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OUR LADY, QUEEN OF HEAVEN is pictured behind the high altar, reigning in glory among angels. The saints are Anselm, John, and Dominic, noted for their devotion to her. The picture was executed after the medieval style in the studios of Henry Wynd Young.

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My dear People:

“And it came to pass, while he blessed them, he was parted from them, and carried up into heaven.”

from the Gospel, Ascension Day

“And when he had said this, he breathed on them, and saith unto them, Receive ye the Holy Ghost.”

from the Gospel, Pentecost

For various reasons, May's *AVE* will reach some of your homes in June this year, and I hope you will be patient with us here in our tardiness with this issue. Likely as not, Ascension Day and Pentecost will be close at hand as you read these pages, hence the quotes from the gospel readings for those days at the beginning of this letter to you. And what words of comfort and strength they bring to us! Ascension Day speaks to us of man's incorporation into the very life of the Godhead. In his return to heaven, Jesus took nothing less than redeemed humanity into the life of the Blessed Trinity. Our human nature, purged and restored to its true loveliness by the Cross, is brought home to God by the Saviour of the world. That is the significance of Jesus' Ascension, and we are perhaps better able to understand it now that the Church has incorporated the Ascension and Pentecost into the season of Eastertide. Because, as we all know, Easter is the queen of feasts, and the true focus of all Christian rejoicing. It is the Risen Lord who ascends to the Father. And it is the Risen Lord who commissions his disciples and prepares them for

the gift of the Holy Spirit. It is thus in the power and triumph of his resurrection that Jesus brings our humanity into heaven, and that he sends his Holy Spirit to strengthen and sustain his Church. In our new liturgical calendar we behold the Ascension and Whitsunday through the prism of Easter — and what a wonderful sight they are! And so the paschal candle is now extinguished after Evensong on Pentecost. There is a unity to this perspective which is attractive to us. See it for yourselves this year as the Resurrection is fulfilled at Pentecost: Christ's life, risen and ever new, is mediated to the Church through the power of the Holy Spirit.

And of course Easter continues to be at the heart of our worship during these weeks of April and May here at St. Mary's. As Holy Week approached, New York was faced with one of its continuing crises, this time in the form of another transit strike. And, predictably, on Monday of Holy Week all busses and subways ceased to operate. We had announced beforehand that Saint Mary's schedule would be maintained, no matter what, and we were as good as our word. We were also experiencing some feelings of trepidation as the week unfolded. Mass attendance was down on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday, and we held our breath as the end of the week approached. And then it happened. Beginning with Tenebrae on Wednesday night, and continuing right through our Procession, Solemn Evensong, and Benediction on Easter night, every one of our services was attended every bit as well as in previous years. People walked or took cabs, and one man hiked from Park Slope in the Prospect Park section of Brooklyn across the Brooklyn Bridge and on up through Manhattan in order to be Received by Bishop Dennis at the Easter Vigil on Holy Saturday night. New Yorkers are certainly a breed apart! And for myself, I could not have been more proud of our people. Easter has been, and remains, a glorious proclamation of the power of our Risen Lord here at St. Mary's. We thank God daily for the witness of this parish, and for its fidelity to its vocation. My prayer for each of you is that Easter has found you faithful as well, and filled with the joy of Christ's own new life.

Affectionately in Him,

EDGAR F. WELLS

SOME THOUGHTS ON RENEWAL

With Central Park redolent of wisteria and Riverside awash in cherry blossoms, it seems perverse to recall dreary March with Lent and leaden skies and not even a crocus in view. But March was when renewal arrived at St. Mary's, you will remember, brought as the subject of a three day preaching mission by a circuit riding bishop from the Northwest Territory to the unlikely outpost of West 46th Street.

Turning resolutely from a number of interesting questions hanging on this circumstance, let's consider renewal, the mission theme, for a moment. What might renewal mean for this parish if we take it seriously on either a personal or communal level? Renewal, as a generality, is the aim for which St. Mary's was founded, after all. Renewal is what Anglo-Catholicism modestly offers a largely unheeding Christendom. Renewal is what the sacraments publicly offer and what privately we seek in the *prie-dieux* of our individual hearts. Renewal is a talismanic concept carried around the world by the gospel. Renewal is what Christ offered the decadent world of Caesar and Caiaphas. Renewal is the torch of Christmas and Easter; so of course it is easier to consider what it might mean for us at St. Mary's now, in Eastertide, than it was in March, when the topic was raised while we were uncomfortably aware of erosion, decay, and shortcomings, of leaks and cracks in the physical and social and rational structures we inhabit. Easter coincides with a particularly gracious and pleasant renewal, the return of spring, which we expect as a repetition of other springs, but experience as unique and unrepeatable. There will be spring again; but *these* brave daffodils, *this* pale unfurling leaf can happen only once — like each of us.

