



SAINT THOMAS CHURCH FIFTH AVENUE
in the
CITY OF NEW YORK

†
The Reverend Andrew C. Mead, OBE, DD, *Rector*
John Scott, LVO, D.Mus., *Organist and Director of Music*
The Reverend Charles F. Wallace, *Headmaster*

Welcome to Saint Thomas Church, a parish of the Episcopal Diocese of New York.
Our mission is to worship, love and serve Our Lord Jesus Christ through
the Anglican tradition and our unique choral heritage.

THE SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

MAY 5, 2013 at 8 a.m.

SAID EUCHARIST

Celebrant	Father McNeeley
The Epistle	Acts 16:9-15
The Holy Gospel	Saint John 14:23-29

PARISH NOTICES

If you are a visitor this morning, **we welcome you to Saint Thomas Church** and hope that you come back soon. We encourage you to complete a Welcome Card which you can find in the rack at the end of the pews or in the narthex at the front of the church.

Children and Youth at Saint Thomas: Saint Thomas offers many options for parents of children from infancy through high school. **Nursery care** for infants and toddlers is available for the 9 and 11 a.m. liturgies and through the 10 a.m. Christian Education hour. If you would like to avail yourself of this service for worship, or to attend the adult classes, please ask one of our ushers to direct you. Once at the nursery, parents will be asked to sign in their children and will receive a silent pager for use during the service. Rather than attend nursery, preschool children may opt to attend a class especially designed for them. **Sunday School** classes and **Youth Group** meetings also take place at 10 a.m. Children in kindergarten through sixth grade are invited to attend our Sunday School class. Young people in grades seven through twelve are encouraged to join our youth group meeting in Andrew Hall also at 10 a.m. Please contact Father Spurlock at mspurlock@SaintThomasChurch.org for more information about any of our programs for children and youth.

The Bookstore is open during the Choirmasters' Conference Monday and Tuesday, May 6 and 7, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Lily Ardalan and John Scott are pleased to announce their forthcoming marriage on Saturday, May 25, 2013, at 2 p.m. All parishioners are cordially invited to attend the service, followed by a reception in the Parish House. RSVP by May 13 to Douglas Robbe: drobbe@SaintThomasChurch.org; 212.757.7013, ext 423.

The Saint Thomas Concert Series invites you to attend the final concert of the 2012-13 season on Thursday, May 16 at 7:30 p.m. The concert features music of Bach, Tallis and Vaughan Williams and will be performed by The Saint Thomas Choir of Men and Boys with Orchestra of Saint Luke's under the direction of John Scott. You may purchase tickets online at www.SaintThomasChurch.org or call the office at 212.664.9360.

A Special CD by George Shearing to Benefit the Organ Fund: George Shearing at Home, in our bookstore, available in our Bookstore and in the CD shop in the music section of our website. Half the proceeds are a gift to the Organ Fund from Sir George and Lady Shearing.

Ascension Day is this Thursday, May 9. Nancy Mead will give an illustrated talk in the Church on her latest walk in Italy, from Rome to the Adriatic shore to the "heel of the boot." The evening begins at 5:30 p.m. with Festal Eucharist, and ends with a reception in the living room of the Parish House. All are welcome.

ADULT CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Heaven continues: The new class on the biblical view(s) of heaven meets on Sunday morning at 10 a.m. on the fifth floor of the Parish House, and is repeated Thursday at 12:40 p.m. on the second floor. Each class lasts about 40 minutes and welcomes visitors.

Doctrine wraps up: The “wrap-up” session of the Rector’s Christian Doctrine class is Tuesday, May 7, from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. in Andrew Hall. Besides some practical details on the confirmation service, the class offers time to raise questions or review topics from any of the course’s earlier sessions.

And Our Town is coming: Thornton Wilder’s popular play *Our Town* will be discussed at the “Good Books and Good Talk” seminar on Monday, June 17. Is the play cynical or sentimental? Is “our town” an earthly city? The discussion, which will begin at 6:15 p.m., is open to anyone who has read the play.

Today at **11 A.M. FESTAL EUCHARIST**

Sermon by Father Austin

4 P.M. FESTAL EVENSONG

Sermon by The Rector

Commandments as Good News:

“Love Thy Neighbor”

5:15 P.M. ORGAN RECITAL

John Scott



ASSISTING CLERGY

The Reverend Victor Lee Austin, Ph.D.,

Theologian-in-residence

The Reverend Michael D. Spurlock, *Curate*

The Reverend Joel C. Daniels, *Assisting Priest*

The Reverend Canon John Andrew, OBE, DD, *Rector Emeritus*

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