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My dear people,

Lent is well along as you read this. Its observances are both "taking on" and "giving up" in our lives, and I have no patience with those who tell us that "giving up" is silly. How superficial! How impossible to make room for priority in our lives unless we give up entertainment on Friday nights in Lent, say, so we can walk in the Way of the Cross, learn how Christian experience brought Christian belief to life, and worship Christ in his eucharistic Presence! Giving up is necessary, too, for taking on a weekday Mass, visiting a sick friend, volunteering Christian service, or whatever demand calls you.

Fasting takes on special meaning if we are trying to heed our Bishop's call to save meat, grain that fattens it, money that pays for it and make more for those who so tragically are starving to death. Meatless Wednesdays may be hard for you to manage—they have been for me. Can we think of ways to accomplish the saving and substitution and sending money to the Presiding Bishop's Fund for World Relief? Instead of a parish brunch on Refreshment Sunday (March 9), would you like to send money through the parish office?

Our Good Friday preacher will be Dr William A. Johnson, Canon of the Cathedral of Saint John the Divine and Professor of Christian Thought at Brandesis University. You may recall how thoughtful a preacher he was at Corpus Christi.

Friends of Saint Mary's are enlisting to help generously, and our communicants seem to be, too. We can dare to hope for a turning of the tide. A flood-tide offering at Easter would make such a happy feast for us.

Best of all, we will celebrate the Easter Vigil with our Bishop presiding and preaching.

Affectionately your priest,

Donald L: Garfield

TWO MOUNTAINS

Father Boyer's sermon on the Last Sunday after the Epiphany

TODAY we celebrate the last and the greatest and the most glorious of the many epiphanies, the many manifestations, the many showings forth of Jesus Christ. And here, near the end of the ministry of our Lord, we hear the same words as at the beginning: "This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased."

Of all the epiphanies, save one, Christ's transfiguration comes as a climax, and we look back from this height, from this mountain of glory, upon a whole series of lesser epiphanies, of lesser manifestations, all the way back to the babe in the cradle receiving the mysterious homage of the Gentile kings. Thus we survey the life of glory: the babe whom angels sang, the young man coming up out of the waters of baptism visibly manifested as the Messiah of Israel, the wedding feast of Cana, the feeding of the five thousand, the many healings and restorings and makings-whole with which his too brief ministry was replete.

It was a life of glory, the glory of divine love, the glory of holy charity, the kind of thing today's epistle [I Corinthians 13] sings of so beautifully. And in that life were the various turning points, the various epiphanies, when the glory of God shone through in some action, some word, of Jesus the Christ.

But now, on the mountain of his transfiguration, the glory, if only for a moment, is revealed nakedly. All the veils are removed, all the barriers are down, and the chosen disciples see the very reality of that Christ in whom the fulness of the Godhead dwells bodily, his face shining as the sun, his raiment white as the light. And the voice speaks, certifying that this being of resplendent, blinding glory is the same person as the young man coming up out of the Jordan some three years before, proclaiming the coming of God's kingdom. Thus the humble preacher of Galilee is seen, by the eye of faith, to be nothing less than the Lord of the worlds, the only-begotten Son of the Father, full of grace and truth. And the disciples fall on their face, and are sore afraid.

But this last epiphany, this last revelation of God's glory in the life of Jesus Christ, stands as a kind of watershed; for we look down from the mountain in two directions. One we have already spoken of: we look back over a life of which this moment is a

climax. But the other remains to be considered. On this Sunday we stand poised between two worlds: behind us is the world of Christmas, with its joys and feasts, its gold and trumpets, its angel voices and homely shepherds and adoring kings; but before us lies the rough and rocky road to Golgotha, the via dolorosa, the way of sorrows and of bitter death.

And we stand thus liturgically poised between the Christmas feast and the Lenten fast, because Christ, at this moment of his ministry, stood poised between the glory of a life past, the glory summed up in this moment of shining face and glistering raiment, and the deeper and more sombre glory which lay before him. For he came down off the mountain and set his face resolutely to go up to Jerusalem to meet the inexorable fate of Calvary's cross.

