TAKE HEART!
By the Reverend Leslie J. A. Lang, S.T.D.

WHAT A GREAT JOY it is to be together here this evening, to give honour to the Mother of us all, and to return thanks for the prophetic genius of Thomas McKee Brown, the Father Founder of this parish, and for those who shared his vision, and thereby made such an immeasurable contribution to the life and work and worship and witness of the Episcopal Church, such as would have staggered their imaginations a century ago.

It would be bliss beyond compare, as we sit within the warmth and glow and protection of these holy walls, to think that this is the way the Church now is, the Episcopal Church in microcosm, and that with all that matters settled, we are free to proclaim the Gospel, to welcome the Lord to his altar, "all one body we", united in heart and mind and will and purpose.

But, to our pain and grief, we know that this is not so. There be great divisions among us. The peace and the unity have been broken. A unilateral decision has been made, by slim majority, but the mind of the communal body has not been in that decision. It is precisely because of that that there is, below and above the surface, bitterness, acrimony, the parting of friends, suspicion, and harsh judgments, and an uncertain future unpleasant to contemplate in many aspects.

In all candour and honesty, I do not know with absolute certainty whether or not a woman can be a priest. Nor can I foretell what may happen in the long years ahead of us. But I am convinced that the action taken at this time has been precipitate, and I do not believe that this is the way the mind of the Church expresses itself.

As one who has been part of, and observed the ecclesiastical scene for a long, long time, I am moved to make three observations, and I offer them for your comfort, for your hope, and for your peace of mind.

First, there have always been, intermittently, periods of aridity,
turmoil, and even degradation in the life of the Church. There has been both reformation and deformation, and changing patterns of life, emphasis, practice, and thought. And we have come through them, and will come through them again.

Second, against the background of this Advent season, who can doubt that judgment has come to the house of God — a judgment we have all helped to bring upon ourselves. We have taken too much for granted. We have been too much at ease in Sion. We have become secularized in our very thought processes within the Church. We have in great measure become a despiritualized Church. And I ask who, before all things, would have knowledge of us that we have been with Jesus?

Third, the Catholic Movement has moved, it is in some important aspects still moving, in a time of meagre prophecy, thin theology, weak conviction, for this is no age of faith. And yet, in spite of trivialities and superficialities — and they are not peculiar to us alone — the Episcopal Church is becoming a Eucharistic Church. I cannot imagine that in any foreseeable future it will cease to be such. Those who have pioneered in this parish have lived to see this Church committed to a Catholic Liturgy. And the pastor of this parish has had an important part in this.

Now, what about the future?

Last week, at a Requiem Mass in St Thomas Church for Professor Cyril Richardson, a sermon preached by him some years before, in quite another connection, was read from the pulpit. That sermon said something to me which I could not say so well for myself, and I hope it will say something to you:

"One does not say, 'Why did this happen to me?' but 'What am I called to do with this?'... The darker the tragedy, the more alive it is with creative powers... One has not overcome, one has not really lived, until one has been able to accept and embrace some tragic circumstance so that it has released creative powers one never dreamed one had... Not merely by understanding the world, but by overcoming it through the grace of Christ, is there salvation."

To these words I would simply add this:

Be not dismayed! Be not distraught! Always be grateful! Take the long view! Be kindly affectioned one toward another! Look first unto Jesus, the author and finished of our faith! Take heart!

And what could I add? — D.L.G.

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MUCH ADO ABOUT EVERYTHING

I'VE BEEN FLYING AROUND THE CONTINENT RECENTLY — as most regular St Mary's parishioners know — and it may be of benefit both to them and to our Friends and readers to have some idea of what I've been up to.

It is no secret, of course, that the action of the Minneapolis General Convention allowing women to be bishops and priests has stirred up quite a hornet’s nest in the Church. We at St Mary's — clergy and laity alike — had been much involved in the debate and the political processes which culminated in the Minneapolis decision. We opposed the ordination of women to the episcopate and priesthood, so I suppose it could be said that we “lost” at Minneapolis.

