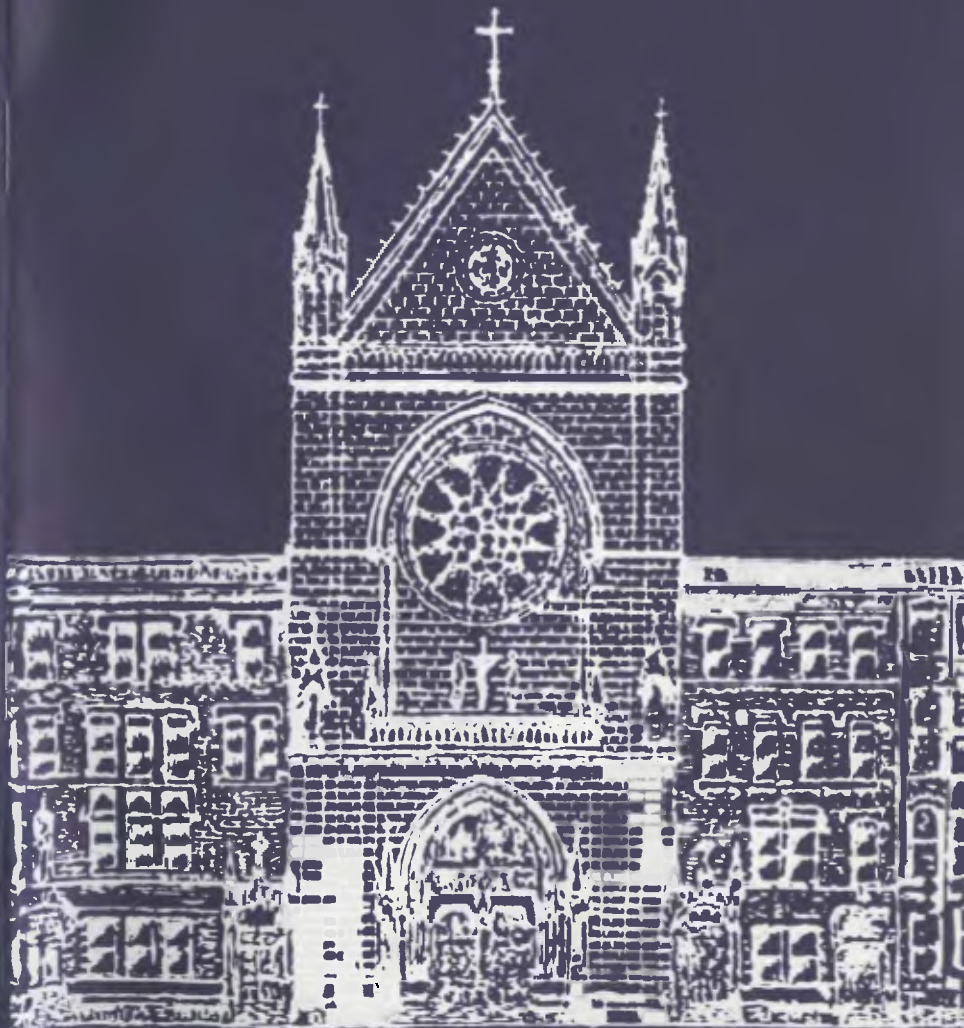


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SUNDAY

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| Morning Prayer | 8:40 am |
| Masses | 9:00, 10:00 am, and 5:00 pm |
| Sunday Adult Class | 9:45 am |
| Solemn Mass with Sermon | 11:00 am |
| Evening Prayer | 4:45 pm |

WEEKDAYS

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| Morning Prayer | 8:30 am |
| Noonday Office | 12:00 |
| Daily Mass (except Sat.) | 12:15 and 6:15 pm |
| Saturday | 12:15 pm |
| Evening Prayer (except Sat.) | 6:00 pm |
| Saturday | 5:30 pm |

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

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| Saturday | 11:30-12:00 noon (Parish Clergy) 1-1:30 pm (Parish Clergy) |
| Sunday | 10:30-10:50 am (Father Wells) |
| Major holy days | 5:30-5:50 pm (Father Wells) |
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Epiphanytide, 1990

