My dear people,

Advent was designed to bring us up to Christmas on our knees. It is a penitential season inasmuch as it is a time to remember man's fall and need of redemption. It should be a time for sober reflection, and we will be wise to keep Advent, so far as we can, without anticipating Christmas.

But Advent is joyful, too. We know that Christ has come to us, once in history, to redeem us. We know that Christ comes to us, often in Holy Communion, to restore us. We know that he will come to be our Judge, and even that fact holds for us not terror, but promise that he will recognize his own.

His people at St Mary's have much joy every Advent, keeping holyday on their patronal festival, the Feast of the Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary. December 8 is a day when every member of St Mary's will try to be at Mass. It will be said at 6:30, 7:30, and 9:30 a.m., and 12:10 p.m. Then at the end of the day we will have what we hope will be a great gathering of the parish family, first at a High Mass at 6, then at a parish dinner at 7:45 p.m. For the dinner, we have the Dorchester Room at the Brass Rail on Seventh Avenue. It is on the corner of 49th Street, so, unless you get waylaid at the Metropole, you will have time to refresh yourself before dinner. The menu lists fantasy of fresh fruit, roast Vermont turkey with candied sweet potatoes and string beans amandine, salad with choice of dressing, rainbow parfait, and beverage. Tickets cost $4.75 and should be purchased at once at the parish office or the St Francis de Sales Shop.

Because it is a family gathering, I am very happy that we can have at it a former father of the family, the fifth Rector of St Mary's, the Rev'd Granville Mercer Williams, SSJE. Many of our members
recall his rectorate from 1930 until 1939, when he left to become Superior of his Society. It was then, when he returned to Boston, that I came under his tutelage and, as you know, I am a priest associate of the Society of St John the Evangelist. So I am doubly happy that Fr Williams has accepted my invitation to celebrate the High Mass and speak at the parish dinner on Wednesday evening, December 8.

Fr Williams will preach on the Sunday following, when we again celebrate our feast at eleven o’clock. And on the day before, Saturday, December 11, Fr Williams will conduct our Advent retreat, beginning with Mass at 9, continuing with meditations at 10:30, 11:30, and 2, closing with Benediction at 2:45. Breakfast and lunch will be served by the Sisters, with whom reservations should be made by the preceding Wednesday. The Advent retreat is the quiet we need as the world obscures Christmas with secondary things. I urge you to put aside Saturday, December 11, to make room in your heart for our Lord.

And before your Christmas Communion, I urge you to use the Sacrament of Penance. It has no substitute to bring us the joy of absolution. It is so great a gift from God. Fr Williams will hear confessions during the retreat. Fr Wappler and I will keep the following hours on the two days preceding Christmas:

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On Christmas Eve at 4 o’clock we will bless the Crib and, after Benediction, the children will go to St Joseph’s Hall for a party.

High Mass at Midnight will follow a procession at 11:45 p.m. Tickets of admission will not be issued and early arrival is suggested.

On Christmas morning, after Matins at 7:10, Mass at Daybreak will be said at 7:30. High Mass of the Day will be sung at 9:30 (not 11). Evening Prayer will be read at 6. It is Saturday, but there will not be confession hours.

Sunday, the Feast of St Stephen, will be kept with the usual Sunday schedule. At Evensong the choir will sing carols.

Last but not least, remember that you and I need to make — as much as the parish treasury needs to receive — a very generous Christmas offering.

Christmas will have real meaning for us, and bring us fulness of joy, if we wait for it, keeping Advent on our knees.

Affectionately your priest,

Donald L. Garfield

THE GLORY OF THIS LATTER HOUSE
Sermon by the Rector on the Feast of the Dedication of the Church
October 3, 1965

WE LIFT UP OUR HEARTS TODAY, and give thanks unto our Lord God, who, as the giver of all good things, dwells in this House of Prayer reared by human hands. This is the Feast of the Dedication of our Church — the remembrance year by year of what was done on a winter’s day in 1895. Listen to the account in the New York Evening Post of December 12, 1895.

