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Dear Parishioners of St Mary's:

What an exceedingly happy month for practicing Catholics is the month of May. This year it is not only the month of Mary but it contains the great festivals of the Ascension, Pentecost and the Most Holy Trinity.

We are all children of Mary. As one with Christ, branches of Him who is the Vine, His mother becomes our mother. Indeed He has told us so on Mount Calvary where He bequeathed His tenderest earthly possession, His mother, to us in the person of blessed John to whom He generously said "Behold thy mother." Then blessed John in our names took blessed Mary into his own home in token that we children of Mary of all ages should take her into the home of our hearts and rejoice in her prayers on our behalf. What child of Mary could ever fail to turn in love to such a mother?

On the Feast of the Ascension the faithful will be as naturally at the altar as they were on Easter Day. They will rejoice that in heaven they have their King, King of Love, who is their Mediator with the Father as He eternally pleads the merits of His Passion on their behalf. That heavenly pleading together with the graces and blessings which come to the children of men through that pleading keeps us mortals heavenward bound.

Then the Feast of Pentecost comes to give us courage to get on with our Christian pilgrimage. This is the Feast of the Holy Ghost, the third Person of the blessed Trinity. It is by His power and His light that our wills are made strong and our understandings enlightened. It is by His influence that our exalted pride is turned into meekness so that we may become inheritors of the Kingdom of Heaven. It is only meek souls, only those souls that depend for strength upon the Holy Ghost instead of upon themselves who can flower and bear the fruits of righteousness.

On the Feast of the Most Holy Trinity we adore three Persons in one God—Father, Son and Holy Ghost. We adore. We do not
speculate. We take Jesus at His word for it is He who has taught us the truth about the Godhead. We look forward to that time when through the merits of Jesus we may attain the Beatific Vision in heaven, there to appreciate the unveiled beauty of one God in three Persons—Father, Son and Holy Ghost.

Have a happy May—a month in which you may lose yourselves in wonder and love and praise.

Affectionately,

[Signature]

CHRIST’S SPLENDOR OUR SPLENDOR
As man and wife, with a family

A rich young man once encountered Jesus Christ with the question “What shall I do to inherit eternal life?” Apparently that young man was searching for a different type of wealth. The answer was readily given by the Lord of all truth, “Go, sell all that thou hast and give to the poor and thou shalt have treasure in heaven: and come, take up the cross, and follow me.” Yes, in order that we may attain to eternal life, it is necessary that we give up that which is peculiarly our own, that to which we are clinging with a strong affirmation “This is mine.” Indeed, eternal life can be gained only through generous self-giving. It cannot be worked out in isolation. There must be sure signs of disinterested loving for no one can fully love either in this life or the next apart from that love which is habitually given away from self.

What an opportunity for such disinterested love there is in the relationship between a man and a woman joined together in the Sacrament of Holy Matrimony in a union of love! In this sacrament there is giving required. Without such giving marriages go on the rocks.

What is the donation of love between husband and wife? All will readily admit that it consists in the transference of rights over the bodies of the married couple, but few recognize that in the Sacrament of Holy Matrimony, which is a means of grace for the spiritual growth of a man and a woman, the giving includes a spiritual treasure. Souls are given as well as bodies. Each party to the marriage has the right to share in the prayers and the merits of the other party. The spiritual outlook of both is to be pooled. Each is to be vitally interested in the salvation of the other, the spiritual health of the other. Each is under obligation therefore to help the other with good advice, a strong Christian example, and above all a patient waiting for the spiritual development of the other when it is patience alone that can avail anything. Husband and wife must never forget that the union of their souls is a greater union than the union of their bodies. For this reason the soul of each must be an open book wherein the other may learn what is as yet hidden to that other in the way of spiritual progress. Always it will turn out that one will have what the other has not, for no two individuals are alike even though in courtship they may feel alike. Each will give the other that which is most worth giving, namely, the riches of the soul—spiritual treasure.