My dear People:

As I begin this letter I feel compelled to express my apologies to all of you for the lateness with which the last two issues of AVE have been arriving in your homes. Our November-December issue was tardy simply because of the strain imposed on a small office staff during the initial work in our Centennial Restoration campaign last fall. In a great effort to regain promptness, the work in our January-February issue was completed just in advance of our deadline, only to be held up for five weeks because of personnel problems at our printers. That issue should have been in your homes before the New Year. On January 1st our printer still had not returned the completed copy which was proof-read and approved for printing on December 19th. Needless to say it has been a source of frustration to some of you, but one of utter exasperation where we are concerned. We have appreciated our relationship with our present printers for some years, and we hope that it can continue. The promptness with which the March-April issue reaches your homes, having been prepared for the printers well in advance of our deadline, will dictate what our future plans in this regard will entail. In the meantime please be patient. Our intention is to provide you with AVE on a bi-monthly basis, regularly and at predictable intervals. We will solve this problem, I promise you.

And of course I write you now during the Church's great penitential season. It is a time when St. Mary's is never at a loss to provide sufficient opportunities for the deepening and extension of our spiritual lives. And as always for Catholics, the season of Lent begins

and ends in the confessional. This is a time for self-examination. But more than this, it is a time for utter honesty, and for an acceptance of the Church's discipline in our lives where our spiritual growth is concerned. Not my private notions of discipline, not an individualistic and isolated road home to God, but rather the road given to us by the Church, and strengthened by centuries of practice. In my years at St. Mary's my awareness has been sharpened considerably in a matter that some of us began to observe many years earlier on. That matter has to do with the collapse of Catholic practice at two very basic levels within the life of our Church – our absolute commitment to eucharistic worship Sunday by Sunday without fail; and not least the frequency of our confessions, and of our use of the Sacrament of Reconciliation. The day is gone when we can assume fidelity on the part of large members of people where these matters are concerned. A new generation of Catholic Anglicans is emerging, and from my own admittedly biased point of view it seems to me that we are once again at the point where we began. We have a teaching job to do, and it exists at the basic level of what it means to belong to the Church, and therefore to a community of faith and practice. I frankly do not pay much attention to the public image of the Episcopal Church in our society today. But I care deeply and passionately about the teachings of that Church, and about our commitment to a common life and discipline that are the same today as they always have been. And I know that it is in parishes like St. Mary's that we have the best chance of expressing and implementing them once again. And all of this, I believe, is what we are about as we follow Jesus through another Lenten season, and as we emerge from the realm of our own darkness and isolation into the full glory of his new life and resurrection. Lent and Easter are, it seems to me, a reflection of the common experience of all human life. Except that they are more. For it is only in the Christian life that darkness can be understood for what it is, that it can be faced, and that it can be put to rest. Just as it is only in the Christian life that true happiness, true renewal, and final wholeness can be achieved. God's grace is a marvelous gift. It is the avenue along which we are traveling home to God.

As many of you know, six months ago I had the incredible experience of visiting Poland, and of seeing in that country the evidence

of a Christian witness that has survived horrors about which we have only read. At one point in my trip I visited the infamous death camp at Auschwitz, a place that I believe should be on the required itinerary of anyone who would understand the world in which we live. And in that camp I located the death cell of St. Maximilien Kolbe, a Franciscan priest canonized over a year ago who voluntarily submitted to starvation to save the life of another prisoner. What I could not visit was the actual site of the death of another Christian, Blessed Edith Stein, a Carmelite nun and German Jew whose ashes are mingled with those of millions of others under the grass of a great field at Auschwitz-Birkenau. My visit there was a numbing experience but my memory retains four clear pictures of what I saw there. The first was an immense room, piled high with the tattered and empty suitcases of the condemned people who were brought there. The second was another room of equal size, and in it were literally thousands of human hair pieces, removed from prisoners after they had died. Horror, shame, utter depravity: that there could be a good God, and goodness in the world, seemed beyond the stretch of my imagination as I looked at those scenes.