We stand today with Jesus. And with him we turn our backs on the one kind of glory, and with him we go down the mountain to embrace a different glory, the glory which beareth all things, believeth all things, hopeth all things, endureth all things, and never faileth; the glory of holy love, the glory of burning charity, the glory of godly discipline and self-sacrifice, the glory of giving without counting the cost, the glory of lives lived for others, of lives thrown away for others, of lives burned up for others. For Christ came down off the mountain of glory in order that he might climb up another mountain — broken and bleeding, fallen under a cruel weight, climbing the Hill of the Skull. And he put aside the glory of his transfiguration in order to be lifted up upon a Roman cross, that he might draw all men unto himself.

At the beginning we said that today marked the last and the greatest and the most glorious of the many epiphanies of Jesus Christ—the last, that is, but one. For there was to be one final epiphany besides which all the others were but as shadows in the night, brief and inadequate hints of what was to come. We speak of the epiphany of the Cross, the final and ultimate sign of God's love for us, the manifestation of how much God cares, of what lengths God is willing to go to for us to recall us, to redeem us, to forgive and restore and sanctify us, to bear the burden we could not bear, to carry the weight we could not lift, to face the consequences we could not endure, to brave all the fury and dark power of evil and hatred and sin, and to hurl those deadly and baneful things back again, broken in defeat.

For the glory of the Cross, which is the glory of God's love, is matched by the glory of the Resurrection, which is the glory

of God's triumph. And today we look from the glory of one mountain across the valley of Lent, the valley of the shadow of death, to the glory of that other mountain whereon was won the world's redemption. And the Jesus who today walks down this mountain bids us, these forty days, to walk with him in discipline, in spiritual training, in obedient love, and to climb that other mountain and stand beside him at the last, and to die with him — and in him — in the perfect self-offering which is the mark and seal of holy charity, until that day when the Son of man be risen again from the dead, and we tell the vision to all mankind.

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CONFESSIONS IN HOLY WEEK

MONDAY	12-1, Fr	Garfield;	5 -6,	\mathbf{Fr}	Boyer	
TUESDAY	12-1, Fr	Boyer;	5-6,	\mathbf{Fr}	Garfield	
Wednesday	12-1, Fr	Garfield;	5-6,	\mathbf{Fr}	Boyer	
THURSDAY	12-1, Fr	Boyer;	5-6,	\mathbf{Br}	Mark-Francis,	SSF
FRIDAY		Garfield;	3-4,	\mathbf{Fr}	Boyer;	
	4-5, Fr	Scott;	5-6,	\mathbf{Br}	Mark-Francis,	SSF
Saturday		Garfield;	2-4,	\mathbf{Fr}	Boyer;	
	4-6, Fr	Scott;	10-11,	Br	Mark-Francis,	SSF

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ALTAR FLOWER MEMORIALS

March 9—Mid-Lent Sunday, William Frederick Schrage March 12—St Gregory the Great, Ethelyn May Garfield March 27—Maundy Thursday, Albertina Russell March 30—Easter Day, Grieg Taber, Priest & Rector



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

January 28-Carlton Douglas Harrison, Jr

Joanne Buchanan Harrison (Mrs C. D.)
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Jeffrey Buchanan Harrison Mark Allen Harrison

February 11-R. Wayne Smith

BURIAL

"My flesh shall rest in hope."

