CHURCH LACES

This book contains a comprehensive collection of fine church laces designed to suit simple or elaborate tastes. The size and texture of filet lace may be regulated by the thickness of Coats Mercer-Crochet chosen, and the designs, which are worked in repeating motifs, may easily be made to conform to the size of the altar should this vary according to the size of the church.

Four different sizes and textures of filet lace are reproduced to actual size on page 23.

It is advisable to purchase the number of balls sufficient to your requirements at one time.

ABBREVIATIONS
ch—chain; dc—double crochet; tr—treble; trip tr—triple treble; sp—space—2 ch, miss 2 ch or tr, 1 tr into next ch or tr; blk—block—4 tr, plus 3 tr for each additional blk in group; lacet—3 ch, miss 2 ch or tr, 1 dc into next ch or tr, 3 ch, miss 2 ch or tr, 1 tr into next ch or tr; bar—5 ch, miss 5 ch or 5 tr or 1 lacet, 1 tr into next tr; st(s)—stitches; ss—slip stitch.

*ASTERISK
Repeat the instructions following the asterisk as many more times as specified, in addition to the original.

WASHING INSTRUCTIONS
Use a warm lather of pure soap flakes and wash in the usual way. Pull into shape when drying and press with hot iron on wrong side. If the crochet requires to be slightly stiffened, dip into a thin solution of starch, pin out on a clean board with rustless pins and leave to dry.

Detail of Lily Altar Lace shown on page 12
Altar Lace

A lovely design with border of alternating Crosses and Roses
Central design of Cross, Crown of Thorns and I.H.S.

Coats O Mercer-Crochet No. 40 (20 grm.), 13 balls White.
Milward Steel Crochet Hook 1.00 (no. 4).
(If your crochet is loose use a size finer hook, if tight use a size larger hook). (The above quantity is sufficient for 3 repeats of pattern).

Tension: 6 sps and 6 rows = 1 in.

Measurement: 29 in. deep (approx.). One Pattern 20½ in. wide. Starting at lower edge, make a chain (18 ch sts to 1 in.) to measure ½ longer than desired length.

1st Row: 1 tr into 5th ch from hook, * 2 ch, miss 2 ch, 1 tr into next ch; repeat from * for desired length (number of sps should be divisible by 122), 3 ch, turn.
Cut off remaining ch.

2nd Row: * 2 tr into next sp, 1 tr into next tr (blk made over sp); repeat from * 4 times more, * 2 ch, 1 tr into next tr (sp made over sp); repeat from last * 50 times more, 11 blks, 51 sps, 4 blks (this completes one pattern).

Repeat pattern the necessary number of times, 5 ch, turn.
Follow diagram from 3rd row until the rose and leaf design is completed, always repeating the design the necessary number of times. On next 2 rows, begin the I H S design above the centre rose, working sps along remainder of each row, 3 ch, turn. On next row, work blks to within centre design and follow diagram across. Continue to follow diagram, working Cross design in centre only.
Altar Filet

Crosses worked inside scalloped Border

Coats 0 Mercer-Crochet No. 60 (20 grm.), 1 ball White.
Milward Steel Crochet Hook 0.75 (no. 5).
(If your crochet is loose use a size finer hook, if tight use a size larger hook). The above quantity is sufficient for one pattern.

Tension: 7 sps and 7 rows = 1 in.

Measurement: One pattern 13 in. x 8½ in. approx. Starting at short side, commence with 204 ch to measure about 15½ in.

1st Row: 1 tr into 4th ch from hook, 1 tr into each of next 2 ch (blk made), 2 ch, miss 2 ch, 1 tr into next ch (sp made), make 15 more sps, 1 tr into each of next 3 ch (blk made), 2 sps, 2 blks, 3 sps, 1 blk, 10 sps, 1 blk, 14 ch, turn.

2nd Row: 1 tr into 4th ch from hook, 1 tr into each of next 10 ch, 1 tr into next tr (4 blks increased), 2 ch, miss 2 tr, 1 tr into next tr (sp made over blk), 11 more sps, 1 tr into each of next 2 ch, 1 tr into next tr (blk made over sp), 6 more blks, 3 sps, 5 blks, 4 sps, 3 blks, 8 sps, 2 blks, 4 sps, 1 blk, 17 sps, 1 blk, 3 ch, turn.

3rd Row: 1 blk, 13 sps, 2 blks, 3 sps, 1 blk, 1 sp, 2 blks, 8 sps, 2 blks, 11 sps, 1 blk, 2 sps, 9 blks, 13 sps, 1 blk, 2 ch, make a foundation tr—to make a foundation tr, thread over, insert hook into 3rd st of turning ch, thread over and draw loop through, thread over and draw through 1 loop, thus making a ch st, complete as for a tr, make 3 more foundation tr by inserting hook into the ch of the previous tr (1 blk increased), 3 ch, turn. Hereafter, starting at 4th row, follow diagram until 31 rows are completed, turn.

32nd Row: Ss into each of first 4 tr (1 blk decreased), 3 ch, and follow diagram across, 3 ch, turn.

Now follow diagram to top row, then repeat entire design for desired length. Fasten off.
ALTAR FILET

Border of circles enclosing Crosses and I.H.S.

