



**SAINT THOMAS CHURCH FIFTH AVENUE**  
in the  
CITY OF NEW YORK

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**THE LITANY and CHORAL EUCHARIST**

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**THE LITANY**

**O** GOD the Father, Creator of heaven and earth,  
*Have mercy upon us.*

O God the Son, Redeemer of the world,  
*Have mercy upon us.*

O God the Holy Ghost, Sanctifier of the faithful,  
*Have mercy upon us.*

O holy, blessed, and glorious Trinity, one God,  
*Have mercy upon us.*

Saint Mary, Mother of God our Saviour Jesus Christ,  
*Pray for us.*

All holy Angels and Archangels, and all holy orders of blessed spirits,  
*Pray for us.*

All holy Patriarchs, Prophets, Apostles and Martyrs; and all the blessed company of heaven,  
*Pray for us.*

Remember not, Lord, our offences, nor the offences of our forefathers; neither take thou vengeance of our sins: spare us, good Lord, spare thy people, whom thou hast redeemed with thy most precious blood, and be not angry with us for ever.  
*Spare us, good Lord.*

From all evil and mischief; from sin, from the crafts and assaults of the devil; from thy wrath, and from everlasting damnation,  
*Good Lord, deliver us.*

From all blindness of heart; from pride, vain-glory, and hypocrisy; from envy, hatred, and malice, and all uncharitableness,  
*Good Lord, deliver us.*

From all inordinate and sinful affections; and from all the deceits of the world, the flesh, and the devil,  
*Good Lord, deliver us.*

From lightning and tempest; from earthquake, fire and flood; from plague, pestilence, and famine; from battle and murder, and from sudden death,  
*Good Lord, deliver us.*

From all sedition, privy conspiracy, and rebellion; from all false doctrine, heresy, and schism; from hardness of heart, and contempt of thy Word and Commandment,  
*Good Lord, deliver us.*

By the mystery of thy holy Incarnation; by thy holy Nativity and Circumcision; by thy Baptism, Fasting, and Temptation,  
*Good Lord, deliver us.*

By thine Agony and bloody Sweat; by thy Cross and Passion; by thy precious Death and Burial; by thy glorious Resurrection and Ascension; and by the Coming of the Holy Ghost,  
*Good Lord, deliver us.*

In all time of our tribulation; in all time of our prosperity; in the hour of death, and in the day of judgment,  
*Good Lord, deliver us.*

We sinners do beseech thee to hear us, O Lord God; and that it may please thee to rule and govern thy holy Church universal in the right way;  
*We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.*

That it may please thee so to rule the heart of thy servant, The President of the United States, that he may above all things seek thy honour and glory;  
*We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.*

That it may please thee to bless and preserve all Christian Rulers and Magistrates, giving them grace to execute justice, and to maintain truth;  
*We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.*

That it may please thee to illuminate all Bishops, Priests, and Deacons, with true knowledge and understanding of thy Word; and that both by their preaching and living they may set it forth, and show it accordingly;  
*We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.*

That it may please thee to send forth labourers into thy harvest;  
*We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.*

That it may please thee to bless and keep all thy people;  
*We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.*

That it may please thee to give to all nations unity, peace, and concord;  
*We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.*

That it may please thee to give us an heart to love and fear thee, and diligently to live after thy commandments;  
*We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.*

That it may please thee to give all thy people increase of grace to hear meekly thy Word, and to receive it with pure affection, and to bring forth the fruits of the Spirit;  
*We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.*

That it may please thee to bring into the way of truth all such as have erred, and are deceived;  
*We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.*

That it may please thee to strengthen such as do stand; and to comfort and help the weak-hearted; and to raise up them that fall; and finally to beat down Satan under our feet;  
*We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.*

That it may please thee to succour, help, and comfort, all who are in danger, necessity, and tribulation;  
*We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.*

That it may please thee to preserve all that travel by land, by water, or by air; all women in childbirth, all sick persons, and young children; and to shew thy pity upon prisoners and captives;  
*We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.*

That it may please thee to defend, and provide for, the fatherless children, and widows, and all that are desolate and oppressed;  
*We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.*

That it may please thee to have mercy upon all men;  
*We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.*

That it may please thee to forgive our enemies, persecutors, and slanderers, and to turn their hearts;  
*We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.*

That it may please thee to give and preserve to our use the kindly fruits of the earth, so as in due time we may enjoy them;  
*We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.*

That it may please thee to give us true repentance; to forgive us all our sins, negligences, and ignorances; and to endue us with the grace of thy Holy Spirit to amend our lives according to thy holy Word;  
*We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.*

That it may please thee to grant to all the faithful departed eternal life and peace,  
*We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.*

That it may please thee to grant that, in the fellowship of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of God, Blessed Michael the Archangel, Blessed John the Baptist, the holy Apostles Peter and Paul, Blessed Thomas our Patron, and all the saints, we may attain to thy heavenly kingdom,  
*We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.*

Son of God: we beseech thee to hear us.  
*Son of God: we beseech thee to hear us.*

O Lamb of God: that takest away the sins of the world;  
*Grant us thy peace.*

O Lamb of God: that takest away the sins of the world;  
*Have mercy upon us.*

O Christ, hear us.  
*O Christ, hear us.*

Lord, have mercy upon us.  
*Lord, have mercy upon us.*

Christ, have mercy upon us.  
*Christ, have mercy upon us.*

Lord, have mercy upon us.  
*Lord, have mercy upon us.*

## CHORAL EUCHARIST

### THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

*The Celebrant says to the People*

People           The Lord be with you.  
                  And with thy spirit.  
Celebrant       Let us pray.  
                                  *The Celebrant says the Collect.*  
People           Amen.