February 14—Howard Joseph Theodore Mueller, Priest

HOLY WEEK AND EASTER DAY

DATA	SUNDAY
PALM	SUNDAY

Morning Prayer Mass Blessing of Palms, Procession, and Mass Evensong and Benediction Monday, Tuesd	 . 7:30, l High Mas	s .	and .	7:10 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m. 5:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m.
Morning Prayer				7:10 a.m.
Mass	30 a.m. and	12:1	0 and	
Evening Prayer			•	6:00 p.m.
Tenebrae, Wednesday only .		•	•	8:00 p.m.
Maundy '	THURSDAY			
Evening Prayer				5:30 p.m.
High Mass with Procession to the	Altar of R	epose		6:00 p.m.
Watch before the lill the Liturgy	Blessed Sacr	ament		
Good 1	Friday			
Morning Prayer The Three Hours				7:10 a.m.
Dr William A. Jo	hnson, prea	ching		
Sermon				12:00 noon
Solemn Liturgy with Sermon				12:30 p.m.
Sermon, ending at				3:00 p.m.
Evening Prayer				6:00 p.m.
Way of the Cross		•		6:15 p.m.
HOLY SA	TURDAY			
Evening Prayer				6:00 p.m.
Solemn Vigil		•		11:00 p.m.
Eastei	DAY			
Pontifical High Mass . The Right Reverse presiding an	end Paul M		12:0	00 midnight
	-		and	10:00 a.m.
High Mass with Procession .	. 7:30,	9.00,	and	11:00 a.m.
Mass		•	•	5:00 p.m.
Solemn Evensong, Procession, and	Benedictio	nn	•	6:00 p.m.
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BIBLICAL STUDIES — XXVI

THERE WAS NOT ONE BAAL in ancient Canaan; there were many. The word "baal" is not, really, a proper name, though it is sometimes used almost as if it were. It means "lord" or "master", and was applied to any number of local deities as situations dictated. In Palestine, indeed, to apply the words of St Paul from a different context and a much later time, there were "gods many and lords many". The religion was essentially that of the fertility cult which in one form or another so dominated ancient culture. True, there was a shadowy High God (El) who at the back of the Canaanite mind was dimly conceived of as supreme (one of whose manifestations, that of El Elyon, chief god of pre-Davidic Jerusalem, was sufficiently like that of Israel's LORD to be addressed by Abraham as if he were the same being — see Genesis 14), but El had long been replaced in common imagination by the more colourful and dynamic figure of his "son", the baal of this or that, depending upon where you were. For one of the characteristics of a fertility cult, of course, is its extreme sense of locality, and that, indeed, has much to do with the popularity of that kind of religion — it is palpable, tangible, familiar, and homely; and it makes few, if any, ethical demands upon its adherents. You did not, thus, have some great, over-arching, cosmic conception of Baal; you had, rather, your own baal, the baal of your own city or of your own mountain or of your own holy place. There was, for example, the Baal of Peor, or Baal-zebul, the god of Ekron. And these baals (Hebrew plural: baalim, as in the Authorized Version of the Bible) were intimately connected with the life cycle of farming peoples. They were not far off somewhere, but close at hand, close almost to the point of touching; these were gods you could feel and know, gods, really, who were little more than externalizations of your own emotions, personifications of your own passions, responsive to the powerful stirrings of your own blood - or of your own groins, for that matter.

And thus, of course, we come to the darker side of the matter, for the baals were gods of seed-time in more than one sense; and their worship involved to a large extent the apparatus of sacred prostitution (both male and female), in order that the seminal needs of agriculture might be ensured by a mimetic acting out, on the part of the worshippers, of the mating act (as between heaven and earth) thought necessarily to lie behind the orderly progression of

the growing seasons. How, after all, could one expect the grain sown in the earth to spring up in due course if it was not encouraged by the sowing of human seed (in sympathetic imitation of divine seed) in a receptive body during the course of the temple rites? I am sorry if this sounds a bit crude, but it is necessary if we are to get at the back of the profound prophetic disgust ("intolerance", if you like) at this kind of religion. For when all is said and done, baal worship inevitably comes down to the worship of the generative powers—it is by no means accidental that one of the chief cult-symbols of baalism was the young bull-calf of supernatural potency (which is one reason, of course, why Jeroboam's choice of a bull-calf as bis cult-symbol was most unfortunate.)