Now in the form for the Sacrament of Holy Matrimony contained in the Church’s Liturgy the congregation is instructed to regard Christian marriage as “an honorable estate, instituted by God, signifying unto us the mystical union that is betwixt Christ and His Church.” Yes, the true purpose of this sacrament, so generally overlooked, is the extension of the Mystical Body of Christ. While it is true that as baptized Christians the bride and groom have already received their call to be missionaries and to extend Christ’s Mystical Body, of which they became members at the font, yet in Holy Matrimony this social mission takes on a new emphasis.

It is through Holy Matrimony that a man and a woman give Christ new members—new children of God for the increase of the number of faithful of His Church. Through this sacrament a husband and wife are privileged to become fellow-creators with God for the purpose of increasing the family of the redeemed. Indeed they become collaborators with God in the very work of redemption which the Redeemer shares with His followers for as long as time shall last. By their union in Christ a Christian man and woman take part in Christ’s life, which He lives in union with His Church. They thereby grow in holiness and thus cooperate in the work of redemption. Together they are made holy as they share together in Christ’s life. Their holiness creates a holy home which will be part and parcel of Christ’s mission, since such a home radiates charity. In this home children are brought up as children
of God, with the image of Christ formed in them through Christian training. They are children of the family of God first and foremost.

Be it remembered that as Christ is forever united to His Church and that as the Whole Christ will some day be in eternity when He shall have merged the Church Militant with the Church Triumphant in heaven, so the spiritual love of husband and wife is not a love of time merely but of eternity. It is therefore permanent love given "for better for worse, for richer for poorer, in sickness and in health... till death do us part." This all makes sense in spite of the modern world's encouragement of easy divorce with its ugly trail of wrecked homes and broken hearts of children. Of course union must be maintained as long as there is any salvation (spiritual health) yet to be accomplished. Spiritual health does cost a struggle and so in Holy Matrimony the bride and groom guarantee to each other help and understanding for as long as life on earth is still to be lived. Yes, spiritual love has eternal value. In the light of such value it is not surprising that our blessed Lord decreed and His Church re-decrees in every administration of the Sacrament of Holy Matrimony "Those whom God hath joined together let no man put asunder."

True, there will be human trials as a husband and wife journey through life together. Love in Christ must bear the mark of the Cross. The demands of such love are very great but the chief demand is the dethronement of self. However, this demand need not be met in mere reliance on human strength. Christ in whom the married couple have become one is always ready to help cleanse the heart of each from egoism in any form — that which would separate the two, that which because of selfish pride would actually oppose any genuine union, and that which so centers the individual on self that it would block the sympathetic understanding of the other, the ready forgiveness of the shortcomings of the other and the cheerful acceptance instead of the bitter resentment of that which is different and yet complementary in the other. Yes, the deep love of the Lamb of Calvary must be reflected in the love between husband and wife. The crucifix must be the best loved symbol in the Christian home.

Oh, the splendor of the love of Christ the Redeemer King, of that love which at great sacrifice buys man back from love of self. Such splendor may become the splendor of the love between husband and wife and children as Christ is indeed made the Head of the Christian home.

CHRISTIAN WORSHIP (17)

WHEN Catholics meet to worship their God, they do so amid the greatest splendor which their means and the circumstances of the occasion permit. A small mission chapel may have to be content with the barest essentials, a Low Mass for busy working-people may have to be simple and expeditious, but whenever means and circumstances allow it, we love to lavish on the service of God all that is beautiful and precious and to carry it out with the most solemn and majestic ceremonial. Even religious orders, austere and ascetical though their daily lives may be, will expend all they can on the appointments of their chapels and on the dignified performance of their daily liturgy.

