

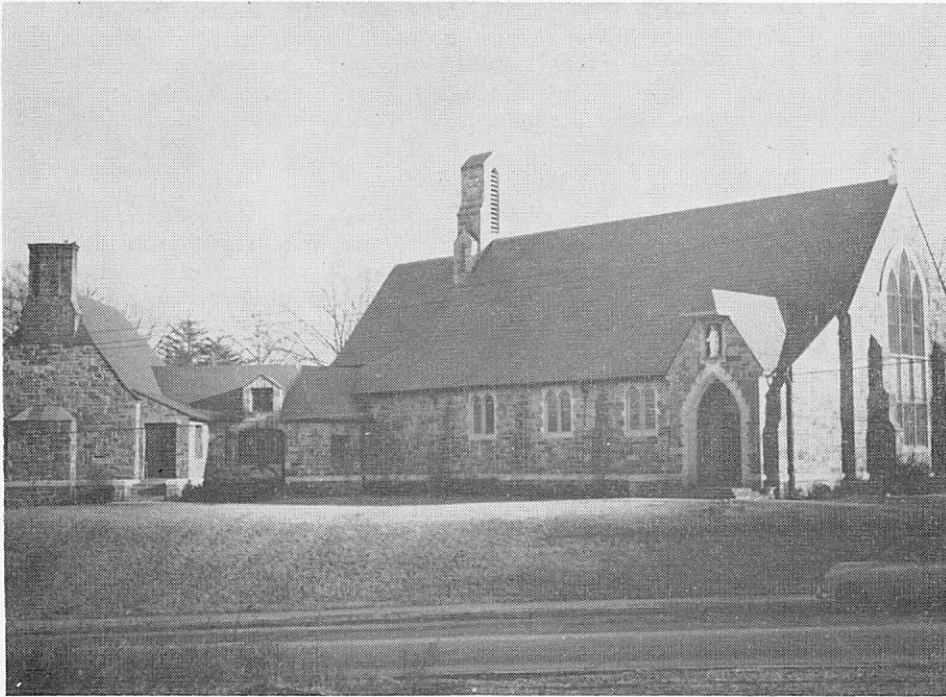


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## AN EASTER MESSAGE

By the Rt. Rev. James P. DeWolfe, D.D., S.T.D., L.L.D.  
*Bishop of Long Island*

It may be that twentieth century Americans have more in common than they think with the Athenians to whom St. Paul preached on Mar's hill almost two thousand years ago. When his hearers heard of the resurrection of the dead, some mocked: and others said, "We will hear you again of this matter." Whether they did or not, we do not know. St. Luke records, "So Paul departed from among them." But he adds, "Howbeit certain men clave unto him, and believed." (Acts 17:32-34) Some Americans mock at the Easter Proclamation; some postpone action concerning it; some believe it and direct their living accordingly.

The church from the very beginning claimed that her preaching of the resurrection of the dead stemmed from her historic experience of the Risen Christ. She claimed that a host of witnesses saw Jesus Christ taken down from the Cross, dead. Among them were Mary, His mother, and the women who were her companions; the Apostle John; Joseph of Arimathaea (John 19:25, 38); the centurion; the chief priest, with the elders (Matt. 27:54, 28:11-12). But an even larger number of witnesses saw the Risen Christ, not all at the one and same time, but neither only one by one (1 Cor. 15:4-8). Who are we to believe? The Church accepts the testimony of the Apostles who saw Him dead and buried, and risen from the dead, and staying with them forty days longer, and ascended, and experienced in the midst of them when they broke the bread which He taught them was His sacramental body.

Thank God in Jesus we too have our hope of a glorious resurrection. And pray God that we may so eat of that Bread that we may have life in us, this Easter Day, and eternally.



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## THE NATIONAL PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

In becoming members of the Order of the Daughters of the King, each one of us has signified (after prayerful thought and serious consideration) that we are desirous of going a little further than what is expected of us as Christian women in prayer and service for the extension of Christ's kingdom. If we fail to carry out our vows, then we are not only hurting ourselves but the whole Order, as each of us may be judged as representing what we really should be. This applies to each one of us and a frequent check-up is necessary to see how we stand, being careful always to be humble, remembering that we can do nothing of ourselves but with God's help we can do everything.

Our blessed Lord said, "If any man will come after Me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross daily, and follow Me." St. Luke 9:23. It is very difficult to deny ourselves and in this we mean not only sacrificing our earthly possessions but to "forget" self in trying to help others—being cheerful while doing something for others which is not a pleasant task—something which we could not do if we stopped to think of its effect upon ourselves. We were told some time ago that the "cross" referred to by Jesus was not the burdens of life that we are forced to bear but some duty or service accepted willingly, some extra task for Christ which we assume and perform gladly. And finally, to follow Christ, we must know His ways and to know them we must read and study His Life and Works through daily Bible reading, prayer and study.

Let us each make a renewed effort throughout this New Year of 1960 to deny ourselves, take up our cross daily and follow Him, for surely we all are diligently seeking to "come after Him."

Sincere greetings and good wishes are extended to the following new chapters of our Order: Fourth Province, Diocese of Mississippi, Church of the Redeemer, Greenville, Miss., with eleven charter members; President, Mrs. Fred Oliver. Fifth Province, Diocese of Michigan, Church of

the Good Shepherd, Dearborn, Mich., with seven charter members; President, Mrs. George Radke. Seventh Province, Diocese of West Texas, Church of the Ascension, Refugio, Texas, with six charter members; President, Mrs. Louis Landrum. Also Seventh Province, Diocese of Oklahoma, St. John's Church, Tulsa, Okla., with eleven charter members; President, Mrs. Thomas Allen. New Junior chapters in Third Province, Diocese of Washington, St. Matthew's Church, Hyattsville, Md., with eight charter members; Directress, Mrs. Loyde N. Balcom and in the Seventh Province, Diocese of West Texas, Trinity Church, San Antonio, Tex., with twenty-two charter members; Directress, Mrs. L. P. Agnew.