But it was the last two of the pictures I've retained that made the difference for me, and that made this pilgrimage to a terrible place at least partially a source of hope. The first was a group of Norwegian high school students who had come to Auschwitz with their teachers, and who brought huge wreaths of flowers to lay in the dormitory where Norwegian prisoners had been held. As I looked at them, I wondered how many of them had lost relatives or friends in the hell that was Auschwitz.

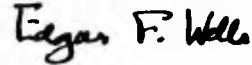
The last of my remembered pictures is still the cell of Father Maximilien Kolbe, with its paschal candle standing in the center of what time and again had been a scene of death. That candle symbolizes everything that makes it possible for me to be writing you these lines this morning. There is hope in this world, despite the most horrid scenarios that we are capable of creating, and that hope is Jesus' Christ. How transparently simple such a statement seems, and yet how profoundly true it is. This Lent you and I are following Our Lord and Master once again to Calvary. There are many calvaries in this world, but his is the one that makes the difference. My prayer for each one of us is that we may accept the calvaries of our lives by plac-

ing them at the foot of Jesus cross. There is the healing each one of us seeks.

There is the joy that only Easter can confirm.

God bless you richly this Holy Week and Easter!

Faithfully and Affectionately,



Edgar F. Wells

CONFESSIONS DURING HOLY WEEK

Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday (April 9, 10 & 11) 5 – 6 PM.....
 Father Wells
 Maundy Thursday (April 12) 5 – 6 PM..... Father Lawler
 Good Friday (April 13) 3 – 5 PM..... The Parish Clergy
 Holy Saturday (April 14) 11 – 12 Noon Bishop Montgomery
 4 – 5 PM..... The Parish Clergy
 Easter Day (April 15) 10:30 – 11:00 AM Father Wells

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 Forty-sixth Street, New York City, [here state the nature or amount of the gift]:

CALENDAR FOR MARCH

- 1 Th Lenten Weekday (David, Bishop of Menevia, Wales, c. 544)
- 2 F Lenten Weekday (Chad, Bishop of Lichfield, 672) *Abstinence*
Stations of the Cross & Benediction, 7 PM
- 3 Sa Lenten Weekday (John & Charles Wesley, Priests, 1791, 1788)
- 4 Su THE FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT
- 5 M Lenten Weekday
- 6 Tu Lenten Weekday
- 7 W EMBER DAY (Perpetua & her Companions, Martyrs at Carthage, 202)
- 8 Th Lenten Weekday (John of God, Religious)
- 9 F EMBER DAY (Gregory, Bishop of Nyssa, c. 394) *Abstinence*
Stations of the Cross & Benediction, 7 PM
- 10 Sa EMBER DAY (The Forty Martyrs of Sabaste, 4th Century)
- 11 Su THE SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT
- 12 M Gregory the Great, Bishop of Rome, 604
- 13 Tu Lenten Weekday
- 14 W Lenten Weekday
- 15 Th Lenten Weekday
- 16 F Lenten Weekday *Abstinence*
Stations of the Cross & Benediction, 7 PM
- 17 Sa Patrick, Bishop and Missionary of Ireland, 461
- 18 Su THE THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT
- 19 M SAINT JOSEPH
- 20 Tu Lenten Weekday (Cuthbert, Bishop of Lindisfarne, 687)
- 21 W Lenten Weekday (Thomas Ken, Bishop of Bath and Wells, 1711)
- 22 Th Lenten Weekday (James DeKoven, Priest, 1879)
- 23 F Lenten Weekday (Gregory the Illuminator, Bishop and Missionary of Armenia, c. 332) *Abstinence*
Stations of the Cross & Benediction, 7 PM
- 24 Sa Lenten Weekday
- 25 Su THE FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT
- 26 M THE ANNUNCIATION OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST
TO THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY (transferred)
Procession & Solemn Mass, 6 PM
- 27 Tu Lenten Weekday (Charles Henry Brent, Bishop of the Philippines, and of Western New York, 1929)
- 28 W Lenten Weekday
- 29 Th Lenten Weekday (John Keble, Priest, 1866)
- 30 F Lenten Weekday *Abstinence*
Stations of the Cross & Benediction, 7 PM
- 31 Sa Lenten Weekday (John Donne, Priest, 1631)

