

The Annual Meeting of the Congregation

The Church of Saint Mary the Virgin in the City of New York

The Fifth Sunday of Easter May 7, 2023

## THE AGENDA

The Annual Meeting of the Congregation of The Church of Saint Mary the Virgin in the City of New York The Fifth Sunday of Easter, May 7, 2023

- I. Call to Order, Opening Prayer
- II. Requiescant in pace
- III. Nomination: Delegates to the 247<sup>th</sup> Diocesan Convention, Saturday, November 11, 2023, The Cathedral Church of Saint John the Divine
- IV. The Report of the Interim Rector
- V. Discussion
- VI. The Treasurer's Report
- VII. Reports Submitted to the Congregation
- VIII. Adjournment

### MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES AS OF JANUARY 1, 2022

Dr. Mark Risinger, vice president (December 2018–December 2022) Ms. MaryJane Boland (December 2018–December 2022) Mr. Steven Heffner, treasurer (December 2020–December 2024) Mr. Thomas Jayne (December 2018–December 2022) Dr. Charles Morgan (December 2021–December 2025) Mrs. J. Grace Mudd (December 2018–December 2022) Ms. Mary Robison, secretary (December 2021–December 2025) Ms. Marie Rosseels, secretary (December 2019–December 2023) Dr. Leroy Sharer (December 2019–December 2023)

#### MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2022

The Reverend Sammy Wood, president, ex officio, February 2022 Mr. Clark Anderson (December 2022–December 2026) Mr. Steven Heffner, treasurer (December 2020–December 2024) Dr. Charles Morgan, vice president (December 2021–December 2025) Mr. Dale Reynolds (December 2022–December 2026) Ms. Mary Robison, secretary (December 2021–December 2025) Ms. Marie Rosseels (December 2019–December 2023) Dr. Leroy Sharer (December 2019–December 2023)

### THE PARISH CLERGY, DECEMBER 31, 2022

The Reverend Sammy Wood, *interim rector* The Reverend James Ross Smith, *associate rector* The Reverend Dr. Matthew Daniel Jacobson, *assistant to the rector* The Reverend Canon Victor Conrado, The Reverend Dr. Peter Ross Powell, The Reverend Alison J. Turner, *assisting priests* 

#### THE PARISH MUSICIANS, DECEMBER 31, 2021

Dr. David Hurd, *organist and music director*, Mr. Lawrence Trupiano, *organ curator*.

### THE PARISH STAFF, DECEMBER 31, 2021

Mr. Christopher Howatt, *parish administrator* Mr. Harka Gurung, Mr. Marcos Orengo Roman, and Mr. Jorge Trujillo, *sextons* 

## Requiescant in pace

Give rest, O Christ, to your servants with your saints, where sorrow and pain are no more, neither sighing, but life everlasting.

Margaret Easton Isenberg, January 2022 Linda Lou Isenberg Mudd, January 10, 2022 The Reverend Canon J. Robert Wright, January 12, 2022 John Heffernan, January 2022 Dennis Smith, January 28, 2022 Fausto Ribeiro Miranda, February 19, 2022 The Reverend Dr. William Andrew Norgren, February 24, 2022 The Reverend Dr. Louis Weil, March 9, 2022 Margarita Hernandez, March 2022 Marilouise Agnone Ruane, March 28, 2022 Chun Young Shin, May 1, 2022 Robina Gurung, May 2022 John Conner, May 19, 2022 Ida Vidal, June 8, 2022 Angel Rodriguez, USN (Ret.), June 16, 2022 Surjet Kaur, July 2022 Peggy Martin, August 3, 2022 The Reverend Canon Constance Coles, PRIEST, August 10, 2022 The Most Reverend Metropolitan Kallistos Ware of Diokleia, BISHOP, August 24, 2022 Benjamin Colquett Reddick, September 4, 2022 Clayton Morris, PRIEST, October 2022 Jürgen Dorff, October 2022

## Minutes of the 2022 Annual Meeting of the Congregation of the Society of The Free Church of Saint Mary the Virgin

The Annual Meeting of the Congregation of the Society of the Free Church of Saint Mary the Virgin was held in Saint Joseph's Hall on Sunday, May 1, 2022.

The Reverend Sammy Wood, interim rector, called the meeting to order at 1:08 pm, opening with prayer. Father Wood, who chaired the meeting, appointed Ms. Mary Robison, secretary of the Board of Trustees, as recording secretary for the meeting.

Copies of the 2022 Annual Report were distributed. The 2019 minutes were distributed as part of the annual meeting materials and were approved by acclamation. (This is the first Annual Meeting to be held since the pandemic began in March 2020.)

*Diocesan Convention.* Nominated to represent the parish at the 2022 Convention of the Diocese of New York were Mrs. Grace Mudd and Ms. Mary Robison, with Dr. Leroy Sharer and Mr. Brendon Hunter as alternates. These names will be presented to the Board of Trustees at its next meeting for election as delegates. These parishioners also will participate in a special convention at the Cathedral in December to elect a Bishop Coadjutor, now that Bishop Dietsche has announced his retirement.

*Parish reports.* Father Wood gave an overview of the various reports submitted to the congregation and included in the Annual Report. Each parish guild was introduced and thanked. Father Wood appreciated the work of parish staff and volunteers, noting that running a parish like Saint Mary's with its dedication to daily liturgy in Times Square takes significant effort and attention to detail; staff see this as their vocation.

Father Wood began at Saint Mary's recently, and his experience has mainly been in a vestry organizational structure, where the vestry manages temporal issues, and the rector's focus is on the spiritual life of the parish. (At Saint Mary's, the rector by necessity is more involved in temporal issues.) He noted that the Board of Trustees at Saint Mary's works with a high degree of competency, and he depends on this Board for spiritual counsel. Father Wood particularly extended thanks to Dr. Mark Risinger, Vice President, who made the Woods' entry into Saint Mary's seamless.

The Interim Rector thanked Father Smith and Father Jacobson for their gracious support in integrating him into the parish. He appreciated Father Smith's friendship, wisdom, good humor, and depth of knowledge, and Father Jacobson's talent of ingenuity and his willingness to take on any task related to the parish. Each priest's title will change to better reflect their roles in the parish: Father Smith will become the Associate Rector, and Father Jacobson will be the Assistant to the Rector. Father Wood extended his thanks to all of his clergy colleagues, including Rev. Canon Victor Conrado, Rev. Dr. Peter Ross Powell and Rev. Alison J. Turner, assisting priests. All exhibit a generous spirit and love of God that's contagious.

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Regarding the program year, Father Wood reported that the parish is growing stronger every day, with people involved and committed to meeting challenges, and optimistic about our lives here and renewal in this place.

Father Wood spoke about what he envisions the parish is called to be over the next two years during this interim period.

We are called to be a worshiping church. Father Smith's report spoke to worship offered throughout the pandemic, and Father Wood referred to theologian Martin Thornton's theory of pastoral theology, based upon the belief that a parish praying in a certain geographic area sanctifies the entire place. At Saint Mary's, we are called to sanctify the Times Square/Midtown area.

We are called to be a caring church. Examples of Saint Mary's commitment to mission are the Neighbors in Need program and the Aids Walk. In a former parish, Father Wood remembered a sign that stated "The Mission Field begins here and now" on every exterior door. Father Wood noted that many parishioners are involved in mission apart from their ministry at Saint Mary's, either through vocation or by volunteering in other ways. Saint Mary's also cares for the community and for world mission by hosting 12-step groups, contributing to efforts to help Ukraine, etc.

We will be a learning church. Christian Formation, centering prayer, and small-group conversations about race provide the foundation for learning, and Father Wood envisions building on this. He hopes that everyone will have some involvement in Christian formation, and he used the metaphor of building a cathedral to illustrate how we can be formed, "brick by brick" over decades to prepare ourselves for heaven. If Christians are not praying, reading, studying, and being informed by the Church, they run the danger of being distorted by the existing culture of greed, divisiveness, and callousness apparent in the secular world.

We must be a giving church. The alternative is that our doors will close; our fixed expenses are significant and congregational pledging is not enough to cover the costs. Father and Mrs. Wood commit to proportional giving - they aspire to give ten percent to help others as much as they can, and they plan to commit to this here at Saint Mary's. Father Wood is impressed with the generosity of many to the church, and he asks the assembly to help him and build a more robust ecosystem for giving at Saint Mary's.

As Interim Rector, Father Wood's role is to help the parish answer questions about itself. Over the next years, the parish will be considering questions such as "Who are we? Where do we come from? What do we know about God from our story? Who is our neighbor? Who are the broken to whom God calls us?" These questions will help us discern what God is calling us to do and be. Father Wood emphasized that his door was always open for questions and discussion.