### THE LESSONS

*The People sit. The First Lesson is introduced by the Lector.  
After the Reading, the Lector says*

People           The Word of the Lord.  
                  Thanks be to God.

*The Psalm appointed is sung by the Choir. The People remain seated.*

*The Epistle is introduced by the Subdeacon.  
After the Epistle, the Subdeacon says*

People           The Word of the Lord.  
                  Thanks be to God.

*A Hymn follows the Epistle. All stand.*

*Then the Deacon of the Eucharist proclaims the Gospel, first saying*

Deacon           The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ According to \_\_\_\_\_.  
People sing       Glory be to thee, O Lord.

*After the Gospel, the Deacon says*

People sing       The Gospel of the Lord.  
                  Praise be to thee, O Christ.

### THE SERMON

### THE NICENE CREED

*All stand and say together*

I believe in one God  
the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
and of all things visible and invisible:

And in one Lord Jesus Christ,  
the only-begotten Son of God;  
begotten of his Father before all worlds,  
God of God, Light of Light,  
very God of very God;  
begotten, not made;

being of one substance with the Father;  
by whom all things were made:  
who for us men and for our salvation  
came down from heaven,  
and was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary,  
and was made man:  
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered and was buried:  
and the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures:  
and ascended into heaven,  
and sitteth on the right hand of the Father:  
and he shall come again, with glory,  
to judge both the quick and the dead;  
whose kingdom shall have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Ghost, the Lord, and Giver of Life,  
who proceedeth from the Father and the Son;  
who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped  
and glorified;  
who spake by the Prophets:  
And I believe one holy Catholic and Apostolic Church:  
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins:  
and I look for the resurrection of the dead:  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

#### **THE PEACE**

*Celebrant* The peace of the Lord be always with you.  
*People* And with thy spirit.

#### **THE GREETINGS** *(Please be seated.)*

#### **THE HOLY COMMUNION**

*The Celebrant begins the Offertory with a sentence of Scripture.*

*During the Offertory, an anthem shall be sung, concluding with a hymn, at which time  
the People stand.*

*The People remain standing. The Celebrant, whether bishop or priest, faces them and sings*

*People* The Lord be with you.  
*Celebrant* And with thy spirit.  
*People* Lift up your hearts.  
*Celebrant* We lift them up unto the Lord.  
*People* Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.  
*Celebrant* It is meet and right so to do.

*Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds*

It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks  
unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God.

*Here a Proper Preface is sung as appointed.*

Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,

*Choir*            Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts,  
Heaven and earth are full of thy glory:  
Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High.  
Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.

*The People kneel.  
Then the Celebrant continues*

All glory be to thee, O Lord our God, for that thou didst create heaven and earth, and didst make us in thine own image; and, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to take our nature upon him, and to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption. He made there a full and perfect sacrifice for the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.

For in the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread; and when he had given thanks to thee, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat, this is my Body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Likewise, after supper, he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink this, all of you; for this is my Blood of the New Covenant, which is shed for you, and for many, for the remission of sins. Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me."

Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, we thy people do celebrate and make, with these thy holy gifts which we now offer unto thee, the memorial thy Son hath commanded us to make; having in remembrance his blessed passion and precious death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; and looking for his coming again with power and great glory.

And we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us, and, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, to bless and sanctify these gifts of bread and wine, that they may be unto us the Body and Blood of thy dearly-beloved Son Jesus Christ.

And we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, whereby we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, our selves, our souls and bodies. Grant, we beseech thee, that all who partake of this Holy Communion may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, and be filled with thy grace and heavenly benediction; and also that we and all thy whole Church may be made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord;

By whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end.

*People*            AMEN.

*Celebrant*        And now, as our Saviour Christ hath taught us, we are bold to say,

*All*                Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

## THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

*The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.  
Then the Celebrant says*

*People* Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;  
Therefore let us keep the feast.

*The Celebrant says the following Invitation*

Behold the Lamb of God; behold him that taketh away the sins of the world.

*The ministers receive the Sacrament in both kinds, and then immediately  
deliver it to the People.*

*The Bread and Cup are given to the Communicants with these words*

The Body (Blood) of Christ. *Amen.*

*During the ministration of Communion, anthems may be sung.*

## THE POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

Let us pray.

*All*

Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favour and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honour and glory, world without end. *Amen.*

*The Bishop, when present, or the Priest gives the blessing.*

The peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you, and remain with you always. *Amen.*

*or this*

The blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. *Amen.*

*The Deacon dismisses the People with these words*

*People* Let us bless the Lord.  
Thanks be to God.

*A Hymn shall be sung as the Clergy and Choir leave the Church.*

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