Coats ™ Mercer-Crochet No. 40 (20 grm.), 2 balls White.
Milward Steel Crochet Hook 1-00 (no. 4).
(If your crochet is loose use a size finer hook, if tight use a size larger hook).
(The above quantity is sufficient for one pattern.)

Tension: 6 sps and 6 rows = 1 in.
Measurement: One pattern 12½ in. x 17 in. approx. Starting at lower edge, make a chain (18 ch is to 1 in.) to measure ½ longer than desired length.

1st Row: 1 tr into 4th ch from hook, 1 tr into each ch across for desired length (number of tr should be divisible by 309, plus 1), 5 ch, turn. Cut off remaining ch.

2nd Row: Miss first 3 tr, 1 tr into next tr (sp made over blk), * 2 ch, miss 2 tr, 1 tr into next tr; repeat from * across (number of sps should be divisible by 103), 5 ch, turn.

3rd and 4th rows: * 1 tr into next tr (sp made over sp), 2 ch, miss 2 ch; repeat from * across, 1 tr into next ch, 5 ch, turn.

5th Row: 20 sps, 1 tr into each of next 2 ch, 1 tr into next tr (blk made over sp), make 10 more blks, 40 sps, 12 blks, 20 sps (this completes one pattern); repeat pattern the necessary number of times, 5 ch, turn.

Follow diagram from 6th row to top, always repeating pattern a necessary number of times. Fasten off.
Wide Altar Filet

Wide Altar Lace with striking scalloped effect, inspired by ancient ecclesiastical vestments

Coats \@ Mercer-Crochet No. 40 (20 grms.), 6 balls White.
Milward Steel Crochet Hook 1-00 (no. 4).
(If your crochet is loose use a size finer hook, if tight use a size larger hook).
(The above quantity is sufficient for one pattern).

Tension: 6 sps and 6 rows = 1 in.
Measurement: One pattern 20\frac{1}{2} in. \times 31 in. Make a chain (18 ch sts to 1 in.) \frac{1}{2} longer than desired length.
1st Row: 1 tr into 8th ch from hook, * 2 ch, miss 2 ch, 1 tr into next ch; repeat from * for desired length (number of sps should be divisible by 124), 5 ch, turn. Cut off remaining chain.
2nd Row: 1 tr into next tr (sp made over sp), 26 more sps, 1 tr into each of next 2 ch, 1 tr into next tr (1 blk made), 6 more blks, 55 sps, 7 blks, 28 sps (this completes one pattern).
Repeat the pattern the necessary number of times, 5 ch, turn.
Follow diagram from 3rd row to top, always repeating the design the necessary number of times and making Cross over centre design only. Fasten off.

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Altar Lace

Crosses and Sacred Hearts set in a repeating design of Roses and Leaves

Coats Mercer-Crochet No. 50 (20 grm.). 1 ball White.
Milward Steel Crochet Hook 0.75 (no. 5).
(If your crochet is loose use a size finer hook, if tight use a size larger hook).
(The above quantity is sufficient for one pattern.)

Tension: 7 sps and 7 rows = 1 in.
Measurement: One pattern 8½ in. x 13½ in. approx. Starting at lower edge, make a chain (21 ch sts to 1 in.) to measure longer than desired length.

1st Row: 1 tr into 4th ch from hook, 1 tr in each ch across for desired length (the number of tr should be divisible by 282, plus 1), 3 ch, turn. Cut off remaining ch.
2nd Row: 1 tr into each tr across, 5 ch, turn.

3rd Row: Miss first 3 tr, 1 tr into next tr (sp made over blk), * 2 ch, miss 2 tr, 1 tr into next tr (another sp made over blk); repeat from * across (number of sps should be divisible by 94), 3 ch, turn.

4th Row: * 1 tr into each of next 2 ch, 1 tr into next tr (blk made over sp); repeat from * across, 5 ch, turn.

5th Row: As 3rd row.

6th Row: 1 tr into each of next 2 ch, 1 tr into next tr (blk made over sp), 2 ch, 1 tr into next tr (sp made over sp), make 3 more sps, 7 blks, 12 sps, 3 blks, 9 sps, 7 blks, 4 sps, 1 blk, 4 sps, 7 blks, 9 sps, 3 blks, 12 sps, 7 blks, 4 sps (this completes one pattern); repeat pattern the necessary number of times, 3 ch, turn.

Follow diagram from 7th row to top, always repeating pattern the necessary number of times. Fasten off.
ALTAR LACE

Simple and dignified design of repeating Crosses
Suitable for alb or altar—or ideal as a Matching Set

Coats \* Mercer-Crochet No. 60 (20 grm.). 2 balls White.
Milward Steel Crochet Hook 0.75 (no. 5)
(If your crochet is loose use a size finer hook, if tight use a size larger hook).
(April 1 \* balls are required for each complete pattern—1 large and 1 small Cross.)

Tension: 7 sps and 7 rows = 1 in.
Depth of Edging: 10 in. approx.
Make a chain tightly to measure 1 longer than desired length.

1st Row: 1 tr into 8th ch from hook, * 2 ch, miss 2 ch, 1 tr into next ch; repeat from * for desired length (number of sps should be divisible by 128, plus 102 sps), 5 ch, turn. Cut off remaining chain.