I am very happy to announce that a Diocesan Assembly has been organized in the Diocese of New Mexico and Southwest Texas, with Mrs. L. C. Rockett of Santa Fe as their Diocesan President. Also, there has been an Assembly organized in Northern Virginia, Diocese of Virginia, with Mrs. Aline K. Herr of Arlington, Va., as President.

The National Council meeting will be held at Seabury House on May 13, 14 and 15 and I earnestly solicit your prayers for this meeting as plans are made for the future of our Order and also for our Triennial meeting in Detroit in 1961.

May God Bless Thy Year—1960.

May L. Dayton.

## OUR RESPONSIBILITY

Our responsibility, as Christians newborn through Baptism, is to carry that recreated life into the lives of other men and women and even into the material surroundings with which He has endowed us.

When we say the *Angelus* or any other like noon day prayer, we are testifying that we believe our Lord's love is still with us, still pleading for our love, still leading, still upholding, still energizing, still redeeming.

—Selected

EXCERPTS FROM MEDITATIONS  
GIVEN TO THE DAUGHTERS OF  
THE KING

28th Provincial Meeting, 3rd Province

By The Rev. E. L. Merrow, Rector of  
Grace Church, Alexandria, Va.

*Text: Isaiah XI, vs. 1-2, "And there shall come forth a rod out of the stem of Jesse, and a branch shall grow out of his roots: And the Spirit of the Lord shall rest upon him, the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and of the fear of the Lord, and the spirit of holiness shall be his forever."*

*Subject: "The Gifts Of The Spirit."*  
Sometimes it is hard for us to acknowledge the great mystery that is at the root of our Christian faith—God so loves the world—all of us—and all of us equally—that He gave His only begotten Son, Jesus Christ, to be conceived by the Holy Ghost and to be born of the Virgin Mary—God became man—fully God and fully man. In Jesus Christ the eternal union between God and man was restored. His divine nature, the 2nd Person of the God-Head, speaks to the Jews and says, "before Abraham was, I am!" His human nature was born of a woman and He was subject like each of us to the laws and order of God's universe. He was also subject to the same pain, anguish, suffering, temptation and finally death itself, even as we are. The real difference lies in the fact that He was faithful and obedient to the Holy Spirit of God who guided Him through birth, life, suffering, and death to the eternal life with God from whence He had come. Two facts must be understood and accepted—Christ was, is and always will be in union with God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and 2nd, when He became man and was given the name of "Jesus at which every knee shall bow" He was fully a man and needed the guidance of the Holy Spirit of God just as you and I today need the Gifts of the Spirit. When we were baptized God did for us what our parents could not do—He made us His children. This is not something reserved for a few—this is not exclusive—every human being who has received Holy Baptism is joined with his Creator Father as a child and to his Redeemer Saviour as a brother and friend, and this Holy union of God's Family is strengthened and sustained

by the power of the Holy Ghost. We are as older children in the family, we have been living in this Holy Family relationship for a long time. Sometimes we forget that we are in the Holy Fellowship with the Saints, we even imagine we are going this alone because there are none worthy enough to help. To this I want to bring the heart of this Meditation. As the Prophet Isaiah told us so long ago, and as our Bishops remind us in the Confirmation Prayer, God the Holy Spirit gives to each of us gifts. God like the father of the younger son, gives us our inheritance while we are still young enough to enjoy it. Now what we do with our inheritance must ultimately be for us to give account. It is obvious that some invest their inheritance in a good heart and it grows exceeding their wildest dreams; others hoard the Holy Gifts in lazy minds and bodies and prayerless souls, and imagine that these gifts of the Holy Spirit given by God in our childhood will provide all the spiritual sustenance we need to keep us alive through this world and get us into the next. Then there are those who, like the Prodigal of old, follow in his footsteps and squander their inheritance.

*1st Gift—Holy Fear Of The Lord:* If you marvel that I start here with the most generally misunderstood gift of the Holy Spirit, it is because we do misunderstand this word and this gift that I am convinced we fail to utilize the other gifts. "Fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom," yet the popularized versions of our Holy Faith all around us sing to a lilting tune, "Oh, He walks with me and He talks with me," and the Lord God Almighty is put on a first name speaking acquaintance basis and the Holiness of God is forgotten as we try to reduce Him to our common denominator. The word "Holy" means "separated from the common." It might be better if we used a word that can be substituted for fear, and that is reverence. For a Daughter of the King this must be primary in her relationship with her King. She must be reverent in all she does and says and thinks—she must understand that reverence is not only shown outwardly by her actions before other people and in the presence of the Church but that reverence is a state of being for her soul and that it is the difference between being sensitive and unfeeling. The Church has always

known the importance of Holy places and Holy things. The church building and its furnishings are to be treated reverently—in the Holy Fear of the Lord—for this is the Lord's House. "Let all the world keep silence before Him."

