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Morning Prayer: 8:40 am

Masses: 9 am, 10 am and 5 pm

Solemn Mass with Sermon: 11 am  
(Full Choir)

Evening Prayer: 4:45 pm

### WEEKDAYS (Monday - Friday)

Morning Prayer: 8:30 am

Noonday Office: 12 noon

Mass: 12:15 pm

Evening Prayer: 6 pm

Mass: 6:15 pm

### SATURDAY

Mass: 12:15 pm

### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday:

11:30 - 12 noon (Parish Clergy)

4 - 5 pm (Parish Clergy)

Sunday:

10:30 - 10:50 am (Fr. Wells)

Major holy days:

5:30 - 5:50 pm (Fr. Wells)

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Easter tide/Pentecost, 1995

My dear People:

There is a restaurant in New York whose name consists simply of the letters, TGIF. I have never been there, which in no way is intended as an evaluation, but friends of mine have been, and they tell me that the letters in the name actually stand for four words: "Thank God It's Friday!" And though any day will do, Friday is a favorite time for the working population to anticipate a fine weekend ahead by have lunch at TGIF.

I for my part would like to open a restaurant of my own, and I would call it TGIE, or "Thank God It's Easter." On the menu would be Greek lamb dredged in garlic and oregano, the Russian Easter bread called Pascha with its accompaniments of cheeses and eggs, and plenty of borscht and Armenian pilaf. That at least would provide the basics of things, and my Easter would be everything I hoped it would be.

All of this of course is by way of saying that Easter is here, and you and I are keeping the Great Fifty Days of the paschal feast with all the exuberance and joy that is part of our life in this wonderful parish. Christ is indeed risen from the dead - and the power of God in raising Our Lord to new life is the power of rebirth that is yours and mine in the mystery of baptism. What a marvelous Lenten series we had this year, as Father Norman Catir spoke to us of the baptismal mystery, referring to it again and again as the Sacrament of Easter. In truth you and I at baptism were plunged into the passion and death of our Saviour, and we emerged from those waters as new persons, born again into the joy and wonder of Jesus's victory over sin and death. Every year we re-live this mystery, and every year it is as fresh and new as the day we were baptized. Christ is risen from the dead! He is risen indeed, alleluia!

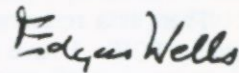
As we are all aware, our Easter joy at St. Mary's this spring is but a



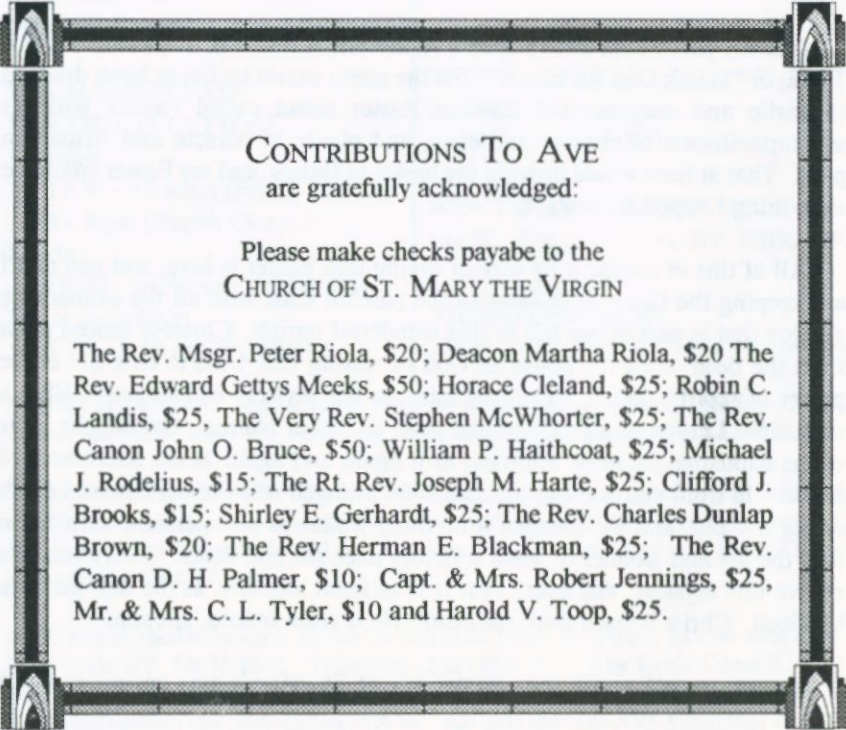
preparation for the great occasions of the centenary celebrations of the construction of this church building later this year. You will read about them in detail in my Parish Charge for 1995, printed elsewhere in this issue, but I want to remind you now of the dates you will want to keep in mind: October 7th and 8th for our Feast of Dedication with Father Victor Stock, and December 8-10 for the Feast of the Immaculate Conception, and the great Centenary Mass and Weekend with Bishop Richard Holloway. By all means also make your reservation early for our Dedication Dinner on October 7th - you will find a reservation form further on in this issue of AVE.