CALENDAR FOR APRIL

- 1 Su THE FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT
 2 M Lenten Weekday (James Lloyd Breck, Priest, 1876)
 3 Tu Lenten Weekday (Richard, Bishop of Chichester, 1253)
 4 W Lenten Weekday (Isidore, Bishop & Doctor)
 5 Th Lenten Weekday (Vincent Ferrer, Priest)
 6 F Lenten Weekday *Abstinence*
Stations of the Cross & Benediction, 7 PM
 7 Sa Lenten Weekday (John Baptist De La Salle, Priest)
- 8 Su THE SUNDAY OF THE PASSION: PALM SUNDAY
 9 M Monday in Holy Week *Masses at 8, 12:15 & 6:15*
 10 Tu Tuesday in Holy Week *Masses at 8, 12:15 & 6:15*
 11 W Wednesday in Holy Week *Masses at 8, 12:15 & 6:15*
SERVICE OF TENEBRAE, 7 PM
 12 Th MAUNDY THURSDAY
Morning Prayer, 8:30 AM Evening Prayer, 5:30 PM
SOLEMN MASS & PROCESSION TO THE ALTAR OF REPOSE, 6 PM
(Father Wells)
 13 F GOOD FRIDAY *Strict Fast & Abstinence*
Morning Prayer, 8:30 AM Evening Prayer, 6 PM
SOLEMN LITURGY & PREACHING OF THE PASSION, 12 Noon
(Father Wells)
Stations of the Cross, 6:15 PM
 14 Sa HOLY SATURDAY
SOLEMN VIGIL, 6 PM (The Rt. Rev'd James Winchester Montgomery)
- 15 Su THE SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION, or EASTER DAY
FIRST MASS OF EASTER & EPISCOPAL VISITATION, 8 PM Saturday
The Rt. Rev'd James Winchester Montgomery, Preaching & Celebrating
PROCESSION & SOLEMN PONTIFICAL MASS, 11 AM
(Bishop Montgomery)
SOLEMN EVENSONG, PROCESSION & BENEDICTION, 4 PM
 16 M MONDAY IN EASTER WEEK
 17 Tu TUESDAY IN EASTER WEEK
 18 W WEDNESDAY IN EASTER WEEK
 19 Th THURSDAY IN EASTER WEEK
 20 F FRIDAY IN EASTER WEEK
 21 Sa SATURDAY IN EASTER WEEK
- 22 Su THE SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER
 23 M George, Martyr, c. 303
 24 Tu
 25 W SAINT MARK THE EVANGELIST
 26 Th
 27 F *No Abstinence*
 28 Sa *Of Our Lady*
 29 Su THE THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER
 30 M

He really knows St. Mary's. And so, when Father Lang came back to us last December for our Feast of Title, his sermon that night reflected deep insight into where St. Mary's has been, and what we continue to be. We print that sermon here in joyful thanksgiving for its author.

ON THE FEAST OF TITLE

(A bit of history, a look-around, and a glimpse into the future!)

This glorious celebration, and our joyful presence here tonight, are made possible because, in 1867, in the words of your Father Founder himself, "The result of several conversations between Mr. Kingsland Leonard and the Rev'd Thomas McKee Brown, concerning the establishment of a Free Church in this City of New York, to be worked upon a thoroughly Catholic basis, was the receiving advice from the Bishop, who pointed out the locality where such a church would be most likely needed."

Father Brown adds: "Upon a clear, cold and windy afternoon of November, 1867, the two gentlemen above named started upon a tour of inspection to find out a suitable position." They found it, and here we are!

What an exceedingly modest, simple, concise and low-keyed description this is of what, in reality, was a tremendous venture of faith, a heroic trust in Divine guidance and direction, and the foreshadowing of a promise richly to be fulfilled.

What a non-partisan, non-self-congratulatory act this was, non-judgmental of the persuasions, convictions, or even prejudices of others! Just, simply, this is what we would like to do! And, behind it all, of course, sustaining and directing the whole project, the modesty, the tact and the mighty power of the personality of this first parish priest and pastor.