*2nd Gift—Godliness:* Godliness is our abbreviation for *God-Like-Ness*. We who have been created by God in His image are called by Christ to "be perfect, even as your Father in Heaven is perfect." We know we are not perfect, and be very sure that your heavenly Father knows we are not perfect. It was precisely because of both of these facts that He gave His Son as a "Sacrifice for us men and for the sin of the whole world." Everyone who is baptized has been made new and different from those to whom Christ is not known—and you and I are even a little more different because we have *individually and voluntarily accepted orders to be different*. We have placed ourselves under a rule of life in which God has every right to expect us to be different. Godliness shows itself not only in Church where it may be seen of men but it must also be that working of the Spirit in our lives that makes of scrubbing a floor, or pounding a typewriter or the hundred and one daily tasks a service to God. The gift of Godliness in a Daughter of the King must show itself in a cheerful woman who labors not for her own glory but for the glory of God, accepting the rule of Service with joy—following her Rector's program for the life of her Parish Church, even as a Priest follows with a "glad mind the Godly admonitions of his Bishop."

*3rd Gift—Wisdom:* The Holy Spirit's gift of wisdom to a Christian is that light given to a soul whereby it both beholds and knows God. Wisdom is a fruit, not of the mind, but of the heart, for wisdom stems from love. It has its birth in that "Peace of God that passes all understanding, and which possesses both our hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God." As the Holy Spirit guides our feet in the way of peace and righteousness we begin to experience real, expressible changes in our lives. When the fear of both living and dying has been replaced by Holy Fear of the Lord, and as we begin to understand our high calling to be joint heirs with Christ of God's Kingdom, we

also discover an inner depth of our beings. "Surely Thy loving kindness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life—" "I know that my Redeemer liveth." This Faith, this Trust, this Knowing of God is wisdom. Once we have received this gift of the Spirit and are able to rejoice at receiving it, we can begin to do the work of the King.

*4th Gift—Understanding:* It is almost as if the 1st three gifts of the Spirit were intended to prepare us for our high calling to be children of God, Daughters of the King, Priests and Servants of God, for the remaining gifts of the Spirit seem all to be directed towards our labors in the vineyards of our Lord. God in His infinite wisdom knows so well the need all of His children have to be supported—to be held up—to be picked up. This is what understanding means, it literally means to stand under and to support. How strange we are! We not only don't want to admit that we need help but we are also equally embarrassed to offer it, even when we are able to realize a need exists that we could and should meet. When the Gift of Wisdom finds a receptive heart and is permitted to go to work, wonderful things begin to happen—we discover that we very much need the help, love and support of those around us, but we are able—with a strength far greater than our own, to help, love and support our neighbors who need understanding. This has to begin at home.

*5th & 6th Gifts—Counsel and Might:* These two simply have to be put together. In fact I am strongly inclined to believe that they should be listed before "Understanding," for the Gifts of the Holy Spirit that permit patience, reflection, prayer, willingness to seek advice—all of these—before acting—I don't need tell you that when a person acts from this context he acts with might. Here is where first things must be put first for a Daughter of the King. Labor without love, availeth nothing. Actions without preparation usually fail. Each one of you is called to a special vocation—it has two parts. First and foremost you are bound to a Rule of Daily Prayer—counseling received from your Lord—only after you have gone into your closet and closed the door, closed your mouth and your mind and opened your heart and permitted God time to strengthen and direct you—only then can you go

forth strong in the Lord to render your regular and disciplined service to your King, your Church, your family and neighborhood, and not least—your Parish Priest.

*7th Gift—Knowledge:* God has given us minds to be used just as fully as He intends our souls, bodies and hearts to be employed in doing His will. This means that a Daughter of the King must be informed regarding her Faith, her Church, her Bible—and this involves some real, honest, hard work with our minds. But as Christians living in this difficult age, we must also see to it that we know of the works of the world around us—We must keep informed—not about the latest gossip but about God's world and God's people. It is important that we remind ourselves without ceasing that it is *His World* for it is *His creation*, and that we pray for His will to be done in it.

May Almighty God—The Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit grant us grace in this life to accept Thy Holy Gifts that we may show forth Thy Praise and Glory in our lives and finally by Thy mercy obtain everlasting life.

#### A NOTABLE QUIET DAY

Grace Church, Alexandria, Virginia, celebrated its 100th Anniversary in 1955. This beautiful church was erected in 1948 when the congregation moved from its old location in downtown Alexandria to its present location on the outskirts of the city. Under the leadership of its beloved Rector, the Rev. Edward Leith Merrow, the Parish has grown from 151 members in 1948 to its present membership of over 2,800. A Daughter of the King Chapter was started in 1951 under the outstanding leadership of Mrs. George E. Levings, II, with five Charter members. The Chapter has been blessed by having Father Merrow's loving and inspiring guidance and training. He has used his abundant talents to encourage and inspire the Daughters not only in his Chapter but on Diocesan, Provincial and National levels. The Chapter now averages 35 members. The Parish is very mobile and its Daughters go from their home Chapter to other Parishes to carry on the work in new fields. In the midst of Lent each year at Grace Church there comes into its hurried, bustling life a Day of Quiet. It begins

in mid-morning with the Holy Communion Service. A rule of silence is imposed on all those who take part. What a wonderful discipline this is! For a group of women so habitually sociable it is a most difficult one to observe but has proved to be most rewarding. Two Meditations, interspersed with appropriate Hymns and the Rededication Service are followed by luncheon, during which silence is unbroken, ideally, and the Quiet Day ends with a third Meditation. These Meditations have been led for the past seven years by the Rector, and accounts for the steadily increasing numbers who attend. Once heard Father Merrow's Meditations are not easily forgotten. These Quiet Days have come to be a highlight of the Lenten season throughout northern Virginia. Although sponsored by the Daughters of the King, a most cordial invitation to attend is extended to all the women of the Parish and to all the surrounding parishes as well as the parishes in Washington, D. C. and as far distant as Richmond, Va., and Maryland. It is impossible to estimate the spiritual impact these days of withdrawal have on the lives of those who worship together on this day. Here is an outstanding example of how a Chapter of the Daughters of the King has enriched the life of the whole community.