And certainly we did lose in terms of the vote and the fight over canonical change. But in the first place, I'm fairly certain we have nothing to be ashamed of — we lost the vote, yes, and in terms of its repercussions in the Church, and its implications for the Catholic faith and order we claim, I think that was disastrous; but we fought hard, and we fought fair, and we did the very best we could with very limited resources.

In the second place, we lost a battle, not the war. Minneapolis did not "decide" anything in any definitive sense, but only in the local and temporal sense in which any provincial synod can claim to act. Questions like the ordination of women are not decided by majority votes (especially such narrow majorities as obtained at Minneapolis); they are decided by a consensus of Catholic opinion obtained and manifested over a period of time — sometimes centuries of time.

In other words, the debate continues; time and (one would hope) the Holy Spirit will make evident who is right and who is wrong. And those of us who have serious and grave doubts about women's ordination have a moral duty to continue to express these doubts and to witness, in both word and deed, against what we cannot accept in deepest conscience. The question, however, is, How?

That's where all these meetings come in: most of us are in the process of finding out where we are now, and where the Minneapolis decision has left us. There have been a lot of local meetings, which your clergy have faithfully attended, but I have been involved in two others at a far remove from New York which were, in various ways, of considerable significance. All of this has taken an enormous
amount of time, and most of us wish we could get on with other parts of the Lord's work (lest the outside world think that this issue is the sum and total of our religion!); but this is, nonetheless, the issue we have been faced with in our time, and in attempting to deal with it I think both the recent meetings I have been at have been eminently worthwhile.

The first trip was to Montreal — up and back in one incredibly busy Saturday — where the Canadian Church, though entirely separate and autonomous from ours, is facing similar problems (their first women were ordained as "priests" on 30 November). I had been invited to address the annual National Council meeting of the Council for the Faith, a Canadian group not entirely analogous to anything here, but representing a focus for Anglo-Catholic concerns and action. I spoke for about an hour (!) to a large group containing representatives from Council for the Faith chapters from all across Canada. Like us, our Canadian counterparts are beset by confusion, and by doubts about the right courses of action for the future.

The burden of my speech was a call to patience and a commitment to witness for our beliefs from within our respective national Churches. Essentially, I examined the alternatives, which are Rome, Eastern Orthodoxy, and "Continuing Anglicanism" (i.e., an Anglican splinter group). For various reasons, I found all these alternatives wanting: Rome, for example, presents in the doctrine of the Infallible Papacy a problem of principle at least as difficult as women's ordination, and besides is beset by so much current inner confusion and division itself that it seems to offer little "refuge" for distraught Anglicans; Orthodoxy, for all its beauty and its treasures of spiritual truth, is nonetheless so wedded to its ethnicity that that very fact reduces its catholicity in Western eyes (i.e., one must still become — in spite of recent efforts to overcome the situation — a Russian or a Greek or a Syrian in order to become Orthodox); and "Continuing Anglicanism", far from preserving a "pure" Catholicism, bears all the marks of exclusivity and sectarianism which characterized the ancient schism we call Donatism (which caused St Augustine, amongst others, so much trouble) — such a narrowness is hardly "Catholic", and is, indeed, a contradiction in terms; and such a narrow base of appeal — i.e., of a sect whose only raison d'être is the non-ordination of women (though usually coupled with an almost idolatrous devotion to the 1928 Prayer Book and a rigid moralism) — will find itself, one fears, to have little appeal beyond its own inner circle, and I predict for such a body a half-life of a generation before it dies out or dwindles to inconsequence.

I also attempted to present, in terms reminiscent of the article in December's AVE (1976), positive reasons why I thought it possible for a Catholic Anglican, in principle, to remain in this time being in association with a Church which has taken a serious wrong turn: the Church is compromised by the Minneapolis decision, no doubt — an admitted and grave anomaly has been created — but it is not the nature of Catholicism to vanish in a night, and it is far better to fight to reverse the wrong decision, either canonically or (more likely) practically, than it is to abandon the ship as unsalvageable and so to ensure its sinking.