There is still a puritan suspicion lurking at the back of many minds that all this is perhaps not quite right. What about the simplicity of Jesus Himself, or of the worship of the early Church huddled in the catacombs? Is not our High Mass a corruption introduced by the Church of a later age into that original simplicity? "To what purpose is this waste?"; should not the money thus expended be rather used for charitable objects? The last question, of course, is as old as Christianity, and it is salutary to remember that it was first asked by Judas Iscariot! (John 12:4)

Anyway, this sort of questioning is based on a most unhistorical view of primitive Christian ways. Our Lord Himself, in His incarnate life, was of course a Jew, and what could be more solemn and ritualistic (as we would now say) than Jewish worship? Modern Jewish forms have, of course, been affected by liberalizing Western influences, but anyone who has ever attended even a modern Passover celebration will know that the Last Supper, too, cannot have been the simple and familiar occasion which some have thought it to be. Similarly, the view of the Church assembled for worship in the catacombs is utterly romantic. The catacombs were simply the cemeteries of Rome, and Mass was never said there unless it was on some martyr's tomb on his anniversary. Ordinarily, the liturgy was surrounded with the greatest grandeur possible. The efficient Roman police has kept for us many inventories of places of worship which they raided. During the Diocletian persecution, for instance, the church in the North African village of Cirta (now in Algeria) yielded the following: 2 golden chalices, 6 silver dishes, 6 silver chalices, a silver bowl, 7 silver lamps, 2 torches, 7 bronze candle-
sticks, 11 bronze lamps with chains, together with innumerable other items. What went on in that church could hardly have been a Quaker meeting!

The fact is that "simple services" are a development of the Middle Ages. In the early centuries it would never have occurred to anyone, Jew or Christian, that the worship of God could be carried out without the beauty of holiness, without dignified ceremonial ordering the participatory actions of those present, without music even, — saying any part of the service is also a modern invention. Circumstances may force us to employ those simpler services; but the norm will always be the greatest splendor and grandeur possible. There is a palpable difference, of course, between even the Last Supper and High Mass as we have it today. But then Christ was offering His worship to His Father in His incarnate body, through the forms of the people from whom He had taken that body: now He reigns in glory with His Father, and our worship of Him reflects that glory. We clothe it with more solemnity than we would any earthly occasion, for in the service of the King of kings we would not spare any resource that we have.

Our earthly worship, too, ought to be a reflection of the worship that goes on in heaven, and a foretaste of it. If you want to know what the early Church thought our worship should be like just look at the forms in which it is clothed in the vision of St John (esp. Rev 4:2-11, 5:6-14, 7:9-17). The church may not have been able to reproduce the splendor of that scene in their everyday worship in A.D. 95 but that was their ideal, that was what they knew they joined in with angels and archangels as they lifted up their hearts. We have never done enough as long as our worship does not approach this heavenly prototype. And if we prefer the quiet Simple Said Service we will be in for a rude shock, I am afraid, if we ever get to heaven.

—M.G.M.

PARISH NOTES

THURSDAY, May the eleventh, is the Feast of the Ascension, our blessed Lord’s Coronation Day. High Mass with communions will be celebrated at seven, followed by Low Masses at eight, nine-thirty and twelve-ten, — all at the High Altar. This is one of the holiest and happiest festivals of the entire Christian year when all the faithful will bend loving efforts to make a good communion.

Another good communion will be made by the faithful on Sunday, May the twenty-first, which is Pentecost, the Feast of the Holy Ghost.

And daily good communions are the happy order of the Christian day.

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OUR annual May Festival will be held this year Sunday evening, May the fourteenth, at eight. This festival is to honor the Blessed Mother of God, Our Lady, in May the month of Mary. It takes the form of Solemn Vespers of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Procession, the Crowning of Our Lady’s Statue, and Solemn Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. The sermon will be preached by the Reverend David Weden, Rector of Grace Church, White Plains. Bring with you your friends and neighbors that all may rejoice together as children of Mary.

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ON Friday, May the nineteenth, the Women of the Church (formerly the Day Branch of the Woman’s Auxiliary) hold their Spring Tea in Saint Joseph’s Hall from three until six. The guest speaker will be the Reverend Henry C. Beck, Editor of the American Church News. Father Beck has made this monthly magazine of the American Church Union the most Catholic and therefore the most interesting religious publication that we are privileged to have. The women of the congregation and their friends will wish to be present.

The Tea will be preceded by a business meeting at two-thirty and the missionary work accomplished during the winter months will be on display. The day will begin with a Corporate Communion at the nine-thirty Mass in the Lady Chapel.