Mrs. Frank R. Wetyen

#### GREETING FROM BRAZIL

Dear Friends:

The year 1959 has been filled with countless new experiences for me, providing opportunities for growth and deeper understanding of the love of Jesus Christ and of our deep unity in Him. All started off well with a Vacation Church School in January in a Japanese Brazilian parish in the city of Sao Paulo. Nearly 100 active youngsters participated in a daily program of worship, study, recreation, crafts and music. The school gives us an opportunity to train a team of teachers in how to work with children in religious education and a chance to visit their homes. The closing service, exhibition and party was a huge success with the presence of many parents who rarely come to church. In February we repeated the experience successfully, with a different group of teachers, in an interior town in Rio Grande do Sul. From March until June I lived at St. Margaret's

School in Pelotas, an Episcopal day and boarding school, helping with the Religious Education courses in the Junior-Senior high, and cooperating with the two local parishes, particularly in reference to training lay women leadership. These months helped me to gain greater insights into the problems and needs in Christian Education in church and public schools and gave me further experience in parish life—always a joy. On Easter Day I had the hair-raising experience of being in an auto accident in which our station wagon plunged into the river at the end of a ferry dock when the brakes refused to work, but miraculously enough all nine of us escaped safely with no major damages, a cause for real thanksgiving. After a few days breather at a lovely German pension in the mountains in June, I became deeply involved in the activities of the Department of Religious Education with headquarters in Porto Alegre. Youth conferences, Religious Education Department meetings, editing materials for church school course and for Vacation Schools, organizing courses for training women leaders in several parishes, traveling as a member of a recruiting team for church workers, all kept me stepping during these months. At present I'm happy to be firmly established in the Casa de Santa Hilda, our new women's training center in Sao Paulo. It is a great challenge and ever so much fun to be creating a homelike atmosphere in the House and to be involved in planning for the opening activities in 1960: a conference for women in January and a course in Religious Education to begin in March. So many of you share in this work through your prayers, contributions and through the United Thank Offering which enabled us to purchase this lovely house and property. One of the great joys of 1959 is my mother's visit. Amidst the busy activities of the year I've discovered the increasing necessity for order and regularity and discipline in our lives of work and prayer, which can never be separated one from the other. I've been constantly aided by the regular prayers of so many of you for me personally and for the Church in Brazil.

May God richly bless each one of you and make us more truly members one of another in Him.

Elizabeth Daniel



#### A MASTER'S FUND BENEFICIARY

Miss Doralee Ruth Clowes, an Episcopalian from childhood, holds the Daughter of the King Scholarship at St. Margaret's House, Berkeley, Calif., for the year 1959-60. We quote from her application for a Master's Fund Scholarship: "Education: A.B. Vassar College—M.A. in music, Eastman School of Music. After teaching music a number of years I felt the call to serve our Lord more directly through working in religious education in His Church; I am in my 1st year of training at St. Margaret's House, which year's expenses I have paid for out of my own savings, however, they are now used up, so I am applying to the National Council for some help and to the Daughters for the rest of the help needed. My reason for asking to enter training, 'to be able to serve our Lord Jesus Christ more effectively by becoming qualified for fulltime religious education work.'" Later Miss Clowes wrote: "And now to thank you for the great good news received yesterday—that you have chosen me for the Scholarship—so I will be able to finish the two year training program which I could not have done otherwise. I am grateful, glad and of course delighted—but yet my heart is much fuller than any of these words can express—so I can just try to use the simple familiar words and hope you will know how much is in my heart. Thank you, thank you for the honor and trust that you have committed to me. May the Lord grant me His grace to use this training to His honor and glory."

### PRESENTATION MASTER'S FUND

The Service of Evening Prayer at which the Daughters of the Diocese of Washington presented their Master's Fund began at 4 P.M., at Trinity Church on Whitsunday, May 17, 1959. The Rev. Frederick W. Blatz, rector of Trinity Parish delivered the sermon taking as his text part of the 38th v. 10th chapter St. Luke's Gospel: "and a certain woman named Martha received Him into her house." He said in part: "Our Lord accepted the ministry of women during His earthly life, there being many who served Him. They also followed Him on His last journey to the foot of the cross, and it was a woman who first saw Him after His resurrection. At that time women were little more than chattels; a piece of property, had no rights of their own, and were totally dependent on their husbands for support. If a man wanted to divorce his wife he simply put her out of the house. Women were told to keep silent in the church. A woman's head being covered in church goes back to the custom of the past when a woman was veiled in church. It was Jesus who was responsible for the change in status of women. He made it impossible for a man to regard his wife as a piece of property. She was not to be regarded as a thing but as a person. It was St. Paul in Galatians who said there is neither Jew nor Greek, male or female, but all are one in Christ Jesus. The Church which has done so much to emancipate women, still has its prejudices. More deeply rooted is its prejudice against women in the ministry. Even with the special talents and abilities they have, we take it for granted that it is the men that should be in the ministry. However there are other functions which women may do which parallel the ordination to the ministry. They can be parish workers and be an enormous help to the rector. Parish workers can step into the home as a man can never do and restore order and calm and give the home a sense of having a place in the total parish picture. Many women have organized church school classes, have been teachers and helped in the educational program.

I am glad you keep up the Master's Fund and wish there were many more women in the Church who could have an opportunity for training as there is a need for specially trained women to serve as

parish workers, as directors of education and many other ways. There is need for dedicated women for the Church's work in witness to the glory of God the Father."