2nd to 9th Row: 1 tr into next tr (sp made over sp), * 2 ch, miss 2 ch, 1 tr into next ch; repeat from * across, 5 ch, turn.

10th Row: 47 sps, 2 tr into next sp, 1 tr into next tr (1 blk made), 7 more blks, 73 sps, follow diagram from "A" to "B" the necessary number of times, then repeat from "A" to "C" once.
Follow diagram from 2nd row to top, always repeating the design the necessary number of times.

Work 9 rows of spaces. Fasten off.

EDGING

Commence with 18 ch.
1st Row: 1 tr into 4th ch from hook, 1 tr into each of next 2 ch, * 2 ch, miss 2 ch, 1 tr into next ch; repeat from * twice more, 1 tr into each of last 3 ch, 3 ch, turn.

2nd Row: 1 blk, 3 sps, 1 blk, 5 ch, turn.
3rd Row: 1 tr into 4th ch from hook, 1 tr into next ch, 1 tr into next tr, 2 sps, 1 blk, 1 sp, 1 blk, 3 ch, turn.

4th Row: 1 blk, 4 sps, 1 blk, 5 ch, turn.
5th Row: 1 tr into 4th ch from hook, 1 tr into next ch, 1 tr into next tr, 5 sps, 1 blk, 3 ch, turn.

6th Row: 1 blk, 5 sps, 1 blk, turn.
7th Row: 1 ss into each of first 4 tr, 3 ch, 2 tr into next sp, 1 tr into next tr, 4 sps, 1 blk, 3 ch, turn.
8th Row: 1 blk, 1 sp, 1 blk, 2 sps, 1 blk, turn.
9th Row: 1 ss into each of first 4 tr, 3 ch, 2 tr into next sp, 1 tr into next tr, 3 sps, 1 blk, 3 ch, turn.

10th and 11th Rows: 1 blk, 3 sps, 1 blk, 3 ch, turn.

Repeat from 2nd row for desired length. Fasten off. Sew Edging neatly to edge of Lace.
LILY ALTAR LACE

Reminiscent of fine old stained glass, this panel border of Lilies and Crosses is designed particularly for the Easter Season

Coats ☞ Mercer-Crochet No. 20 (20 grm.), 20 balls White.
Piece of Linen.
Midward Steel Crochet Hook 1.25 (no. 3).
(If your crochet is loose use a size finer hook, if tight use a size larger hook).
(The above quantity is sufficient for 5 panels.)

Tension: 5 sps and 5 rows = 1 in.
Measurement: Each panel 14 in. x 20½ in.

CROSS PANEL
Commences with 68 ch.
1st Row: 1 tr into 8th ch from hook, * 2 ch, miss 2 ch, 1 tr into next ch (sp
made); repeat from * to end of ch (21 sps)
5 ch, turn.
2nd Row: Miss first tr, 1 tr into next tr
(sp made over sp), * 2 tr into next sp, 1 tr
into next tr (blk made over sp); repeat
from * 18 times more, 2 ch, miss 2 ch, 1
tr into next ch, 10 ch, turn.
3rd Row: 1 tr into 8th ch from hook,
2 ch, miss 2 ch, 1 tr into next tr (2 exten-
sion sps made), 1 sp, 1 tr into each of next
3 tr (blk made over blk), * 2 ch, miss 2 tr,
1 tr into next tr; repeat from * 16 times
more (17 sps made over blks), 1 blk, 1 sp,
5 ch, 1 tr into same place as last tr, 5 ch,
turn, 1 tr into 3rd of first 5 ch (2 extension
sp seen made), 5 ch, turn.
4th Row: 1 sp, 3 blks, 1 sp, 15 blks, 1 sp,
3 blks, 1 sp, 10 ch, turn.
5th Row: 2 extension sps, 1 sp, 1 blk,
3 sps, 1 blk, 1 sp, 1 sp, 3 ch, miss 2 tr, 1 dc into
next tr, 3 ch, miss 2 tr, 1 tr into next tr
(lacet made), 5 ch, miss 5 tr, 1 tr into next
tr (bar made), 1 lacet, 1 bar, 1 lacet, 1 bar,
1 blk, 3 sps, 1 blk, 3 sps, 5 ch, turn.
6th Row: 1 sp, 3 blks, 1 sp, 3 blks, 3 ch,
miss 2 ch, 1 dc into next ch, 3 ch, miss
2 ch, 1 tr into next tr (lacet made over
bar), 5 ch, 1 tr into next tr (bar made over
lacet), 1 lacet, 1 bar, 1 lacet, 1 bar, 1 sp,
3 blks, 1 sp, 3 blks, 1 sp, 28 ch, turn.
Make 8 sps on 28 ch, then follow diagram
to top—to increase sps at beginning of
row make 3 ch for each sp to be added,
plus 4 ch. (Where an odd number of
sps is increased at end of row, turn after last
sp and ss to 3rd of 5 ch, before be-
ginning next row). Fasten off.