And so, as always, I send you this Easter greeting with gratitude and love - gratitude for the gift of redemption that we share in Jesus Christ, and love at this Easter feast as we rise with him in hope and joy.

Faithfully,



Edgar F. Wells



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## FEATURE ARTICLE

*The following sermon was preached by Father Wells on Laetare Sunday, March 26, 1995.*

### The Annual Parish Meeting

+ IN NOMINE +

By all odds Laetare Sunday is an awkward Sunday at the Church of St. Mary the Virgin - awkward because we have established the custom of holding our canonically required Annual Parish Meeting on this day each year, and awkward therefore because the preaching of the gospel is perhaps blurred by references to the state of the parish, and by the concern of your pastor that as many of you as possible - whether or not you attend our Annual Meeting - that as many of you as possible will be made aware of both the privileges and responsibilities of belonging to this congregation, and will want to share in the support of our life. And so in truth what is about to follow is both a homily for Laetare Sunday and my Parish Charge for 1995, and I ask for your forbearance as I try to bring them both together.

But at the outset let me say something that has to do neither with my charge nor with my homily, and that is to welcome the members of the choir of the Church of St. John the Evangelist, Montreal, who are providing the music at this High Mass this morning. *Soyez le bienvenu, mes amis. Vous nous faites un honneur quand vous chantez dans notre eglise.* Let me say also that we have invited the members of our visiting choir to join us for our parish brunch today, and I hope that many of you will stay, whether or not you are attending our Annual Meeting later on, in order to welcome them to St. Mary's.

And what I would like most of all this morning would be to devote the remainder of these remarks to that wonderful gospel account that the Church provides for us today - the parable of the Prodigal Son. It is possibly the best known and best loved of all gospel stories - and whether we think of the older son, loyal but bitter because of his father's perceived indulgence of his younger brother; or whether we think of that younger brother who, having squandered his inheritance appealed to his father for forgiveness and restoration; or whether indeed we think of the father himself, with his extraordinary capacity to welcome and restore his errant child - no matter what the approach is that we may take, the end result is that we see ourselves in this gospel, and most importantly of all we are given a glimpse of God as he is - infinitely kind, always forgiving, reaching out to each one of us in our loneliness, our isolation, and especially in our sin, and calling us home to himself once again. That



younger son is you and he is me: "Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; I am no longer worthy to be called your son." But his brother is me as well, and his brother is you. We have done everything we should. We have kept the commandments. But no one has ever killed a fatted calf for us, no one has ever made a feast because we have been faithful. To the contrary, it is as if we didn't exist. But the father's words to his faithful son are the same words God speaks to us: My son, my daughter, "you are always with me, and all that is mine is yours. It was fitting to make merry and be glad, for this your brother was dead, and is alive; he was lost, and is found." Our paschal season, this season that encompasses both our penitence and our joy, our paschal season is the time when the Church proclaims Christ's reconciliation of this world to God. St. Paul tells us this morning that in Christ we are a new creation; the old has passed away, behold, the new has come. "Paul says that "in Christ God was reconciling the world to himself." That is the meaning of Our Lord's suffering and death. That is the meaning of the empty tomb. And you and I through our baptisms share already in the victory of Easter.