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THOSE who find in AVE spiritual help month by month are invited to show their gratitude by making an annual contribution toward the expenses of this modest bulletin. We should be most happy to be able to announce one day that AVE is self-supporting. Treat it if you will as a missionary endeavor.
The Spring Presentation of the United Thank Offering will take place at the Cathedral of Saint John the Divine on Saturday, May the thirteenth, and not on May the sixth as announced in the April AVE.

SAINT Martha's Guild is for the third year sponsoring a series of Anglican Catholic Pilgrimages to take place on the second Saturday of each month according to the following schedule:

- May 13—The Order of St Helena, Newburgh, N. Y.
- June 10—The Order of St Francis, Mt Sinai, L. I., N. Y.
- July 8—The Community of St John Baptist, Mendham, N. J.
- August—12—The Sisterhood of the Holy Nativity, Bay Shore, L. I., N. Y.
- September 9—The Community of St Mary, Peekskill, N. Y.
- October 14—The Order of the Holy Cross, West Park, N. Y.

Tickets for adults at $5.00 and for children at $3.00 may be bought in the church vestibule after a Sunday High Mass or at the Mission House at other times. Tickets may also be secured by mail addressed to Devotional Chairman, Saint Martha's Guild, 145 West 46th Street, New York 36, N. Y., enclosing a check made payable to Saint Martha's Guild and also a self-addressed, stamped envelope.

FROM THE PARISH REGISTER

BAPTISMS

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

April 1—Patricia Therese Lambert
April 2—Daphne Michele Julian

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 12—Rosalyn Eileen Battiste
Sterling Eugene Cathey
Henry Alexander Craig
Robert Duncan
Michele Odile Genet
Phyllis Ann Taylor
Thomas John Taylor, Jr.
Ronald Avon Tilghman

Received from the Roman Communion:

Lynn Donnelly
Jane Fleming Douse
Dwight Henry Miles
George McKenstry Shaw
Francis LeRoy Young

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

March 8—Charlotte Lauben
March 13—Geoffrey Walsh
March 14—Charles Edward Boss
March 14—Herbert Smith
March 30—Robert Harrison Johnson

MARRIAGES

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

April 8—William Richard Crossett and Rosamund Eleanor Brewer

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

May 7—The Fifth Sunday after Easter, Emma Frances Taber.
May 14—The Sunday after Ascension Day, Newbury Frost Read.
(Lady Chapel), Hallie Miller Orr.
May 21—Pentecost, George Martin Christian, Priest and Rector.
May 28—Trinity Sunday, William and Mary Dickey.

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

Wednesday, May 3—St Mary's Guild.
Sunday, May 7—The Guild of St Mary of the Cross, St Martha's Guild.
Sunday, May 14—The Living Rosary of Our Lady and St Dominic.
Friday, May 19—Woman's Auxiliary (Day Branch).
Sunday, May 28—The Church School, Order of St Vincent Guild of St Stephen.
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THE LANTERN

Thy law is a lantern unto my feet,
Guiding me surely through life’s shadow.
Love is Thy law! Oh sublime thought!
Be still my heart and ponder it.
Look well into its depths,
There shall you find a Light
Will lead you near, and ever nearer
To the God you would adore.

Elsie Gertrude Dickey

PENTECOST

Lo, in that upper room they wait
All of one heart, one mind, one prayer.
Till, borne on the mighty wind of fate,
Sudden the flaming tongues burned there.
Strong in a power beyond their ken
Swift flowed their words of witness forth—
Language to reach all souls of men,
East and in west and south and north!
Lo, in the present day we wait
Seeking the message God wants told,
Reading the words of Saints long great,
Hearing to-day’s borne truth unfold.
Swift to each open heart God’s wind
Rushes the words of Spirit-flame—
North, south, east, west, that all may find
One is the language of God’s Name!

F.T.C.

