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My dear People:

It seems finally as if our parish life has calmed down a bit, and that we are once again on course in the regular and methodical observance of our daily worship, and in our attention to the pursuit of a spirituality that is at the heart of our life as Christians. It has been a spectacular winter, highlighted to begin with by our extraordinary centennial Mass of Thanksgiving on the Feast of Our Lady's Conception on December 8th. A video recording of that occasion is in the process of being refined, and will be available this spring at a reasonable cost. As of this writing the sermons from that weekend have been collated and will be published in a special Centennial Issue of AVE within the next few weeks.

And of course the second highpoint of our life this winter has been the visit here on the Feast of Our Lord's Presentation of our new Suffragan Bishop, The Right Reverend Catherine S. Roskam. It was my privilege to be one of Bishop Roskam's Presenters at her Consecration on January 27th, and it has been our privilege as a parish to welcome her here for her first official act within our diocese on February 2nd. Bishop Roskam is an Associate of the Society of St. John the Evangelist in Cambridge, Ma., she is a product of the Catholic tradition within our Church, and her spirituality is flavored with the richness of the Benedictine life, as was evidenced by the care and beauty of her celebration of mass in our midst. Bishop Roskam's sermon from that occasion is included in this issue of AVE, and reflects both her and our pleasure at her presence among us that night.

Perhaps I should add that somewhere in the middle of all this our Christmas feast did indeed arrive, and was kept with appropriate solemnity. In a sense Christmas provided us with a moment of wonderful calm this year, a time of peaceful meditation on the mystery of the Incarnation. It never ceases to amaze us: God's unfathomable love for the human race caused him to become man for our sake, to take our humanity to himself, indeed to become like us in every aspect save that of sin.

And now you and I are called to enter Lent once again, and to prepare with the Church for the Queen of Feasts whose joy surpasses every other moment in our liturgical life. Lent is not a time for our spiritual self-improvement. Rather it is our time to prepare for Easter. And the deepening of your spiritual life and mine, and the exercises that accompany our Lenten observance, are very simply the road we travel as we journey towards our resurrection joy. Details of those exercises will be found elsewhere in this issue of AVE. Our task this Lent is surely to recapture the serenity of that rhythm of worship that exemplifies the life of this parish - and indeed, not only exemplifies but defines the very nature of who and what we are. For in the end it is the life of Easter joy to which each one of us is ultimately called.

*Through the Red Sea brought at last, Alleluia!
Egypt's chains behind we cast, Alleluia!
Deep and wide flows the tide
Severing us from bondage past, Alleluia!*

*Like the cloud that overhead, Alleluia!
Through the billows Israel led, Alleluia!
By his tomb Christ makes room,
Souls restoring from the dead, Alleluia!*

*In that cloud and in that sea, Alleluia!
Buried and baptized were we, Alleluia!
Earthly night brought us light
Which is ours eternally, Alleluia!*

Ronald A. Knox (1888-1957)

With prayers for Lent and our Easter feast,

Affectionately in Christ,



Edgar F. Wells

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The following Sermon was preached by The Rt. Rev. Catherine S. Roskam, on The Feast of the Presentation, February 2, 1996.

My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord,
my spirit rejoices in God my savior; *
For he has looked with favor on his lowly servant.
From this day all generations will call me blessed *
the Almighty has done great things for me,
and holy is his name.
He has mercy on those who fear him *
in every generation
He has shown the strength of his arm, *
he has scattered the proud in their conceit.
He has cast down the mighty from their thrones, *
and has lifted up the lowly.
He has filled the hungry with good things *
and the rich he has sent away empty.
He has come to the help of his servant Israel *
for he has remembered his promise of mercy,
The promise he made to our fathers *
To Abraham and his children forever.

The familiar words of Magnificat--Mary's song. The song she sang to her cousin Elizabeth, when Elizabeth was sixth months with child and Mary herself had just conceived. What unexpected pregnancies, the both of them--Elizabeth's because she was barren and old, Mary's because she was still a virgin.