Now I believe deeply that it is only in terms of Christ's reconciling love that you and I can make any sense of this parish whatsoever. Forget the larger Church for a moment. Forget the hierarchy. Forget our diocese. Because if we want to understand what makes this parish work, if we want to have some inkling of why we persist in our ministry in this location, then in the end we have to look at Christ and the grace he gives that enables us to continue our work in this place. Because the people of this parish, not to mention our clergy, are an eclectic lot. Very few of our people live in this community. Given the entire registered list of communicant members of this parish, very few of us know much about one another. It is a small core of people, a small and entirely devoted group of people, who make the day by day witness of the Church of St. Mary the Virgin a reality. When the cornerstone of this building was laid one hundred years ago this past December 8th the cross streets between 42nd Street and Central Park and between 6th & 7th Avenues were filled with brownstones. From those brownstones, and indeed from across the city and beyond, came a large congregation that filled this building every Sunday. Now, almost a hundred years later those brownstones are gone. Apart from our clergy, who still live above the store, as our good friend Dr. Warren Ost reminded us last fall, apart from our clergy almost no members of this parish live in this neighborhood. The local congregation, geographically speaking, is gone. Almost all of you commute to get here, and you are drawn to this place by its liturgy, by the excellence of its music, and by the theological tradition that founded and molded our life in this place. Certainly in the old days the identity that people found in parishes like St. Mary's was the particular witness of the Catholic revival as it shaped and molded those of you who are of my generation or older. We were aggressive embodiments of our tradition, and we saw ourselves as witnessing to Christ in an Episcopal Church that looked at us

somewhat askance. Our removal from the mainstream gave us both identity and strength. In the 1990's all of that is behind us. There are those who would say that St. Mary's no longer has a distinctive witness in the Episcopal Church, and one member of this parish has told me recently that I am nothing but a liberal who has reduced this parish to being just another Episcopal Church. What I would prefer to think, and what I hope is true, is that St. Mary's today is still the embodiment of the best that the Catholic tradition of Anglicanism has to offer. Mass is offered in this building 365 days a year. Confessions are heard, sins are forgiven. Men and women come to this place seeking a deeper spirituality, and yearning to commit themselves to the deeper truths of God. And in all of this we are just as we always have been. What has changed is the battleground as it existed when this parish was founded. The Episcopal Church today is largely a eucharistic community, and our awareness of our Catholic heritage is stronger than it ever has been. You may have a preference where traditional or contemporary language is concerned at mass, and that is entirely acceptable. But preferences should not be made into issues, and the real issue for us at St. Mary's is the issue of Catholic teaching and Catholic truth. It is what we believe about the Eucharist that matters, not the particular idiom through which we express that belief, or the clothing that the clergy wear. As to the matter of women priests, women who have been ordained to the priesthood have been invited here to preach, and this parish is now on record as being willing to support female aspirants if they emerge from this parish and are seeking ordination. What we have not yet done is to have female priests function sacramentally at our altars, and I have refrained from that out of respect for the small number of people in this parish who in good conscience cannot accept the sacramental ministry of such clergy. But what I would emphasize is this, and this has everything to do with the continuing role of this parish in the Catholic witness of our Church, the question where our ordinands is concerned is not a question of what gender they happen to be, it is a question of whether or not they are practicing Catholics. As Father John Gaskell said in London several years ago, if the Church of England is to ordain women to the priesthood, let them be women of Catholic conviction and Catholic practice. And that is where we presently stand on this matter in this parish. Just by saying that, I realize that for some people I am identified as a traitor to our tradition. My friends, I have long since ceased to despair about what other people think of me in this regard. If I worry, it is about our loyalty to and love for our Anglican Church. What I also realize, as younger and newer people come to share in our parish life and its traditions, is that this kind of question has no meaning for most of them. People do not care what gender the person under a chasuble happens to be. People care very much about the spirituality of their clergy. And though we begin with theological truth, it is also about spirituality that this parish concerns itself.

If after brunch this noon your commitment to, or interest in, St. Mary's



prompts you to stay on for our Parish Meeting, you will find yourselves being made aware of practical and critical areas of importance where our continuing presence in this place is concerned. At the heart of it is our ability to maintain our ministry here as we have inherited it. Would you like to know how much longer we are going to be able to afford to keep two residential clergy in this place? Come to our meeting and find out. Is it of concern to you to realize that we are already modifying our musical program this year, and that in the years to come it may have to be modified even more radically? Stay with us this afternoon and learn the reasons why. Does it surprise you if I tell you that from an economic point of view our buildings are not being used to their best advantage, and that within a few years' time we are going to have to make radical adjustments where their use is concerned? Stay this afternoon and find out why. I think that one thing you will learn is this: we are determined that this parish shall continue its witness in this place, and our presence here is of importance to us, to our diocese, and indeed to our whole Church. And it is about the future that we are attempting to concern ourselves now, in order that there may be a future for those who follow us.

