

NOTICES

THE MASSES OF HOLY WEEK AND THE EASTER VIGIL. By Godfrey L. Diekmann, O.S.B. (Longmans; 2s. 9d.)

An excellent Holy Week book at a very low price. It will prove of great use in convents and parishes large and small. Printed in red and black, it contains Palm Sunday and the Easter Vigil as well as Maundy Thursday and Good Friday. Latin (with English translation) is confined to psalms, antiphons and hymns. The Passions are arranged in English according to their parts: Christus, Narrator and Chorus. Simple music for the Masses is provided from the Kyriale and elsewhere, with ordinary notation. There are seven woodcuts and photographs, all striking.

A CATECHISM FOR ADULTS. By Ian Hislop, O.P. (Blackfriars Press; 5s.)

A reprint of the series of articles published in *Blackfriars* during 1955. They are clear and concise instruction on the Creed written for the mature layman.

SAINTS UPON A TIME. By Joan Windham. Illustrated by Kurt Werth. (Sheed and Ward; 9s.)

This is a welcome book, Joan Windham's first new one in eight years. The stories of saints, produced for the young, are attractively written in a simple style, making it easy for the teaching to be assimilated by young children.

DIFFICULTIES IN SEX EDUCATION. By Baron Frederick von Gagern, M.D. (Mercier Books; 3s. 6d.)

An excellent, plain-spoken and balanced Catholic pamphlet on this important question. It should be read and pondered by all parents and others who have charge of young children and adolescents. It is scientific and at the same time religious, in the best sense of those two words.

A DICTIONARY OF MARY. By Donald Attwater. (P. J. Kenedy and Sons, New York; \$6.50.)

A descriptive and informative dictionary, non-technical in its approach and suitable for lay people who are not specially equipped with a knowledge of theology. It contains over 600 entries varying from a few lines to articles of more than 1500 words. These entries can be classified as theological and doctrinal, liturgical, prayers and devotions, visions and revelations, hymnody, feasts, shrines and

pilgrimages, Marian titles, art and images. Appropriate attention is paid to the liturgies and Marian customs of the Eastern Church. As we should expect of the author the approach to these varied aspects of Marian study is soundly theological and soberly historical.

BRIDEGROOM AND BRIDE. By Ronald Knox. (Sheed and Ward; 8s. 6d.)

A collection of some two dozen wedding sermons preached by Mgr Knox over the years. They have received only slight retouching, but enough to make them 'anonymous'. Each is a gem in its own right and a model of what a short sermon should be—and incidentally proof that it is not impossible to say something important and say it well in less than ten minutes. This book should prove an acceptable meditation book for the married and a storehouse or a stimulus to preachers less gifted who have to prepare wedding sermons.

Priests and others who find in the **KNOX NEW TESTAMENT** a help to meditation on the inspired word will be glad to know that Messrs Burns Oates have now produced it in a handy pocket size, finely printed by the Cambridge University Press at 8s. 6d. The page size is that of the C.T.S. Douay Bible, but single instead of double columns and a larger and clearer type make it much more readable. A companion Old Testament could be produced in two or three volumes and would be as welcome.

LIVING THE TEN COMMANDMENTS. A guide to Christian Obedience.

By C. E. SIMCOX. (Dacre Press Lent Book 1957; 6s.)

Excellent and telling instructions on the Commandments by an Anglican, bringing them to bear on the problems of moral conduct encountered in the everyday life of today.



CORRECTION

Miss J. Russell-Smith asks us to print the following emendation. (See **THE LIFE OF THE SPIRIT**, Vol. X (April 1956), No. 118, page 451 (note).)

For 'bears some relation to an unedited MS. of a later epistle attributed to Hilton' read 'is closely related to the middle part of an unedited Latin epistle attributed to Hilton in Brit. Mus. MS Royal 6 E III'. For 'whom she identifies several times in documents between 1391-1461' read 'for whom she discusses a possible identification (see *Dominican Studies* VII (1954) p. 185, n.20, and p. 211, additional note C).' The date 1461 in Miss Kirchberger's text should have read 1401.