LILY PANEL
Commences with 68 ch.
1st Row: 1 tr into 8th ch from hook,
* 2 ch, miss 2 ch, 1 tr into next ch; repeat
from * to end of ch (21 sps), 5 ch, turn.
2nd Row: Miss first tr, 1 tr into next tr,
* 2 tr into next sp, 1 tr into next tr; repeat
from * 18 times more, 2 ch, miss 2 ch,
1 tr into next ch, 10 ch, turn.
3rd Row: 1 tr into 8th ch from hook,
2 ch, miss 2 ch, 1 tr into next tr, 1 sp,
1 blk, 17 sps, 1 blk, 1 sp, 5 ch, 1 tr into
same place as last tr, 5 ch, turn, 1 tr into
3rd of first 5 ch, 5 ch, turn. Follow
diagram from 4th row to top making
extension sps as before. Fasten off.

TO MAKE UP
Place one Cross panel and one Lily panel
alternately along front and overcast to-
gether. Work a row of trip tr, with 2 ch
between, along top, 3 ch, turn, work 1 tr
into top of each trip tr and 2 tr into each
sp to end of row. Fasten off. Work 1 row
of dc along foot of panels. Overcast to
linen already prepared.
Festive

Altar Lace

Cross, Lamb and I.H.S. for Festive Services

Costs: © Mercer-Crochet No. 60 (20 gms.), 3 balls white.
Milward Steel Crochet Hook 0.75 (no. 5).
(If your crochet is loose use a size finer hook, if tight use a size larger hook). (The above quantity is sufficient for one pattern.)

Tension: 7 sps and 7 rows = 1 in.

Measurement: One pattern 9½ in. x 21 in. approximately. Starting at lower edge, make a chain (21 ch sts to 1 in.) to measure ½ longer than desired length.

1st Row: 1 tr into 8th ch from hook, * 2 ch, miss 2 ch, 1 tr into next ch; repeat from * for desired length (number of sps should be divisible by 146), 5 ch, turn. Cut off remaining ch.

2nd Row: Miss first tr, 1 tr into next tr (sp made over sp), 1 tr into each of next 2 ch, 1 tr into next tr (blk made over sp), make 3 more blks, 2 ch, 1 tr into next tr (sp made over sp), make 2 more sps: * 4 blks, 3 sps; repeat from * 8 times more; 3 blks, * 3 sps, 4 blks; repeat from last * 9 times more, 2 sps, 5 ch, turn.

3rd Row: 1 sp, 2 blks, * 2 sps, 2 blks, 1 sp, 2 blks; repeat from * 9 times more, 1 sp, * 2 blks, 1 sp, 2 blks, 2 sps; repeat from last * 9 times more, 2 blks (this completes one pattern); repeat the pattern the necessary number of times, 3 ch, turn.

Follow diagram from 4th row to top, always repeating pattern necessary number of times. Fasten off.
AVE MARIA

ALTAR LACE

A magnificent wide design of Crown and sprays of Lilies with elaborate centre motif of Ave Maria

Coats Mercer-Crochet No. 60 (20 grm.), 11 balls White.
Milward Steel Crochet Hook 0.25 (No. 5).
(If your crochet is loose use a size finer hook, if tight use a size larger hook). (The above quantity is sufficient for centre design plus 7 in. of plain design on each side.)

Tension: 7 sps and 7 rows = 1 in.

Measurement: Centre design 27½ in. x 32½ in. approximately. Starting at lower edge, make a chain (21 ch sts to 1 in.) to measure 1/2 longer than length desired.

1st Row: 1 tr into 4th ch from hook, 1 tr into each ch across for desired length (number of tr should be divisible by 120, plus 1), 3 ch, turn. Cut off remaining ch.

2nd Row: 1 tr into each tr across, 5 ch, turn.

3rd Row: Miss first 3 tr, * 1 tr into next tr (sp made over blk), 2 ch, miss 2 tr; repeat from * across, 1 tr into turning ch (number of sps should be divisible by 40), 3 ch, turn.

4th Row: * 1 tr into each of next 2 ch, 1 tr into next tr (blk made over sp); repeat from * across, 3 ch, turn.

5th Row: Miss first tr, 1 tr into next 21 tr (7 blks), 2 ch, miss 2 tr, 1 tr into next tr (sp made over blk), make 4 more sps, 1 tr into each of next 45 tr (15 blks), * 5 sps, 15 blks; repeat from * across, ending with 8 blks, 3 ch, turn.

Follow diagram from 6th row until the 26th row has been completed, always repeating design the necessary number of times.

Now find the centre 117 sps of lace and mark with pins (for first row of centre design).

Follow diagram from 27th row to top. Fasten off.

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Edging and Insertion

FOR SACRED LINENS

EDGING

Coats © Mercer-Crochet No. 60 (20 grms.). 1 ball White.
Milward Steel Crochet Hook 0·75 (no. 5).
(If your crochet is loose use a size finer hook, if tight use a size larger hook). (The above quantity is sufficient for 24 patterns).

**Tension:** 7 sps and 7 rows—1 in.

**Measurement:** Depth of Edging 2 in. approx. Starting at short side, commence with 24 ch to measure 1½ in.

1st Row: 1 tr into 4th ch from hook, 1 tr into each of next 5 ch (2 blks made), 2 ch, miss 2 ch, 1 tr into next ch (sp made), 2 ch, miss 2 ch, 1 tr into each of next 10 ch, 5 ch, turn.