KALENDAR FOR MAY

1. M. SS PHILIP & JAMES, APP.
2. Tu. St Athanasius, B.C.D.
3. W. INVENTION OF THE HOLY CROSS.
5. F. Conversion of St Augustine, B.C.D. Abstinence.
7. Su. EASTER V (Rogation Sunday). Com. St Stanislas, B.M.
14. Su. SUNDAY IN THE OCTAVE OF THE ASCENSION. Com. Octave & St Boniface, B.M.
18. Th. Octave Day of the Ascension. Com. St Venantius, M.
22. M. MONDAY IN WHITSUN WEEK.
23. Tu. TUESDAY IN WHITSUN WEEK.
25. Th. Thursday in Whitsun Week. Com. St Gregory VII, B.C., & St Urban I, B.M.
26. F. EMBER FRIDAY IN WHITSUN WEEK. Com. St Augustine, B.C., & St Philip Neri, C. Fast and abstinence.
27. Sa. EMBER SATURDAY IN WHITSUN WEEK. Com. St Bede the Venerable, C.D., & St John I, B.M. Fast and abstinence.
28. Su. HOLY TRINITY SUNDAY.
29. M. St Mary Magdalen of Pazzi, V.
31. W. St Angela of Merici, V. Com. St Petronilla, V.

Days indicated by ☉ are days of precept, with an obligation of attendance at Mass.
MUSIC FOR MAY

MAY 7 — EASTER V (Rogation Sunday)
Mass, Mass in A .............................................. Cesar Franck
Motet, Laudate Dominum ..................................... Pietro Bonamico
Evensong
Magnificat and Nunc dimittis .................................. Percy Whitlock
Motet, Jubilate Deo ........................................... Gregor Aichinger
O salutaris hostia ............................................. Otto Rehm
Motet, Adoramus te ........................................... Paolo Agostini
Tantum ergo .................................................... Nicolas Gigault

MAY 14 — SUNDAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF THE ASCENSION
Mass, Mass in D .............................................. George Henschel
Motet, Ascendit Deus ......................................... Peter Philips
Vespers of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Magnificat ....................................................... Healey Willan
Motet, Tota pulchra es, Maria ................................. Marc de Ranse
O salutaris hostia ............................................. Sydney Nicholson
Motet, Ave Maria .............................................. Jacob Arcadelt
Tantum ergo .................................................... Sydney Nicholson

MAY 21 — PENTECOST
Mass, Missa festiva in D ...................................... Alexandre Gretchaninoff
Motet, Loque bantur ............................................ Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina
Evensong
Magnificat and Nunc dimittis .................................. Orlando Gibbons
Motet, Whitensunday Hymn .................................... Ralph Vaughan Williams
O salutaris hostia ............................................. Hermann Schroeder
Motet, Create in me a clean heart .............................. Christian Schlegel
Tantum ergo .................................................... Hermann Schroeder

MAY 28 — TRINITY SUNDAY
Mass, Missa brevis in D ...................................... Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart
Motet, Benedicta sit ........................................... Luis Tomás de Victoria
Motet, To thee, O Lord, I cry .................................. Alexandre Gretchaninoff
O salutaris hostia ............................................. George Henschel
Motet, O bone Jesu ............................................ Tomaso Bai
Tantum ergo .................................................... George 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.
Evensong, Benediction, and address ......................... 8:00 p.m.

WEEK DAYS
Mass, daily ...................................................... 7, 8 and 9:30 a.m.
Also on greater Holy Days as announced ................. 12:10 p.m.
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Intercessions
Wednesdays .................................................... 12:10-12:40 p.m.
Mass, Fridays .................................................. 12:10 p.m.
Morning Prayer (with Litany, Fridays) ..................... 9:00 a.m.
Evening Prayer (with Litany, Wednesdays) ................ 6:00 p.m.
Special Devotions, Fridays (St Francis' Altar) .......... 8:15 p.m.

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

The Church is open daily from 6:30 a.m. till 9 p.m.
Adults or children can be prepared at any time for 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 MAYER: Thursdays, 4:30 to 5:30; Saturdays, 4 to 5 and 7 to 8 p.m.

FATHER DUFFY: 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 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. Meetings as announced. Corporate Communion, first Sunday, 9 a.m. Father Duffy, 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 thirty-five. Meetings as announced. Corporate Communion, last Sunday, 9 a.m. Father Duffy, 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 Duffy, 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.

OTHER ORGANIZATIONS


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.

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)."

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