In the face of this unlikely fecundity, Mary sings her song of joy and triumph, really almost a song of defiance that nothing has turned out as one would have guessed. The mighty have been cast from their throne, the lowly have been lifted up. The hungry have been filled with good things, the rich sent away empty.

Mary sounds the great theme of reversal that reverberates throughout scripture from the Old Testament to the New. From the song of Hannah in First Samuel to the oft repeated words of Jesus in the Gospels: The first shall be last and the last first. (Could he have learned the great reversal theme at his mother's knee?)

Magnificat. Mary's Song. And as of one year ago, my song too. It all started one day in January 1995 when quite unexpectedly I received a letter from the Chairperson of the Committee to Elect a Bishop, Richard McKeon, my own angel Gabriel of sorts, who announced to me that my name had been received as a possible candidate for Suffragan Bishop for Region II. The letter continued with the necessary details, but then as if sensing my reluctance to leave a much loved ministry--and far more clement weather!--the letter exhorted me to give great weight to the fact that someone had placed my name before the committee as I considered whether I might be called to this ministry.

And so I said yes.

And as the search continued and I made it past one cut after another, Magnificat began to weave itself in and out of my prayer until I took it on almost as a mantra, until that incredible day in June when I was elected and I wanted to shout magnificat from the rooftops. My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord!

Why Magnificat? Because like many other ordained women I had grown used to coming in second. I was in what you might call the second wave of women priests. We didn't face the hatred and misogyny of the first wave, but for us the discrimination was far more subtle. You could see it by tracking the alumni news. We could get jobs as assistants, but while our male counterparts followed the customary path to becoming rectors, we remained assistants, or vicars, or chaplains. We came in second in search after search, often losing to men less qualified. We were put in charge of places that no one else wanted. We became interims if we were lucky. Sometimes our credentials and gifts were recognized by Bishops who assigned us to positions of responsibility.

But lo and behold! Reversal happened. The places no one wanted began to flourish. In interim positions we learned about shepherding in transition. We who were marginalized found ourselves particularly equipped by that very marginalization to lead a church which is increasingly on the margins of society, and in transition on the edge of a new millennium.

And so to my surprise last June I did not come in second, but first. But that was not the only reversal that day, as you well know, as Fr. Wells rose at convention to support my election.

That day I sang Mary's song and I rejoiced in God my savior. Magnificat was sung at my consecration last week.

And tonight I stand before you, the first woman to celebrate eucharist in this glorious place, my first official visitation as a Bishop, and I sing it again.

My soul proclaims the greatness and power and mercy of the Lord working tonight in this place but not so much in me as in YOU.

What has happened in you, St. Mary the Virgin, that I find myself so welcome here this night?

What powerful movement of the Holy Spirit has blown this fresh wind through these walls? Was it the courage and leadership of your grace-filled rector?

Has the Spirit been working in your hearts one by one? Or arrived collectively like the tongues of flames on the apostles at Pentecost?

Whatever it was and is, tonight you are made-whole again and a painful sword is removed from the heart of your patron saint.

For before tonight she who made Christ present in the world would not have been permitted to make Christ present at your altar.

She who fed Christ the bread and wine that nourished his body could not have served you the bread and wine to nourish your souls--even though hers was the flesh and blood that became the flesh and blood that were broken and poured out for us.

Tonight Mary steps out of the icon as a real woman. She is no longer simply your idea or image of her. She has come into her own tonight. You have come into your own tonight.

For Mary is not goddess, but Theotokos, God-bearer, both in the child she carried within and in her own person, herself created in the image and likeness of God.

I trust that I will be just the first in a long line of women to take their place at this altar. And with each you honor your patron in a special way. But let me be clear about what I am saying here. I'm not saying that male priests image Christ and female priests image Mary. I'm saying that Mary and all women image Christ as men do.

Some years ago the Cathedral included in an art exhibit a certain piece of sculpture that caused a great scandal at the time. It was a crucifix with a woman on it and the artist had named it Christa. What a flap it caused! The press reported it as if the artist was trying to tell us that Christ was really a woman. What patent nonsense. Everyone knows Christ was a man. It seems to me that what the artist was trying to do was to connect the suffering of women with the suffering of Christ, which is a perfectly sound and orthodox thing to do.