Our Master's Fund Offering, \$309.63, was presented at the altar and after the close of the Service all enjoyed a delightful social hour in the parish house as guests of Trinity Chapter.

Marion G. Fisher

### DIOCESE OF CONNECTICUT

The 68th Diocesan Assembly of the Daughters of Connecticut met at Trinity Church, Hartford, Oct. 31. The Rt. Rev. Walter H. Gray, Bishop of Conn., was the celebrant at the Communion Service, assisted by The Rev. Kingsland Van Winkle. Mrs. Thomas L. Prosser presided at the business meeting. In her report she told of being invited by the Rev. Allyn Joslyn of Christ Church, Swansea, Mass., to talk to the women of his parish about the Daughters of the King, and as a result a chapter was formed, the first in the State of Massachusetts. The Provincial president of the 1st Province, Mrs. Samuel Sutcliffe, reported on the meeting held at the Conference Center, Newport, Rhode Island. Bishop Russell Hubbard, of the Missionary District of Spokane, showed slides of his work and spoke of starting new churches, building rectories, and supplying clergy; Miss Ollie Randell, vice-chairman of the national committee on the Aging, stated that the highest percentage of older people in the U. S. is in New England and the greatest problems in the care of older people are housing and medical bills. The Diocese of Rhode Island has purchased two homes and converted them into two-room apartments for persons over 65 years of age. Mr. Van Winkle spoke of his admiration for the Daughters of the King, who serve the rector and the parish in a special way, helping in its Prayer Life and in bringing faith in the Church to Shut-in members. Mrs. Cuffee, president of our Bishop's Chapter, told of the continuing work of their members, and of the monthly correspondence which unites these Daughters from all over the Diocese. She left us with a thought that we can extend to all members everywhere: "As the ripples follow the waves to the Sea, so may God's blessing follow thee."

Mrs. John F. Reid

## BEGIN EACH DAY WITH PRAYER

*And in the morning, rising up a great while before day, He went out, and departed into a solitary place, and there prayed.*  
Mark 1:35v



### A PRAYER OF PRAISE

"Oh, let me know the power of  
Thy Resurrection:  
Oh, let me show Thy risen life  
In calm and clear reflection;  
Oh, let me soar where Thou, my  
Saviour Christ art gone before;  
In mind and heart let me dwell  
Always only where Thou art."

"Oh, let me give out of the gifts,  
Thou freely givest;  
Oh, let me live with life  
Abundantly because Thou livest;  
Oh, make me shine in darkest places,  
For Thy light is mine;  
Oh, let me be a faithful witness  
For Thy truth and Thee."

"Oh, let me show the strong  
Reality of gospel story;  
Oh, let me go from strength to  
Strength, from glory unto glory;  
Oh, let me sing for very joy because  
Thou art my King;  
Oh, let me praise Thy love and  
Faithfulness through all my days."

### A MORNING PRAYER

Almighty God, who has brought us in safety through the darkness of the night, we thank Thee for Thy Fatherly care which has kept us in all dangers and brought us to this hour. Help us this day to remember Thee as our Creator, to love Thee as our Father, and to feel Thee near us as our friend; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

### AN EVENING PRAYER

Be present O merciful God, and protect us through the silent hours of this night, so that we who are fatigued by the changes and chances of this fleeting world may rest upon Thy eternal changelessness; through the everlasting Christ our Lord.

### LENTEN PRAYERS

May we find quietness this Lent. Mindful of the forty days the Master spent in the deep silence of the wilderness. May we be still to hear His voice, to feel Him bless. In daily tasks our hands must undertake, may we find quietness this Lent—For His dear sake.

O God, give us eyes that see, ears that hear, hearts that can love, lips that do not gossip, consciences that are very sensitive, feelings that can be hurt only by our own sins, wills that strive to be with Thine, for Jesus Christ sake.

### "AND HATH APPEARED TO PETER"

Not James, nor John the beloved, who stood beside His holy Mother on that awful noon, but to the faithless braggart, hot in pride. Who always thought too little, spoke too soon. Now is the flash of Simon's ready sword new sheathed in Peter's wise humility: Since Thou dost choose and change a sinner, Lord, wilt Thou, at Easter, show Thyself to me?

### ST. PATRICK'S BREASTPLATE

May the strength of God pilot us.  
May the power of God preserve us.  
May the wisdom of God instruct us.  
May the hand of God protect us.  
May the way of God direct us.  
May the shield of God defend us.  
May the host of God guard us against the snares of evil and the temptations of the world.  
May Christ be with us, Christ before us, Christ in us, Christ over us.  
May Thy salvation, O Lord, be always ours this day and for evermore.

"God is love, and the glory of God is the shining forth and the victory of love."  
Wm. Temple



**St. Anne's In The Fields, Jr. & Sr. members left to right, 1st row: Lois Brigleb; Dorothy Hudson; Mrs. Donald; Kay Odegard; Claudia Orient. 2nd row: Sue Plummer; Ruth Brigleb; Marguerite Harrell, Directress Jrs.; Mrs. Barbara Richard; Mrs. Evelyn Richard; Mrs. Lina E. Wayne.**