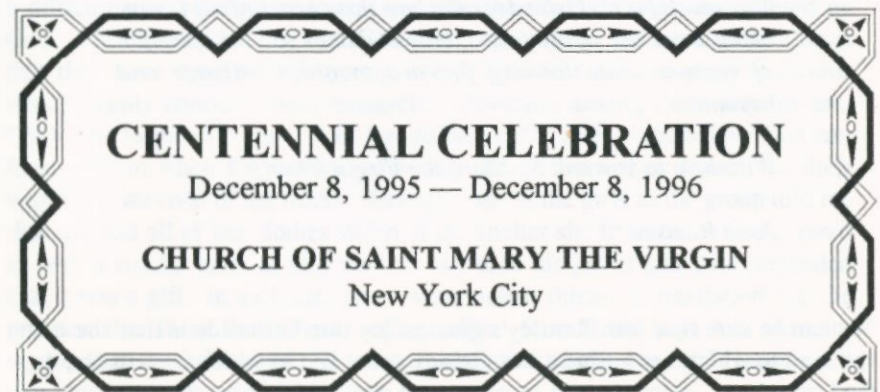
As many of you are aware, this year is the centenary year of the construction of this building. And to celebrate that event two great celebrations lie ahead of us. The first, on October 7th and 8th, is our Feast of Dedication. During that weekend our completed organ will be blessed, a parish banquet will be held, and we will be preached to by the talented Rector of the Church of St. Mary-Le-Bow in London, Father Victor Stock. The second, and the larger of the two, will be our great Mass of Thanksgiving on the Feast of the Immaculate Conception, December 8th. On that evening, exactly one hundred years after the first Solemn Mass was offered in this building, our Presiding Bishop will celebrate Mass here, assisted by the Bishops of Fond du Lac and New York, and our preacher will be +Richard Holloway, Primus of the Scottish Episcopal Church and Bishop of Edinburgh. Only one disappointment is ours in our preparations so far. The Bishop of London, who dearly hoped to be with us, wrote me three weeks ago indicating with great regret that his schedule would not permit it. I want to say one further thing about him in just a moment. But Bishop Holloway will be with us for the feast, and he will in fact spend the entire weekend here. I can promise you, we have something wonderful to look forward to.

I indicated a moment ago that I wanted to say something to you about the Bishop of London. Many of you will have read the story on him in last Sunday's New York Times involving an attempt by a radical English gay organization called OutRage! to intimidate him and to force him to admit publicly that he is a homosexual. We can well imagine that he was devastated. The Bishop's decision to call a press conference of his own, and to confront that intimidation for what it was, has somewhat taken the air out of the sails of that

organization. What needs to be said all across the Church is that that kind of behavior has no place in the Christian community. Whether it is a radical gay organization trying to intimidate a member of the hierarchy, or a radically conservative group seeking dirt wherever it can find it, and maligning clergy as such a group maligned me earlier this year, saying that I was soft on gay issues and that I had ruined this parish, this kind of behavior has to be repudiated by those of us who have the courage of our convictions, and who are attempting a ministry of true reconciliation and compassion within the Church, a ministry as important to gay people as to anyone else. This last week I wrote Bishop David Michael Hope in London, applauding his courage in the face of appalling behavior, and assuring him of our affectionate good wishes in the exercise of his ministry. And I ended with this: "I now wish more than ever," I wrote "that we could have gotten you here for December 8th next, and would be honored if at some later date you found yourself able to be with us."

May I suggest to us, ladies and gentlemen, that the real issues of our time have less to do with who is standing at the altars of our churches, or what idiom we happen to be using for our prayers, or, dare I say it, with the sexuality of our clergy, than they do with our search for truth, the generosity of our tradition, the depth of our spirituality and, as part of it all, with the respect we are meant to accord one another as common members of the Body of Christ, and with our mutual uplifting of one another in hope as children of a heavenly Father who intends that we will live with him forever in glory. And that is what the parable of the Prodigal Son is really all about. And that is why St. Paul tells us that if we are in Christ, we are a new creation. The old has passed away, he says. Behold, the new has come.