What is essential about Christ on the cross is not his maleness, but his humanity. If not, then half the human race would be unredeemed. If this sounds like modern feminism, it isn't. It's Gregory of Nazianzus of the fourth century.

Had I been that artist I think my response would have been to embark on a series of crucifixes. I might make it my life's work. Only on every cross the corpus would be different -- every kind of person imaginable, especially those most despised -- and I would name every one of them Christ.

And one of them would have been of Mary, who knew the pain of the cross as only a mother can know the pain of her child. Was not this the sword that Simeon promised would pierce her heart also?

It is a sobering image and a sobering thought. Because this is not the Annunciation after all, nor the Visitation, but the Feast of the Presentation.

When Mary and Joseph as good Jewish parents came to the temple to fulfill the law, they were astonished by the joy and predictions of Simeon and Anna. And Mary's song was replaced with the song of Simeon.

Lord, you now have set your servant free to go in peace as you have promised. For these

eyes of mine have seen your salvation which you have prepared for all the world to see, a light to enlighten the nations and the glory of your people Israel.

Simeon's is a milestone song. The thing about a milestone is that first it tells you how far you've come. God's promise to Simeon has been fulfilled. But a milestone also tells you how far you have to go. Simeon foretells that this child will be a beacon of light to those outside the community and the glory of those within it.

Tonight is the feast of your presentation and of mine. We present ourselves before God. It is a milestone of how far we have come and a marker of the distance yet to travel as you become a beacon of light to Anglo-Catholics--indeed the church--worldwide and a glory to your own community.

The road ahead will not be smooth. Ahead of us we may find a sword or a cross. Followers of Christ usually do. But we will also find resurrection light. That is the light carried forth from here, not our light, but Christ's light, in all its transforming power. We know ourselves to be transformed by it this night. So let us go forth from here proclaiming the greatness of the Lord and rejoicing in God our savior. *Amen.*

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

Monday, March 25

Procession and Solemn Mass, 6 PM

Sermon: The Rev. David Tetrault

Mass: Missa festiva *Alexander Gretchaninov*

Motet: Ave Maria *Anton Bruckner*

OUR RECOMMENDATION for Lenten Reading this year: Fr. Kenneth Leech - *WE PREACH CHRIST CRUCIFIED* (available in our bookstore).

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HOLY WEEK 1996

SUNDAY OF THE PASSION: PALM SUNDAY

Masses 9, & 10 am

BLESSING OF PALMS, PROCESSION & SOLEMN MASS 11:00 am

Sermon: Father John H. Conners.

Mass - Missa "In illo tempore" *Claudio Monteverdi*

Motet - Hosanna to the Son of David *Kyler Brown*

Pueri Hebraeorum *Tomas Luis de Victoria*

Ingrediente Domino *Emmanuel Cardoso*

Christus factus est *Felice Anerio*

Improprium *McNeil Robinson*

MONDAY, TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY

Masses 8 am, 12:15 & 6:15 pm

SERVICE OF TENEBRAE Wednesday, 7:00 pm

Responsories *Tomas Luis de Victoria, Jackson Hill & Kyler Brown*

Motet - Miserere mei, Deus *Gregorio Allegri*

Canticle - Benedictus (with fauxbourdon) *Ludovico Viadana*

MAUNDY THURSDAY

Morning Prayer 8:30 am Evening Prayer 5:30 pm

SOLEMN MASS & PROCESSION TO THE ALTER OF REPOSE 6:00 pm

Sermon: Father Wells

Watch Before The Blessed Sacrament Until Midnight

Mass - Messe Modale en septuor *Jehan Alain* Motet - Ubi caritas *Kyler Brown*

Draw nigh, and take the Body of the Lord *Richard DeLong*

GOOD FRIDAY *Strict Fast & Abstinence*

Morning Prayer, 8:30 am

SOLEMN LITURGY & PREACHING OF THE PASSION

12:00 Noon (With Full Choir)