“The new church of St Mary the Virgin was consecrated to-day by Bishop Potter. The church was filled to its capacity, many of those present being from out of town. A few minutes before eleven o’clock the orchestra began the prelude, and this was followed by the procession of the vested choir, the clergy, and bishops. First came the acolytes bearing the crucifix and thurible, then followed the choir and the clergy, the Rev. Thomas McKee Brown, rector of the church, and the Rev. Fathers Mason and Staunton, curates in the parish of St Mary the Virgin, and about fifty clergymen from other churches in this and neighboring cities. In the procession were many students from the General Theological Seminary. At the end of the procession was Bishop Potter. The procession in the order named first entered the sanctuary from the side of the altar. It withdrew on the gospel side and passed down the church by the south aisle and up the nave to the chancel. The processional hymn was “The Church’s One Foundation.”” (We have had the same procession with the same hymn today, you will notice.)

Continuing from an account in the New York News: “The bishop then entered the sanctuary and occupied the throne. The
instruments of Donation and Endowment were then presented to him. Several prayers followed, said by the bishop, kneeling." (The Prayer Book says, "The Bishop shall stand up," so either the bishop or the newspaper was confused.) "Then, Bishop Potter sitting on the throne, the Sentence of Consecration was read by Father Brown and placed upon the altar. . . . Morning Prayer or Matins followed. The high mass was celebrated by Father Brown attended by the usual number of assistants." But, the first newspaper account says, "The services were not so ritualistic as those on Sunday last;" the reason — which the paper tactfully omits — being that Bishop Potter was not "ritualistic" but that on the Sunday before they had had the Bishop of Fond du Lac, who was!

Happily for us, what was then denounced as "ritualistic" is tolerated by all Churchmen today and welcomed by most. Tomorrow's Tribune will not have to explain — as it did in 1895 — that "special vestments are worn during the celebration of the Holy Communion, which is called the mass" or that "the object in having the ornate worship is to maintain the services in the practice of the ancient Catholic Church."

But we may be pardoned if we think that what was said in the New York Press on December 8, 1895, is no less true today. "Every churchman in the country knows of St Mary the Virgin's parish — if a Low Churchman, to be scandalized by the dreadful tendencies of its ritual; if a Ritualist, to long to attend its services and see for himself how things are done. When they come to New York they visit St Mary the Virgin. When they go home they tell all about it, and ever after, when they get into an argument with their rector, they begin with: 'Well, when I was at St Mary the Virgin's, they did so and so.'"

Yes, this happens, as we all know. I know, because twenty-one years ago a youth in Naval uniform came to St Mary's on Sunday evening and heard Evensong as he had never heard it before and went home to tell about it, and now, by God's undeserved mercy, stands in this pulpit to tell you that he has loved St Mary's ever since, and will stand at that altar to lead you in the familiar rite that embodies our even greater love for God.

As together we go ahead, you may be sure that Mass will be offered with every splendour. Mass will be offered daily. Divine Office will be read daily. The Word of God will be read daily, and will be preached from this pulpit without fear or favour. The Church's Sacraments — all of them — will be ministered to all who desire them. The Church's doctrine and discipline will be taught. The Book of Common Prayer in its Catholic sense will be our standard. And Episcopalians can continue to see at St Mary's what we believe Episcopalians ought to see in every parish church — not every detail of our worship, of course, but every essential doctrine and discipline, with the Mass crowning it all.

I just returned from a conference of rectors of parishes like ours. The consensus was remarkable: not that we are all doing everything alike, but that we are all doing things that, ten years ago, we might not have done, but by doing them are proclaiming to our generation the essentials of Catholic doctrine and discipline. And, coming home from that conference, I can tell you that St Mary's is expected to show the way.