Father Wood called on Steven Heffner, Treasurer to describe the Treasurer's report. Mr. Heffner described the Board of Trustees' thinking in creating this budget, which uses deficit spending to provide the Interim Rector and the prospective new Rector resources to build on. At present, the costs

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which could be cut have been reduced, and the expenses that remain are either fixed costs (salaries, insurance, benefits) or are instrumental in keeping the church open. Further reductions will mean fewer services with less music and smaller offerings, while this budget gives Father Wood and the church leadership a new beginning.

The pandemic was difficult for the church's finances, as there were fewer shrine offerings, fewer use of space fees, fewer worship services, and fewer meetings of outside groups. Mr. Heffner asked everyone who's pledged to fulfill their pledges in a timely fashion. The parish is also dealing with a stock market in decline, meaning that securities are sold at lower prices, and it would be advantageous to manage the operating budget using cash from pledges.

Mr. Heffner answered questions from the assembly about the diocesan assessment, endowment balances and contributions, and he encouraged people to donate securities to Saint Mary's to realize the tax advantage. Mr. Heffner's report was received with gratitude from the assembly.

Father Wood encouraged everyone to read the annual report to find out details of what was discussed. Mr. Heffner moved, and Dr. Sharer seconded, to adjourn and the motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 1:45 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Robison, secretary of the Meeting and secretary of the Board of Trustees

# The Report of Father Sammy Wood, Interim Rector

Every Sunday at the announcements when I get to say, "My name is Sammy, and I'm one of the priests here at Saint Mary's," I feel the need to pinch myself. More than a year into my call as your interim rector, I'm excited every single day to wake up and go to work for Jesus and the Church of Saint Mary the Virgin. And I'm happy to commend to you this Annual Report of the life and ministry of our parish for the calendar year 2022. I'm thankful for all that's contained herein and personally grateful to all the contributors and to those who put the report together.

When you read all the individual reports, I think you'll notice they narrate a single truth—that God is at work in and through Saint Mary's. For instance, within these covers you'll read about:

- A creative and energetic staff committed to God and to the common life of our parish
- A newly commissioned Stewardship Team charged by the Board not just with running the annual stewardship campaign, but with nourishing a culture of stewardship throughout the parish. Their work resulted in a successful campaign that brought in almost \$400,000 in pledges from 101 pledging units, including 16 new pledges;
- A year of stimulating adult formation opportunities created to deepen all our conversions and equip all Saint Marians for your work of ministry in the world;

- A parish that continues to celebrate excellent liturgy guided by world-class musicians leading us in vibrant worship;
- A dedicated Board of Trustees that gathered monthly and for a weekend retreat to conduct the business of our parish;
- Expanded prayer offerings, such as Holy Hours every Wednesday before midday Mass and Parish Quiet Days during penitential seasons;
- Abundant works of mercy (through Neighbors in Need, our amazing AIDS Walk Team, or via eucharistic visits to hospitals and homes) and a commitment to justice (via our Anti-racism Reading Group);
- And a renewed and growing commitment to beauty at Saint Mary's, whether it's in the flowers on an altar, photographs on a Gallery wall, or musical offerings in our beautiful nave and organ loft.

Reading these pages it becomes abundantly clear that, as we emerged from COVID, life became even richer and fuller around the parish in 2022. A beautifully renewed edifice emerged from behind scaffolding; we blessed our block and a whole menagerie of animals (including a K9 police dog and a gorgeous horse from the NYPD's Mounted Unit); we welcomed thousands of visitors, created a self-guided audio tour, kept Lent as a parish family and celebrated a life-changing Holy Week and Easter. At last year's Annual Meeting, I said I felt God was calling us to be a worshiping church, a caring church, a learning church, and a giving church, and I'm happy to say I believe we grew in every one of those domains this past year.

Personally, I owe especial thanks to the Board of Trustees for investing in me this year. With their blessing and at the request of the diocese, I completed an online training program offered by the Interim Ministry Network, which gave me valuable insight into the challenges and gifts of transitional ministry. Serving as an interim is like nothing I've ever done, and this training was invaluable to me as I worked alongside the staff and trustees to mark the achievements of a long rectorate, do all the necessary work of an interim period, and start the turn toward marking a new beginning for Saint Mary's in 2024.

The upcoming months will be pivotal as you discern whom to call as your next rector, and I'm grateful to the Trustees and the Search Committee as they attend to that important work. The challenges and opportunities before Saint Mary's are more clearly defined than they have been in a long time. Be assured of my daily prayers for you and my devoted service for as long as the Lord allows me to remain one of your priests.

Under the Mercy,

The Reverend Sammy Wood, Interim Rector

## The Treasurer's Report

Saint Mary's continues to have significant fiscal challenges, although this past year saw a few bright spots and we remain hopeful for the future.

We finished up the work on our planned major capital improvements in 2022, and no longer anticipate significant expenses for the main façade and roof work. We were, however, forced to dig deeply into our investment accounts to complete these projects, and we were surprised by some further unplanned capital projects – such as the City's demand that we significantly upgrade our natural gas infrastructure or convert all appliances from gas to electric. (We chose the latter option which was less costly but still a very large expense—over \$170,000.)

These expenses, combined with our continuing operating deficit and a difficult year in the markets for our investment portfolio, put us at a disadvantage going into the 2023 budget. Our Parish Account (the main body of our unrestricted investments) started the year at just under \$3 million—the lowest balance in recent memory. This lower balance reduces our 5% allowable draw on these funds and limits our investment income expectations.

On the positive side, we saw a small increase in our pledge total from 2022 to 2023. We also came to an agreement with our resident theater group to keep them with us on mutually acceptable terms. In addition, Parish Administrator Christopher Howatt has diligently worked to control administrative costs, reducing or eliminating increases from our vendors.

The current operating budget and 2022 full-year actuals (unaudited) are shown in the Table on the following page:

## The Treasurer's Report continues on the following page.

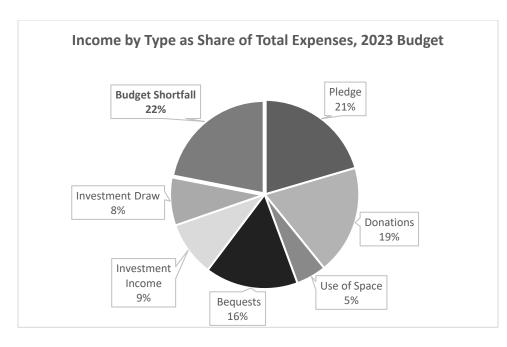
INCOME	2023 Budget	2022 Actuals*
Pledge	\$366,359	\$319,275
Donations & Offerings	334,807	362,535
Use of Space	92,800	115,351
Unusual Bequests <sup>†</sup>	285,000	160,000
Investment Income	168,270	171,940
Investment Draw (budgeted)	150,000	260,950
Total Revenue	\$1,397,236	\$1,390,051
EXPENSESES		
Personnel Costs	694,934	748,398
Music Expenses	89,573	65,138
Other Program Expenses	98,042	99,739
Physical Plant Operational	258,759	264,950
Physical Plant Repair & Maintenance	211,584	179,712
Administrative Expenses	180,908	163,732
Diocesan Apportioned Share	256,000	227,000
Total Expense	1,789,800	1,748,669
Net	-\$392,564	-\$358,618

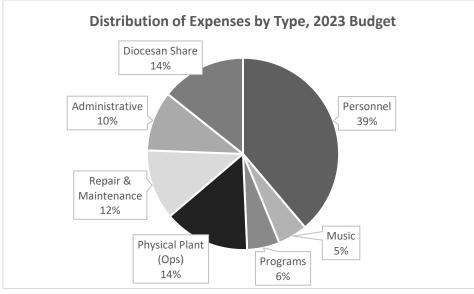
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<sup>+</sup>Bequests are usually unbudgeted, but we did receive \$160,000 in bequests in 2022 and are awaiting the disposition of an estate in 2023 for \$285,000. These are reported here as separate lines to differentiate from the regular giving. Obviously, it is normally not possible to budget for these bequests.

On the income side, about 40% of parish operations will be funded by regular giving by members and worshipers—pledge, plate, shrines, feast-related donations. Another 15% to 20% is funded by income from our traditional endowment funds, and we're blessed to be the beneficiaries of parishioners and friends who remembered us in their wills—a very large 16% of our expenses funded from these legacies this year. The remaining 22% of our operations are unfunded and will result in our spending principal from our dwindling investment accounts against these costs.

On the expense side, personnel costs continue to be the largest portion of our expense budget. For the 2023 budget, the Trustees agreed to a 5% cost-of-living adjustment for clergy and staff. Even with that increase, our personnel expenses decreased slightly because 2022 contained transitional expenses related to Father Gerth's departure and Father Wood's arrival. Repair & maintenance lines show an increase based on the electricity conversion project and administrative expenses will increase based on anticipated professional services in legal and accounting (particularly finishing full audits for the past few years of operation) for which we use outside firms.