Anyway, the good people in Canada seemed to find my words helpful for the most part (though by no means all necessarily agreed with everything I said!), and I'm glad I went: this issue is no longer a local affair, after all, and is becoming an inter-Anglican problem; certainly we need to stand together and share our resources, such as they might be.

The tensions I discerned in the Council for the Faith were between those who thought (as I do) that we must, at least for the present, remain within the Anglican Church, and those who feel that we have been so compromised and contaminated that the only thing we can do with integrity is to get out. These same tensions surfaced again at my second meeting, held at our sister Church of the Ascension in Chicago over the 1st and 2nd of December (in sub-zero temperatures!). This meeting was called by Bishop Gaskell of Milwaukee, and was hosted by the Rector, Father Edwin A. ("Greg") Norris, Jr, whom many at St Mary's know; it was co-sponsored by CAM and by the Catholic Clerical Union, of which Father Garfield is the National President (and I of the New York branch). Well over two hundred people were present, from all across the country, including some fifteen bishops (with many more sending word of their support), many priests and lay people, men and women, deacons and nuns. We had two good days of speeches and discussion — including a fine address by Bishop Terwilliger (much along the lines of his sermon in the November, 1976, AVE), another good one by Bishop Folwell of Central Florida, and a brilliant sermon by Bishop Atkins of Eau Claire, who also chaired the sessions.
We opened and closed with the Eucharist, concelebrated in each case by three of the bishops (Bishop Montgomery of Chicago presided on Wednesday, and it is perhaps significant that Bishop Reeves of Georgia, President of the American Church Union, was a concelebrant on Thursday). In between, we concentrated primarily on discussing a proposed Plan of Action. It was during this discussion that it became apparent that a well-organized minority (as eventually became clear) would not sign any document containing the words "within the Episcopal Church", and most of the discussion, including some flashes on both sides of acrimony, centered on this point, either directly or obliquely. On Thursday morning, however, a much-edited Plan of Action, revised by the bishops and others during the night in the light of the day's discussion, was presented in final form; after some further discussion — including a head-on attack on the controversial clause ("within the Episcopal Church") — the assembly confirmed by an overwhelming voice vote that the document substantially represented its mind. It is too long to reproduce its contents here, but after a preamble reaffirming our commitment to Catholic faith and order (including the apostolic priesthood as we have received it), we called for the formation of an "ecclesial entity" to work within the Episcopal Church for the restoration of Catholic norms. Discussion made it clear that this was to be a loose association of bishops, dioceses, parishes, and individuals — not a "counter-structure" — which would concentrate on devotional life, theology, liturgy, education, strategy, constitution and by-laws, finances, and, if need be, litigation. A further meeting in May will work this out in greater detail.

The bishops present then gave out "An Evangelical and Catholic Covenant" they had themselves drawn up — simply affirming, in general but definite terms, the bases of our commitment as Catholic Churchmen in the light of our present crisis. This document was the bishops' own — i.e., it was not presented for general discussion — but all were invited to sign who felt they could. This was done — an intense and moving spectacle — during the Offertory at the closing Mass; one by one we filed up — the great majority of those present — and affixed our names. And as the Mass drew to a close, there was an enormous feeling throughout the congregation of solidarity and uplift and the presence of God — a heartening occasion indeed.

J.P.B.

UNHAPPY DIVISIONS

LOST CAUSES have always fascinated both the dilettante and the serious historical student. The deaths of Mary Stuart and her grandson, Charles I, for example, or the defeats of the Old and Young Pretenders in 1715 and '45, all lead to intriguing but generally fruitless conjectures on what might have happened had the tables been turned. For that reason — and also because of what we are facing in the Anglican Communion today — we can profit by studying the history and the eventual fate of the Non-Jurors. They were the Anglican divines who separated themselves from the "Publick Communion" of the Church of England rather than take the oath of allegiance to William and Mary after the Glorious Revolution of 1688 — the overthrow of James II; and the later generation who refused to abjure his son, the "King over the water", in 1701 and 1715. They made (as Bishop Wand calls his little book about them) The High Church Schism.

