

THE RELIGIOUS WORLD

WHAT THE CHURCH FOLK ARE THINKING ABOUT AND DOING.

By WILLIAM T. ELLIS.

Money and Religion.

The International Sunday school lesson for February 21 is "The Gospel in Samaria," Acts viii:1-25. Outside the quiet old walled city of Tarku Korea, and the French Catholic church and the Presbyterian mission compound...

miracles wrought by Philip is doubly significant. Simon was so deeply convinced as to give intellectual assent to Philip's propaganda. The Jerusalem leaders had gone down to Samaria to aid Philip in his new proposals...

It was a great dream which that little band of humble folk in old Jerusalem cherished: the dream of a world-conquest. Other religions have held it, too, but now the vision is fading from every other faith, and meanwhile is gripping Christianity with new power.

The modern tendency to exalt the rich layman simply because he is rich is nothing less than sheer simony. When shall we bear witness to a religion that is not by her wealth, but by her spirit, that the church triumphs in her mission?

Whoever helps keep flying the flag of lofty patriotism is doing the work of the kingdom of heaven. While these lines are being printed and read there is under way in the Eastern and Middle Western section of the United States a home mission campaign which marks a distinct epoch and advance in methods of religious work.

Up until the time of the Italian earthquake there was open antagonism between the Vatican and the Italian Jew who is mayor of Rome. The latter is not only a non-Catholic, but he is a pronounced Mason as well. Yet when the victims of the earthquake were carried to Rome and placed in the Vatican hospital the mayor of the city, on his round of ministry and sympathy, was welcomed to the very Vatican precincts by the papal secretary of state.

Men's conception of missions has enlarged of late. We are willing to include within the designation of home missionary many who once would have been considered outside the pale of organized Christianity. There are social settlement workers, philanthropists, charity agents, newspaper writers, teachers, lecturer, labor union organizations, and a whole living troop of free lances whose aim and work is essentially one with that of the organized home missionary. Let us honor these. They are like Kipling's "Bell Boy," whom the poet contrasts with the bell-ringer in good Christian strategy.

There was never a hand to toll. When he made me glad of the day, And moved me to the goal. My four great banners fly: Could I seek or be still at the church's side? (Shout!) "Ware Shal!" Not I!

The current issue of one of the magazines tells the story of a Catholic priest, of noble family, who took a company of soldiers to the front during the war. He was abroad at the time a general expectation of a coming Messiah. These people satisfied themselves with a lesser one, in the person of Simon. They were not discerning enough to perceive that Simon invalidated his high claims by the very fact that he landed himself. He was a forerunner of the modern evangelist who employs press agents to fill the newspapers with tales of his own greatness.

Whoever helps to the solving of any of the big problems which confront this new land in this new country is to be ranked among the missionary pioneers. The difficult field of industrialism has opened to religious effort in a remarkable manner. Organized Christianity, especially through the work of Rev. Charles Stelzle, has made cordial overtures to the workmen, and to these there has been such a notable response that one labor leader is quoted as saying that the pres-

ent most noticeable drift among organized workmen in the efforts toward the church. The next generation will write down Rev. Charles Stelzle as one of the great home missionary pioneers.

Canada's churches have shown rare vision and courage and resourcefulness in meeting the conditions created by the opening of the great Northwest. Without rivalry and in a systematic fashion they have undertaken to see that every community in this vast section enjoys the privilege of the stated ministry of the Gospel.

Every family in a new and churchless neighborhood which starts consistently for religion may be enrolled among the home mission pioneers.

A Boston business man has, with the support and co-operation of the Baptist Society, established a series of Sunday evening services in Ford Hall that are, in a large and effective way, aiding in the solution of America's complex religious problem. These Ford Hall meetings are not distinctively religious, although the religious motive prompts them and a fundamentally religious principle underlies them in their design and execution.

So prone are mortals to their own damnation it seems as though a devil's work were gone—Anon. Love is not love which prays, but that which moves the heart of God.—W. H. Territt.

God spares not, that He may spare; He pities not, that He may pity.—Origen.

Owe no man anything, save to love one another, for he that loveth his neighbor hath fulfilled the law.—Paul.

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BISHOP TO CONFIRM

Communion Service in Chapel of Nativity To-morrow.