And all of it, with the Bishop's blessing, a Bishop who believed that there was a place for Saint Mary's and a place where it was needed. And every bishop of New York from that day to this has felt the same way. Saint Mary's has been blessed in its bishops!

I do not know why Father Brown chose this particular day for the Patronal Feast Day, or Feast of Title. We do know that he became rector on this 8th Day of December, and the parish came into legal

existence 121 years ago this past Sunday. Surely, it was out of love for Our Lady and perhaps because there were so few churches dedicated to her, but probably mostly to bring Mary back to the Episcopal Church, and the Church back to Mary!

The New York Herald reported that the good bishop who preached the sermon at the Dedication service, while avoiding the extravagant worship of Roman Catholics (whatever that may have meant) asserted that "it is a fair presumption that her (Mary's) selection for high honor of being the Virgin Mother of God was an indication of her preeminent sanctity among women". Strong words for a bishop in 1870!

And so tonight without stint, without need to explain, justify or defend, we sing forth our loving praises to our Blessed Mother, with all our hearts, with deepest gratitude to those who placed us here under her patronage and protection, in this place which is called by her name.

"Mary the dawn, Christ the Perfect Day!
 Mary the gate, Christ the Heavenly Way!
 Mary the root, Christ the Mystic Vine!
 Mary the grape, Christ the Sacred Wine!
 Mary the wheat, Christ the Living Bread!
 Mary the stem, Christ the Rose blood-red!
 Mary the font, Christ the Cleansing Flood!
 Mary the cup, Christ the Saving Blood!
 Mary the temple, Christ the temple's Lord!
 Mary the shrine, Christ the God adored!
 Mary the beacon, Christ the Haven's Rest!
 Mary the mirror, Christ the Vision blest!
 Mary the mother, Christ the Mother's Son!
 All things blest while endless ages run. Amen."
 (R.C. Liturgy of the Hours, Common of BVM)

Whatever it took to prepare Our Lady for this, God did it for her. Call it by whatever name you will, this is what this Feast Day is all about. The name matters not. As one of my distinguished colleagues at 53rd Street and 5th Avenue once put it — "it wasn't unimmaculate, was it?" No, it was wondrous beyond all telling, and this Mary's Feast Day because, first, it is God's Feast Day.

We began as a parish, because there was a place for us, and a place where we were needed, as the bishop and our founding fathers agreed. And as inevitably our thoughts turn to the future, I would submit to you that what was true of us at the beginning, is just as true for us today, and will be in the future, just as much so, and perhaps for new and other reasons.

In this connection, some words of Father Barry, our third Rector, written 57 years ago, have an amazingly contemporary significance, and point the way to the future.

Father Barry said that when he came here in 1909, "two things were indicated as fundamental...the first was that in all teaching and preaching the emphasis should be on the spiritual life of the individual; that the Christian Religion is before all things, not a creed, not a ceremonial, but a life; that creeds and ceremonial are of no sort of value except as they aid in the expression of that life and symbolize it.

He said, "The second fundamental principle was that the outward expression of devotion through ceremonial and music should be carried to the greatest possible perfection".

And he added that at the time he came here, "Saint Mary's claim that owing to circumstances, it could and intended to set an example to the Church of what Catholic worship ought to be. It was more than a parish; from its situation and its reputation, it influenced the whole American Church."

Can you think of anything that the Episcopal Church needs more to know, and that Saint Mary's could teach it, at this very uncertain time in its history? The Christian Religion is about a life to be lived, and a God who is to be worshipped in wonder, love and praise, through Jesus Christ our Lord! And all of this, taken for granted, but in these days must be spelled out, all of this is in the context of a caring community, which is essential to true Catholicism. The changing Church needs the solidity, the balance, the certain Faith and the experience represented in the long life of a place such as this which has pursued its straight steadfast course.

Saint Mary's is an old hand to much which is still so new in the Episcopal Church.