Renewal is what we want to have happen to us, to change painlessly into truer and finer versions of ourselves, without sudden dislocations or surprises. Renewal, however, is what happens to crocuses, battering through the ice into the chill and gritty wind of a sunless day, to make their passionate acclamation out of the detritus of winter. Even so, chancy and painful as it may turn out to be, renewal is still a wonderful idea. We could renew St. Joseph's Hall or

the Mission House, for instance. To see Times Square renewed beyond recognition, starting with West 46th Street, would be a good beginning for St. Mary's bicentennial.

Anglo-Catholic renewal (the complete mission theme) has grander, more cabalistic, even political undertones, at once attractive and scary. It is one thing to be a repository of the liturgical and theological treasures of a living faith, quite another to be the hapless inheritor, responsible for all the accrued liabilities of the whole Catholic Church. Physical renewal is easier to handle than spiritual renewal even on a corporate level, it seems. Personal renewal is hardest. Personal change is more threatening than any other kind. If I become so renewed as to be altogether acceptable to God, would there be anything left for me to recognize? Or, to turn renewal outward, if I cannot see Christ in the familiar outcasts of St. Mary's neighborhood, do I need renewed vision or renewed neighbors? And where would such a transformation lead? What does renewal mean for St. Mary's? Do we turn our broom outward or inward?

St. Mary's in its physical aspect seems entirely disconnected from the world. One kind of renewal, indeed, is the detachment and security offered by the very existence of that potently vaulted space, aiming you like a released arrow from the street to the altar. But our corporate reality is severely bound by the realities of the day-to-day world. The woes and ills of this parish are very worldly ones. Our crises do not seem to me failures of faith so much as circumstances of this bootless and chaotic time. So, in our inward (spiritual) aspect another sort of renewal connects us inevitably with the world. What St. Mary's has to share is a joyful faith, a hope much needed by the world. What would happen to this parish if renewal took fire from its hearth? Would we, becoming acceptable, no longer recognize ourselves? Faith requires more than repositories of tradition and understanding. Faith requires courageous crocuses to endure sturdily through eclipses and batterings of chance and indifference to herald a promised time. If renewal were to become a renaissance of magnitude, starting unexpectedly in small ways, on West 46th Street perhaps, it would not be a return to some remembered time of former glory. You can't go back to God. God is ahead. And

tradition, like faith, is living and growing by the creative skill and care and love of each generation. Renewal of whatever sort, on whatever scale, means change.

Much as we resist the idea of change, stasis, a holding action, is not a viable alternative for this parish. In practical terms, the world around us cannot be ignored. If physical renewal signifies to the world around us how we feel about St. Mary's and about ourselves, indicates a certain hope for this community, then perhaps physical renewal is in order. To make the world acceptable for all the people of God is one way to aim at the coming of the Kingdom, is it not?

I do not see any particular indication that renewal in this parish will bring about remarkable events in this city or in the world. I don't believe such considerations matter. Whether we are living through the death throes of technological civilization, or the predawn of the true Christian age, or merely the withering away of Manhattan, the only way to proceed is in the best St. Mary's tradition, with torches and banners, singing into the apocalypse. Is this renewal?

Nancy E. Sartin

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MUSIC FOR MAY—JUNE

May 4 – FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Missa Sancta Cecilia Charles Gounod (1818-1893)

May 11 – SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Missa Brevis Karl Maria von Weber (1786-1826)

May 15 – ASCENSION DAY

Deuxieme Messe Charles Gounod (1818-1893)

May 18 – SUNDAY AFTER THE ASCENSION

Messe Solennelle Gioacchino Rossini (1792-1868)

May 25 – PENTECOST

Mass in C Ludwig van Beethoven (1770-1827)

May 30 – VISITATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

Missa de Angelis Mode V

June 1 – TRINITY SUNDAY

Messe in E-moll Anton Bruckner (1824-1896)

June 8 – FEAST OF CORPUS CHRISTI

Messe Solennelle McNeil Robinson, 1976



PARISH NOTES

In spite of the difficulties of transportation brought on by the transit strike, Saint Mary's celebrated the great events of Holy Week and Easter with her usual solemnity and glory. Parishioners and friends found often ingenious ways of getting to West 46th Street, and attendance at these services remained high. The music was also maintained at Saint Mary's high standards, especially the Gesualdo and Allegri at Tenebrae, and the Schubert Mass in F on Easter Day.

A high point in the parish preparation for Holy Week was a quiet day, conducted by Sister Mary Angela of the Community of Saint Mary, on the Saturday before Lent V. These quiet days are held at Saint Mary's about four times a year.

Again this year, the Church of the Transfiguration joined Saint Mary's in sponsoring a program on the Fridays of Lent. After the usual service of the Stations of the Cross and Benediction, a series of chancel plays were read in Saint Joseph's hall. Written by Father Leo Melania, these presented such stories as the wedding feast at Cana, Jonah and the whale, and the parables of the prodigal son and the lost coin.