In the end, the 2023 budget continues to reflect the reality that it costs more to operate the parish than we receive in income from all sources. This shortfall—projected to be \$400,000 in 2023—is worrisome and unsustainable. Nevertheless, as we continue in our second year of transition during a search for a new rector, the Board adopted this deficit budget because it is committed to delivering a thriving community life of worship and fellowship to an incoming rector, and the Board believes that the parish must invest to grow (not shrink) its way past its current fiscal challenges.

Respectfully submitted, Steven Heffner, Treasurer

# The Stewardship Campaign

Expansion best describes the activities of the Stewardship Committee this year. We deepened our expertise; we widened our remit; and we lengthened our season.

The usual committee (Marie Rosseels, MaryJane Boland, and Steven Heffner) welcomed the addition of two veterans of fundraising and stewardship (Father Pete Powell and Father Sammy Wood), who deepened our understanding of the endeavor and gave us useful tactical advice on how to accomplish our goals. We greatly appreciate the experience they so willingly and helpfully shared.

We also widened the scope of our work this year to include not just the usual pledge campaign for financial commitment—stewardship of treasure—but also to involve people's pledge to be more involved as volunteers and contributors of time to the parish—stewardship of talent. The mail and online campaign of October 2022 included an invitation to pledge time to the various activities and programs of the parish, including serving at the altar, as a reader, or as an usher; helping with the Neighbors in Need program; or assisting with the online livestream ministry.

With particularly sage encouragement from Fathers Sammy and Pete, the committee also extended its efforts from a seasonal mailing to a year-round campaign to inform the community about the parish's needs, and to motivate the community to take responsibility for this vital ministry. Consequently, you may notice more talk about the parish's needs in the *Angelus* and elsewhere.

While we came tantalizingly close to our goal of \$400,000, recording \$397,307 in pledges from 101 pledgers at the latest count. That's an average of almost \$4,000 per pledger and a median pledge of \$1,200—an improvement of almost 20% over the 2022 campaign. Our talent & time campaign yielded a handful of new recruits for the various ministries of the parish, but it was our first time trying, so we'll learn from that experience and keep trying!

We thank all who pledged their talent, time, and treasure to our campaign. And finally, it wouldn't be a stewardship report if we didn't finish by asking those who may not have pledged: Do you think Saint Mary's is something for which you want to take responsibility? What time, talent, and treasure can you offer to support the ministries of Saint Mary's? Join us!

Respectfully submitted,

Steven Heffner, for the Stewardship Committee

# The Search Committee: Searching for Saint Mary's Next Rector

Last fall, under the guidance of our Interim Rector, Father Sammy Wood, the Board of Trustees approved our appointments as co-chairs of a Search Committee to identify the next Rector of Saint Mary's. Over the next several weeks, we asked members of the congregation to consider prayerfully whether they wished to serve on this committee, and we held an informal question-and-answer session at Coffee Hour in October to acquaint the parish with our timeline and with the process that we are following. In November, we announced the membership of this committee: Mrs. Grace Mudd, Ms. MaryJane Boland, Mr. Charles Carson, Dr. Elizabeth Nisbet, and Mr. Clark Mitchell. The Search Committee was formally commissioned during Solemn Mass on December 4, 2022.

Since that time, we have been meeting regularly, first to create, distribute, and analyze a parish-wide survey. This survey has helped us develop a sense of who we are and where we are as a parish, as well as identifying the qualities we most hope to find in our next Rector. Using the data from the survey, we have drafted a Parish Profile that will provide the public-facing document to advertise the search and attract desirable candidates. As of this writing, we are working with the Reverend Canon Nora Smith, diocesan Canon for Transition Ministry, to finalize this Profile and prepare it for public distribution. We are grateful for the leadership and support of our Interim Rector, Father Sammy Wood, as well as for the dedicated and excellent work of our committee members. We trust that God is guiding us in this process and look forward to seeing where and with whom the search will culminate as we prepare for the next chapter of life at Saint Mary's.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Robison and Mark Risinger, co-chairs of the Committee

## **Reports from Other Parish Clergy and Staff**

#### The Reverend James Ross Smith, Associate Rector

In February 2022, we welcomed our interim rector, Father Sammy Wood, to the parish. He and I worked quickly to define my areas of responsibility going forward.

Especially during the first sixth months of the interim, along with our very fine lay leaders, I tried to give Father Wood a sense of what life had been like here during the pandemic and tried to answer is questions about how "we did things." In this, I was assisted by the heads of the various guilds, who were able to give him their own sense of how things have tended to work at the parish. I am grateful to them and especially to Father Wood for making this work interesting and creative. The goal here has been, not to reflect on the past, but to move forward with hope and enthusiasm, facing the challenges,

limitations, and opportunities of the present moment, always retaining a sense of our history, mission, and identity.

Father Sammy also made the decision last year to change my title from curate to associate rector, for which I am grateful. I try to live up to the title by serving as one of our interim rector's adviserss, when asked to do so.

I officially retired on February 1, 2023, and although that has had certain financial and practical effects on my life, and on José's, in many ways my life is much as it was before the first of February. The bishop has given me permission to serve here into 2024, though the end date is not yet certain. I am not involved in the search process. I do not attend meetings of the Search Committee and I seldom attend meetings of the Board of Trustees. I am helping the Committee with the parish profile, but my work there is as a copyeditor and provider of statistics. We discuss grammar and numbers, not policy.

As retirement approaches, it is a particular joy to be able to celebrate the Eucharist regularly. (One of my administrative tasks is to create the monthly clergy schedule, so I try to make sure that I celebrate two or three Masses during the week and celebrate at least one Solemn Mass per month.) I am very happy that Mass on weekdays is in the Lady Chapel. I like the intimacy of the space and being able to see my fellow worshippers up close. For seven years after I was ordained, I said Mass in the Lady Chapel at Christ Church, New Haven, and the two spaces are similar in many ways. Unlike some of my clergy colleagues here, when I preach in the Lady Chapel I work with an outline and not with a finished manuscript. This is riskier in certain ways. The temptation to digress never quite goes away, and that can be a problem: some of the members of our noonday congregation need to get back to work! Still, for me, there are advantages. During the past year, I've begun to think more systematically about preaching and its purposes. I am increasingly curious—perhaps because I will soon be listening more to sermons and delivering them less—about the purposes of preaching and how all of the preaching we do here is heard and experienced. I am somewhat less interested in explaining the historical background of the biblical text and more interested in how the people's hearing and reflecting on the text can affect both head *and* heart. Learning is essential, but at this point in my life I am interested in how Word and Sacrament can transform our lives. I am preaching less on Sundays. This is a luxury in a parish of our size, of course, but it does mean that I can think, consciously and unconsciously, about a gospel text for a good long while. This has allowed me to try some new things in the pulpit. I am grateful to Father Sammy and Father Matt for their encouragement and feedback with all this.

I do a fair amount of writing and editing around here. I create the basic skeleton of each week's edition of the newsletter, writing some of it myself and editing other pieces written by others. I work closely with Father Matt Jacobson on all this, and I am very grateful to him for taking on the preparation of the newsletter for publication. This is not an uncomplicated task—it means being a web designer, photo editor, graphic designer, and tech expert. I think we've managed this year to make the newsletter a useful tool of communication in some new ways for our members and friends, who are widely dispersed. I kid Father Matt about it, but he really is determined to publish the *Angelus* each Friday at 3:00 PM. This continuity and predictability has been quite useful, I think.

I also have other writing and editorial tasks: I create the service bulletins we use for Solemn Mass on Sundays and solemnities and depend on the proofreading skills of Dr. Hurd, Father Sammy, and Father Matt to try to make the bulletins accurate and useful. I also work closely with David, who writes the music notes and attends to the musical elements in the liturgies. (He is also a very fine liturgist, and it is a pleasure to be able to work with someone who knows so much, answers questions so calmly, and wears his expertise very lightly.) I copyedit various reports and some correspondence, and I oversee the preparation of the annual parochial report to the national church. In 2022, I also began conversations with our archivist, Mary Robison, about cleaning up the parish's database, so we can create a more accurate register of the parish's membership. Some of that work has begun and will continue in 2023.

Though Father Matt has in most ways become our father-sacristan and resident liturgist, I try to assist him with some of this and work with the leaders of the relevant guilds—whose fidelity, commitment, and expertise is truly amazing—to make sure that the sacristy is well stocked and that we are able to purchase new items. It is a great pleasure to work with our expert and faithful corps of acolytes..