It is tempting to long for the "good old days," for all the externals established by Fr Brown. Fr Brown was a pioneer, well ahead of his time. Now we, as he did, must lead the Church into new expressions of the essential and unchanging truth. To keep faith with the past, we must be not followers but leaders in the days to come. It was to lead, that St Mary's was founded and this church built; and to that vocation we re dedicate ourselves today.

"To give, and not to count the cost" is the prayer we must make on our Feast of Dedication. Love is costly, and is given without counting cost. Is our love of St Mary's more than sentimental? Does it draw us to the church Sunday by Sunday? Does it draw us to the altar rail to be renewed? Does it draw us to the confessional to be restored? Does love of St Mary's make us mindful of the Church's teachings? Does it make us mindful of the Church's rightful tithe of our earnings? . . . If your love is deep, you will say, "Yes, but I want to give more . . . I mean to give myself."

Witnesses are waiting for our answers as we go ahead together. We are watched by the world, by the Church around us, by the Church beyond us. We are compassed about by a cloud of witnesses who have served St Mary's in their generation. We are watched over by our Lady herself. They urge us on to give, and not to count the cost: to give ourselves to worship, to the sacraments, to the teachings of the Church, and to the fulfillment of her mission.

There is one verse, read last night at Evensong, which has been in my mind since I read it. It is the ninth verse of the second chap-
ter of the prophet Haggai: "The glory of this latter house shall be greater than of the former, saith the Lord of hosts: and in this place will I give peace."

Parish Notes

At Sunday Evensong in Advent, Fr Wappler will give a series of four sermons illustrating man’s need of redemption—illustrated from the plays of Tennessee Williams.

The Advent United Thank Offering from the Women of our Diocese will be presented on Wednesday, December 1, at a 10:30 Mass in the Cathedral of St John the Divine. At 12 noon there will be a box luncheon in the undercroft of Synod House, where tea, coffee, and sandwiches will be on sale—or women may bring their own box lunch. The Advent meeting of the Episcopal Churchwomen of the Diocese will follow in Synod House. We hope that our parish will be well represented. Women who have not yet made a thank offering may send one to our U.T.O. custodian, Miss Adelaide D. Simpson, 520 West 114th Street, New York, N.Y. 10021. Cheques should be made payable to "The United Thank Offering."

The Women of St Mary’s will meet on Thursday, December 16, at 10:45 a.m. Gifts will be brought for patients of St Luke’s Hospital. The new chief chaplain of the hospital, the Rev’d Carleton J. Sweetser, hopes to be present to receive the gifts. At 9:30, the Women will have a Corporate Communion.

A Nice Note came from a Midwestern priest who had been here for the annual council of the American Church Union. "Dear Father—Thank you—and will you please thank your good people—for having us for the ACU meeting: for the warm welcome, the meals, and especially for the Mass." We had a resolution of thanks from the ACU Council, too. As a member of it and as your Rector I am grateful for the hospitality given by our people.

Father Taber’s Memorial was to have been a new sacristy, very much needed and very worthy of a priest who venerated the sacred things of the altar. The Board of Trustees greatly regrets that funds do not make the new sacristy possible, and would again welcome your thoughts on a suitable memorial.

Response to the Appeal for special contributions to offset the deficit has been appreciated by the Board of Trustees. Especially appreciated were notes, such as this one from out-of-town. "Wish it could be more generous, but I am now retired on a fairly small pension and have a few family obligations at the moment. Perhaps I shall be able to do better in the future. God bless everyone at St Mary’s. I should hate to think that there will ever be a time when it is not there in the heart of Times Square."

The Christmas Offering will be of great importance, for we are not out of the red. Please be very generous.

Flowers for the Christmas Altars are provided by special contributions put in the box in the church vestibule marked "For Altar Flowers," sent to the parish office, or handed to the clergy.