Our annual episcopal visitation occurred at the Easter Vigil, when Bishop Walter Dennis preached and celebrated, and confirmed and received thirteen new members of Saint Mary's. After the vigil, the members of the parish received Bishop Dennis – and celebrated the coming of Easter – at a party in the Rectory.

At the May Festival this year, to be held on May 4, Father George Hillman, Curate at All Saints Church, Dorchester, Massachusetts will preach, and the Men and Boys of the All Saints Choir will sing. As in the past, this will be a service of Evensong, Procession, and Benediction.

Guest preachers at Saint Mary's in May include Father Carleton Sweetser, Senior Chaplain at Saint Luke's Hospital in New York on Easter V; Father William Lawson, Rector of the Church of the Annunciation of Our Lady, Waukegan, Illinois on Ascension Day; and Father Donald Shearer, Rector of the Church of the Holy Communion, Paterson, New Jersey on the Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary.



FRIENDS' PRAYER

O ETERNAL GOD, whose glory is in all the world: Look upon that house of prayer for which we now pray, and accept our thanks for the tabernacle of thy presence in the midst of the city. To priests and people seeking to serve thee there, give that faith which built it and such favour as may keep it strong. Let friends join to tell, and all who pass by rejoice to see, that in that place thou wilt give peace, through him who is our peace, thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

IT'S THE MARY MARY MONTH OF MAY

What in the World does that mean? The Mary Mary Month of May, indeed! More's the pity, in the world it means not much. But then, the world cannot even comprehend the more usual form "The Merry, Merry, Month of May" either.

Merry, May, Mary. All are of one piece to those who are in Christ. The month of May, the virginal sweet month of soft showers and May flowers, for centuries has been known to us as Mary's Month. Catholics are celebrating people. The kalendar and the calendar are riotous rounds of feast and fast through which we recollect the joy the father gives us in our creation and our redemption. In them we live the fact of our life, our death, and our resurrection through the Lord Jesus Christ.

In the world one grows old. In the Body of Christ one lives a great cosmic NOW. In that now world you and I entered through rebirth into the Kingdom of Christ we celebrate all that was, all that is, and all that will be. There is no past event, just as there are no dead saints. Bethlehem, Bethany, Calvary and the road to Emmaus are now – fully as much so as Broadway or Main Street. Christians ought always to stand back in amazement at the unreality of life without the triune God and his kingdom. How did the world ever get that way? The absurdity of it!

We celebrate, we who live in the world but who are not of the world. At the offertory of the Mass we pray "Grant that we may be partakers of the Divine nature of him who was partaker of our Manhood." The Father does not withhold the granting of that prayer until some future time. You and I are in Christ now. With his living saints we join together in him, new creatures whose home is heaven but whose job is right here now on earth. A certain type of film producer specializes in horror movies about aliens from outer space. The humor of it is that Christians are the aliens to the producer's world, but the producer has the story line wrong: We are here in the world not to destroy, but to say "Grace be unto you and Peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ."

I started out to restrict myself in this article to Mary Month. What more can be said than to repeat with the Church that the Mother of my Lord is my Mother. As he is flesh of her flesh, she is the New Eve of the new creation. How can I not love and cherish her? The month of May is a lovely month, made lovelier still by the name it bears. Worthy it is of the crown it wears. Foolishness to the world, but the world grows old. To us May Month is the soft dew of the womb of the morning, our offering and our celebration of the Blessed Maid who said 'yes' to God and gave us life and the love of life.

J.L.S.



EXCERPTS FROM HENRY ADAMS' *Mont-Saint-Michel and Chartres:*

The Virgin was never cheap. Her great ceremonies were as splendid as her rank of Queen in Heaven and on Earth required; and as her procession wound its way along the aisles, through the crowd of her subjects, up to the high altar, it was impossible then, and not altogether easy now, to resist the rapture of her radiant presence. Many a young person, and now and then one who is not in first youth, witnessing the sight in the religious atmosphere of such a church as this, without a suspicion of susceptibility, has suddenly seen what Paul saw on the road to Damascus, and has fallen on his face with the crowd, grovelling at the foot of the Cross, which, for the first time in his life, he feels.

* * *

The inhabitants of Chartres have combined to aid in the construction of their church by transporting the materials; our Lord has rewarded their humble zeal by miracles which have roused the Normans to imitate the piety of their neighbours. . . . Since then the faithful of our diocese and of other neighbouring regions have formed associations for the same object; they admit no one into their company unless he has been to confession, has renounced

enmities and revenges, and has reconciled himself with his enemies. That done, they elect a chief, under whose direction they conduct their waggons in silence and with humility.