One no longer has to come to off-Times Square for outward and visible Catholic privileges, but there is nevertheless an indefinable, indescribable certain something about Saint Mary's which is unique — it's a meeting with the *Mysterium Tremendum*. The very building cries out, "Glory to God in the highest". It makes one convinced that "Saint Mary's must always be here". May it be, with God's gracious assistance, Our Lady's prayers, and our hearts' devotion, generosity and commitment!.

ALTAR FLOWER MEMORIALS

March 25 - LENT IV (Laetare Sunday)

Gertrude Schrage
William Falk Schrage

March 26 - ANNUNCIATION

Emma and Willard Headley

April 12 - MAUNDY THURSDAY

Albertine Russell

April 15 - EASTER SUNDAY

Grieg Taber, Priest and Rector

April 22 - EASTER II

Evelyn Kirby Chapman

April 29 - EASTER III

Albert Augustus Buytendorp
Howard Wm. David McCart
Helen Renton Orvis McCart
Mildred Werner Larsen

MAY THE SOULS OF THE FAIHFUL DEPARTED REST IN PEACE
AND MAY LIGHT PERPETUAL SHINE UPON THEM

ALTAR FLOWER MEMORIALS may be given by anyone who desires to do so, and at any time except the seasons of Advent and Lent (save for Advent III and Lent IV). It is permissible to give flowers on the same Sunday or weekday when other commemorations are being made. Should you care to share in this work, please phone our parish secretary on any weekday between 9 am and 4 pm: 212-869-5830.

EASTER



1990



HOLY SATURDAY, APRIL 14, 6:00 pm
SOLEMN VIGIL AND VISITATION BY
THE RT. REV'D JAMES WINCHESTER MONTGOMERY
NINTH BISHOP OF CHICAGO

and

FIRST MASS OF EASTER

Sermon: Bishop Montgomery
Missa de Sancta Maria Magdalena
— Healey Willan

THE SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION
(Easter Day)

LOW MASSES: 9 & 10 am, & 5 pm

PROCESSION AND SOLEMN PONTIFICAL MASS

11:00 am

Sermon: Bishop Montgomery

Missa Solemnis: W. A. Mozart
Rise Heart (Mystical Songs)
Ralph Vaughan Williams

3:30 pm Organ Recital, John Wonner, N.Y.

4:00 pm PROCESSION, SOLEMN EVENSONG
AND BENEDICTION

Magnificat & Nunc Dimittis — Nancy Sartin
O Sahutaris — Richard Funk
Ave Verum — Everett Titcomb
Laudate Dominum — Kyler Brown
Tantum Ergo — Jackson Hill
Stetit Angelus — Frank Santo

MUSIC FOR MARCH AND APRIL

- March 4 (Lent I) 11:00 am
Miss Brevis No. 1 in Eb Healey Willan
Anthem: Let Nothing Ever Grieve Thee Johannes Brahms
- March 11 (Lent II) 11:00 am
Missa "Pater Noster" G. P. da Palestrina
Anthem: Try Me, O God James Nares
- March 18 (Lent III) 11:00 am
Missa Brevis, Op. 50 Kenneth Leighton
Anthem: Greater love hath no man John Ireland
- March 25 (Lent IV) 11:00 am
Messe Johannes Brahms
Motet: Laudate Dominum quia benignus G. P. da Palestrina
- March 26 (The Annunciation of Our Lord Jesus Christ to the Blessed Virgin Mary)
 5:30 pm Organ Recital Renée Barick, N.Y.C.
 6:00 pm Procession and Solemn Mass
Missa Brevis in G Major Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart
Motet: Ave Verum Mozart
- March 28 Concert: The Tallis Scholars — 8:00 pm
 Peter Philips, Director. Vocal Music of the Spanish Renaissance including the *Requiem* by Tomas Luis de Victoria
 For information call 212-921-2939
- April 1 (Lent V) 11:00 am
Mass in F Major Harold Darke
Motet: Hear My Cry Howard Boatwright
- April 8 (Sunday of the Passion: PALM SUNDAY) 11:00 am
Mass: The Western Wind John Shepherd
Motet: Hosanna to the Son of David Kyler Brown
Motet: Pueri Hebraeorum vestimenta T. L. de Victoria
Motet: Ingrediente Domino Emmanuel Cardoso
Motet: Christus factus est Felice Anerio
Anthem: Improperium McNeil Robinson
- April 11 (SERVICE OF TENEBRAE) 7:00 pm
Tenebrae Responsories T. L. de Victoria
Motet: Miserere mei, Deus Gregorio Allegri
Canticle: Benedictus with fauxbourdon by Ludovico Viadana