LENT BEGINS ON WEDNESDAY

Special Season of Prayer, Alms Giving, and Self-denial—Rev. Dr. F. W. Tompkins, of Philadelphia, to Preach Here—St. Mark's Club for Young People Prosperous.

Bishop Harding has several confirmations and other appointments the coming week. He is to hold confirmation service in the Chapel of the Nativity, Rev. E. M. Thompson, rector, on Sunday morning, Feb. 21, 11 a. m., and in the evening he will preach at St. Luke's Church. On Ash Wednesday he will be at the Church of the Incarnation at 10:30 a. m.

The bishop hopes, following on the lines of Bishop Satterlee's work, to have at St. Paul's a similar service during Lent that Bishop Satterlee had at the Church of the Ascension, in which he especially addressed himself to the communicants of the diocese. Bishop Harding will begin this on Ash Wednesday, at 4 o'clock, in St. Paul's Church.

On February 24 the church's annual season of special prayer, alms giving, and self-denial, known as Lent, begins, and lasts for forty days. The Church during that time requires of her people that they shall in their homes, in their work, in their hours of leisure, seek to live by rule, and give more of their time than is their wont to prayer, to Bible reading and study, to public worship and instruction.

The subject of the Churchman's League Lenten lectures this year will be "Origin and development of our church." They are to be delivered at the Church of the Ascension, Massachusetts avenue and Twelfth street, every Tuesday, beginning at 8 p. m.

The opening service will be short; it is important, therefore, that those who desire to hear the lectures in their entirety should be in the church promptly at 8 p. m. An offering will be taken to defray the expenses of the lecture course.

The speakers and subjects are as follows: March 2, "The British church," Rt. Rev. Alfred Harding, D. D., Bishop of Washington. March 9, "The conversion of the Anglo-Saxons," Rev. Randolph H. McKim, D. D., LL. D., rector of Epiphany parish, March 16, "History of Magna Charta and subsequent legislation of English Parliament concerning the Roman see," Rev. William A. Barr, D. D., rector of St. Paul's parish, Lynchburg, Va. March 23, "The true religion of Henry VIII," Rev. Canon Austin, St. Paul's parish, D. D., C. C. rector of St. Thomas' parish.

March 30, "Fundamental principles of the English Reformation," Rt. Rev. Frederick Joseph Kinsman, D. D., Bishop of Delaware.

A mission is to be preached (D. V.) by the rector of St. Thomas' parish in St. Thomas' Church beginning February 24 and continuing till March 5.

On the evening before the mission begins at 8 o'clock on Shrove Tuesday—Rev. Dr. Floyd W. Tompkins, rector of Holy Trinity Church, Philadelphia, will preach on the subject of the mission, and on the Sunday following—March 7—the bishop of the diocese will preach on the same subject.

A mission is a course of services and meetings in which a special effort is made to awaken souls; that those who are in sin may forsake it and turn to God.

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the Lord, and that those who have already sought Him may be stirred up to greater devotion and diligence.

The St. Mark's Club for Young People which was formed during January is now well started on its work. The purpose of the club is to promote Christian friendship among the boys and girls of St. Mark's parish and to enlist their help in the support of the parish. The officers are: President, J. Edwin Tyler; vice president, Miss Miriam Kramer; treasurer, H. Roy Chase; secretary, Miss Martha Browning. There is also an executive committee, and an advisory council of the teachers of the upper classes of the Sunday school, with Rev. Mr. Curtis, the new assistant of St. Mark's, as chairman.

A missionary sewing circle for women every Wednesday at 2:30 p. m., in St. Mark's parish hall, beginning Ash Wednesday. The women of the parish are invited to attend.

The twenty-fourth annual choir festival of St. Mark's will be held Shrove Tuesday, February 20, at 7:30 p. m. The music will be rendered this year by the senior choir of the parish, and will consist of full choral evensongs and special anthems. The medals and other honors will be conferred at this time. The services will be followed by a reunion and entertainment in the parish hall, at which the subject of the festival will be "The Incarnation." The choir, past and present, of St. Katharine and St. Cecilia are to be invited.

The regular February meeting of the Sunday School Institute of the Diocese of Washington was held at the Church of the Epiphany last Tuesday. Rev. Mr. Cornelius Abbot, Jr., presided in the absence of the president of the institute.