Fathers Wells, Conners & Wolsoncroft

Reproaches *Tomas Luis de Victoria*

Motet: Crux fidelis *King John IV of Portugal*

Evening Prayer, 6:00 pm

Stations of the Cross 6:15 pm

HOLY SATURDAY

SOLEMN PONTIFICAL VIGIL, FIRST MASS OF EASTER 6:00 pm (With Full Choir)

Sermon: The Rt. Rev. Walter D. Dennis

Mass - New Plainsong Mass *David Hurd*

Motet - And he shall reign as King *Larry King*

THE SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION (Easter Day)

Low Masses 9 & 10 AM

PROCESSION AND SOLEMN MASS 11:00 am

Sermon: Father Wells

Mass in G Major *Francis Poulenc*

Motet - Easter Cantata *Daniel Pinkham*

St. Mary's Choir and Brass Ensemble

4:00 pm *SOLEMN EVENSONG AND BENEDICTION (With Full Choir)*

Magnificat & Nunc Dimittis in G Major *Charles V. Stanford*

Motet - Cantique de Jean Racine *Gabriel Faure*

O Salutaris *Gioacchino Rossini*

Ave Verum *Everett Titcomb*

Tantum ergo *Maurice Durufle*

Laudate Dominum *Kyler Brown*

LENTEN QUIET DAY

Saturday, March 23, 1996

with Fr. R. Rodney Kirk, Director,

Manhattan Plaza Performing Arts Residential Center

10:45	Morning Prayer
11:00	First Meditation
12:00	Noonday office
12:15	Mass & Second Meditation
1:00	Lunch*
1:30-2:30	Confession/Counseling
2:30	Third Meditation
3:30	Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament

* Lunch today is being provided by the parish clergy. We ask that people register on the sheet provided in the church narthex, or phone the parish office: (212) 869-5830

IMPORTANT

SPECIAL CONFESSION HOURS DURING HOLY WEEK

Monday	April 1	5-6 PM	Fr. Wells
Tuesday	April 2	5-6 PM	Fr. Wells
Wednesday	April 3	5-6 PM	Fr. Wells
Thursday	April 4	5-6 PM	Fr. Conners
Friday	April 5	3-5 PM	Parish Clergy
Saturday	April 6	4-5 PM	Fr. Conners
		5-6 PM	Fr. Wells

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OUR LENTEN PROGRAM - 1996

Sponsored by The Church of St. Mary the Virgin & The Church of Transfiguration

Friday, March 1. 7:00 p.m. Stations & Benediction - at St. Mary's, 145 W. 46th St.
8:00 p.m. New York's Lutheran-Anglican Dialogue. Speaker - The Rev'd David Sellery, St. Thomas Church, New York City

Friday, March 8. 7:00 p.m. Stations & Benediction - at The Church of the Transfiguration, 1 East 29th Street
8:00 p.m. New York's Muslim-Anglican Relations. Speaker: The Rev'd Stephen C. Holton, St. Paul's-on-the-Hill, Ossining

Friday, March 15. 7:00 p.m. Stations & Benediction - at St. Mary's, 145 W. 46th St.
8:00 p.m. New York's Jewish-Anglican Dialogue. Speakers - The Rev'd William Davidson, Christ Church, Riverdale, NY and Jonathan Gellman, Esq.

Friday, March 22. 7:00 p.m. Stations & Benediction - at The Church of the Transfiguration, 1 East 29th Street
8:00 p.m. New York's Roman Catholic-Anglican Dialogue. Speakers The Rev'd James Loughran, SA, Ecumenical Officer of the Archdiocese of New York, and the Rev'd Allan B. Warren, Church of the Resurrection, New York City.

Friday, March 29. 7:00 p.m. Stations and Benediction - at St. Mary's, 145 W. 46th St.
8:00 p.m. New York Orthodox-Anglican Dialogue. Speaker - The Rev'd Canon John Backus, Church of the Good Shepherd, NYC.