At the ordination of a priest, the bishop informs the candidates that they are called, among other things, to "take your share in the councils of the church" (BCP 531). I have done my best to attend most diocesan conventions, especially since my return to New York from New Haven in 1996. I have not, however, served on committees or boards at the diocesan level, something most of my colleagues here at Saint Mary's have done. I have tried to serve the wider church in other ways while here at Saint Mary's: I have worked with several aspirants for ordination, providing some counsel as they worked to discern their vocation and tried to negotiate the ordination process. I have served as confessor to some of my ordained brothers and sisters, and for the past four years I have served as community confessor for the Society of Saint John the Evangelist in Cambridge, Massachusetts. I travel to Massachusetts four times per year, three days each time, to hear the brothers' confessions. I think it's important that the members of the parish know that they are supporting this work as they always do when their priests leave the building to serve the wider church in all the ways that they do. It is another way the parish contributes to the work of the Body of Christ beyond our doors.

I also serve as the clergy leader of our major outreach effort, Neighbors in Need. This mostly means that I am the staff liaison to and for the volunteers and, especially, to the co-leaders, MaryJane Boland and Marie Rosseels. Their work this year has been heroic: when the governor of Texas and some other states began sending asylum seekers to New York from the southern border, we needed to find ways to meet the needs of this young population, often families with very young children, who had many good skills but who spoke little English. We responded as quickly and as well as we could. This meant a good deal of work for Ms. Boland and Ms. Rosseels, but we also depended on a large corps of volunteers from businesses in the neighborhood and from other Manhattan parishes, in addition to the parish's own volunteers. I also got to practice my Spanish. Demand has waned for several months now, and we

no longer have to organize two distributions per month, but the experience, hard though it was, was a good one for us: we began to be able to see how Saint Mary's might one day be able to support a more intentional ministry to the Latino community, something I've long hoped for. Though all this was a crisis of a sort, still, we managed to host our monthly distribution of clothing and personal items to longtime residents of the Times Square neighborhood. This continuity is only possible because of the willingness of an extremely able and committed corps of volunteers, who come month after month, to serve in this way. This continuity means that our guests encounter familiar faces, friendly faces, month after month. This has enormous benefits for our guests—experienced volunteers means things proceed more smoothly and the non-anxious presence of the volunteers helps preserve the dignity of our guests. I am grateful to our volunteers and to all those who continue to support this ministry so faithfully.

Respectfully submitted,

The Reverend James Ross Smith, Associate Rector

### The Reverend Dr. Matthew Daniel Jacobson, Assistant to the Rector

This last year with Father Wood as our interim rector, along with continued leadership from Father Smith, has gone well for the parish overall and, I believe, also in my specific areas of focus. In addition to sharing duties at the altar and in the pulpit, I concentrate on managing our website, publishing the *Angelus*, helping to organize our liturgies, teaching at the adult education forum, and overseeing other technical areas such as our livestream ministry. Despite being in a transitional period, and emerging from a pandemic, the parish has taken many positive steps forward. I'll comment on a few that are related to aspects of our parish life where I spend most of my time.

I preach and celebrate at Solemn Mass on Sundays once a month, as I have been doing in recent years, though Father Wood has entrusted me to preach at some of the important liturgies over the past year such as our patronal feast and at the Easter Vigil. I continue to look for ways to keep my sermons fresh and engaging and appreciate the support from Father Wood. The number of altar servers available for Solemn Masses is still below pre-pandemic levels, though we did gain new servers over the past year. Importantly, we still have executed our liturgies well, even the more complicated ones (e.g., during Holy Week), and have been able to add processions to many of the weekday evening Solemn Masses for major feasts. I am happy with the environment in the sacristy and am grateful for the lay leadership shown by Mrs. Grace Mudd, Mr. Brendon Hunter, and Ms. MaryJane Boland, along with the hard work and dedication shown by all the servers.

I typically celebrate six weekday Masses a month, or roughly a quarter of these services, and usually cover the daily offices on days that I am scheduled to celebrate the Mass. It seems to me that daily Mass continues to be impacted by the change in office work patterns in our neighborhood. Nevertheless, attendance is picking up. We moved daily Mass to the Lady Chapel this last year and that has been working well for the current size of the weekday congregation. Father Smith and I undertook a review of potential commemorations that were made available in the latest edition of *Lesser Feasts and Fasts*.

We chose to add fourteen new commemorations and an important result is that it gives women saints better representation in our calendar of worship. Some of these new saints who are now being celebrated at the noonday Mass include Sarah, Theodora, and Syncletica of Egypt, desert mothers from the fourth-fifth century (January 5), Harriet Monsell, founder of the Community of Saint John Baptist (March 26), and Helena of Constantinople (May 22).

Evensong and Benediction returned this year. Rather than offering it every Sunday evening, we decided to focus on the first Sunday of each month. This change allows us to have a quartet from the choir, which has made the service more robust. This monthly pattern also makes scheduling lay servers for a second Sunday service more manageable. It seems to me that E&B attendance is at or above prepandemic levels and I am hopeful that this less frequent, but higher quality service, is something we can continue to build upon.

There are a couple things that we began doing differently with the *Angelus* over this past year. Perhaps most noticeably, our lead articles have been written not just by clergy and staff, but also by a wider group of voices that includes parishioners and friends of the parish who have interesting perspectives to share with our community. We have also been doing our best to have the electronic edition of the newsletter publish at 3:00 PM each Friday. I believe that this consistency helps to make the newsletter more professional, and many of our readers have also commented how they appreciate this reliability, knowing that it will be in their inboxes on Friday afternoon. I'm thankful to Father Smith, the many contributing writers, and photography guild members for working with me to make this possible each week.

Mr. Blair Burroughs has been doing a great job leading our livestream ministry. We currently have about forty people watching on most Sundays and have seen around a hundred views on some of the most important feasts of the Church year. Many people are also watching the recorded Masses afterwards. I have found it particularly helpful to have recordings of our more complicated liturgies to be able to review the prior year's Mass ahead of rehearsals. Ms. Jennifer Stevens has been assisting Blair and we would love to find more people to learn how to broadcast the livestream. Thanks to the work of Mrs. Grace Mudd, our presence on social media increased over the last year and this has certainly contributed to the number of people tuning in to watch our livestreamed Masses. I continue to look for ways to improve the website and other tech-related aspects of our parish life.

I'm currently teaching a four-week series in the adult education forum which focuses on the Holy Eucharist from the perspective of the fourth-century Church, specifically on the writings of Cyril of Jerusalem and Ambrose of Milan. This is just one month within a larger 2022–2023 program, organized by Father Smith, that has been looking at the Eucharist from a variety of angles, and has been taught by several different instructors. Spending the year on a single theme, alternating with Father Powell's bible study, has been successful in going deep into this important topic, but in a way that has kept parishioners engaged by a diversity of approaches. We have become more involved with a couple of the diocesan young adult ministries this year. Episcopal Service Corps fellows have been meeting at the parish on Wednesday afternoons for their formation sessions and they have also been helping with our Neighbors in Need program. Sister Hannah Spiers, CCN, recently was a guest preacher and spoke with the parish during coffee hour about the Community at the Crossing program for young adults that will launch in the fall at our Cathedral. I serve on the advisory boards for both programs and am hopeful that we can find ways for the parish to stay engaged with them going forward.

It continues to be an honor for me to serve at Saint Mary's and I'm looking forward to the year ahead.

Respectfully submitted,

The Reverend Dr. Matthew Daniel Jacobson, Assistant to the Rector

## Dr. David Hurd, the Organist & Music Director

The program year 2022–2023 at Saint Mary's, happily, has seen a continuing stabilization of regular liturgical and musical activities following the period of irregularities brought on by the COVID pandemic.

The Parish Choir continues as an octet of skilled professional singers. It has sung the Sunday Solemn Mass since the first Sunday of October 2022, and is scheduled to sing weekly through the Sunday following Trinity Sunday when the Feast of Corpus Christi is observed. In addition to Sundays, the choir has sung for Solemn Masses celebrating the Assumption, All Saints, the Conception of Mary, Christmas Eve and Day, the Epiphany, the Presentation of our Lord, and the Annunciation. The choir is also scheduled to sing at Solemn Mass on Ascension Day (18 May). In addition, Ash Wednesday and the liturgies of Holy Week were sung with a full complement of choristers.

Normally at Solemn Mass the choir sings plainsong minor proper chants in Latin at the entrance of the ministers, before the Gospel, at the Offertory and at the Communion. The choral repertoire at Solemn Mass includes settings of the ordinary: *Gloria in excelsis or Kyrie eleison, Sanctus, Benedictus, and Agnus Dei.* The choir also usually sings a motet during the distribution of Communion. The choral repertoire offered reflects the heritage of unaccompanied settings from the European Renaissance masters and the English Tudor composers. In addition to this core historic repertoire, music from the nineteenth, twentieth and twenty-first centuries—including compositions of living American composers—is represented amply in the choral cycle. During the summer seasons, when the choir is on hiatus, solo cantors sing the requisite liturgical chants, offer solo sacred song, and provide vocal leadership for the congregation.

With the re-introduction of Evensong and Benediction on the first Sunday of most months this season, a quartet from the choir has been offering psalms, canticles, and motets at these services.