Right Rev. Bishop Walker, D. D., LL. D., D. C. LL. D., Bishop of Western New York, is here with Mrs. Walker, staying at the Shoreham. Bishop Walker is one of our most distinguished preachers, and is on Indian affairs that he is here at present. He is to preach in St. Thomas' Church on Sunday next.

Right Rev. Bishop Burton, D. D., Bishop of Lexington, Ky., is in the city, staying at the Raleigh, but he leaves this morning for his diocese.

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CHURCH SERVICES TO-MORROW

IN WASHINGTON AND ITS VICINITY.

Notices for these columns should reach The Herald office by 7 p. m. Friday.

EPISCOPAL

ST. THOMAS' CHURCH, APPOINTMENTS. 9:30 a. m.—Holy Communion. 10:30 a. m.—Sunday school. 9:45 a. m.—Young Men's Bible Class. 9:45 a. m.—Young Women's Bible Class. 11:30 a. m.—Service and sermon by the BISHOP OF WESTERN NEW YORK.

4:30 p. m.—Instruction in Church Doctrine by rector. 8:30 p. m.—Service and sermon by rector. IMPORTANT. 8:30 p. m.—Tuesday—Rev. Floyd W. Tompkins, D. D., rector of Holy Trinity Church, Philadelphia, will preach on the MISSION, which begins next day—Ash Wednesday. THE MISSION lasts ten days. All cordially welcome.

CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY, G. st., near 14th st. Rector, Rev. R. H. McKim, D. D., Sunday services: Holy Communion, 8 a. m. Service and sermon by the rector, 11 a. m. Instruction on confirmation, 3:35 p. m. Service at 4 p. m. Service and sermon by the rector, 8 p. m. Ash Wednesday, 8 a. m., 11 a. m., 4:45 p. m. Short services for busy people daily in Lent except Saturdays at 11 a. m.

CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION, Mass. ave. and 12th st. Rev. J. Henning Nelms, rector. Services, 8 and 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. The rector will preach at 11 a. m. on the subject of the morning service will be "The Gates of Hell shall not prevail against it." Ash Wednesday, 8 a. m., Holy Communion; 11 a. m., Lenten, penitential office, and sermon; 8 p. m., evening prayer and address. Thursday, 4:45 p. m., evening prayer and address. Friday, 4:45 p. m., evening prayer and address; 8 p. m., evening prayer and sermon by the rector; Junior Brotherhood service, Saturday, 4:45 p. m., devotion hour; 8 p. m., service and sermon by the rector. Bishop of Washington, the Rt. Rev. Bishop of Washington.

ST. JAMES' CHURCH, 10th and C sts., between B and C sts. Services, 7:30, 9:30 and 11 a. m., 3:30 and 7:30 p. m. School at 10:30 a. m.

TRINITY CHURCH, M and C sts. Rev. Richard P. Williams, rector. Services at 7:30, 11 a. m., 3:30, 7:30, 9:30, 11 a. m., and 8 p. m. Confirmation lecture at 7:30. Ash Wednesday, 7:30, 9:30, 11 a. m., and 8 p. m.

ST. MARK'S CHURCH, 21 and A sts. Rev. W. L. De Vries, Ph. D., and Rev. A. Curtis, Services, 7:30, 9:30, 11 a. m., 3:30, 7:30, 9:30, 11 a. m., and 8 p. m.

METHODIST EPISCOPAL. HAMANE M. E. CHURCH, 9th and P sts. Rev. Charles E. Guthrie, pastor. 9:30 a. m., Sunday school. 11 a. m., service and sermon. 6:30 p. m., Epworth League service. 7:30 p. m., last sermon of the series on "Joseph," subject, "Joseph preparing for his own death and glorification." The resurrection. Seats for Strangers welcome.

FOUNDRY M. E. CHURCH, 16th and Church sts. Rev. Robert M. Moore, D. D., pastor. 9:30 a. m., Sunday school. 11 a. m., service and sermon. 6:30 p. m., Epworth League. 7 p. m., seats free. Every body invited.

METROPOLITAN MEMORIAL M. E. CHURCH, corner John Marshall place and C st. John Read Shannon, minister. At 11 a. m., President Thiel's address, "The Church and the World." At 8 p. m., the monthly service of music and song, with Scripture readings. Sunday school and the Metropolitan Bible Class at 9:30 a. m. Epworth League at 6:30 p. m.