SUNDAY EVENSONG & BENEDICTION - late winter & spring, 1996

4 PM - Second Sunday in Lent: March 3rd
 - Easter Day: April 7
 - Fifth Sunday of Easter: May 5
 - Trinity Sunday: June 2

CALENDAR FOR MARCH

1 F	Lenten Weekday (David, Bishop of Menevia, Wales, c. 544) <i>Stations of the Cross & Benediction, 7 PM at St. Mary's</i>	Abstinence
2 Sa	(Chad, Bishop of Lichfield, 672)	
3 Su	THE SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT Preacher: Father Conners. Music - Missa Sanctae Crucis <i>Johann Michael Haydn</i> Motet - Sancte Deus <i>Thomas Tallis</i>	
4 M	Lenten Weekday	
5 Tu	Lenten Weekday	
6 W	Lenten Weekday	
7 Th	Lenten Weekday (Perpetua and her Companions, Martyrs at Carthage, 202)	
8 F	Lenten Weekday (Edward King, Bishop of Lincoln, 1910) <i>Stations of the Cross & Benediction, 7 PM at Transfiguration</i>	Abstinence
9 Sa	Gregory, Bishop of Nyssa, c. 394	
10 Su	THE THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT Preacher: Father Wells. Music: Missa brevis in D Major <i>Everett Titcomb</i> Motet - Lass dich nur nichts nicht dauren, Op. 30 <i>Johannes Brahms</i>	
11 M	Lenten Weekday	
12 Tu	Gregory the Great, Bishop of Rome, 604	
13 W	Lenten Weekday	
14 Th	Lenten Weekday	
15 F	Lenten Weekday <i>Stations of the Cross & Benediction, 7 PM at St. Mary's</i>	Abstinence
16 Sa	<i>of Our Lady</i>	
17 Su	THE FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT Preacher: Father Wolsoncroft. Altar Flowers: Raymond Valeri Music: Missa brevis <i>Andrea Gabrieli</i> . Motet - Pecantem me quotidie <i>Cristobal Morales</i> .	
18 M	Cyril of Jerusalem, Bishop & Doctor, 386	
19 Tu	SAINT JOSEPH	
20 W	Lenten Weekday (Cuthbert, Bishop of Lindisfarne, 687)	
21 Th	Lenten Weekday (Thomas Ken, Bishop of Bath and Wells, 1711)	
22 F	Lenten Weekday (James DeKoven, Priest, 1879) <i>Stations of the Cross & Benediction, 7 PM at Transfiguration</i>	Abstinence
23 Sa	Gregory the Illuminator, Bishop and Missionary of Armenia, c 332 <i>Lenten Quiet Day with Fr. Rodney Kirk 10:45-3:30 pm</i>	
24 Su	THE FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT Preacher: Father Wells. Music: Missa quatuor vocum <i>Domenico Scarlatti</i> Motet - Stabat mater <i>Giovanni Battista Pergolesi</i>	
25 M	THE ANNUNCIATION OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST TO THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY <i>Procession & Solemn Mass, 6 PM.</i> Preacher: The Rev. David Tetrault. Music: Missa festiva <i>Alexander Gretchaninov</i> . Motet: Ave Maria <i>Anton Bruckner</i>	
26 Tu	Lenten Weekday	
27 W	Lenten Weekday (Charles Henry Brent, Bishop of the Philippines, and of Western New York, 1929)	
28 Th	Lenten Weekday	
29 F	Lenten Weekday (John Keble, Priest, 1886) <i>Stations of the Cross & Benediction, 7 PM at St. Mary's</i>	Abstinence
30 Sa	<i>of Our Lady</i>	
31 Su	THE SUNDAY OF THE PASSION: PALM SUNDAY Preacher: Father Conners. (Music - see page 19.)	