Though their swearing or non-swearing was a political division, the Non-Jurors' motive was, of course, religious. Can a good Christian forswear himself even if he has sworn allegiance to a bad king? The religious principle was threefold: divine right of kings, non-resistance to bad kings, and passive obedience, at most, of kings to whom allegiance may not be given conscientiously. Our consciences would not hurt if we renounced and resisted a bad ruler: to do so might be a religious duty, as we understand it. But the Non-Jurors could not: and they lost their livings as parish priests, and even deanships and bishoprics, for conscience' sake. Even the Archbishop of Canterbury, William Sancroft, left his cathedral and his palaces — though he maintained his claim to office — kept his integrity and returned to his native village in Suffolk, lived many years there in Fressingfield, died and was buried in the corner of the south porch in a tomb that says he preferred to keep his honour to his office. One other bishop whose name is so well remembered for his hymn-writing, Thomas Ken, to whom we owe "The Doxology", was taken into the household at Longleat, in the corner of his former diocese of Bath and Wells, and maintained his dignity in quiet protest against usurpers of his see. And in the later generation of Non-Jurors, there is a name known to Anglicans for his Serious Call to a Devout and Holy Life, that of William Law. He gave up a promising career at his college in Cambridge, and when he did, this is, in part, what he wrote to his brother: "I have
sent my mother such news, as I am afraid she will be too much concerned at, which is the only trouble I have for what I have done. My prospect indeed is melancholy enough, but had I done what was required of me to avoid it, I should have thought my condition much worse. The benefits of my education seem partly at an end; the same education had been most miserably lost, if I had not learnt to fear something more than misfortune. I expected to have had a greater share of worldly advantages than what I'm now likely to enjoy, but am fully persuaded that if I am not happier for this trial it will be my own fault. Your kindness for me may perhaps incline you to wish I had done otherwise, but as I think I have consulted my best interest by what I have done, I hope upon second thoughts you will think so too. I shall conclude as I began with desiring you to say as many comfortable things as you can to my mother."

Philosophical, saintly man he was — a model for us today.

Not so gentle and easy to accept deprivation were others whose names and reputations are less secure; they had to struggle to maintain the apostolic succession outside the established Church. Without it, how could there be sacraments? Without them, how could the congregations be nourished and fed? So they consecrated bishops — even, secretly, two for America: George Keith for Philadelphia and John Talbot for Burlington, New Jersey. His church of 1702 stands there to this day. But the last of the Non-Juring bishops, Charles Boothe, who worked weekdays making clocks in Manchester, moved to Ireland where he died in 1805. With him ended the succession of Non-Juring bishops and congregations in England.

A parallel succession in Scotland never died out, however, and out of it comes the Scottish Episcopal Church and, as every American Episcopalian should know, Samuel Seabury. Consecrated in an upper room in Aberdeen, where Episcopalians met for fear of the Presbyterians and the Hanoverian government, Seabury was welcomed because he would carry to America not only the apostolic succession but the Scottish liturgy. Its influence upon our American Prayer Book is seen in the Eucharist, in the Prayer of Consecration. There, in the Epiclesis or Invocation of the Holy Spirit upon the gifts of bread and wine, is seen, in turn, the influence upon the Non-Jurors of their study of the ancient liturgies — what they took for the most ancient (though they are not) — the liturgies of the Churches of the East. To strive to restore the Epiclesis to the liturgy (or, as my study would conclude me to say) introduce one, was the promise made willingly by Seabury before he was consecrated. The concordat signed by him and the Scots bishops hangs in the library of the General Theological Seminary, given by the later generation of the Seabury family that taught there. It is a reminder, like the pages of the Prayer Book, of what we American Episcopalians owe to the Scottish Non-Jurors. They lived outlaws' lives, in hiding during the Jacobite risings and thereafter for some years, though by 1784, when Seabury was consecrated, they had little to fear. While they worshipped in hiding, however, they revived the reservation of the Sacrament, carrying it from house to house in the congregation, since not more than five could assemble together lawfully. They called it "the Altar coming to them" — a nice name for Reservation.