2nd Row: 1 tr into 4th ch from hook, 1 tr into next ch, 1 tr into next tr (1 extension blk made), 1 tr into each of next 3 tr (blk made over blk), 2 ch, miss 2 tr, 1 tr into next tr (sp made over blk), 1 tr into each of next 3 tr, 1 tr into each of next 2 ch, 1 tr into next tr (blk made over sp), 2 ch, miss 2 ch, 1 tr into next tr (sp made over sp), 2 ch, miss 2 tr, 1 tr into each of next 3 tr, 1 tr into 3rd of turning ch, 3 ch, turn.

3rd Row: Miss first tr, 1 tr into each of next 3 tr, 1 sp, 2 blks, 3 sps, 1 blk, make a foundation tr—to make a foundation tr, thread over, insert hook into 3rd st of turning ch, thread over and draw loop through, thread over and draw through loop, thus making a ch st, complete as for a tr, make 3 more foundation trs by inserting hook into the ch of previous tr (1 blk increased), 5 ch, turn.

4th Row: 1 extension blk, 1 blk, 2 sps, 1 blk, 2 sps, 3 blks, 3 ch, turn.

5th Row: 2 blks, 3 sps, 1 blk, 3 sps, 1 blk, 1 foundation blk, 5 ch, turn.

6th Row: 1 extension blk, 1 blk, 3 sps, 3 blks, 3 sps, 1 blk, 1 ch, turn.

7th Row: 1 blk, 1 sp, 7 blks, 2 sps, 1 blk, 1 foundation blk, turn.

8th Row: 1 ss into each of first 4 tr (1 blk decreased), 3 ch, 2 blks, 3 sps, 3 blks, 3 sps, 1 blk, 3 ch, turn.

Follow diagram from 9th row to top, then repeat entire design for desired length. Fasten off.

INSERTION

Coats © Mercer-Crochet No. 60 (20 grms.). 1 ball White.
Milward Steel Crochet Hook 0·75 (no. 5).
(If your crochet is loose use a size finer hook, if tight use a size larger hook).

**Tension:** 7 sps and 7 rows=1 in.

**Measurement:** Depth of insertion 2½ in. Starting at one end, commence with 60 ch, to measure about 3 in.

1st Row: 1 tr into 4th ch from hook, 1 tr into each of next 2 ch (blk made), 2 ch, miss 2 ch, 1 tr into next tr (sp made), 1 tr into each of next 12 ch (4 blks), 2 sps, 1 tr into each of next 9 ch (3 blks), 2 sps, 4 blks, 1 sp, 1 blk, 3 ch, turn.

2nd Row: Miss first tr, 1 tr into each of next 3 tr (blk made over blk), 2 ch, 1 tr into next tr (sp made over sp), 1 tr into each of next 9 tr (3 blks made over 3 blks), 2 ch, miss 2 tr, 1 tr into next tr (sp made over blk), 1 sp, 1 tr into each of next 2 ch, 1 tr into next tr (blk made over sp), make 1 more blk, 1 sp, 2 blks, 2 sps, 3 blks, 1 sp, 1 blk, 3 ch, turn.

Follow diagram from 3rd row to top, then repeat entire design for length desired. Fasten off.

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Blk made), 2 ch, miss 2 tr, make a foundation tr into 3rd st of turning ch—to make a foundation tr, thread over, insert hook into st, thread over and draw loop through, thread over and draw through 1 loop, thus making a ch st, complete as for a tr, make 3 more foundation tr by inserting hook in ch st of previous tr (1 blk increased), 5 ch, turn.

3rd Row: 1 extension blk, 2 ch, miss 2 tr, 1 tr into next tr (sp made over blk), make another sp, 2 ch, miss 2 tr, a foundation tr in next tr (3 sps), make 3 more foundation tr, 5 ch, turn.

Follow diagram from 4th row until the 16th row has been completed, 158 ch. Fasten off.

Make 8 more points as before, joining the 158 ch with a ss to 3rd of 3 turning ch on last row of previous point, joining the ch of first point to 3rd of 3 turning ch on last row of last point, thus forming a circle. Fasten off. Hereafter work is done in rounds instead of rows.

1st Round: Attach thread to 78th ch, counting to the right of first point made, 3 ch (to count as tr), 1 tr into each of next 77 ch, 1 tr into next tr; 2 sps, 4 blks, * 2 sps, 1 blk; repeat from * 6 times more, 2 sps, 4 blks, 2 sps, 1 tr into each of next 80 ch.

Repeat design on diagram all round, joining last tr with ss to 3rd of 3 ch first made (9 complete patterns).

2nd Round: 5 ch, * miss 2 tr, 1 tr into next tr, 2 ch; repeat from * until 27 sps are made, make 5 blks, ** 2 sps, 1 blk; repeat from ** 7 times more, 4 more blks, 28 sps.

Repeat design on diagram all round, joining last 2 ch with ss to 3rd of 5 ch first made. Follow diagram from 3rd round to top, always repeating design the necessary number of times.

Coats Mercer-Crochet No. 40 (20 grm.), 24 balls White.
Millard Steel Crochet Hook 100 (no. 4). (If your crochet is loose use a size finer hook, if tight use a size larger hook).

