feria.
 - 10. Th. Of the Octave. Com. St Melchiades, B.M., and Feria.
 - 11. F. Of the Octave. Com. St Damasus, B.C., and Feria. Abstinence.
 - 12. Sa. Of the Octave. Com. Feria.
- ★13. Su. ADVENT III. Com. St Lucy, V.M., and Feria. (At High Mass: Solemnity of THE CONCEPTION OF THE B.V.M. Com. Advent III.)
 - 14. M. Of the Octave. Com. Feria.
 - 15. Tu. Octave Day. Com. Feria.
 - 16. W. EMBER WEDNESDAY IN ADVENT. Com. St Eusebius, B.M. Fast and Abstinence.
 - 17. Th. Feria. Requiem 9:30.
 - 18. F. EMBER FRIDAY IN ADVENT. Fast and Abstinence.
 - 19. Sa. EMBER SATURDAY IN ADVENT. Com. Vigil of St Thomas, Ap. Fast and Abstinence
- 20. Su. ADVENT IV.
- 21. M. ST THOMAS, AP. Com. Feria.
- 22. Tu. Feria.
- 23. W. Feria. Requiem 7.
- 24. Th. Vigil of the Nativity.
- ★25. F. THE NATIVITY OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST. High Mass (First Mass of the Nativity) 12 Midnight. Com. St Anastasia, M., in Second Mass. High Mass with Sermon, 11.
 - 26. Sa. ST STEPHEN, PROTOMARTYR AND DEACON. Com. Octave.
- 27. Su. ST JOHN, AP.EV. Com. Octave.
 - 28. M. THE HOLY INNOCENTS, MM. Com. Octave.
 - 29. Tu. St Thomas of Canterbury, B.M. Com. Octave.
 - 30. W. Of the Octave.
 - 31. Th. St Sylvester I, B.C. Com. Octave.

Days indicated by 🗙 are days of precept, with an obligation of attendance at Mass. 140

MUSIC FOR DECEMBER

December 6 - ADVENT II	
Mass, Missa Vidi speciosam	Luis Tomás de Victoria
Motet, Zion hears the watchmen singing	Dietrich Buxtehude
Evening	
Litany in Procession	Plainsong
Motet, Surge illuminare	iovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina
O salutaris hostia	Joseph Noyon
Motet, Ave verum	Anton Bruckner
Tantum ergo	Ettore Desderi
DECEMBER 8 — THE CONCEPTION OF TH	
Mass, Missa orbis factor	Plainsong
DECEMBER 13 — SUNDAY WITHIN THE CEPTION	
Mass, Missa Beatae Mariae Virginis	Ernest White
Motet, Ave Maria	Anton Bruckner
Evening	
Litany in Procession	Plainsong
Motet, Magnificat	
O salutaris hostia	
Motet, O Domine Jesu	iovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina
Tantum ergo	
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Mass, Missa secunda	II I II
Mass, Missa secunda	Hans Leo Hassier
Motet, Rorate caeli	iovanni Pieriuigi da Palestrina
Evening Litany in Procession	Disimona
Motet, Ave Maria O salutaris hostia	
Motet, Ave verum .	wolfgang Amadeus Mozart
Tantum ergo	
DECEMBER 24 (MIDNIGHT MASS) FIR	ST MASS OF CHRISTMAS
Mass, Kronungs-Messe	Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart
Carols	
DECEMBER 25 - CHRISTMAS DAY (THIR	D MASS OF CHRISTMAS)
Mass, Mass in E	Otto Rehm
Motet, Dies sanctificatus	Ioseph von Evbler
DECEMBER 27 - SAINT JOHN, APOSTLE	AND EVANGELIST
Mass, Missa in honorem Sanctae Clarae Ass	isiensis Licinio Refice
Motet, Hodie nobis caelorum Rex	Paul de Maleingreau
Evensong	
Magnificat and Nunc dimittis	Healey Willan
Carols	0
O salutaris hostia	Otto Rehm
Motet, O magnum mysterium Tantum ergo	
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SERVICES