#### DIOCESE OF OHIO

##### Junior and Senior Chapters of St. Anne's in the Fields, Madson

This Junior chapter came into being because of the real need in our little Mission in Perry, Ohio—we have since moved into our new church, in Madson. I was, so to speak, THE altar guild, and while I loved doing for the little church, it seemed to me more people should have the same joy and privilege. In the Spring of 1955 we had four young girls in our Confirmation Class. After being confirmed I asked them if they would like to form a Jr. Daughters chapter, and explained what their duties would be—they were very enthusiastic. Thereupon we got from the national office the necessary handbooks, and the girls and I—their future directress—served our probationary period together. In October 1955, we received our Charter and were very proud indeed. My original four, Ruth Brigleb, Lois Brigleb, Suzanne Plummer and Dorothy Hudson, were most faithful in their duties—they still are but with a difference. In our Mission in Perry we really took care of the building itself, as well as the usual duties of Jr. Daughters. Last Summer two more Jr. Daughters, Kay Odegard and Claudia Orient, were received with their mothers. Now we had six Juniors and three Seniors—then Barbara Denner, who had been a Daughter at St. Peter's, Lakewood, Ohio,

came to St. Anne's, and very soon we found that Lina E. Hervery, formerly of St. James', Painesville, Ohio, was a member of the Order. This encouraged us to ask for a charter for the senior group which was granted us May 1959 with five charter members. Of the six Junior Daughters, two teach in the Church School, four sing in the choir, all are most faithful in their duties. At this time these girls represent the only group of young people in our parish who are eligible to enter the Order. But since moving into our new church the congregation has grown rapidly so I very much hope that when the next Confirmation Class comes along there will be others who will be interested.

Marguerite Harrell

#### DIOCESE OF SOUTH FLORIDA

The Daughters of the Diocese of South Florida held their Annual Assembly May 3-5, at Camp Wingmann, Ayon Park with 50 members present representing 15 chapters. Taking the theme, "How to become better Daughters," the Meditations were conducted by The Rev. C. H. White, of All Saints, Lakeland. The Rt. Rev. Wm. F. Moses, our Suffragan Bishop, who addressed the Assembly was also celebrant for Holy Communion at which time a Rededication Service was held. The Travers Memorial Cross presented each year to an outstanding Daughter went this year to Mrs. Pauline LaRue, of Sarasota, Fla. Small discussion groups were formed each taking under consideration "the Religious purpose of a chapter and the important part meetings play in shaping the thoughts and actions of its members." Topics used were: (1) How do we fulfill the purpose of our Order in chapter meetings by Prayer? (2) By Study? (3) How do chapter meetings help fulfill the rule of Service? (4) How outside of our meetings can we strengthen the life of our chapter? (5) How can we best use the probation period in training new members? The presiding officer and Diocesan President, Mrs. Bruce Renfroe, gave us the following message. "It is necessary that there be a sense of personal growth among members of a chapter, or it will fail in fulfilling its purpose. The true religious task of a chapter is to deepen the faith of its members. Therefore we must have programs that will spiritually prepare



The five remaining Charter members, St. Paul's Chapter, E. Cleveland, Ohio, left to right: Mrs. Sydney Speed; Miss Florence Russell; Mrs. John Mason; Mrs. O. Micklewright; Mrs. Gerald Clarke.

members to do Daughters' work. We would do well to follow the rule of life of the early Christians. "They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, to breaking of bread and the prayers." (Acts. 2:42) Something of these four elements should be in our meetings; Bible, Prayer, partaking of the Lord's Supper, Fellowship. The first task of each member is to win souls for Christ. Only by living our two rules, "Prayer and Service," can we achieve the purpose of the Order. There are unlimited opportunities ahead for the Order to do God's work—but only as we give ourselves constantly to prayer; as we have new eagerness to make sacrifices for Christ; and only as we do all to the glory of God.

Following the Assembly the Annual Retreat for all Churchwomen was sponsored by the Daughters. The Preparation Service was conducted by the Rev. C. H. White and Meditations by the Rev. John Benton, of St. John's, KISSIMMEE. Approximately 70 women attended Retreat.

—Ardath Brown



#### ST. PAUL'S, EAST CLEVELAND, OHIO

The chapter of St. Paul's, East Cleveland, founded by the late Rev. Gerald Clarke, celebrated its 30th anniversary, May, 1959. Its 30 years of active service has been of much value to the parish and a source of joy and inspiration to the individual Daughter. The chapter still numbers among its Daughters five of its charter members, one of whom, namely, Mrs. Gerald Clarke, served on the National Council of the Order for six years and during this time she was National Chairman of the Junior Daughters Division.

#### IN SPITE OF ALL

Bad will be the day for every man when  
 he becomes absolutely contented  
 With the life that he is living,  
 With the thoughts that he is thinking,  
 With the deeds that he is doing.  
 When there is not forever beating at the  
 doors of his soul some great desire to  
 do something larger which he knows  
 he was made and meant to do because  
 he is still,

IN SPITE OF ALL, the Child of GOD.

Philip Brooks



Golden Anniversary picture, St. Andrew's Chapter, Fort Worth, Texas. Left to right, front row: Mrs. W. R. Calhoun, treas.; Mrs. G. G. Bronson, retiring pres.; Mrs. Geo. C. Woodard, pres.; Mrs. Richard K. Emery, vice pres.; Mrs. J. T. Bell, sec.; 2nd row: Mrs. Theo Delleney; Mrs. Nettie Flickner; Mrs. W. B. Palm; Mrs. Walter Hartley; Mrs. Don McKee; Mrs. Claude C. Marret; top row: Mrs. Laura B. Kauffman; Miss Floyd Frasier; Mrs. P. Floyd Maben; Mrs. O. L. Thomas; The Rev. Louis F. Martin, rector. (Absent) Mrs. J. D. Fisher; Mrs. Roy Gallagher; Mrs. Chester Cy Martin; Miss Ruth DeVitt.