By the time of the great prophetic revival, or reaction, led so forcefully by the dramatic figure of Elijah the Tishbite (who flourished during the reign of Ahab, ca. 869-850, and disappeared from the scene during the reign of Jehoram, i.e., before 842), there had, it is true, been some coalescence of the baal cults—i.e., the baal of this place or that village or this or that mountain top was dimly seen to be the same, in some sense, as the other baals—but, nonetheless, Elijah's divine foe still had a specific style and title: he was Baal Melchart, chief god of the Phoenician city of Tyre; and his great patroness, a woman of almost missionary fervour, one of the most forceful and dynamic women who have ever graced the pages of history, though not without her sinister side, was Jezebel, queen of Ahab of Israel, daughter of Ittobaal of Tyre, product of a diplomatic marriage which would issue in fateful results.

If we may generalize about this coalescent deity ("Baal", so to speak, rather than "baal") — as Jezebel presumably did in her own mind — we may observe that he was originally a storm god, of great Semitic antiquity, who reigned as king of the gods on Zaphon, the Semitic Olympus, a mountain somewhere in the north. He was assisted by various female deities, whose precise delineations are difficult to draw, since they tended to flow into and out of one another — and their functions are, to say the least, rather fluid — but who included Asherah, Astarte, and Anat, regarded variously as consorts and/or sisters of Baal. Modern apologists for a certain kind of irresponsible feminism — who are fond of saying that we could "learn" something in our understanding of God if we included in our religion some of the "insights" of the ancient Canaanites about the feminine aspects of deity (a process they

think would be greatly enhanced by women priests) - would perhaps be somewhat more leery of such a line of argument if they were more aware that the divine ladies in question combined a good deal more than the merely maternal and benevolent in their make-ups: they tended to be as blood-thirsty as they were amorous, and the ancient Hebrews, when the lines had been drawn precisely through the work of such as Elijah, excluded all such notions as they imply for reasons which were very well understood. The central myth of baalism was the annual death and resurrection of Baal, in sympathy with the annual death and resurrection of nature, all of which — as we indicated above — had to be scrupulously re-enacted by various sacral figures, male and female, who took the part of the various deities in question. The whole thing ended up in a kind of sacred orgy (the more you spread fecundity around in the ceremonies, the better the crops grow), at which, presumably,

a good time was had by all.

Now, certain Canaanite notions had already entered Hebrew religion, as we have seen in previous articles. The Jerusalem Temple was itself based on a Canaanite model (with the help of Phoenician architects), and Jeroboam's rival shrines were no less inspired by something of the general religious notions of the time (as the bull-calves imply). There was, in other words, a certain tendency, even temptation, towards religious syncretism within the Yahwist cult itself. Nonetheless, Yahwism was always seen, at least on the official level, as clearly distinct from the baalism of the subject peoples (a certain confusion on the popular level, on the other hand, is probable). Certainly, the ethical demands of Yahwism were never lost sight of, and there is no evidence (even with regards to Jeroboam's shrines) that even a debased or superstitious attitude towards the LORD ever included either the orgiastic side of baalism, or the essentially materialistic conception of deity upon which, ultimately, the baal-myths depended. The LORD, for example (i.e., "Yahweh"), might indeed be conceived (after the Canaanite model) as a kingly figure presiding over a heavenly court of lesser "divinities" ("gods", as it were, rather than "God"), but there is no hint in such conceptions — many of which were used with great dramatic force by the prophets themselves - of the sexual, almost biological, carryings-on of the Canaanite originals. Baalism, of course, had been around for a long time; it was the religion of the people who had occupied the land before the Hebrew conquest, and it was precisely through rubbing shoulders with such people afterwards (when conquerors and conquered had settled down in more or less amicable co-existence) that many Israelites were originally attracted to the less-demanding and more fleshly pleasures of the older religion. Nonetheless, though we note certain episodes of apostasy as far back as the period of the Judges, a fairly clear distinction had been maintained between the religion of the ruling, Hebrew element and the religion of the subject population. After all, the LORD had been proved superior in the most graphic way ancient man could understand - his adherents had ended up, after an uncertain period of jockeying back and forth, by establishing a clear hegemony over their rivals; what better proof could there be

of the LORD's superiority?