SUNDAYS

I	Low Mass	•	•				·	•		7:00 a.	m.
1	Morning P	rayer	•	•			•			7:40 a.:	m.
I	low Mass									8:00 a.	m.
5	Sung Mass	(St F	rancis	' Alt	ar)			•		9:00 a.	m.
1	Low Mass	(Lady	Chaj	pel)						10:00 a.	m.
ł	High Mass,	, with	serm	on						11:00 a.:	m.
F	Evensong, 1	Ben e d	iction	, and	l add	ress	÷		•	8:00 p.	m.
WB	eek Days										
1	Mass, daily		•						7, 8 an	id 9:30 a.	m.
	Also on	greate	r Hol	ly Da	iys as	anno	unced		•	12:10 p.	m.
F	exposition	of the	Bles	sed S	acrar	nent a	nd Int	terco	essions		
	Wednesd)-12:40 p.	m.
1	Mass, Frida	ays					•	•		12:10 p.	m.
1	Morning P	rayer	(with	Lita	ny, F	ridays	5)	•		9:00 a.	m.
F	Evening Pr	ayer (with	Litan	iy, W	/ednes	days)			6:00 p.	m.
S	pecial Dev	otion	s, Fri	days	(St H	rancis	s' Alta	r)		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 the First Confession, Baptism, Confirmation and First Holy Communion.

The Parish Secretary's office is open at the following times: Mondays to Fridays . . . 9:00 to 1:00 and 2:00 to 4:30

SACRAMENTS AND OTHER RITES

CONFESSIONS

- FATHER TABER: Fridays, 12 to 1; Saturdays, 2 to 3 and 8 to 9 p.m.
- FATHER MEISEL: Fridays, 4:30 to 5:30 and 7 to 8 p.m., Saturdays, 3 to 4 p.m.
- FATHER MAYER: Thursdays, 4:30 to 5:30; Saturdays, 4 to 5 and 7 to 8 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* 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 of 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 Linzel, the Director of Music.

PARISH GUILDS AND ORGANIZATIONS

- THE CHURCH SCHOOL.—Sundays, Sung Mass and Instruction, 9 a.m. Corporate Communion, last Sunday, 9 a.m.
- THE WOMAN'S AUXILIARY.—Day Branch, third Fridays, Corporate Communion 9:30 a.m. Business Meeting, 10:45 a.m. Father Taber, *Chaplain*. St Martha's Guild (Evening Branch), third Tuesdays, 7:15 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 Meisel, *Chaplain*.
- ORDER OF ST VINCENT.—For Altar Servers. Meetings, as announced. Corporate Communion, last Sunday, 9 a.m. Father Taber, *Chaplain*.
- GUILD OF ST STEPHEN.—For young people, ages twenty to thirtyfive. Meetings Sunday evenings after Benediction. Corporate Communion, last Sunday, 9 a.m. Father Meisel, *Chaplain*.
- 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 second Fridays, 8:15 p.m. Father Meisel, *Chaplain*.
- GUILD OF ALL SOULS.—St Mary's Ward. Stations of the Cross. third Fridays, 8:15 p.m. Father Mayer, Chaplain.

THE FRIENDS OF SAINT MARY'S

A group of Anglican Catholics here and abroad, who love Saint Mary's but who for geographical reasons cannot be communicant members of the parish, make up the Friends of Saint Mary's.

Would you like to become a Friend of Saint Mary's? The only requirements are, first, prayer for God's blessing on Saint Mary's and, second, an annual thank offering at the Patronal Feast, December the eighth. If you have said "It is a source of encouragement to me to know that Saint Mary's is always there," here is your chance to encourage that which encourages you. Write Father Taber today and receive your membership card.

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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, third Saturdays, 8 a.m., in the Sisters' Chapel in the Mission House.

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THE PARISH LIBRARY

WILLIAM EDWARD JONES MEMORIAL LENDING LIBRARY.—In the Sisters' Mission House there is available a collection of books in theology, apologetics, ecclesiastical history, religious biography and devotional literature. Books may be borrowed for home-reading. Hours: Week-days, 4 to 6 p.m. Sundays, immediately after High Mass and before Evensong.

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REMEMBER ST MARY'S IN YOUR WILL

The following is the form of bequest:

"I hereby give, devise and bequeath to THE SOCIETY OF THE FREE CHURCH OF SAINT MARY THE VIRGIN, a corporation organized and existing under the Laws of the State of New York, and having its principal office at 145 West 46th Street, New York City, ______ (here stating the nature or amount of the gift)."

DIRECTORY

CHURCH OF ST MARY THE VIRGIN, 139 West 46th St.

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