Who has ever seen! — Who has ever heard tell, in times past, that powerful princes of the world, that men brought up in honour and in wealth, that nobles, men and women, have bent their proud and haughty necks to the harness of carts, and that, like beasts of burden, they have dragged to the abode of Christ these waggons, loaded with wines, grains, oil, stone, wood, and all that is necessary for the wants of life, or for the construction of the church? But while they draw these burdens, there is one thing admirable to observe; it is that often when a thousand persons and more are attached to the chariots — so great is the difficulty — yet they march in such silence that not a murmur is heard, and truly if one did not see the thing with one's eyes, one might believe that among such a multitude there was hardly a person present. When they halt on the road, nothing is heard but the confession of sins, and pure and suppliant prayer to God to obtain pardon. At the voice of the priests who exhort their hearts to peace, they forget all hatred, discord is thrown far aside, debts are remitted, the unity of hearts is established.

(A letter from Archbishop Hugo of Rouen to Bishop Thierry of Amiens)

Of course, the Virgin was actually and constantly present during all this labour, and gave her assistance to it, but you would get no light on the architecture from listening to an account of her miracles, nor do they heighten the effect of popular faith. Without the conviction of her personal presence, men would not have been inspired; but, to us, it is rather the inspiration of the art which proves the Virgin's presence, and we can better see the conviction of it in the work than in the words.

Henry Adams' *Mont-Saint-Michel and Chartres*

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FROM THE PARISH REGISTER CONDITIONAL BAPTISM

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

April 6 — John William Britt

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"Grieve not the Holy Spirit, whereby ye were sealed unto the day of redemption."

April 6 — Imogen Hawthorne Howe

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April 6 — Larry R. Green

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

February 13 — John Edward Lund II

February 21 — Brice Linville

March 31 — Laurence Philip Jessen

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"My flesh shall rest in hope."

Mrs. Joan Nash Isaac

Mrs. Mae Hopkins

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CALENDAR FOR MAY

1. Th. SAINT PHILIP AND SAINT JAMES, APOSTLES
2. F. St. Athanasius, Bishop of Alexandria, 373
Abstinence dispensed
3. Sa. Invention of the Holy Cross
4. Su. EASTER V
Evening Prayer 4:45
May Festival, 6
5. M. *Requiem*
6. Tu. St. John before the Latin Gate
7. W.
8. Th. Dame Julian of Norwich, c. 1417
9. F. St. Gregory of Nazianzus, Bishop of Constantinople, 389
Abstinence dispensed
10. Sa. *Of Our Lady*
11. Su. EASTER VI
Litany in procession after Evensong
12. M. ROGATION DAY
13. Tu. ROGATION DAY
14. W. ROGATION DAY
15. Th. ASCENSION DAY
Evening Prayer 5:30
Solemn Mass with Procession, 6
16. F. *Abstinence dispensed*
17. Sa. *Of Our Lady*
18. Su. EASTER VII (SUNDAY AFTER ASCENSION DAY)
19. M. St. Dunstan, Archbishop of Canterbury, 988
20. Tu. St. Alcuin, Deacon & Abbot of Tours, 804
21. W. *Requiem*
22. Th.
23. F. *Abstinence dispensed*
24. Sa. Jackson Kemper, First Missionary Bishop in the United States, 1870
25. Su. THE DAY OF PENTECOST
Solemn Mass with Procession, 11
26. M. St. Augustine, First Archbishop of Canterbury, 605
27. Tu. *Requiem*
28. W. EMBER DAY
29. Th.
30. F. EMBER DAY
Masses 8:00 & 12:10
Evening Prayer 5:30
SOLEMNITY OF THE VISITATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN
Solemn Mass with Procession, 6
31. Sa. The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

SERVICES

SUNDAYS

- Morning Prayer 10:30 a.m.
 Mass 8:00, 10:00 a.m., and 5 p.m.
 Family Mass & Church School 9:00 a.m.
 Solemn Mass with Sermon 11:00 a.m.
 Evensong and Benediction 6:00 p.m.
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- Morning Prayer 7:40 a.m. (11:45 a.m. Saturdays)
 Mass daily 8:00 a.m.,* 12:10 and 6:15 p.m.
**Except Saturdays*
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- DAILY, 12:40
 FRIDAY, 5-6 p.m.
 SATURDAY, 2-3 and 5-6 p.m.
 SUNDAY, 10:30 - 10:50 a.m.

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- May 4 – Easter V, Merriman & Malvina Casey
 May 11 – Easter VI, Hugh McEdwards & Elizabeth Frank
 May 15 – Ascension Day, Ethelyn May Garfield
 May 18 – Easter VII, The Sunday after Ascension Day, Christian & Ada Troutwine, Martha Viola Schaefer
 May 25 – Pentecost, George Martin Christian & Joseph Gale Hurd Barry, Priests & Rectors; Charles Moran
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