Christmas Presents? The new phonograph record of Evensong and Benediction at St Mary’s is called Exultate Deo, after a motet by Poulenc. Canticles are by Morley and Benediction hymns by Bruckner and Henschel. This is a recording of a complete service as we offer it on Sunday evening, and makes a good present to someone who has visited—or cannot visit—St Mary’s. It costs $4.95 in monaural and $5.95 in stereophonic, and can be ordered through the parish office or bought directly at the St Francis de Sales Shop. There you may also buy crosses and crucifixes, medals and rosaries, and books suitable for Christmas giving. We are sorry that we have not been able this year to provide a parish Christmas card. But we will have ordo kalendars for 1966, costing 60¢, or 85¢ if mailed.

There is no fasting from Christmas to the Epiphany. You may eat meat on Friday, December 31. Our Prayer Book has not, however, diminished the fast on Ember Days, which are Wednesday, Friday, and Saturday—December 15, 17, and 18. The purpose is to pray for the Sacred Ministry of the Church.
MUTUAL RESPONSIBILITY AND INTERDEPENDENCE
IN THE BODY OF CHRIST
BRADLEY M. WALLS

THE SYNOD OF THE SECOND PROVINCE of the Episcopal Church convened at Saratoga, New York, on October 18 and 19. A battery of bishops was in attendance from all the nine dioceses constituting the Province (Albany, Central New York, Haiti, Long Island, New Jersey, New York, Newark, Rochester, and Western New York). Bishop Donegan presided over the joint sessions of the House of Bishops, the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, and the Episcopal Church Women. Two communicants of St. Mary the Virgin were present: Mrs. Harold M. Lindstedt representing the Women of the Diocese and Bradley M. Walls as an alternate lay deputy from the Diocese.

Our Provincial Synod — which like those of the other eight Provinces has power to "deal with all matters within the Province" but has no power to regulate internal affairs of any member diocese (Canon 8, Section 8) — considered the theme of Mutual Responsibility and Interdependence. This emphasis was particularly relevant, first, because one of the resolutions brought before the two Houses created a committee to study and recommend effective ways by which the Synod can deal with problems common to the member dioceses of the Province. The extent of mutual responsibility of dioceses within provinces has been a thorny question ever since the provincial system was created at General Convention.

Secondly, and perhaps in reverse order of importance, the program of Mutual Responsibility and Interdependence (MR&I) announced at the Anglican Congress of 1963 and adopted by the General Convention last year is not really understood by the average Churchman. Assuming that MR&I means anything at all, it is generally regarded as "a good thing."

The key speaker, the Rev'd Samuel Van Culen of the Overseas Department of the Executive Council of the Episcopal Church, delivered a lucid and exciting explanation of "MR&I — Up to Now." The two hundred participants at the Synod heard not only that the entire Church is mustering to a call to the renewal of its life and to a revival of its mission in the world, but they also heard in practical terms what sweeping commitments and involvements MR&I imply. Fr. Van Culen explained that MR&I is not an overseas operation only. It is a process, to which the whole Church is committed, of review, planning, priority, and vision. The program goes far beyond partnership and pairing of parish with parish or diocese with diocese. As Fr. Van Culen said, "If economics and politics are mutually responsible and interdependent, so much more must be the Body of Christ." Thus the program encompasses review of parish structure in light of parish mission; experiments with ecumenical cooperation; auxiliary priesthood; analysis and criticism of the episcopal function with a view of permitting our Bishops to become less of "confirming machines" and more of teachers and pastors; training of the laity; and, significantly, exploration of the declining emphasis on reflection and prayer.

If MR&I means "involvement in each other's lives," the speaker mapped the significance of the opening by the Church of new centers for relationships.

FROM THE PARISH REGISTER

BURIAL
"My flesh shall rest in hope."
October 16 — Ada Beazley

ALTAR FLOWER MEMORIALS
December 8 — Conception B.V.M., Departed Trustees
December 12 — Advent III, Helen Janet and Lois Marie Warrell
December 25 — Christmas Day, Thomas McKee Brown, Priest, Founder and First Rector
December 26 — St. Stephen, Dn.M., Gerard Holsman Coster

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HOW TO PARTICIPATE FULLY IN THE EUCHARIST

Written by the Rev'd Samuel J. Wylie, Rector of the Church of the Advent, Boston, and printed in their monthly Message, these suggestions should commend themselves to our prayerful consideration.