Choir personnel transitions this year included the departure of long-time and highly valued members Charlotte Mundy, Sharon Harms, and Mark Risinger. Filling these vacated chairs, the choir has welcomed to its roster Emma Daniels, soprano; James Ruff, tenor; and Jonathan Roberts, bass. These three singers have joined the continuing choir roster of Joy Tamayo, soprano; Kirsten Ott, alto; Daniel Santiago Castellanos, countertenor; and Muir Ingliss, bass. I am appreciative of the dedication of all these fine musicians, some of whom have been called upon occasionally to sing additional special services on short notice. I am also appreciative of Clark Anderson, who has provided seamless coverage for me at the organ and choir podium when I have been away.

The Aeolian-Skinner organ at Saint. Mary's, in its splendid acoustical setting, is an instrument of international renown. Organ recitals preceding principal feast days in the past year have been played by guest organists Tyrone Whiting (Church of Saint Martin-in-the-Fields, Philadelphia), Michael Hey (Saint Patrick's Cathedral, New York City), Gail Archer (Barnard College, New York City), and Timothy Pyper (Church of the Holy Apostles, New York City). Mickey Thomas Terry (Howard University, Washington, D.C.) is scheduled to play the recital on Ascension Day (18 May). I played the recital on the Feast of the Presentation (2 February). These short recitals have provided a varied sampling of major organ repertoire and brought distinguished artists to Saint Mary's to heighten the observance of these feast days. Another notable organ recital this season was presented by The Juilliard School organ studio of Paul Jacobs on 30 March. It is significant and mutually beneficial for student organists to experience performing in a venue such as Saint Mary's as part of their professional formation. Lawrence Trupiano, as curator, keeps the organ in remarkably good working order particularly considering the age of the instrument and the instabilities of the atmospheric conditions to which it is subject.

Finally, I express my appreciation of Christopher Howatt, parish administrator and long-time member of the choir, who has provided immeasurable support for the administration of the choir and in other music-related matters. Saint Mary's has always been a desirable venue for concerts, particularly of choral and early music. Many ensembles have rehearsed and performed at Saint Mary's including the New York Repertory Orchestra, The Tallis Scholars, and New York Polyphony. Other past collaborations between Saint Mary's and performance entities such as Lincoln Center and Miller Theatre of Columbia University are likely to continue in seasons to come.

Respectfully submitted,

David Hurd, Mus.D., Organist and Music Director

### The AIDS Walk Team

Saint Mary's has been a force in the AIDS Walk every year since 2006, except for the two years when an in-person Walk was not held because of COVID. In 2019, the last year of walking, our sixteen members raised \$62,757, and we returned strong in 2022, when we raised \$57,078 and ranked fourth among all teams and first among teams from religious organizations. Our success is thanks to

parishioners, family, and friends from both near and far. In addition, the Saint Mary's Board has elected to share half the Maundy Thursday donations with the AIDS Walk (the other half will go to Neighbors in Need).

Teams as successful as ours are "gold teams" which have a special meeting place for the walk, a group photo and pre-walk festivities. Saint Mary's has always missed these festivities because we are at Mass when the walk begins, so we have grabbed lunch and trailed along well behind the crowd. This year, thanks to our clergy, we will celebrate a Vigil Mass on Saturday, May 20, at 5:30 PM and meet in Central Park on Sunday morning at 9:30 AM to enjoy the full AIDS Walk.

At this writing, our team is twenty-one members strong with more to join us. We would welcome your presence. We would also welcome your donation to our team. To join or donate to the team, you may visit our team page (https://gmhc.aidswalkny.org/saintmarythevirgin). You can also give a check, made out to AWNY, to one of the chairs shown below.

Respectfully submitted,

MaryJane Boland, Clark Mitchell, and Father Matthew Jacobson, Chairs

### The Altar Guild of Saint Mary's

The Saint Mary's Guild is the parish Altar Guild, which encompasses the care for sacred vessels, vestments, linens, and candles used for worship.

Under the patronage of Saint Ambrose, all aspects of candle arrangements, care, and maintenance are overseen by Brendon Hunter; he is joined in this work by Grace Mudd and Clark Mitchell. With the additional help of our sextons and seasonal volunteers, they make sure that all the antique candlesticks and followers are regularly cleaned and polished. They also handle the ordering and prepping of the various sizes of candles used throughout the year.

On the main altar during Lent, we have again used the beautifully restored silver candlesticks from the former Saint Francis Altar, in lieu of the usual brass "Big Six." Those silver candlesticks also made a stunning appearance at the crèche at Christmas. Having the silver candlesticks back in use is wonderful, but we still have many ongoing maintenance needs. In particular, the largest candelabra set (affectionately referred to as one of our sets of "burning bushes" that have twenty-four candles per candelabra) has been out of commission for over a decade now. We hope to raise the funds to repair and restore these and other candlesticks, many of which are over a century old.

The special candle arrangements on the altar on major feast days always add a festive touch, but they were especially effective during the lighting of candles at the Easter Vigil this year (as can be seen on the Vimeo recording). Some of our candle experts are fortunately also members of the Flower Guild, so the floral arrangements and candle placements are always complementary.

The sacred vessels used during Solemn Mass are washed carefully by the acolytes and stored away in a locked safe. The washing and ironing of altar linens is done by MaryJane Boland (fair linens) and Marie Rosseels (corporals, purificators, and lavabo towels), with the occasional help of other volunteers. Marie also handles the care of vestments; this involves storing them properly (folded carefully in large drawers in the sacristy) and steaming out wrinkles before they are used, the latter with help of other volunteers during crunch times (especially during Christmas and Easter). Minor sewing repairs are handled by Marie as well. (The members of the clergy are very grateful to Marie for her willingness to repair cassocks, surplices, and albs whenever asked, sometimes on very short notice.) Some of our vestments and frontals are very old and fragile. When they become too threadbare or frayed to use for worship, vestments are removed from the sacristy to a separate room where all our "decommissioned" antique vestments are currently stored (some dating back to the time of our founding rector, Father Thomas McKee Brown). Unfortunately, these vestments need to be either restored or repurposed professionally and we have not had the resources to evaluate and determine how to go about this. All we can do at this time is to preserve and catalogue them as part of the history of Saint Mary's.

Last, but not least, we want to thank especially all the volunteers who have helped the Altar Guild with polishing the many candlesticks and other brass objects, and with steaming vestments and frontals for Christmas and Easter. Their help made our work so much more manageable!

Respectfully submitted,

Marie Rosseels, Member of the Altar Guild since 2008

## The Archives of the Church of Saint Mary the Virgin

**Monograph.** During the past year, the Reverend Dr. Warren C. Platt has researched and written a monograph updating the history of the Society of the Free Church of Saint Mary the Virgin, from its founding through 1999. Father Platt's research focused on the history of the parish itself and is incorporating contemporary newspapers and periodicals, along with materials from the parish archives, to reach a more expansive understanding of the clergy and of parish life than is available through *The Story of Saint Mary's*, published nearly a century ago in 1931. Photographs are being selected for publication, expected in 2023.

**Parish Repository.** *Digitization of Saint Mary's publications*. In 2022, the five-year project to digitize and make available the parish newsletter *Ave* (1931–2004), was completed. We are most grateful to Richard Mammana, founder of Project Canterbury, and to Wayne Kempton, archivist and historiographer of the Diocese of New York, for their faithful labor on this project. While a few issues remain missing, most materials are accessible and available for research through Project Canterbury at <u>http://anglicanhistory.org/usa/smv\_nyc/ave/</u>.

Digitization of historical photos and documents continues, with photos uploaded to a virtual drive and available for use with the church's social media accounts. Daily service registers and records of services have been inventoried and organized, and inventorying continues in the print archives.

**Research.** Brothers James Koester, superior, and Jonathan Maury of the Society of Saint John the Evangelist, visited the parish archives in June 2022 to study the Cowley Fathers and their liturgical reforms during the time priests of the Society were at Saint Mary's between 1931 and 1939.

Research inquiries this year included investigating the provenance of the majolica altar pieces on display, an inquiry regarding the Sisters of the Holy Communion, among others. It's been a pleasure to share our rich history with Father Wood and respond to his enthusiastic inquiries. We continue to research the occupants of the parish throughout its history to gain a greater understanding of daily life at Saint Mary's.

**Receipt of gift.** Julie Berger, a descendant of the Reverend Thomas McKee Brown, contacted the church in summer 2022 to offer Father Brown's dining table to the parish. She remembered family stories about Father and Mrs. Brown hosting friends and strangers at this table for Sunday dinners, and she wanted to return the furniture to its original home at Saint Mary's. Thomas Jayne arranged to have the table, chairs, and extra leaves shipped here from Maryland, and we are in the process of tracing the Browns' family history.