#### DIOCESE OF DALLAS, St. Andrew's, Fort Worth

It was with deep gratitude and thanks that the Daughters of the King of St. Andrew's Church, Fort Worth, Texas, celebrated the Fiftieth Anniversary of their chapter, Chapter No. 898, on September 11. All 17 charter members present for the first meeting, Nov. 4, 1909, are deceased. To these Daughters, the chapter's first Year Book, 1959-60, is dedicated, "To the deceased Daughters without whose faith, courage and efforts this chapter would not be celebrating its Golden Anniversary." Holy Communion was celebrated by the Rev. Louis F. Martin, rector, at 10:00 A.M., followed by the Installation Service for the newly elected officers. The Golden Anniversary Hour was held in Moncrief Hall, 15 of our 19 members were present. Among the goodly number who were with us on this occasion were the Rev. John R. Leatherbury, Chaplain, Mrs. A. C. Anstermuehle, Diocesan President, and Daughters from the chapters in the Diocese. During the morning telegrams

and messages of congratulations and good wishes were received with much pleasure from both national and provincial (7) officers.

Mrs. Geo. C. Woodard

#### THE MARKS OF A CHRISTIAN FAMILY

The Christian Family

1. Seeks to live by the teaching and example of Jesus Christ.
2. Joins in the Worship of Almighty God on Sunday in church.
3. Joins in common prayer and Bible reading and grace at meals.
4. Is forgiving one to another and accepts responsibility for one another.
5. Shares together in common tasks and recreation.
6. Uses abilities, time, and possessions responsibly in society.
7. Is a good neighbor, hospitable to friend and stranger.

*As defined by the Lambeth Conference.*

## NEWS AND COMMENTS

## COMING EVENTS

*Diamond Jubilee:* With pleasure, pride, and deepest gratitude we announce the Seventy-fifth Anniversary of the Order, April 4, 1960. During these seventy-five years many forward steps have been taken in the whole program of The Daughters of the King. We are especially grateful for those Daughters whose loyalty in keeping their VOW of Prayer and Service have made it possible for us to realize a steady increase in numbers and to reach this milestone in the history of our Order.

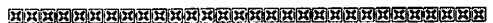
*The Theme for Triennial* will be considered at the forthcoming meeting of the National Council. Suggestions are requested and will be greatly appreciated if sent to the Convention Program chairman, Mrs. Jack M. Beggs, 1779 E. 89th St., Cleveland, Ohio, by May 7th.

*Your editor is most appreciative* of the many lovely Christmas Greetings received and to hear from so many who value our magazine. It is always an encouragement to have proof that The Royal Cross is being read.

*From the Editor, Forward Movement Publications:* "On Dec. 6, 1934—St. Nicholas Day—about 35 of us hurried through Chicago's dark and snow to the little crypt chapel of St. Andrew's for Holy Communion. We needed communion and it needed to be holy, for we were humbled before a vague and huge task." These are the words of the late Canon Symons, describing the beginnings of the Forward Movement, and it is appropriate to quote them at the beginning of this silver anniversary year. The prayers and labors of that Commission proved from the first that the Holy Spirit was at work within it. . . . We, too, need communion, and for us, too, it needs to be holy. If God grants us another quarter-century, we shall take it as our task to guide men forward in the way that leads to peace, the way of truth and light."

We extend to the editor hearty congratulations and our appreciation of the inspiring publications.

*The Overseas Secretary* of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew, Mr. E. Henry Cross, writes in part: "Many thanks for The Royal Cross. I have been in the habit of sending them to our All Saints Brotherhood Chapter, Accra, for the lady members who were admitted into the chapter by a former Bishop because they would not be separated from their husbands. A similar thing had taken place in China. The American Headquarters agreed, it being in the Mission Field the ladies could remain in the chapter. This last issue I sent to Rev. Dr. Donald Omand, rector of Steepleton, Dorchester, Dorset, who is also Chaplain to the Big Top Circus Troupes and doing a grand job. A whole Moslem Troupe has been won over to the Church. Dr. Omand gets letters from members of the Troupes from various parts of the world. He has suggested the following subjects for intercession on behalf of his work: For Communicants of the Church in the various circuses—For Circus Folk, young and old, who are being prepared for Confirmation—For Circus Children who are receiving Christian teaching and their Instructors—That God will continue to use our little band of Priests and Laymen for spreading the Kingdom under the Big Top—That God will bless all Circus Animals and instill kindness in the hearts of their trainers and keepers."



*Following the recent outbreak* of anti-Semitic acts in the desecration of synagogues, temples, and churches in various parts of the world and in this country, the Rt. Rev. Arthur Lichtenberger, Presiding Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the U. S. A., issued the following statement:

"It should come as no surprise that anti-Semitism is still a force to be reckoned with in this country. There is ample evidence of it quite apart from recent events. This is a wholly evil thing; it is directed ostensibly against Jewish people, but it is a threat to us all. Christians particularly must combat it wherever it shows itself."

## THE JUNIOR MESSENGER

Mrs. Cecil A. Tucker, *Editor*, Christmas, Florida

Dear Junior Daughters:

Throughout Lent we have been striving toward spiritual growth and preparing the way for our Lord—preparing for that great queen of feasts—Easter. Regularly, our Lord went off alone to pray. Periodically the Church calls us apart from the stresses and strains of this life to pray, to evaluate, to re-think our lives. During Lent we make a special effort to have more time to be with God and talk to Him. This is a good time to look about you for any un-met needs that you can fill—at home, church, school or wherever you are. In your prayers ask God to show you places where you can help, then listen for His prompting.