Tension: 6 sps and 6 rows = 1 in.
Measurement: One pattern 2½ in. x 14½ in. Staring at lower edge of point, make 6 ch.
1st Row: 1 tr into 4th ch from hook, 1 tr into each of next 2 ch (blk made), 5 ch, turn.
2nd Row: 1 tr into 4th ch from hook, 1 tr into next ch, 1 tr into next tr (1 extension...
Lace for Alb to be used for Funeral Masses

Coats & Clarks Mercer-Crochet No. 20 (20 grm.). 24 balls White.
Milward Steel Crochet Hook 1-25 (no. 3).
(If your crochet is loose use a size finer hook, if tight use a size larger hook).

Tension: 5 sps and 5 rows—1 in.

Measurement: Completed Alb 110 in. in circumference. Starting at short side, commence with 149 ch (16 ch sts to 1 in.).

1st Row: 1 tr into 8th ch from hook (sp made), 2 ch, miss 2 ch, 1 tr into next ch (another sp made), 1 tr into each of next 3 ch (blk made), 43 sps, 1 tr into each of next 6 ch (2 blks), 3 ch, turn.

2nd Row: Miss first tr, 1 tr into each of next 6 tr (2 blks over 2 blks), 28 sps, 1 tr into each of next 2 ch, 1 tr into next tr (blk made over sp), 14 sps, 1 blk, 2 sps, 5 ch, turn.

3rd Row: 2 sps, 1 blk, 8 sps, 1 blk, 4 sps, 1 blk, 17 sps, 1 blk, 11 sps, 2 blks, 5 ch, turn.

4th Row: 1 tr into 4th ch from hook, 1 tr into next ch, 1 tr into next tr (1 extension blk made), make 1 more blk, 13 sps, 1 blk, 17 sps, 4 blks, 9 sps, 1 blk, 2 sps, 5 ch, turn. Follow diagram until 6th row has been completed.

7th Row: 2 sps, 1 blk, 10 sps, 2 blks, 4 sps, 6 blks, 5 sps, 1 blk, 2 sps, 2 blks, 13 sps, 1 tr into each of next 2 tr, make a foundation tr—to make a foundation tr, thread over, insert hook into 3rd st of turning ch, thread over and draw loop through, thread over and draw through 1 loop, thus making a ch st, complete as for a tr, make 3 more foundation tr by inserting hook into ch st of previous tr (1 blk increased), 3 ch, turn.

Follow diagram from 8th row until 21 rows have been completed, turn.

22nd Row: 1 ss into each of next 4 tr, 3 ch and make 2 blks, 13 sps, 2 blks, 6 sps, 2 blks, 5 sps, 2 blks, 3 sps, 2 blks, 10 sps, 1 blk, 2 sps, 5 ch, turn.

Follow diagram from 23rd row to top; repeat the entire design 10 times more Fasten off. Sew the two short sides together.
CREDENCE MAT

This is used over the Credence Cloth during the Communion Service—small squares of repeating Cross design

Coats® Mercer-Crochet No. 40 (20 grm.). 2 balls White.
Milward Steel Crochet Hook 1 00 (no. 4).
(If your crochet is loose use a size finer hook, if tight use a size larger hook).
1 skein Clark’s Anchor Stranded Cotton, White.

Piece of linen.

Tension: 6 sps and 6 rows = 1 in.

Measurement: 12 in. × 18 in. Starting at lower edge, commence with 336 ch (18 ch sts to 1 in.).

1st Row: 1 tr into 4th ch from hook, 1 tr into each ch across (334 tr), 3 ch, turn.

2nd Row: Miss first tr, 1 tr into each of next 5 tr (blk made over blk), 2 ch, miss 2 tr, 1 tr into next tr (sp made over blk), make 8 more sps, * 1 blk, 9 sps; repeat from * 9 times more, 1 blk, 3 ch, turn.

3rd Row: * 1 blk, 1 sp, 1 tr into each of next 2 ch, 1 tr into next tr (blk made over sp), make 8 more sps, * 1 blk, 4 sps; repeat from * 4 times more, 1 blk, 1 sp, 1 blk, 7 sps, 1 blk, 3 ch, turn.

Follow diagram from 4th row until 34 rows have been completed.

35th Row: 1 blk, 2 sps, 1 blk, 3 sps, 1 blk, 2 sps, 1 blk, 3 sps, 1 blk, 3 sps, 1 blk, 1 sp, 1 blk, 2 sps, 1 blk, 3 sps, 1 blk, 2 sps, 1 blk, 3 sps, 5 ch, turn.

Follow diagram for 2 more rows, 128 ch. Fasten off. Miss 43 sps on 34th row, attach thread into next tr, 5 ch and follow diagram for 3 more rows. Do not break off thread. Pick up the 128 ch and fasten securely to 3rd of turning ch on 37th row. Pick up ball thread at end of last row and continue to follow diagram until the 40th row has been completed.

Repeat the first 31 rows. Fasten off.