Amen.





## AN EASTER DEDICATION TO LADY JOAN RAMSEY

As many of our readers know, one of the joys of this parish's life has been the connection between St. Mary's and the 100th Archbishop of Canterbury, Arthur Michael Ramsey. It was a relationship of love and mutual admiration and it has extended since +Michael Ramsey's death to an occasional correspondence between our rector and Bishop Ramsey's widow, Lady Joan Ramsey. Father Wells was able to visit the Ramseys together during their time in Oxford, and he visited Lady Ramsey again after her husband's death. Joan Ramsey died on February 13th this year, and we have been able to offer mass for her here at St. Mary's. She had sent us a card at Christmas, telling us that though she was failing she continued to think of us with joy. We for our part remember her with great delight.

In June of 1993 Lady Ramsey wrote Father Wells a beautiful letter in which she expressed her joy in reading AVE, and her thanks for our ministry here. We would like to share it with our readers:

*My dear Father,*

*I do enjoy having "Ave" which is still sent to me. And the latest number tells me just what I wanted to know about the way to take our Church today - so many people chattering on about it but you say what I feel happily is what Michael would say - and like him, in a way I can understand! And you tell me what Fr. Gaskell says - which I'd wondered, remembering Michael would think you both good guides! So now I can feel I know (as I guessed) what Michael would say - and go happily on! I always enjoy "AVE" and thank you very much for it. Oxford (or anyhow this corner of it!) is very lucky as we are easily found and yet quiet - so I have the fun of visitors while looking forward to older still age and beyond!*

*With love to you and St. Mary the Virgin Church,*

*Joan Ramsey*

We can be sure that Joan Ramsey's greatest joy this Eastertide is that she is in the land to which her husband has already gone, and in which we will one day find ourselves. +May she rest in peace.

## SafeSpace

*The following article was written by Fr. David L. Carlson, Curate at SMV for AVE.*

March 31st marked the third anniversary of the SafeSpace program in our Mission House. SafeSpace is a project of The Center for Children and Families, a social service agency in our city. By now most of you are well aware of the good work being carried out next door, but for those of you who are not, SafeSpace is a day center for the homeless youth who flock to the mecca of Times Square. These teenagers are runaways and throwaways with most of them being in the latter category. They are simply not wanted at home, if there is a home to begin with. They come to our neighborhood to survive, either through prostitution or drugs, or both. It is a sad situation, but one of the hard realities of life on the streets of New York.

SafeSpace is just that to these children: a safe space in the midst of a cruel city. It is a place where they can receive health care, from the most basic to AIDS treatment. It is a place where they can wash their clothes, wash themselves, have a meal, receive counseling and work on a GED. There are daily workshops offering training in a variety of life skills, and there are workshops which give these children a safe environment in which to discuss their life concerns. One of these workshops is offered by me every Wednesday afternoon. I offer these teens an opportunity to discuss their spiritual lives. I give them a safe space in which to talk about God.

It is very touching for me to watch these street smart, tough kids slowly let down their defenses and reveal the children they are. Like all children they have many fears, but because their lives have been out of the accepted mainstream they fear that they are out of God's mainstream as well. They have a difficult time trusting in love, especially the unconditional love offered by God. They cannot believe that God will forgive them for some of the things that they have done in their young lives. This fear arouses many questions which deeply concern these teenagers. Principal among these worries are: "Will I be forgiven?" and "Will I go to heaven?" They wonder how God can forgive them when forgiveness is so very absent from their lives. In their world it is survival of the fittest. Recently, one of the girls in the group told me that she had all of her clothes stolen at the shelter she lives in. A boy chimed in with a similar story of how another boy took his jacket and then pretended that it was a gift. In each case there were violent threats of retaliation and the promise that these thefts were unforgivable. One of the boys told me very simply that, in their world, "If you turn the other cheek you die." Let me tell you, this is not my usual bible study group.