METHODIST EPISCOPAL SOUTH. ST. PAUL M. E. CHURCH SOUTH, 2d and S sts. Rev. Wm. Estace Henry, pastor. Devotion worship, 11 a. m., 7:45 p. m. Other services as usual. Cordial welcome for strangers.

MT. VERNON PLACE M. E. CHURCH SOUTH, cor. 9th and K sts. Rev. J. Howard Wells, pastor. 9:30 a. m., Sunday school. 11 a. m., service and sermon. Men, men need the church; or God's call to men. 7 p. m., Epworth League. 8 p. m., "The King's highway—Are you in it?"

CONGREGATIONAL. MT. PLEASANT CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH, Columbia road and 14th st. Rev. M. Ross Fishburn, pastor. 9:30 a. m., Sunday school. 11 a. m., service and sermon. "What we look for." 3 p. m., Junior Endeavor. 6:30 p. m., Senior Endeavor. 8 p. m., first sermon by pastor in series on "What we look for." At 8 p. m., the monthly service of music and song, with Scripture readings. Sunday school and the Metropolitan Bible Class at 9:30 a. m. Epworth League at 6:30 p. m.

FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH, cor. 15th and G sts. Rev. Samuel Woodrow, D. D., pastor. 11 a. m. and 8 p. m., public worship, with sermon by the pastor. "The patience of Jesus." "Gladness in Mourning." "What we look for." 3 p. m., Junior Endeavor. 6:30 p. m., Senior Endeavor. 8 p. m., first sermon by pastor in series on "What we look for." At 8 p. m., the monthly service of music and song, with Scripture readings. Sunday school and the Metropolitan Bible Class at 9:30 a. m. Epworth League at 6:30 p. m.

LUTHERAN. KELLER MEMORIAL, M. ave. and 9th st. Rev. C. P. Wiles, pastor. Preaching, 11 a. m. Special missionary services by Sunday school, 7:30 p. m. Other services as usual. St. Paul's Bible Class Association banquet, Tuesday, 8 p. m.

MEMORIAL Pastor J. G. Butler, Services with sermon by pastor, at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. by G. H. Butler. Unconsecrated people especially Lutheran, cordially invited. Free press.

UNIVERSALIST. CHURCH OF OUR FATHER, 13th and E sts. Rev. John Van Schaick, Jr., pastor. 11 a. m., morning service. 8:30 a. m., Dr. Power's class. 7 p. m., Y. P. C. U. Rev. Dr. Power's class.

CHRISTIAN. VERMONT AVENUE CHURCH, W. ave., north of N st. Preaching at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. At 8 p. m., Abbot, of Baltimore, C. E. at 6:30. Bible school, 9:30. All seats free at all services.

SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS. PASTOR JAMES E. SHULTZ WILL SPEAK AT THE regular services in the Memorial Church, 12th and M sts. on to-morrow evening at 7:30. None will fail to be interested in "The Millennium," which subject will be the subject of the evening. The remarks will take occasion to answer the often-asked question: "What will be the condition of the world? What will be done with Satan?" All are cordially invited.

SPIRITUALISM. DR. J. M. TEMPLE, BUSINESS AND TEST medium, will hold grand test meeting for spiritual messages Sunday, Tuesday, and Friday at 8 p. m. Readings daily, 3:30 to 6 p. m.

MRS. NOBRE HOLDS SPIRITUAL MEETINGS every Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday at 8 o'clock. Private readings daily, 1:30 to 3 p. m.

SPIRITUAL SCIENCE. SPIRITUAL SCIENCE CHURCH, Rev. May A. Price, medium. Meeting Sunday, 11 a. m., Reading Room, 308 S. E. cor. B, 3d and Pa. ave. Private readings daily. Circles Tues, 2 and 8 p. m., at 10 1/2th st.

March 21, "Jesus, our friend," and April 7, "Jesus, our reward."

Rev. Dr. W. T. Fletcher, of Baltimore; Rev. Aloysius Bronson, S. J., of Georgetown University, and other visiting priests will preach Sunday evenings in the Shrine of the Sacred Heart.