1) Arrive at the church prepared by self-examination, a token or actual fast (three hours or overnight), and confession if need be.

2) Arrive early enough to study the Epistle and Gospel and to meditate on them.

3) Take your seat as close to the Altar as you can get.

4) Pray the service and listen for God's specific Word to you as an individual and to us as a people.

5) Pray for the preacher and listen hopefully. Good "heaters" can create good preachers.

6) Make all responses in a voice loud enough to be heard by your neighbours. Some people mumble and some bellow. Neither custom is helpful. You need not answer loud enough to have the celebrant hear you, but the people in your pew and the pew in front of you should be able to hear and understand your responses.

7) Use all the communion time for intercession (which means prayer for others) and for adoration. Since most people are shy at that level of prayer, you may want to use the Hymnal for help. Read the Communion hymns (189-213). Note also the very personal hymns from 443-466. Some of them may say exactly what you want to say yourself.

8) Let your thanksgiving be genuine. Ask for grace to be a witness for Christ, an extension of his sacramental Presence.

9) Be sure that your fellowship with your brothers (your concern and conversation) at Coffee Hour is consistent with the fellowship of the Lord's Table.

"READ, MARK, LEARN . . ."

The Diocese of Trinidad printed in its newspaper this answer to a general Bible knowledge examination. It is a masterpiece of "words without knowledge."

"ONCE UPON A TIME a man went down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and fell among thieves; and de thorns grew an' choken dat man; and he went on an' didn't hab no money; an' he met de Queen ob Sheba. An' behold she gabe dat man — yes, sah — she gabe dat man a thousand talents ob gold an' a hundred changes ob raiment. An' he got in a chariot straightway an' drobe furiously. An' when speeding along under a big sycamore tree his hair got caught in a limb an' left him hanging dar. An' he hung dary many days an' nights, an' ravens brought him food to eat an' water to drink. An' one night while he was hangin' dar asleep his wife Delilah came along an' cut off his hair, an' de poor man dropped an' fell on stony ground. An' it began to rain, an' it rained forty days and forty nights, an' he hid himself in a cave until de rain stopped. An' when he left de cave he met a man who said, 'Come and take supper wid me.' But he said, 'No, I can't, I done married a wife an' can't come.' So de man went out into de highways an' compelled dem to come fo' supper. He went on an' came to Jerusalem, an' when he got dar he seen Queen Jesebel sittin' high up in de window, an' when he saw her he said loud, 'Trow her down.' An' dey trew her down. An' he cried again, 'Trow her down some more,' an' dey trew her down some more. An' dey trew her down seventy times seven; an' ob de fragments was picked up twelve baskets. Now, whose wife you all think she'll be in de resurrection?"

If you can identify all the strains of Bible stories — and there are at least seventeen — you can say a loud "Amen" to the Collect on the Second Sunday in Advent. If you can't, say "Amen" and resolve to read the "holy Scriptures . . . written for our learning." To read them with the Church, following the lectionary in the front of the Prayer Book, is the best way.