MUSIC FOR MARCH AND APRIL

- April 12 (MAUNDY THURSDAY) 6:00 pm
Mass Plainsong
- April 13 (GOOD FRIDAY) 12 Noon
Reproaches de Victoria
Motet: Crux fideles Clemens non Papa
- April 14 (HOLY SATURDAY) 6:00 pm — SOLEMN VIGIL AND FIRST MASS OF EASTER.
Missa de Sancta Maria Magdalena Healey Willan
- April 15 (THE SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION — EASTER DAY) 11:00 am
 PROCESSION AND SOLEMN PONTIFICAL MASS
Missa Solemnis W.A.Mozart
Motet: Rise Heart (Five Mystical Songs) R. Vaughan Williams
 (St. Mary's Orchestra)
- 3:30 pm ORGAN RECITAL John Wonner, N.Y.C.
 4:00 pm PROCESSION, SOLEMN EVENSONG AND BENEDICTION
Magnificat and Nunc Dimittis Nancy Sartin
Motet: O Salutaris Hostia (1976) Richard Funk
Motet: Ave Verum (1937) Everett Titcomb
Motet: Laudate Dominum (1990) Kyler Brown
Motet: Tantum Ergo Jackson Hill
Motet: Stetit Angelus Frank Santo
- April 22 (EASTERN II — LOW SUNDAY) 11:00 am
Missa in simplicitate Jean Langlais
Motet: If You Love Me Daniel Pinkham
- April 29 (EASTER III) 11:00 am
Missa Secunda Hans Leo Hassler
Motet: Cantate Domino Hassler
- 3:00 pm CONCERT — CHOIR OF ST. MARY THE VIRGIN
 Kyler Brown — Music Director
Missa Pange Lingua Josquin Desprès
Five Mystical Songs Ralph Vaughan Williams
 Mark Wagstrom, baritone; Bari Mort, piano; Lorenz Maycher, organ. For information call: 212-921-2939.

PREACHERS IN MARCH & APRIL

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| March 4 | Lent I | Father Jackson |
| March 11 | Lent II | Father Lawler |
| March 18 | Lent III | Father Wells |
| March 25 | Lent IV | Father Lawler |
| March 26 | Annunciation - 6 PM | Father Wells |
| April 1 | Lent V | Father Jackson |
| April 8 | Sunday of the Passion | Father Wells |
| April 12 | Maundy Thursday - 6 PM | Father Wells |
| April 13 | Good Friday - 12-3 PM | Father Wells |
| April 14 | Easter Vigil - 6 PM | |
| The Rt. Rev'd James Winchester Montgomery | | |
| April 15 | Easter Day | Bishop Montgomery |
| April 22 | Easter II | Father Lawler |
| April 29 | Easter III | Father Wells |

OUR PARISH RETREAT

St. Mary's Convent Peekskill, New York
 from 6 PM Friday, March 9
 until
 2 PM Sunday, March 11
 cost: \$70 Capacity: 18 Retreatants
 Conductor: — Father Wells

To Register: phone Kevin Farley at 869-5830 and/or send check in the amount of \$70 to Kevin at our parish office, making it payable to Saint Mary's Convent

A LENTEN QUIET DAY

| | |
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| Saturday, March 31 | 11 AM to 4 PM |
| 11 AM | Morning Prayer |
| 11:30 | Meditation |
| 12 | Noonday Office |
| 12:15 | Mass |
| 1 - 2 | Lunch (Coffee provided) |
| 2 | Meditation |
| 3 | Meditation |
| 3:45 | Benediction |
| Conductor | Father Lawler |