By the time of Ahab and Jezebel, however, the distinction had been blurred by the passage of events. The glorious empire of David and Solomon was long a thing of the past — itself the greatest "proof" of Yahwism's efficacy and superiority - and the petty kingdoms of Judah and (especially) Israel were already feeling the kinds of disintegrative pressures from their larger neighbours which we have examined in previous articles in this series. If the kingdoms were faltering, could it not be that the LORD, after all, was not so powerful and supreme as had originally been thought? And then too, the mere passage of centuries had diminished the original conquering fervour, and Yahwism must have seemed to many to be "old-hat"; certainly it lacked the pulsing drama of baalism. Furthermore, to a people linked closely to the soil (and Palestine at that time was an essentially argicultural country of small peasants and farmers) baalism must often have seemed more immediate and more "relevant" than the sky-god religion of Yahwism. And finally, as we saw last time, the conservative strain of northern Israelite kingship was increasingly seen to be insufficiently stable to hold the country together in a time of deepening crisis. Perhaps what was needed was a different conception of kingship, a divinized kingship after the older Canaanite model, such as was still practised in Jezebel's native Tyre — and to sustain such a kingship, what could be better than the very mythic underlay which had produced such a conception in the first place, the religion of Baal, whose representative, almost "incarnation", the king was seen to be?

The stage was thus set for Jezebel, with her enormous ambitions and her almost crusading zeal. What had she to do with this backward, crude, austere religion of a bunch of semi-barbarous

hill-tribes (as she must have seen her new subjects), she who was a royal daughter of imperial Tyre, cosmopolitan trading mistress of the eastern Mediterranean, founder of colonies, whose ships were welcome in every port of the Middle Sea and had ranged well outside the Pillars of Herakles as far as the tin-lands of Cornwall and perhaps beyond? Certainly her husband, who could be strong in some ways (he had a certain reputation for battle-prowess) was putty in her hands. True, he remained at least a nominal Yahwist (his sons, Ahaziah and Iehoram, had Yahwist elements in their names, as the italicized portions indicate). Her influence, however, soon far exceeded the scope of a foreign princess's chapel (in I Kings 18: 19 we read of 450 prophets of Baal officially resident at her court). The court and the official circles, and certainly much of the countryside as well, were shot through and through with militant baalism, and the future seemed set to go all her way. She felt, certainly, confident enough to institute a policy of religious persecution, and the LORD's prophets, chief opposition to her schemes, were officially proscribed. One thing only she did not reckon on: the gaunt prophet from Tishbe, who alone stood in her path, and to him we will turn next time.

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MUSIC FOR MARCH

MARCH 2—LENT III Missa Sine nomine (premier)
MARCH 9—LENT IV
Mass in G Carl Maria von Weber (1786-1826)
Inflammatus est
God so loved the world
MARCH 16—LENT V
Missa quinti toni Orlandus Lassus (1532-1594)
Confitebor tibi, Domine Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina (1526-1594)
O Domine Jesu Christe Franciscus Guerrero (1527-1599)
MARCH 23—SUNDAY OF THE PASSION
Hosanna Filio David Bartholomaus Gesius (1555-1613)
Pueri Hebraeorum Nicasius Zorita (?-1586)
Ingrediente Domino Emmanuel Cardosa (1569-1650)
Mass for four voices William Byrd (1543-1623)
Christus factus est Michael Sanchez (16th century)
Improperium Orlandus Lassus (1532-1594)
Adoramus te, Christe Orlandus Lassus (1532-1594)
MARCH 26—WEDNESDAY, 8 P.M.
Responsoria of Tenebrae Tomás Luis de Victoria (1549-1611)
Marco Antonio Ingegneri (1545-1592)
Felice Anerio (1560-1614)
Benedictus Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina (1526-1594)
Christus factus est Felice Anerio (1560-1614)
MARCH 28—GOOD FRIDAY, 12:30 P.M.
Improperia Tomás Luis de Victoria (1549-1611)
MARCH 30—SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION
Resurrexi Ludwig Senfl (1490-1543)
Messa concertata Teodoro Cosati (1626-1688)
Haec dies English, Anonymous (16th century)
Terra tremuit William Byrd (1543-1623)
Pascha nostrum Ludwig Senfl (1490-1543)
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SUNDAY 5:30 P.M.