That is one Primitive Christian practice they gained or regained for us. There are others, though for these we must give special credit to the English Non-Jurors and their Communion Office of 1718. It was the work of Jeremy Collier and Thomas Brett of the English succession, with the Scotsman, Archibald Campbell. Its significant features, restoring Primitive practice, came to be known as the Usages and those who fought for them the Usagers. These usages were fourfold: 1) mixture of some water with the wine in the chalice; 2) an oblation of the Eucharistic gifts; 3) an invocation of the Holy Ghost upon them; and 4) prayer for the faithful departed. The last point was won by bidding prayer for the whole state of Christ's Church without including "militant here in earth" (added by Cranmer in 1552 to cut out remembrance of the departed) and, sometimes by adding the specific commendation Cranmer had in his First Prayer Book of 1549. The oblation and invocation in the Eucharistic prayer, we know (substantially the same) from ours as Seabury brought it over to us (though the Invocation reflected the Receptionist doctrine of the 18th century High Churchmen). The first point was accomplished simply by mixing in some water at the offertory (or before the whole service if the priest tried to be rigidly rubrical). All these usages, now, are accepted; then, they were points to be fought for and against — and thereby hangs a tale.

For if the liturgy that had come down to them from the Established Church was changed, even in little points, was it the same liturgy the Non-Jurors were sworn to conform to? And if they did not keep their ordination oath to conform to the Established Church's liturgy, could they claim that they, instead of those who abjured the King over the water and swore allegiance to an usurper, were the true
Church of the land? Or, put the other way round, renouncing an imposed kingship and impostor king, were they to take advantage of their liberty and improve their liturgy in expectation of the day and they would be accepted again as unswervingly Christian?

They did not live to see such a day. What they did, however, lives on in the worship of every part of the Anglican Communion—except, of course, the Church of Ireland, where acceptance of things Catholic is slow to come.

What they did was not done in a day. It was not done, even, by the first generation of the Non-Jurors. Not until Queen Anne was dead and German George put onto her throne and hope lost of restoring James from across the water, did the Non-Jurors suppose the time had come to make changes. For then, there was no longer reason to claim that they were unchanged and unchangeable in particulars of Church of England practice. Then, they could be the Primitive Catholic Christians they had always claimed to be. But they did not carry the world with them. They in fact died out, though their influence lived on. And even while they continued to exist as little congregations meeting in off-streets and as they could find a priest to celebrate, the Non-Jurors were themselves divided by these usages into Usagers and, as the others were called, Non-Usagers.

Between Non-Jurors and the Established Church, feelings ran high. Here is how Bishop Wand describes it: "Just after the '45 the Non-Jurors published a volume of letters in which rancour against the National Church reached its strongest expression. It was pointed out with extreme bluntness that no schismatic can hope to enter heaven and it was asserted that the clergy of the establishment were guilty not only of schism but also of heresy and of 'immoral' worship. These of course were old charges and they may have been repeated now with increased vehemence in order to sustain the courage of those who felt they were on a sinking ship."

So, the Non-Jurors wasted an opportunity for clear teaching while the Established Church languished for it. How could they give it, having left the Established Church or, as they would claim, having been left out of it, alone, as the true and pure Church?

Which things, if not quite an allegory, at least contain and should convey to us warning in our unhappy divisions.