The Parish Clergy will be available for Confessions



March 28, 1990

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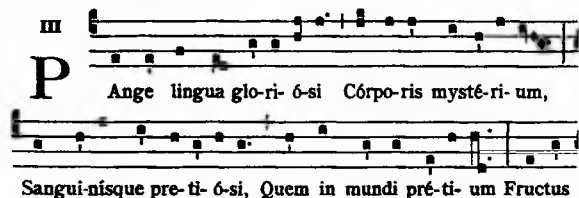
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LAY MINISTRIES AT ST. MARY'S

SAINT MARY'S GUILD

Sacred vessels and vestments are cared for by men and women working together on assigned weekends each month, and at other specified times. Of special importance is the restoration of older vestments in the parish. To volunteer, please contact one of the clergy.

THE CURSILLO COMMUNITY

A group of men and women dedicated to the building of Christian community within our parish life. Members meet weekly at various convenient times for the purpose of sharing their experience of the Christian life in small groups, and come together monthly as a larger body for common worship, adoration, and the sharing of Christian fellowship. In the strictest sense this is not a parish organization but a movement of spiritual depth, grounded in the principles and teaching of Catholic Renewal in our own day. All parishioners are welcome.

SAINT VINCENT'S GUILD

Acolytes' Guild serving at Sunday and weekday services. Those interested should speak to the clergy. Guild members occasionally serve as Readers as well.

SAINT RAPHAEL'S GUILD

Ushers at parish services: Sunday mornings and evenings, and on Feast days. Interested persons, men and women, should contact the parish office.

SAINT MARTIN'S GUILD

Tours of the church are conducted after Sunday Solemn Mass, and Guild members are trained for this special ministry. If interested, please phone Philip Dean Parker at 582-0807.

BROTHER LAWRENCE GUILD

Hosts and Hostesses in charge of refreshments after Solemn Mass on Sundays and Feast days, and at special parish meals. Interested persons should phone George Blackshire at (718) 858-5797.

REPORT ON GIFTS AND PLEDGES TO THE CENTENNIAL RESTORATION FUND

In September 1989, the Board of Trustees launched a capital campaign to repair and restore the exterior of Saint Mary's, to conserve and paint its interior, and to repair and expand the internationally-recognized Aeolian-Skinner pipe organ.

The Board is pleased to report the overwhelming response from parishioners and friends. The following report reflects gifts and pledges received through January 20, 1990:

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| From the Parish | | |
| 117 households | have pledged or given | \$315,632 |
| 1 designated gift | is in the amount of | 100,000 |
| From Friends | | |
| 77 households | have pledged or given | 31,240 |
| TOTAL pledged or given as of 1/20/90: | | <u>\$446,872</u> |

92% of all households in the Parish, who pledged to the 1990 annual stewardship drive, pledged or gave also to the Centennial Restoration Fund!

Gifts and pledges are still being received from parishioners and friends.

What's next?

1. Funding requests are being submitted to foundations, corporation and government agencies that fund historic preservation in New York City.
2. Memorials will be recorded in a special "Book of Remembrance" as respective pledges are paid in full. The "Book" will be on permanent display in the Church.
3. Engineers are embarking on a thorough study of the steel structure of the Church. Expect some scaffolding in the very near future!
4. And much more...Another update in the next AVE.

THE ANNUNCIATION OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST TO THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

Monday, March 26th

Organ Recital 5:30 PM

Procession and Solemn Mass, 6 PM

Sermon: Father Wells



Messe "Cum Jubilo"

Maurice Duruflé

Ave Maria

McNeil Robinson

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Please check within each appropriate box. This pledge may be changed by notifying the Treasurer.

Signature

Date

CHANGE OF ADDRESS?

Please check the address label on the other side of this page. If your address is incorrect, or if you plan to move, please fill in the portion below and return it to us as soon as possible.

NAME: *(Please Print)* _____

NEW ADDRESS: _____

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(No.) (Street) (Apt.)

Former Address: _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____
(No.) (Street) (Apt.)

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The Church is open for prayer and meditation
Monday-Fridays: 7 a.m. - 9 a.m., 11 a.m. - 7 p.m.
Saturdays: 11:30 a.m. - 6 p.m.
Sunday: 8:30 a.m. - 6 p.m.

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