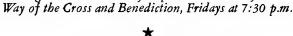
March 2-Nanciann Parrella	March 16-Stephen Kolarac
March 9-Christopher Thornley	March 30-Nanciann Parrella

CALENDAR FOR MARCH

1.	Sa.	Lenten Weekday (St David, Bishop of Menevia, c. 544)
2.	Su.	LENT III
3.	M.	Lenten Weekday (John & Charles Wesley, Priests, 1791, 1788)
4.	Tu.	Lenten Weekday
5.	W.	Lenten Weekday
6.	Th.	Lenten Weekday
7.	F.	Lenten Weekday (St Perpetua & her Companions, Martyrs at Carthage, 202) Way of the Cross & Benediction 7:30 p.m.
8.	Sa.	Lenten Weekday
9.	Su.	LENT IV
10.	M.	Lenten Weekday (The Forty Martyrs of Sebaste, 320)
11.	Tu.	Lenten Weekday
12.	Ŵ.	St Gregory the Great, Bishop of Rome, 604
13.	Th.	Lenten Weekday
14.	F.	Lenten Weekday
,		Way of the Cross & Benediction 7:30 p.m.
15.	Sa.	Lenten Weekday
16.	Su.	LENT V
17.	M.	Lenten Weekday (St Patrick, Bishop of Ireland, 461)
18.	Tu.	Lenten Weekday (St Cyril, Bishop of Jerusalem, 386)
19.	W.	SAINT JOSEPH
		Fast dispensed
20.	Th.	Lenten Weekday (St Cuthbert, Bishop of Lindisfarne, 687)
21.	F.	Lenten Weekday (Thomas Ken, Bishop of Bath & Wells, 1711) Way of the Cross & Benediction 7:30 p.m.
22.	Sa.	Lenten Weekday (James De Koven, Priest, 1879)
23.	Su.	THE SUNDAY OF THE PASSION, OR PALM SUNDAY Palm Procession & High Mass 11
24.	M.	MONDAY IN HOLY WEEK
25.	Tu.	TUESDAY IN HOLY WEEK
26.	W.	WEDNESDAY IN HOLY WEEK
	•••	Tenebrae 8 p.m.
27.	Th.	MAUNDY THURSDAY
		Evening Prayer 5:30
		High Mass & Procession 6 p.m.
28.	F.	GOOD FRIDAY
		Strict Fast & Abstinence
		Solemn Liturgy 12:30 p.m.
		Way of the Cross 6:15 p.m.
29.	Sa.	HOLY SATURDAY
		Solemn Vigil 11 p.m.
30.	Su.	THE SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION,
		OR EASTER DAY
		Pontifical High Mass 12 midnight
		High Mass with Procession 11
		Solemn Evensong, Procession, & Benediction 6
31.	М.	MONDAY IN EASTER WEEK
		The weekdays of Lent (except major feasts) are to
		be kept by special acts of discipline and self-denial.

Sundays	*	SE.	RVICI	ES					
Morning Prayer								7:10 a.m	•
Mass			7:30,	9:00	(Su	ng),	and	10:00 a.m	
High Mass (with	sermo	n)				•		11:00 a.m	•
Mass			•				•	5:00 p.m	
Evensong and Ben	edictio	on.	•					6:00 p.m	•
Weekdays									
Morning Prayer*								7:10 a.m	
Mass daily			7:30	a.m.*	and	12:1	0 and	l 6:15 p.m	•
Evening Prayer .						•		6:00 p.m.	
	*1	xce	pt Sata	ırday					
In Lent: High Mass	with I	Litar	ay in b	rocess	ion S	unda	iys at	11 a.m.;	

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CONFESSIONS

DAILY, 12:40-1 p.m., also FRIDAYS, 5-6 p.m. SATURDAYS, 2-3 and 5-6 p.m. SUNDAYS, 8:40-9 a.m.

On the first Friday of each month, 5-6 p.m., a priest of the Society of Saint Francis is scheduled to hear confessions.



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