Block lace: Cut a piece of linen large enough for centre space of mat, allowing a little extra for a very narrow hem all round. Hem linen, sew in place.
Sacred Linens

Fine edgings for the sacred linens illustrated on opposite page

Coats® Mercer-Crochet No. 60 (20 grm.). 4 balls White.
1 skein Clark's Anchor Stranded Cotton, White.
1 yd. linen, 36 in. wide.
Milward Steel Crochet Hook 0-75 (no. 5). (If your crochet is loose use a size finer hook, if tight use a size larger hook).
Tension: 7 sps and 7 rows—1 in.
Measurements: Corporal 27 in. square. Purificator 12 in. x 28 in. Pall 8 in. square.

CORPORAL

Commence with 66 ch.
1st Row: 1 tr into 4th ch from hook, 1 tr into each of next 2 ch (1 blk made), 2 ch, miss 2 ch, 1 tr into next ch (1 sp made), 2 more sps, 1 tr into each of next 18 ch (6 blks), 2 sps, 6 blks, 2 sps, 1 blk, 3 ch, turn.

2nd Row: Miss first tr, 1 tr into each of next tr (blk made over blk), 2 ch, 1 tr into next tr (sp made over sp), 1 sp, 2 ch, miss 2 tr, 1 tr into next tr (sp made over blk, 1 tr into each of next 6 tr (2 blks made over 2 blks), 2 sps, 1 blk, 2 tr into next sp, 1 tr into next tr (blk made over sp), 2 blks, 2 sps, 2 blks, 4 sps, 1 blk, 3 ch, turn.

3rd Row: 1 blk, 5 sps, 1 blk, 3 sps, 2 blks, 3 sps, 1 blk, 3 sps, 1 blk, turn.

4th Row: 1 ss into each of first 4 tr, 3 ch, 1 blk, 6 sps, 2 blks, 9 sps, 1 blk, 3 ch, turn.

5th Row: 1 blk, 7 sps, 6 blks, 4 sps, 1 blk, 3 ch, turn.

6th Row: 1 blk, 2 sps, 1 blk, 2 sps, 4 blks, 3 sps, 1 blk, 4 sps, 1 blk, 3 ch, turn.

7th Row: 1 blk, 4 sps, 2 blks, 3 sps, 2 blks, 3 sps, 2 blks, 1 sp, 2 ch, miss 2 tr, make a foundation tr into 3rd st of turning ch—to make a foundation tr, thread over, insert hook into st, thread over and draw loop through, thread over and draw through 1 loop, thus making a ch st, thread over and complete as for a tr, make 3 more foundation tr by inserting hook in ch of previous foundation tr (1 blk increased), 3 ch, turn.

Follow diagram from 8th row until 41 rows are completed, turn.

42nd Row: 1 ss into each of first 4 tr, 3 ch, 2 tr into next sp, 1 tr into next tr, 4 sps, 1 blk, turn.

43rd Row: 1 ss into each of first 4 tr, 3 ch, 4 blks. Fasten off. Miss 3 blks and attach thread to last tr of same 3 blks, 3 ch, 2 blks, 3 sps, 3 ch, turn, 3 blks. Fasten off. (This completes corner.)

44th Row: Attach thread at “A” on diagram, 3 ch, 1 blk, 3 sps, 5 blks, 1 sp, 6 blks, 4 sps, 1 blk, 3 ch, turn.

Follow diagram from 45th row to top. Repeat from “X” to top of diagram, 3 times more, make another corner as before. Continue in this manner until 4 sides are completed. Fasten off. Sew 2 short sides together.

Cut linen 22 in. square. Withdraw a thread 1/2 in from each edge and lay a small hem; dc closely over hem and into withdrawn thread. Overcast edging to dc edge.

PURIFICATOR

Cut a piece of linen 13 in. x 24 1/2 in. Make a 1 in. hem along both short sides and a
THE CORPORAL: Used on the altar during Mass. Edged with fine lace of Cross and Rose pattern

THE PURIFICATOR (Below right): Used for wiping the Chalice. Edged with Cross and Rose lace. Embroidered Cross in centre

¼ in. hem along other two sides. Embroider a Cross in centre of linen.

Edging: Starting at "B" on diagram, commence with 66 ch, and follow diagram to top, then repeat design from "X" to top until piece measures 12 in. Fasten off.

Make another piece the same and sew edging to each end of linen.

PALL

Cut two 7 in. squares of linen and embroider a Cross at centre of one piece.

Machine stitch the two pieces together across three sides, having the Cross on top. Cut a piece of cardboard 6¾ in. square, insert it between linen and sew edges of linen together.

Edging: Starting at one end, commence with 11 ch, turn.

1st Row: 1 tr into 8th ch from hook, 1 tr into each of next 3 ch, 5 ch, turn.

2nd Row: 1 tr into 4th ch from hook, 1 tr into next ch, 1 tr into each of next 4 tr, 1 tr into each of next 3 ch, 5 ch, turn.

3rd Row: Miss first 3 tr, 1 tr into each of next 4 tr, 5 ch, turn.

4th Row: Miss first 3 tr, 1 tr into next tr, 2 ch, 1 tr into 3rd of 5 turning ch, 5 ch, turn.

5th Row: Miss first tr, 1 tr into next tr, 1 tr into each of next 3 ch, 5 ch, turn.