**Sacred Sites.** Saint Mary's was awarded the Lucy G. Moses Preservation Award in 2023 for the restoration of our façade; this is one of the highest honors for excellence in preservation. Saint Mary's participated in the New York Landmarks Conservancy's Sacred Sites weekend on July 23–24, 2022, and will again participate this summer. QR codes linking to audio files about the church's history are installed throughout the church to provide an ongoing self-guided tour.

We are grateful to everyone who worked with the history of Saint Mary's this year. Many parishioners spent hours recording audio or otherwise helping with projects, special thanks are due especially to Father Jacobson for his tech skills, and to Chris Howatt for his graphic design work. It is an honor to work with the historical materials and research the labors of those who followed Jesus in this place before us.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Robison, parish archivist.

## The Flower Guild: The Guild of Saint Thérèse of Lisieux

While 2020 and 2021 were marked by change and challenge, 2022 brought the return of more familiar patterns in the Flower Guild. Members Brendon Hunter, Grace Mudd, and Marie Rosseels were rejoined by Brother Thomas Steffensen, SSF, when he moved back to Manhattan late in 2022.

Susanna Randolph began arranging flowers on some occasions, though she is not currently on our regular rota. We were also fortunate that Peter Ruane, a former Flower Guild member, was in town during Holy Week 2023 and able to help us with some beautiful arrangements during crunch time. The team worked together under Brendon's leadership to arrange the Altar of Repose for Holy Week, flowers for Easter, and the crèche and flowers for Christmas. Members of the guild continued, as in prior years, to rotate turns creating arrangements on other Sundays and feast days when a donation was given.

Happily, after two years of steeply increasing prices and supply chain problems, access to the materials on which the Flower Guild depends stabilized and improved in 2022. We were again fortunate to have extra volunteers for Easter and Christmas decorating and their associated "undecorating" days; we are extremely grateful to all for their time, talents, and willingness to do all manner of tasks from clipping and shlepping to polishing and sweeping up! We can always use additional volunteers who are able to make flower arrangements and/or help with decorating for the major feasts. Proficiency is not a prerequisite; we are all volunteers without prior experience in arranging flowers for such a large space and will be glad to teach you what we have learned or answer any questions you may have. What is important is an ability and willingness to work solo once you have mastered the essentials. While the work can be demanding and takes time, we feel truly inspired by our communal work and worship which reinforces the grace of God's presence in our daily lives. It is a great way to get to know the people of the parish and learn more about the spaces we use and tend.

Additional thanks must go to our helpful sextons and to the members of the staff for their logistical assistance throughout the year. Finally, we sincerely wish to thank the many individuals who donated flowers during 2022 for their continued support and generosity.

Respectfully submitted,

J. Grace Mudd, Member of the Guild since 2010

## The Gallery at Saint Mary's

In 2022, we were once again able to invite not only members of the parish, but members of the public as well, to come to Saint Mary's to enjoy our art exhibitions in the Gallery in Saint Joseph's Hall. During the past year, we were able to mount three exhibitions: *The Latinx Art Show and Sale; The Photographs of Luis Carle: Images of LGBTQ Life in New York City;* and *Images of Saint Mary's: the Photographs of Brother Damien Joseph, SSF.* 

Each exhibition had an opening to which we invited the artists' friends and colleagues and members of the parish as well. This allowed us to fulfill one of the gallery's purposes, on the one hand, to bring the world to Saint Mary's and, on the other, to give the people of Saint Mary's the opportunity to interact with some of our city's artists and to converse with those artists about what they are seeing on the wall. A second purpose is to support some of New York's struggling artists by making the art available for

purchase. The third purpose is particularly important: to explore art as beauty and art as prophetic. This has been an ongoing part of the Gallery's purpose ever since the Visual Arts Program at Saint Mary's was conceived nearly fifteen years ago.

This exploration of art as sacred has begun to dovetail with Father Sammy's interest in beauty as a theological topic. In the coming year, we hope to be able to work with Father Sammy to explore this topic both in the Gallery and in other parts of the complex.

Respectfully submitted,

José A. Vidal, curator

### Neighbors in Need

Neighbors in Need, Saint Mary's principal outreach ministry, started with a periodic *ad hoc* distribution of gloves and hats during the winter and developed into what we have now: an organized, monthly distribution of clothing, toiletries, and underwear, staffed by regular volunteers and people who join us occasionally. While some of our clients are unhoused, many are just what the title says: neighbors in need, people who need to find every way they can to stretch their resources.

On the third Friday of the month, we invite our guests to wait in the church and we call them in turn to visit three separate stations from the Crossing to the Lady Chapel: toiletries, underwear and then our little Lady Chapel department store. Volunteers assist at each station. We purchase toiletries and underwear from generous gifts of cash, and we provide a wonderful array of donated clothing. On our distribution days, our hours are from 1:30 to 3:00 PM, and we typically serve around fifty people, sometimes more, especially during the winter months..

This winter and spring, when asylum seekers were arriving in New York by the hundreds, we were able to establish a separate distribution day for families, mostly Spanish speaking, and we were thrilled to have our own Spanish speakers step up to help as volunteers. Parishioner Clark Anderson introduced us to several young, Spanish speaking employees of Morgan Stanley who joined us on the family distribution days. As the City made more resources available, interest in our second distribution dropped and we have suspended it, though we continue to assist the occasional family.

The behind-the-scenes person-hours to run this ministry are huge. We sort clothing donations, hang them, move them from storeroom to chapel and back. This spring, we have been blessed by the weekly assistance of six young people from the Episcopal Service Corps who do some of the heavy lifting. We take inventory and purchase toiletries and underwear, and then open the deliveries and sort and store them. We keep a strict financial accounting of income and expenses. On distribution days, we need a minimum of ten people to staff the various areas. Working with our clients can be heartwarming and rewarding. The Neighbors in Need core group is deeply grateful to those who have helped us—with cash donations, with clothes, with volunteer time. For the future, we need all of that, month after month. If you would like to learn more about this ministry, Father Smith, Marie Rosseels, and MaryJane Boland would be pleased to talk to you.

Respectfully submitted,

The Neighbors in Need Outreach Team

### The Saint Raphael's Guild of Ushers

The Ushers' Guild is a dedicated group of parishioners who volunteer during Solemn Mass on Sundays and on major feast days throughout the year. Ushers are often the first point of contact for visitors. While projecting a positive first impression at the door is important, we want our visitors to come back, so we try to keep them engaged and interested throughout their visit.

The duties of an usher can be summarized as welcoming and assisting anyone who comes through Saint Mary's doors to visit or attend a service. Traditionally, the duties of an usher include handing out service bulletins, collecting money gifts, participating in the Offertory procession, helping people at the Communion rail, and generally serving as guides for newcomers and visitors. Several ushers also serve as photographers for *The Angelus* newsletter.

Repercussions from COVID-19, which had a deep impact on the availability of ushers at the height of the pandemic, have mostly—but not totally—dissipated. Some of our former long-time ushers have not returned to in-person worship, and we miss them very much. On the other hand, several new ushers have joined the Guild in the past year. The core membership (namely those who have committed to usher at least one or two Sundays per month) has grown from nine to thirteen members. In addition, two altar servers help with guiding people safely down the choir steps after Communion and several other individuals help with ushering on an *ad-hoc* basis throughout the year. The Head Usher manages the assignment of teams for each Sunday of the month, and for special feast days.

Another accomplishment in the past year was the writing of an Usher Manual as an introduction for new ushers, but also as a guide for long-time ushers. It is important that we all follow the same procedures so that there is no confusion about our usual practices, and that ushers are informed and prepared for unusual circumstances. These procedures will be reviewed from time to time, and modified when needed, but the intention is to be consistent when it comes to our rules, customs, practices, and expectations.

Our goal for 2023 is to build up the Ushers' Guild to a core group composed of at least sixteen people so that four different teams of four ushers can be assigned for each Sunday of the month. Ideally, we would like to return to pre-pandemic teams of five to six ushers (even though we may not need that many every Sunday, it is always good to have a few in reserve). Anyone interested in serving as an usher is encouraged to speak with a current usher after Mass or to any of the members of the clergy. We are eager to chat with you about this important ministry.

Finally, we would like to thank most sincerely all members, past and present, who have ushered whether on a regular Sunday rotation or on an occasional basis—for their faithful and dedicated service. We are especially grateful to the core group who have committed to usher one or more Sundays per month; they truly are the backbone of the Usher Guild!