And the best time to begin is Advent.
KALENDAR FOR DECEMBER

1. W. Feria. Requiem 9:30 a.m.
2. Th. Feria.
3. F. St Francis Xavier, C. Mass also 12:10 p.m. Abstinence.
5. Su. ADVENT II.
6. M. St Nicholas, B.C.
7. Tu. St Ambrose, B.C.D.
8. W. CONCEPTION OF OUR LADY. Mass 6:30, 7:30, 9:30 a.m.,
   12:10 p.m. High Mass 6 p.m.
9. Th. Feria. Requiem 7:30 a.m.
10. F. Feria. Mass also 12:10 p.m.
12. Su. ADVENT III. Solemnity of the Conception of our Lady 11
   a.m.
13. M. St Lucy, V.M.
14. Tu. Feria. Requiem 7:30 a.m.
15. W. EMBER DAY. Mass also 9:30 a.m. Fast and Abstinence.
16. Th. Feria. Mass also 9:30 a.m.
17. F. EMBER DAY. Mass also 12:10 p.m. Fast and Abstinence.
19. Su. ADVENT IV.
21. Tu. ST THOMAS THE APOSTLE. Mass also 9:30 a.m., 12:10
   p.m.
22. W. Feria. Mass also 9:30 a.m.
23. Th. Feria.
24. F. Vigil of the Nativity. Mass also 12:10 p.m. Abstinence.
25. Sa. CHRISTMAS DAY. High Mass of Midnight, with procession
   at 11:45 p.m. Mass at Daybreak 7:30 a.m. High Mass on
   the Day 9:30 a.m.
   Mass also 9:30 a.m., 12:10 p.m.
   a.m., 12:10 p.m.
   9:30 a.m.
30. Th. Of the Octave.
31. F. St Sylvester, B.C. Comm. Octave. Mass also 12:10 p.m.
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MUSIC FOR DECEMBER

DECEMBER 5 — ADVENT II
11 a.m.
Missa in Festis Apostolorum ———— Giovanni Perluigi da Palestrina
Motet, Veni, Domine ———— Joannes Esquivel
6 p.m.
Magnificat and Nunc dimittis ———— Robert Morley
Motet, Blessed is he whose unrighteousness is forgiven — Henry Purcell
O salutaris hostia ———— Franz Liszt
Motet, Adoremus Te ———— Nicholas Zielenski
Tantum ergo ———— Franz Liszt

DECEMBER 12 — SOLEMNITY OF THE CONCEPTION B.V.M.
11 a.m.
Mass in D ———— Anton Dvořák
Motet, Ave Maria ———— Anton Bruckner
6 p.m.
Magnificat and Nunc dimittis ———— Robert Fayrfax
Motet, Prepare ye the way ———— Michael Wise
O salutaris hostia ———— McNeil Robinson
Motet, Ave Verum ———— Joquin Des Prés
Tantum ergo ———— McNeil Robinson

DECEMBER 19 — ADVENT IV
11 a.m.
Missa quinti Toni ———— Orlandus Lassus
Motet, Ecce concipies ———— Jacob Handl
6 p.m.
Magnificat and Nunc dimittis ———— Daniel Pinkham
Motet, This is the record of John ———— Orlando Gibbons
O salutaris hostia ———— Geoffrey Bush
Motet, Ave Verum ———— 14th Century French
Tantum ergo ———— Geoffrey Bush

DECEMBER 25 — CHRISTMAS
Midnight
Messe de Minuit ———— Marc-Antoine Charpentier
Motet, Dies sanctificatus ———— Joseph Eybler

DECEMBER 26 — ST STEPHEN, DN.M.
11 a.m.
Missa Super un gai berger ———— Jacob Handl
Motet, Sepelierunt Stephanum ———— Luca Marenzio
6 p.m.
Magnificat and Nunc dimittis ———— Giovanni Maria Nanino
Carols will be sung ———— Tomás Luis Victoria
Motet, Adoremus Te ———— Orlandus Lassus
Tantum ergo ———— Tomás Luis Victoria
9:30 a.m.
Miss cum jubilo ———— Plainsong
SERVICES

SUNDAYS

Morning Prayer
Mass
High Mass (with sermon)
Evensong and Benediction

7:10 a.m.
7:30, 9:00 (Sung), and 10:00 a.m.
11:00 a.m.
6:00 p.m.

WEEKDAYS

Morning Prayer
Mass daily
Mass also on Wednesdays
Fridays
Holy Days
Evening Prayer
Litany after Evening Prayer on Wednesdays and Fridays.
Benediction after Evening Prayer and Litany on Fridays.