Thanks to all of you who have sent stones to use in the Altar for our Garden Chapel. You will still have time to send stones as we will not make the Altar until later in the year to give as many as possible a chance to send a stone. Stones are arriving every day from different parts of the United States and from abroad. During the Christmas holidays I received a piece of granite from the Government of Canada, a piece of black marble from India and an engraved stone from Lidice, Czechoslovakia, also some jade beads from China and an amethyst stone from a Daughter of the King. On Nov. 11th we had the ground breaking and dedication for the Peace Shrine and Garden which was given as a Thanksgiving Offering for the Prince of Peace and for all who have given their lives in the cause of peace.

Wishing you a blessed and happy Easter.

Yours in His Love,  
Juanita Tucker

### THINGS TO MAKE AND DO

Make a Pilgrimage through your Church. Study the windows and Memorials.

Write a little note of appreciation to someone whose services are taken more or less for granted; a public servant, a teacher, a friend, or a relative.

Start a little seed or plant to take to a shut-in at Easter.

### WE RECEIVE HELP THROUGH PRAYER

There are many kinds of prayer, here are the right steps to follow.

1. **ADORATION:** In the Lord's Prayer, the words, "Hallowed be thy Name" is a prayer of adoration. It means loving God. Our prayers of adoration may be very simple: "Dear God I love You." Every morning we should begin our prayers with one of adoration to God.
2. **CONFESSION:** Prayers of confession are those in which we tell God of the things we have done that we know are wrong and of the things we have left undone that we know we should have done, and ask His forgiveness. Before we go to sleep at night we should confess to God the wrongs we have done during the day. Praying something like this: "Dear God I am very sorry I was unkind, or thoughtless, or selfish, or lost my temper (name any wrong that you have been guilty of) and ask God to forgive you.
3. **INTERCESSION:** Means asking for others. Noon is a good time to say prayers of intercession for our parents, Clergy, teachers, friends, missionaries, our country. Here is an example of prayer for others: "Dear God, watch over my parents, brothers and sisters, and keep them safe. Help our Clergy to serve Thee; Bless our Country and the whole World, and grant that there may be peace and not war."
4. **THANKSGIVING:** It is well to form the habit of saying little prayers of thanksgiving to God all through the day but especially before we go to bed at night. We might say: "Thank you, God, for home, food, clothing, friends (name any special blessing enjoyed during the day) but, thank You most for Jesus who has saved us from our sins."
5. **PETITION:** Means asking for ourselves. God loves and cares for us and is interested in everything about us. He wants us to have material things

as well as spiritual things. Each morning we should offer the day to God by saying a prayer of petition something like this: "Dear God, give me strength to live this day for You, and courage to serve You faithfully." Any time during the day if a need arises we can send up little prayers of petition to our Father in heaven. He always hears and answers, even if there are times when He says "No," or "wait." Prayer is talking to God and listening to Him.

#### THE LEGEND OF THE PASSION FLOWER

The passion flower received its name from the early Christian missionaries to South America, who saw in the various parts of the curiously constructed flower the symbols of the Crucifixion—the three crosses, crown of thorns, nails and cords. The ten petals, five white and five purple suggest the Apostles, omitting Peter who denied and Judas who betrayed the Lord. Just above is a circle of small violet-tipped filaments which are symbolic of the crown of thorns. Above the filaments, arising from the center of the flower is a column on top of which are three stigmas representing the nails with which Christ was nailed to the cross. Beneath the stigmas is the style representing the sponge which was dipped in vinegar to moisten His lips. Protruding from the style are five stamens suggestive of the five wounds. The main portion of the center column represents the pillar of the cross. The lash with which Christ was beaten is represented by a coiling tendril which shoots off from the stem, while surrounding the crown of thorns are radiating filaments suggesting the hands of those who scourged Him. The plant leaf with its three points is taken as a symbol of the Holy Trinity, or alternatively resembling the head of the lance used to pierce the side of Christ. To complete the story, the seed pod of the passion flower represents the world which Christ came to save. The spices prepared by the women to anoint Him are supposedly found in the delicate fragrance of the flower. The passion flower was the state flower of Tennessee from 1919 until 1933 when the iris was adopted.

#### A CHEROKEE INDIAN EASTER LEGEND

The Cherokees say that when Christ died even the fairies in the Great Smoky Mountains wept. The Indians tell you the fairies' tears turned to stone and formed tiny crosses. For the skeptical, the Indians point to their little stone crosses which they say were found nearby many years ago. The tiny symbols of the Crucifixion—which the Cherokees treasure and refuse to sell—become significant when the story about them is told, a legend that belongs in the treasury of world folklore and myth. The story goes, that when the world was young there lived in these mountains a race of little people. They were spirit people, like the fairies. One day when these little people had gathered to dance and sing around a pool, a spirit messenger arrived from a strange city far, far away in the land of the dawn. But soon the dancing and singing stopped for the messenger brought them sad tidings. The messenger told them Christ was dead. The little people were silent and then they were sad. As they listened to the details of how Christ died on the cross, they wept and their tears fell upon the earth and turned into small stones. But the stones were neither round nor square, each was a beautiful little cross. So with the joy gone from their hearts the little people wandered away into the forest to their homes, but around the spot where they had been dancing and singing the ground was covered with these symbols of the death of Christ.

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, the protector of all who put their trust in Thee; we commend to Thy loving care the Christian people of China. Endue them with power from on high, that they may win the victory over all temptation and trouble, and be numbered with the faithful of all ages, who through the glad endurance of suffering, have glorified Thy Name upon earth, and have passed on the light of Thy truth to succeeding generations; through Him who laid down His life for us, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

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