Respectfully submitted,

Marie Rosseels, Head Usher

## The Saint Vincent Guild of Acolytes and the Saint Bede Guild of Readers

Our readers read the Lessons at Mass and Evensong, and some sing the Epistle and the Prayers during Solemn Mass. Anyone interested in singing is cleared by David Hurd and probably coached by him as well. New servers start as torchbearers and even as extra servers and then move into more complex roles if they wish to do so and as they gain experience. We provide extensive training for each role. Masters of Ceremonies and thurifers are the most experienced of our servers. Our servers and readers partner with the clergy in our celebration of Mass on Sundays and feast days, and we all say that serving brings us joy. We are physically at the center of worship. For anyone who joins as a new reader or server, the Sacristy Leadership Team (Brendon Hunter, Grace Mudd, and MaryJane Boland), or Music Director David Hurd in the case of singers, provide training and support. We invite you to talk to one of us about joining the Guild. In April 2023, we have fifteen servers, three of whom serve only occasionally, and nine readers, plus five servers who also read or sing.

Respectfully submitted,

MaryJane Boland, for the Sacristy Leadership Team

## The Saint Mary's Legacy Society

The Saint Mary's Legacy Society is an organization composed of members and friends of the parish who have included Saint Mary's in their will, have provided for the parish through a life income gift, or have made provisions for the future of the church in some other way. The Legacy Society ensures that Saint Mary's will continue to welcome people to Times Square in Christ's name for years to come. For more information, please speak to the interim rector or the parish treasurer. You may also contact the parish office at 212-869-5830 x 10.

## The Church of Saint Mary the Virgin Memorial Trust Funds & Bequests

### **Permanent Funds**

#### Katherine Lanier Standish Fund

This fund was established as a memorial to Katherine Standish. The proceeds of this fund are used by the rector of the parish to support the education of persons for the priesthood of the Episcopal Church.

Alice Law Stout and Mabel Theodora Stout Memorial Fund The Stout Fund is a trust fund established under the will of William L. Stout and was given to the parish to be used for the care of the poor, the sick and the needy.

William Edward Jones Fund This is the William Edward Jones Memorial Library Fund.

Helen G. Cushman Fund In October 1997 we received a \$5,000.00 donation from Phyllis Smith in memory of her sister Helen G. Cushman, granddaughter of Haley Fiske. The fund is to be used for outreach projects in the community.

Charles Bertram Harmon Fund This fund was established on the death of Mr. Harmon, a former parishioner. The purpose of the fund is to augment the music program of the church.

Hallie Wilson Charitable Trust This fund was established in 1999 by the bequest of our former parishioner and is to be used only for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Estate of John Dexter Bush This fund was established on the death of John D. Bush, a former parishioner. The purpose of the fund is to establish a permanent Organ Fund or, if said fund has no need of additional funds, for any musical purpose deemed appropriate.

#### Bequests

Received in 2023 Estate of Louis Weil, priest *This bequest is from a friend of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.*  Received in 2022 Estate of Louise Garmy This bequest is from a member of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Received in 2021 Estate of Barbara Joan Larsen Klett This bequest is from a member of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Estate of Edgar Wells, priest This bequest is from the VIII Rector of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Received in 2020 Estate of William S. Poston *This bequest is from a member of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.* 

Received in 2018 Estate of Linda Kay Bridges, TRUSTEE This bequest is from a member of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Estate of Jon Alan Bryant, TRUSTEE This bequest is from a member of the parish and is to be used for restoration and conservation of the Daingerfield murals in the Lady Chapel.

Received in 2016 Estate of Louise B. Garmy This bequest is from a friend of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Received in 2015 Estate of Florence A. Klaus This bequest is from a friend of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Estate of Lawrence M. Appleby This bequest is from a friend of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Estate of Christopher Adlington This bequest is from a friend of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Received in 2014 Estate of Henry J. Piontek *This bequest is from a friend of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.*  Received in 2013 Estate of Jennifer C. Boylan This bequest is from a friend of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Estate of Charles C. Cotton This bequest is from a friend of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Received in 2012 Estate of Dr. Carol Pepper *This bequest is from a member of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.* 

Received in 2011 Estate of Joan E. Murphy *This bequest is from a member of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.* 

Estate of Mary and Walter Gillespie This bequest is from friends of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Received in 2010 Estate of George H. Blackshire, TRUSTEE This bequest is from a member of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Estate of Jack Rice Cortner, TRUSTEE This bequest is from a member of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Estate of Stanley C. Kettle This bequest is from a member of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Estate of Harold F. Lemoine, PRIEST This bequest is from a priest of the Diocese of Long Island and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Received in 2009 Estate of Charles Everett Whipple II, PRIEST This bequest was made by a priest of the Diocese of New York and is for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Received in 2008 Estate of Rita Marjorie Christiani This bequest is from a friend of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society. Estate of Dr. Anthony Ponaras This bequest is from a member of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Estate of Lucille Riley This bequest is from a friend of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Received in 2007 Estate of Marion Freise This bequest is from a member of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Estate of Wiley Washington Merryman, Jr., PRIEST This bequest is from a priest of the Diocese of New York and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Estate of David Osgood This bequest is from a friend of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Received in 2006 Estate of Joan Touye This bequest is from a friend of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Received in 2005 Estate of John Alden Gable This bequest is from a friend of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Estate of Edward David Miller This bequest is from a member of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Estate of Roy Parks This bequest is from a friend of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Estate of Wendell Wray This bequest is from a friend of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Received in 2004 Estate of Marion Frantz This bequest is from a friend of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Estate of Florence Klaus This bequest is from a friend of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society. Estate of Newton Carlyle Spitz This bequest is from a friend of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Received in 2003 Estate of Elizabeth Sherwood This bequest is from a member of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Received in 2002 Estate of John Graham Cadney This bequest is from a member of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Received in 2001 Estate of Kenneth Marshall Allen This bequest was made by a member of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Estate of Jean Schmidlapp Humes This bequest was made by a member of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Estate of Helena Kingman This bequest was made by a member of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Estate of Richard Rodney Kirk, PRIEST This bequest was made by a priest of the Diocese of New York and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Estate of Dorothy D. Wynne This bequest was made by a friend of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Received in 2000 Estate of Thomas Davies Haines This bequest was made by a member of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Estate of Margaret Rigler This bequest was made by a friend of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Received in 1999 John Zippler Headley, TRUSTEE *This bequest was made by a member of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.* 

Estate of Margaret and Julien Kent Powers This bequest was made by friends of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

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Estate of Hallie Wilson This bequest was made by a member of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Received in 1998 Estate of Gertrude S. Butler, TRUSTEE This bequest was made by a member of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Estate of John P. Gilligan, III This bequest was made by a friend of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Received in 1997 Estate of Walter John Blaille *This bequest was made by a friend of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.* 

Estate of Frederick Evans Hughes This bequest was made by a friend of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Estate of Margaret Minnie Solbach This bequest was made by a friend of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Received in 1996 Estate of Nancy Thayer Batchelder *This bequest was made by a member of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.* 

Estate of James William Cherry This bequest was made by a friend of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Estate of Wally Hartlove, PRIEST This bequest was made by a priest of the Diocese of Long Island and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Estate of Mary Florence Langworthy This bequest was made by a member of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Estate of John Lloyd Rice, TRUSTEE This bequest was made by a member of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Estate of Thomas Tucker Plant, PRIEST This bequest was made by a friend of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society. Received in 1995 Estate of Timothy Edward Campbell-Smith, PRIEST This bequest was made by a priest of the Diocese of Connecticut and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Estate of Robert H. Chase This bequest was made by a friend of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Estate of Tom Clarey This bequest was made by a friend of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Estate of William Ray Kirby, TRUSTEE This bequest was made by a member of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Estate of William Lewis Kinter This bequest was made by a friend of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Estate of William Lata This bequest was made by a member of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Estate of Courtlandt Nicholl, TRUSTEE This bequest was made by a member of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Estate of Thomas Waldron Phillips, PRIEST This bequest was made by a friend of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Estate of Octavia Josephine Wall This bequest was made by a member of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Estate of Richard P. Whitmore This bequest was made by a friend of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Received in 1994 Estate of Hattie Mae Gregory This bequest was made by a friend of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Estate of Lily Lasham This bequest was made by a member of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Estate of Eugene O'Brien This bequest was made by a friend of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

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Received in 1993 Estate of William Anderson This bequest was made by a member of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Estate of Josephine Brown This bequest was made by a friend of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Received in 1992 Estate of Ruth M. Hinckley This bequest was made by a member of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Estate of John A. McNaughton This bequest was made by a friend of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Estate of Mary Armory Turner This bequest was made by a friend of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Received in 1991 Estate of H. Lee Hennig This bequest was made by a friend of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Estate of Robert Cook Hunsicker, PRIEST This bequest was made by a friend of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Received in 1989 Estate of David Monroe Collins This bequest was made by a friend of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Estate of Larry T. Junk This bequest was made by a member of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Estate of Dorothea Waters Moran This bequest was made by a member of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Estate of Kathryn Mulholland This bequest was made by a member of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Received in 1988 Estate of Richard C. Johnson This bequest was made by a member of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society. Estate of Clasine van de Geer This bequest was made by a member of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Received in 1987 Estate of Peter McGrane *This bequest was made by a friend of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.* 