7:10 a.m.
7:30 a.m.
9:00 a.m.
12:10 p.m.
9:30 a.m. and 12:10 p.m.
6:00 p.m.

Other services during the week and on festivals
as announced on the preceding Sunday.

CONFESSIONS

Fridays, 12:40 to 1 and 5 to 6 p.m.
Saturdays, 2 to 3, 5 to 6, and 7:30 to 8:30 p.m.
Sundays, 8:40 to 9:00 a.m.
and by appointment.

OCCASIONAL OFFICES

The ministrations of the clergy are available to all. Holy Baptism is ministered to those properly sponsored or prepared. Preparation for First Confession, Confirmation, and Holy Communion can begin at any time. Holy Matrimony according to the law of God and the Church is solemnized after instruction by the clergy. Holy Unction and Holy Communion are given to the sick when the clergy are notified, and regularly to shut-ins. Burial of the Dead usually follows Requiem Mass in the Church, and the clergy should be consulted before any arrangements are made. Music at weddings or funerals should be arranged with the Director of Music.

PARISH GUILDS AND ORGANIZATIONS

The Church School: Children attend 9 o'clock Mass on Sunday and receive instruction afterwards in the Mission House, where there is also a nursery during that Mass. Corporate Communion, last Sunday of the month, 9 a.m.

Order of St Vincent: Acolytes of the parish. Men and boys who wish to serve should speak to the clergy. Corporate Communion, last Sunday, 9 a.m.

The Women of the Church: All women may belong by joining in the United Thank Offering. Corporate Communion, third Thursday, 9:30 a.m., with a business meeting at 10:45.

St Mary's Guild: Women who make and care for vestments, working every Wednesday from 10:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Corporate Communion, first Wednesday, 9:30 a.m., with a business meeting at 10:45 a.m.

Society of Mary: Anglicans who wish to further reverence for the Mother of God. Corporate Communion, second Sunday, 9 a.m.

Confraternity of the Blessed Sacrament: St Mary's Ward of the oldest Anglican devotional society. Devotions, first Friday, 6 p.m.

Guild of All Souls: St Mary's Ward of the Anglican society promoting prayer for the faithful departed. Devotions, third Friday, 6 p.m.

Corporate Communions, December, 1965

December 1: St Mary's Guild
December 12: Society of Mary
December 16: Women of the Church
December 26: Church School, Order of St Vincent
SAINT FRANCIS DE SALES SHOP
BOOKS MAY BE BOUGHT after Sunday High Mass at the shop next to the parish hall. There are also crucifixes, rosaries, medals, and other aids to worship.

THE PARISH LIBRARY
BOOKS MAY BE BORROWED from the William Edward Jones Memorial Lending Library in the Mission House. The collection includes books on theology, apologetics, ecclesiastical history, religious biography, and the devotional life. The Library is open on Sundays immediately after High Mass and before Evensong, and on weekdays from 4 to 6 p.m.

ASSOCIATES OF THE SISTERS
WOMEN who pray and work for the Sisterhood of the Holy Nativity. The Sister-in-Charge will talk with women who are interested. There is a rule of life, and a Corporate Communion at 8 a.m. on the third Saturday of each month in the Sisters' Chapel in the Mission House.

THE FRIENDS OF SAINT MARY'S
ANGELICAN CATHOLICS here and abroad who love St Mary's, but for geographical reasons cannot be communicant members of the parish. The requirements are, first, prayer for God's blessing on St Mary's and, second, an annual thank offering at the Patronal Feast, December 8. If you have said, "It is an encouragement to me to know that St Mary's is always there," you can encourage that which encourages you by writing to the Rector and becoming a Friend of St Mary's.

REMEMBER SAINT MARY'S IN YOUR WILL
BEQUESTS may be made in the following form:
"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 state the nature or amount of the gift]."