Even so, the fears expressed by the children of SafeSpace are not foreign to the rest of us. We fool ourselves if we deny that we too are concerned with whether or not we will go to heaven, or if we deny that forgiveness is a difficult task in our lives as well. Thankfully most of us have not, and hopefully never will, endure the challenges our young friends have faced, but we do struggle with the same life issues and crises of faith. It is a privilege for me to spend time with these young people. Frankly, they inspire me with their courage and hope in the face of so much adversity.

The logo for SafeSpace is a heart. A simple heart which suggests that the purpose of the program is more than offering social services or a place to wash or a meal. The purpose of the program is to give love to children who have no sense of being loved. In three years the love expressed within the walls of our Mission House has saved lives. This is no small task, and it is possible only through the devotion of the SafeSpace staff and volunteers. Lives have been saved because SafeSpace is helping these young people to know that they are worthy of God's love. This Eastertide may we be empowered with the love of Christ, who is mighty to save us all.

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## OUR FEAST OF DEDICATION AND THE BLESSING OF OUR COMPLETED ORGAN

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### Saturday, October 7

- 5 PM Blessing of the Organ, Solemn Evensong & Benediction, with Sermon by Fr. Stock  
6:30 PM Champagne Reception & Catered Dinner in St. Joseph's Hall \*

### Sunday, October 8

- 10:30 AM Organ Recital  
11:00 AM Procession & Solemn Mass, with Sermon by Fr. Stock

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- Sa Alcuin, Deacon, and Abbot of Tours, 804  
(com. Bernadine of Siena, priest)
- Su THE SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER  
Preacher: Father Wells  
Mass: Mass in C *Antonio Lotti*  
Motet: Give almes of thy goods *Christopher Tye*
- M ROGATION MONDAY  
Tu ROGATION TUESDAY  
W ROGATION WEDNESDAY (comm. Jackson Kemper,  
First Missionary Bishop in the United States, 1870)
- Th ASCENSION DAY  
Evening Prayer 5:30 pm Procession, Solemn Mass 6:00 pm  
Preacher: The Rev. Canon James A. Winters  
Mass: Missa "Ascendo ad Patrem" *Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina*  
Motet: He that descended *John Amner*  
Altar Flowers: Margaret H. Merle



## FEAST DAYS IN MAY & JUNE

### THE FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER (MARIAN MAY FESTIVAL)

Sunday, May 14th, 11:00 a.m.

#### Solemn Mass (CROWNING OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY)

Sermon: The Rev James Loughran, SA

Mass: Missa "Dixit Maria" *Hans Leo Hassler*

Motet: Exsultate deo *Hans Leo Hassler*

### ASCENSION DAY

Thursday, May 25th, 6:00 p.m.

#### PROCESSION & SOLEMN MASS

Sermon: The Rev. Canon James A. Winters

Mass: Missa "Ascendo ad Patrem"

*Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina*

Motet: He that descended *John Amner*

### THE DAY OF PENTECOST

Sunday, June 4th, 11:00 a.m.

#### PROCESSION & SOLEMN MASS

Sermon: Fr. Wells

Mass: Missa brevis "St. Joannis de Deo" *Joseph Haydn*

Motet: O Lord, give thy Holy Spirit *Thomas Tallis*

Solemn "Te deum" (Organ versets by Kyler Brown)