CALENDAR FOR APRIL

1 M	MONDAY IN HOLY WEEK <i>Masses at 8, 12:15 & 6:15</i>	
2 Tu	TUESDAY IN HOLY WEEK <i>Masses at 8, 12:15 & 6:15</i>	
3 W	WEDNESDAY IN HOLY WEEK <i>Masses at 8, 12:15 & 6:15</i> SERVICE OF TENEBRAE, 7 PM	
4 Th	MAUNDY THURSDAY <i>Morning Prayer, 8:30 AM Evening Prayer, 5:30 PM</i> SOLEMN MASS & PROCESSION TO THE ALTAR OF REPOSE 6 PM Preacher: Fr. Wells. (Music - see page 19.)	
5 F	GOOD FRIDAY <i>Strict Fast & Abstinence</i> <i>Morning Prayer 8:30 AM Evening Prayer, 6 PM.</i> <i>Solemn Liturgy & Preaching of the Passion, 12 Noon</i> Preacher: Father Conners, Father Wells & Fr. Wolsoncroft (Music - see page 19.) <i>Evening Prayer, 6 PM Stations of the Cross, 6:15 PM</i>	
6 Sa	HOLY SATURDAY <i>Morning Prayer & Liturgy of the Word 9 AM. Evening Prayer 5 PM</i> <i>Solemn Pontifical Vigil 6 PM.</i> (Music - see page 19.) Preacher: The Rt. Rev. Walter D. Dennis, Suffragan Bishop of New York	
7 Su	THE SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION, or EASTER DAY <i>PROCESSION & SOLEMN PONTIFICAL MASS, 11 AM.</i> Preacher: Fr. Wells <i>SOLEMN EVENSONG, PROCESSION & BENEDICTION, 4 PM.</i> (Music - see page 19.) Altar Flowers: Grieg Taber (Priest and Rector)	
8 M	MONDAY IN EASTER WEEK	
9 Tu	TUESDAY IN EASTER WEEK	
10 W	WEDNESDAY IN EASTER WEEK	
11 Th	THURSDAY IN EASTER WEEK	
12 F	FRIDAY IN EASTER WEEK	No Abstinence
13 Sa	SATURDAY IN EASTER WEEK	
14 Su	THE SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER Preacher: Father Conners. Altar Flowers: Frank Polizzi Mass - Intercession Mass <i>David Hurd</i> . Motet - Cantate Domino <i>Hans Leo Hassler</i> .	
15 M		
16 Tu		
17 W		
18 Th		
19 F	Alphege, Archbishop of Canterbury, and Martyr, 1012	No Abstinence
20 Sa	<i>of Our Lady</i>	
21 Su	THE THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER Preacher: Father Kirk. Mass - Missa brevis <i>Simon Preston</i> . Motet - Surrexit Dominus vere <i>Jachet de Berchem</i>	
22 M		
23 Tu	George, Patron of England, Martyr, c. 303	
24 W	Fidelis of Sigmaringen, priest & martyr	
25 Th	SAINT MARK THE EVANGELIST	
26 F		No Abstinence
27 Sa	<i>of Our Lady</i>	
28 Su	THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER Preacher: Father Wells. Mass - Missa Morus <i>Elliot Levine</i> . Motet - Sheep may safely grace <i>Johann Sebastian Bach</i>	
29 M	Catherine of Siena, 1380, Virgin and Doctor	
30 Tu		

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THE CONFRATERNITY OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

One of the oldest devotional guilds of the Catholic Revival, our St. Mary's Ward was the first Ward established in the American Church. Dedicated to the centrality of the Eucharist and devotion to the Real Presence of Our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament, the Guild currently meets four times a year for the purposes of study, reflection, and adoration.

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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 large body for common worship, adoration, and the sharing of Christian fellowship.

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 morning and evenings, and on Feast days. Interested persons, men and women, should contact George Handy at (212) 757-1071.

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 LAURENCE GUILD

Hosts and Hostesses in charge of refreshments after Solemn Mass on Sundays and Feast days, and at special parish meals.

SAINT MARGARET'S GUILD

A guild devoted to prayer and study, focusing on issues within the Church, with a particular concern for those involving women. Interested women should contact Vera Guarino at (718) 335-5084.

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