The last 4 rows (2nd to 5th row inclusive) constitute the pattern. Repeat pattern until piece is long enough to go all round pall, allowing extra fullness for corners, and ending on a 4th pattern row. Fasten off. Sew two short edges together.

Edging: Join thread into sp at scallop edge, 1 dc into same sp, * 5 ch, 1 dc into turning ch at end of Cross, 5 ch, 1 dc into next sp; repeat from * all round ending with 1 ss into first dc. On next row make 7 dc into first loop, * 5 ch, 7 dc into each of next two 5 ch loops; repeat from * all round omitting 7 dc at end of last repeat, 1 ss into first dc. Fasten off. Sew all round edges of pall.

THE PALL: Laid over the Chalice during Communion. Two thicknesses of linen with cardboard slipped between. Lace-edged, with an embroidered Cross in centre.
Lavabo Towel

Edged with narrow lace, this towel is used by the priest to dry his hands during Mass.

Coats & Mercer-Crochet No. 60 (20 grm.), 1 ball White.
½ yd. linen, 18 in. wide.

Milward Steel Crochet Hook 0-75 (no. 5).
(If your crochet is loose use a size finer hook, if tight use a size larger hook).

Tension: 7 sps and 7 rows = 1 in.

Measurement: Completed towel 6 in. x 14 in. Starting at one end, commence with 20 ch.

1st Row: 1 tr into 8th ch from hook, 2 ch, miss 2 ch, 1 tr into next ch (2 sps), make 2 more sps, 1 tr into each of last 3 ch (blk made), 5 ch, turn.

2nd Row: 1 tr into 4th ch from hook, 1 tr into next ch, 1 tr into next tr (1 blk increased), 2 ch, miss 2 tr, 1 tr into next tr (sp made over blk), 2 ch, 1 tr into next tr (sp over sp), 1 tr into each of next 2 ch, 1 tr into next tr (blk made over sp), 2 sps, 5 ch, turn.

3rd Row: 1 sp, 4 blks, 2 ch, miss 2 tr, make a foundation tr into 3rd st of turning ch—to make a foundation tr, thread over, insert hook into ch, thread over and draw loop through, thread over and draw through 1 loop, thus making a ch st, 1 tr into next tr (2 sps), make another blk, 2 ch, 1 tr into next tr (sp made), make another sp, 2 blks, 1 sp, 3 ch, turn.

4th Row: 1 ss into each of first 4 tr (1 blk decreased), 3 ch, 1 blk, 2 sps, 1 blk, 2 sps, 5 ch, turn.

5th Row: 4 sps, 1 blk, 3 ch, turn (this completes one pattern).

Repeat pattern until piece measures 6 in. Fasten off. Make another piece the same. Make a towel 6 in. x 12 in. and sew a piece of lace across both short ends.

MISSAL BOOKMARK

Coats & Mercer-Crochet No. 60 (20 grm.), 1 ball White.

Milward Steel Crochet Hook 0-75 (no. 5).
(If your crochet is loose use a size finer hook, if tight use a size larger hook).

Tension: 7 sps and 7 rows = 1 in.

Starting at one end, make 4 ch.

1st Row: 4 tr into 4th ch from hook, 3 ch, turn.

2nd Row: 1 tr into first tr (increase made), 1 tr into each tr across, 2 tr into 3rd st of turning ch (another increase made), 3 ch, turn.

Repeat 2nd row until there are 25 tr in row, 3 ch, turn.

12th Row: Miss first tr, 1 tr into each tr across, 1 tr into top of turning ch, 3 ch, turn.

Repeat 12th row until piece measures 3 in. from point, 5 ch, turn.

Next Row: Miss 3 tr, * 1 tr into next tr (sp made), 2 ch, miss 2 tr; repeat from * 6 times more, 1 tr into top of turning ch (8 sps), 5 ch, turn.

Next Row: Miss first tr, 1 tr into next tr (sp made over sp), 1 tr into each of next 2 ch, 1 tr into next tr (blk made over sp), make another blk, 2 ch, 1 tr into next tr (sp made), make another sp, 2 blks, 1 sp, 3 ch, turn.

Follow diagram from 3rd row until Cross is completed. Continue making rows of tr as in beginning, until piece measures 8 in. Fasten off.

Make 2 more pieces same as this; but do not break off after last piece is made. Place all 3 pieces together and work a row of tr through the three thicknesses, thus joining pieces. Decrease 1 tr at both ends of each row until 5 tr remain—to decrease, work off 2 tr as 1 tr. Fasten off.

TASSELS (Make 4)

Cut a piece of cardboard 2 in. long by 4 in. wide. Cut off 2 strands of cotton, each 6 in. long and place them across width of cardboard, wind 2 strands of cotton round length of cardboard 125 times. Fasten off. Pick up both ends of the 6 in. strands and tie securely, making 7 knots. Remove cardboard and cut loops at one end. Trim ends evenly. Wind a thread round these strands at opposite end, ½ in. from top and tie securely. Sew a tassel at each point of bookmark.
YOU MAY vary the size and texture of these filet laces by changing the size of thread. The thread you choose will regulate the gauge and texture of filet lace. A very fine thread, naturally, will make more meshes per square inch than a coarser thread—so use this chart as a yardstick to gauge the size mesh you wish.
Church Laces