#### Evensong & Benediction 4:00 pm

Sermon: Fr. Charles Temple

Music sung by the Choir of Men and Boys

Church of the Transfiguration

Donald George, Organist & Choirmaster

## CALENDAR for MAY & JUNE

### MAY

1	M	Joseph the Worker	
2	Tu	Athanasius, Bishop of Alexandria, 373	
3	W	SAINT PHILIP AND SAINT JAMES, APOSTLES	
4	T	Monnica, Mother of Augustine of Hippo, 387	
5	F	Friday of Easter III	<i>No Abstinence</i>
6	Sa	Of Our Lady	
7	Su	THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER Preacher: Father Hamblin Mass: Missa brevis <i>Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina</i> Motet: Amazing Grace Peter Schickele Altar Flowers: Malcolm Wallace	
8	M	Dame Julian of Norwich, C. 1417	
9	Tu	Gregory of Nazianzus, Bishop of Constantinople, 389	
10	W	Wednesday of Easter IV	
11	Th	Thursday of Easter IV	
12	F	Requiem	<i>No Abstinence</i>
13	Sa	Of Our Lady	
14	Su	THE FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER (Marian Festival) Preacher: The Rev. James Loughran, SA Mass: Missa "Dixit Maria" <i>Hans Leo Hassler</i> Motet: Exsultate deo <i>Hans Leo Hassler</i>	
15	M	Monday of Easter V	
16	Tu	Tuesday of Easter V	
17	W	Wednesday of Easter V	
18	Th	Thursday of Easter V	
19	F	Dunstan, Archbishop of Canterbury, 988	<i>No Abstinence</i>
20	Sa	Alcuin, Deacon, and Abbot of Tours, 804 (com. Bernadine of Siena, priest)	
21	Su	THE SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER Preacher: Father Wells Mass: Mass in C <i>Antonio Lotti</i> Motet: Give alms of thy goods <i>Christopher Tye</i>	
22	M	ROGATION MONDAY	
23	Tu	ROGATION TUESDAY	
24	W	ROGATION WEDNESDAY (comm. Jackson Kemper, First Missionary Bishop in the United States, 1870)	
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## CALENDAR for MAY & JUNE continued

### MAY continued

26	F	Augustine, First Archbishop of Canterbury, 605	<i>No Abstinence</i>
27	Sa	Of Our Lady	
28	Su	THE SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER Preacher: The Rev. Robert V. Lott Mass: Missa Archangelus <i>Larry King</i> Motet: God is gone up <i>Gerald Finzi</i> Altar Flowers: Rocco Zito	
29	M	Memorial Day	
30	Tu		
31	W	THE VISITATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY	

### JUNE

1	Th	Justin, Martyr at Rome, c. 167	
2	F	The Martyrs of Lyons, 177	<i>No Abstinence</i>
3	Sa	The Martyrs of Uganda, 1886	
4	Su	THE DAY OF PENTECOST (Solemn Mass & Procession, 11:00 am) Preacher: Father Wells Mass: Missa brevis "St. Joannis de Deo" <i>Joseph Haydn</i> Motet: O Lord, give thy Holy Spirit <i>Thomas Tallis</i> Altar Flowers: Anicia and Philip Martin Evensong and Benediction at 4:00 p.m. Preacher: Fr. Charles Temple	
5	M	Boniface, Archbishop of Mainz, Missionary to Germany, and Martyr, 754	
6	Tu	First Book of Common Prayer (com. Norbert, Bishop, 1134)	
7	W	EMBER DAY	
8	Th	Requiem	
9	F	EMBER DAY (Columba, Abbot of Iona, 597)	<i>Abstinence</i>
10	Sa	EMBER DAY (Ephrem of Edessa, Syria, Deacon, 373)	
11	Su	TRINITY SUNDAY Preacher: Father Carlson Mass: Missa brevis <i>Jackson Hill</i> Motet: Salvator mundi <i>Thomas Tallis</i>	
12	M	SAINT BARNABAS THE APOSTLE (Transferred)	
13	Tu	Anthony of Padua, priest and doctor, 1231	
14	W	Basil the Great, Bishop of Caesarea, 379	
15	Th	Corpus Christi	
16	F	Joseph Butler, Bishop of Durham, 1752	<i>Abstinence</i>
17	Sa	Of Our Lady	

## CALENDAR for MAY & JUNE continued

18	Su	THE SOLEMNITY OF CORPUS CHRISTI Preacher: Father Wells Mass: Missa "Pange lingua" <i>Josquin Despres</i> Motet: Ego sum Panis <i>Juan Esquivel</i> Ubi caritas <i>Maurice Duruflé</i> Laudate Dominum <i>Kyler Brown</i>	
19	M	Requiem	
20	Tu		
21	W		
22	Th	Alban, First Martyr of Britain, c. 304 (comm. John Fisher, Bishop and Martyr, and Thomas More, martyr, 1535)	
23	F		<i>Abstinence</i>
24	Sa	THE NATIVITY OF SAINT JOHN THE BAPTIST	
25	Su	THE THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST Preacher: Father Carlson Altar Flowers: Thomas & Esther Kamm	
26	M		
27	Tu		
28	W	Irenaeus, Bishop of Lyons, c. 202	
29	Th	SAINT PETER AND SAINT PAUL, APOSTLES	
30	F	First Martyrs of the Church of Rome	<i>Abstinence</i>

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