D.L.G.
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1. Sa. THE HOLY NAME OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST
   *High Mass 12 noon*

2. Su. CHRISTMAS II

3. M.

4. Tu.

5. W. Vigil

6. Th. THE EPIPHANY OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST
   *Evening Prayer 5:30*
   *High Mass with Procession 6*

7. F.

8. Sa. *Of our Lady*

9. Su. THE BAPTISM OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST
   *High Mass with Procession 11*


11. Tu. Requiem

12. W. St Benedict Biscop, Abbot of Wearmouth, 690

13. Th. St Hilary, Bishop of Poitiers, 367

14. F. St Kentigern, Bishop of Glasgow, c. 600

15. Sa. *Of our Lady*

16. Su. EPIPHANY II

17. M. St Antony, Abbot in Egypt, 356

18. Tu. THE CONFESSION OF SAINT PETER THE APOSTLE

19. W. St Wulstan, Bishop of Worcester, 1095

20. Th. St Fabian, Bishop & Martyr of Rome, 250

21. F. St Agnes, Martyr at Rome, 304

22. Sa. St Vincent, Deacon of Saragossa & Martyr, 304

23. Su. EPIPHANY III

24. M. St Francis de Sales, Bishop of Geneva, 1622

25. Tu. THE CONVERSION OF SAINT PAUL THE APOSTLE

26. W. SS. Timothy & Titus, Companions of St Paul

27. Th. St John Chrysostom, Bishop of Constantinople, 407

28. F. St Thomas Aquinas, Priest & Friar, 1274

29. Sa. *Of our Lady*

30. Su. EPIPHANY IV

31. M. King Charles the Martyr, 1549 (Tr.)

MUSIC FOR JANUARY

JANUARY 1—HOLY NAME
   *Missa Kyrie cum jubilo* ................................................ Plainsong
   *Tui sunt coeli* ....................................................... Carlo Carnerian (19th century)
   *Verbum caro factum est* ........................................... Darius Milhaud (1922-1975)

JANUARY 2—CHRISTMAS II
   *Missa Ich stund an einem Morgen* ............ Jacob Handl (1515-1591)
   *Dum silentium* ....................................................... Guillaume Bouzignac (c. 1610-1640)
   *Hodie Christus natus est* ........................................ Francis Poulenc (1899-1963)

5:30 p.m.
   Vincent Stadlin, organ

JANUARY 6—THE EPIPHANY OF CHRIST
   *Missa de Angelis* ..................................................... Gilles Binchois (1400-1460)
   *Cruelis Herodes* ...................................................... Francisco Guerrero (1528-1599)
   *Magi viderunt stellam* ............................................. Tomás Luis de Victoria (1549-1611)

JANUARY 9—THE BAPTISM OF CHRIST
   *Missa Queramus cum pastibus* ................. Gasparo Alberti (c. 1480-1560)
   *Quem vidistis* ......................................................... Francis Poulenc (1899-1963)
   *Magi videntes* ......................................................... Laurus Patavus, c. 1530

5:30 p.m.
   Norman Linscheid, organ

JANUARY 16—EPIPHANY II
   *Missa Brevissima* ..................................................... Nicholas Jackson, 1965
   *Jubilate Deo omnis terra* ......................................... Guillaume Bouzignac (1610-1640)
   *Quem vidistis pastores dicite* .................................. Francis Poulenc (1899-1963)

5:30 p.m.
   Norman McNaughton

JANUARY 23—EPIPHANY III
   *Mass in D minor* ..................................................... Marc-Antoine Charpentier (1634-1704)
   *Bone Pastor* ............................................................ Charpentier
   *O taste and see* ...................................................... Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958)

5:30 p.m.
   Michael Thompson, organ

JANUARY 30—EPIPHANY IV
   *Missa Brevissima* ..................................................... Benjamin Britten (1913-1976)
   *Rejoice in God* .......................................................... Britten
   *O sacrum convivium* ................................................ Olivier Messiaen, 1908

5:30 p.m.
   Vincent Stadlin, organ

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