Estate of Anna Marie Schuman This bequest was made by a member of the parish in memory of her son Robert Schuman, priest, sometime curate of the parish, and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Received in 1986 Estate of Anna Skinkle Allen This bequest was made by a member of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Estate of Kenneth Mealey This bequest was made by a member of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Estate of H. Erich Schmidt This bequest was made by a member of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Estate of Gertrude Schrage This bequest was made by a member of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Received in 1985 Estate of Mildred G. Blakeslee This bequest was made by a friend of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Estate of Phyllis Brackett This bequest was made by a friend of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Estate of Walter Phelps Warren This bequest was made by a member of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Received in 1984 Estate of Gwendolyn S. Anderson This bequest was made by a friend of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Bequest of Ruth Keith This bequest was made by a member of the parish in honor of her mother Ruth English and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

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Estate of Frances H. Ketchem This bequest was made by a friend of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Estate of Robert Kennedy This bequest was made by a member of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Estate of Mary Richrod This bequest was made by a member of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Received in 1983 Estate of Bernice Anderson This bequest was made by a member of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Estate of Faith Cleaveland Booth This bequest was made by a member of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Estate of Dorothy Bostwick This bequest was made by a friend of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Estate of Constance Earle This bequest was made by a member of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Received in 1981 Estate of Adelaide Simpson This bequest was made by a friend of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Received in 1978 Estate of Robert Stewart Bunning This bequest was made by a member of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Estate of Marie Crichton This bequest was made by a friend of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Estate of Winona Claire Peterson This bequest was made by a member of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Received in 1977 Estate of Ralph L. Yokum *This bequest was made by a member of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.*  Estate of Bradley M. Wells This bequest was made by a member of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Received in 1976 Estate of Edith Kellock Brown This bequest was made by a member of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Estate of John Michael Hamilton This bequest was made by a friend of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Estate of Margaret Brock Jones This bequest was made by a friend of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Estate of Hugh A. McEdwards This bequest was made by a friend of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Received in 1975 Estate of Mary Jane Purney This bequest was made by a friend of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Estate of Elizabeth S. Thomas This bequest was made by a friend of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Received in 1974 Estate of Leon W. Gibson This bequest was made by a friend of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Received in 1973 Estate of Adelaide K. Kight This bequest was made by a member of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Estate of Berton W. Lowe This bequest was made by a member of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Received in 1972 Estate of Reginald J. Thompson This bequest was made by a member of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Received in 1971 Estate of Susan Dwight Bliss This bequest was made by a friend of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

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Estate of Christopher C. Bolton This bequest was made by a member of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Received in 1970 Estate of Byron George Clark *This bequest was made by a friend of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.* 

Estate of Elizabeth L. Frank This bequest was made by a friend of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Estate of Mary Edgarton Longley This bequest was made by a member of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Estate of Millicent McLaughlin This bequest was made by a friend of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Estate of Aileen O'Connor This bequest was made by a friend of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Estate of Kathleen Wilson This bequest was made by a friend of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Received in 1969 Estate of Rose Matilda Flemister Erwin This bequest was made by a member of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Estate of Constance V. Jackson This bequest was made by a friend of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Estate of Charles Shepherd Lee This bequest was made by a friend of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Received in 1968 Estate of James A. Eastman *This bequest was made by a friend of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.* 

Received in 1966 Estate of Alice V. Gordon This bequest was made by a member of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society. Estate of Grieg Taber, PRIEST AND RECTOR This bequest was made by the sixth rector of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Estate of Gertrude C. Yorke This bequest was made by a member of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Received in 1965 Estate of Ada Clara Alice Beazley This bequest was made by a member of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Estate of Elsie Gertrude Dickey This bequest was made by a member of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Estate of Harlan S. and Elizabeth G. Perrigo This bequest was made by members of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Estate of Frederick Webb Ross This bequest was made by a member of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Received in 1964 Estate of Paul A. Fancher *This bequest was made by a member of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.* 

Estate of Pauline Felton Winter This bequest was made by a friend of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Received in 1963 Estate of Annie Louise Arnold This bequest was made by a member of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Estate of Leonora Gray This bequest was made by a friend of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Estate of Stephen Waterman Mason This bequest was made by a friend of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Estate of Helen Harrison Morgan This bequest was made by a member of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society. Received in 1962 Estate of Sarah C. Hammer *This bequest was made by a friend of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.* 

Received in 1961 Estate of Norman F. Cushman This bequest was made by a friend of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Estate of Clara Fiske Glover This bequest was made by a friend of the parish in memory of her son William Fiske Glover and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Estate of Marion H. Newcombe This bequest was made by a friend of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Estate of Alma D. Steele This bequest was made by a friend of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Received in 1960 Estate of Minerva K. Bromley This bequest was made by a friend of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Estate of William Copper Dickey This bequest was made by a friend of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Estate of Carrie F. Emmanuel This bequest was made by a friend of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Estate of James Edward Emmanuel, Jr. This bequest was made by a friend of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Estate of Marion Pratt Fouquet This bequest was made by a member of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Estate of Helen Stephanie Partridge This bequest was made by a friend of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Received in 1958 Estate of Mary I. Sonnenberg This bequest was made by a friend of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society. Estate of Albert C. Townsend This bequest was made by a member of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Estate of Floranell Waugh This bequest was made by a member of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Received in 1957 Estate of George S. Wallace This bequest was made by a member of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Received in 1956 Estate of James Carll This bequest was made by a member of the parish in memory of his mother Mary Bond Carll and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Estate of Louis Herbert Gray This bequest was made by a member of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Estate of Pauline Woodruff Titus This bequest was made by a member of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Received in 1952 Estate of Edith Hopper *This bequest is from a member of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.* 

Received in 1951 Estate of Estelle Lightbourne *This bequest was made by a member of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.* 

Estate of Amelia Isabel Pratt This bequest was made by a member of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Received in 1950 Estate of Louise Verplanck Richards This bequest was made by a member of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Received in 1949 Estate of Edward Bromberg This bequest was made by a member of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society. Received in 1947 Estate of Anna K. Hubbell This bequest was made by a member of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Estate of Sara S. Lawrence This bequest was made by a friend of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Received in 1946 Estate of Caroline Skidmore Willis Hewlett This bequest was made by a friend of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Received in 1945 Estate of Louise Eustis This bequest was made by a member of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Received in 1944 Estate of Nellie Keeling Mills This bequest was made by a friend of the parish in memory of William Emory Mills and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Estate of Charlotte Wegman This bequest was made by a member of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Received in 1942 Estate of Harriette Matilda Arnold *This bequest was made by a member of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.* 

Estate of Henry Drucker This bequest was made by a member of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Received in 1941 Estate of Caroline J. S. Deane This bequest was made by a friend of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Estate of Raymond Nold This bequest to the Organ Fund was made by a member of the parish who served as organist and music director from 1910 to 1940.

Received in 1940 Estate of Estelle Wright Camman This bequest was made by a member of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

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Received in 1939 Estate of Alan Ramsey Hawley This bequest was made by a member of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Estate of Dorothy Sutton Ward This bequest was made by a member of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Received in 1938 Estate of Jessie M. Leith This bequest was made by a friend of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Received in 1937 Estate of Harriett M. Aldrich This bequest was made by a member of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Estate of Abigail Burt This bequest was made by a member of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Estate of William V. P. Kip. This bequest was a gift to the Endowment Fund by a friend of the parish. (Note: Mr. Kip.'s last name includes a period.)

Received in 1936 Estate of Florence L. Jones This bequest was made by a member of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Estate of Mary A. Ward This bequest was made by a member of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Received in 1933 Estate of Frances Guion *This bequest was made by a member of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.* 

Received in 1932 Estate of Joseph Gayle Hurd Barry, PRIEST AND RECTOR This bequest was made by the third rector of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society. Received in 1929 Estate of Haley Fiske, TRUSTEE This bequest was made by a friend and patron of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Received in 1927 Estate of Mary Wilmerding This bequest was made by a member of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Received in 1926 Estate of Laura Silliman Carey This bequest was made by a member of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Estate of Abraham Hatfield, TRUSTEE This bequest was made by a member of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Received in 1925 Estate of Beverley Chew, TRUSTEE This bequest was made by a member of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Estate of Florence Scott This bequest was made by a member of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Received in 1922 Estate of Isabella Clark Blanchard *This bequest was made by a member of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.* 

Received in 1921 Estate of Caroline Foote Kellogg This bequest was made by a member of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Received in 1915 Estate of George Lawrence Pagram This bequest was made by a member of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Received in 1895 Estate of Ella Smith This bequest was made by a member of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Received in 1894

Estate of George W. Sutton, TRUSTEE This bequest was made by a member of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.

Received in 1892 Estate of Sara Louis Cooke *This bequest was made by a member of the parish and is to be used for the corporate purposes of the Society.*