## SAINT THOMAS CHURCH FIFTH AVENUE

in the CITY OF NEW YORK



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SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 2022 AT 4 P.M.
THE LAST SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY (QUINQUAGESIMA)

# **FESTAL EVENSONG**

SUNG BY THE SAINT THOMAS CHOIR OF MEN AND BOYS

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.

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In Loving Memory of the Reverend Dr. William A. Norgren May 15, 1927 - February 24, 2022

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### ORDER OF SERVICE

PRELUDE Chant de Paix Jean Langlais (1907-1991)

At the entry of the Ministers, the People stand.

#### VERSICLES AND RESPONSES

Kenneth Leighton (1929-1988)

Priest O Lord, open thou our lips.

*Choir* And our mouth shall show forth thy praise.

Priest O God, make speed to save us. Choir O Lord, make haste to help us.

Priest Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;

Choir as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Priest Praise ye the Lord.

Choir The Lord's Name be praised.

The People sit.

PSALM 126 Sung by the Choir Anglican Chant (Turle)

#### IN CONVERTENDO

WHEN the Lord turned again the captivity of Sion: then were we like unto them that dream. Then was our mouth filled with laughter: and our tongue with joy.

Then said they among the heathen: The Lord hath done great things for them.

Yea, the Lord hath done great things for us already: whereof we rejoice.

Turn our captivity, O Lord: as the rivers in the south.

They that sow in tears: shall reap in joy.

He that now goeth on his way weeping, and beareth forth good seed:

shall doubtless come again with joy, and bring his sheaves with him.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;

as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

PSALM 127 Sung by the Choir Anglican Chant (Parratt)

#### NISI DOMINUS

Except the Lord build the house: their labour is but lost that build it. Except the Lord keep the city: the watchman waketh but in vain.

It is but lost labour that ye haste to rise up early, and so late take rest, and eat the bread of carefulness: for so he giveth his beloved sleep.

Lo, children and the fruit of the womb: are an heritage and gift that cometh of the Lord.

Like as the arrows in the hand of the giant: even so are the young children.

Happy is the man that hath his quiver full of them: they shall not be ashamed

when they speak with their enemies in the gate.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;

as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

PSALM 128 Sung by the Choir Anglican Chant (Goss)

#### BEATI OMNES

LESSED are all they that fear the Lord: and walk in his ways.

For thou shalt eat the labours of thine hands: O well is thee, and happy shalt thou be.

Thy wife shall be as the fruitful vine: upon the walls of thine house.

Thy children like the olive-branches: round about thy table.

Lo, thus shall the man be blessed: that feareth the Lord.

The Lord from out of Sion shall so bless thee: that thou shalt see Jerusalem in prosperity all thy life long.

Yea, that thou shalt see thy children's children: and peace upon Israel.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;

as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

#### SAEPE EXPUGNAVERUNT

MANY a have they fought against me from my youth up: may Israel now say.

Yea, many a time have they vexed me from my youth up: but they have not prevailed against me. The plowers plowed upon my back: and made long furrows.

But the righteous Lord: hath hewn the snares of the ungodly in pieces.

Let them be confounded and turned backward: as many as have evil will at Sion.

Let them be even as the grass growing upon the house-tops: which withereth afore it be plucked up;

Whereof the mower filleth not his hand: neither he that bindeth up the sheaves his bosom.

So that they who go by say not so much as, The Lord prosper you:

we wish you good luck in the Name of the Lord.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;

as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

PSALM 130 Sung by the Choir Anglican Chant (Davies)

#### DE PROFUNDIS

Out of the deep have I called unto thee, O Lord: Lord, hear my voice. O let thine ears consider well: the voice of my complaint.

If thou, Lord, wilt be extreme to mark what is done amiss: O Lord, who may abide it?

For there is mercy with thee: therefore shalt thou be feared.

I look for the Lord; my soul doth wait for him: in his word is my trust.

My soul fleeth unto the Lord: before the morning watch, I say, before the morning watch.

O Israel, trust in the Lord, for with the Lord there is mercy: and with him is plenteous redemption.

And he shall redeem Israel: from all his sins.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;

as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

PSALM 131 Sung by the Choir Anglican Chant (Willcocks)

#### DOMINE, NON EST

ORD, I am not high-minded: I have no proud looks.

I do not exercise myself in great matters: which are too high for me.

But I refrain my soul, and keep it low, like as a child that is weaned from his mother:

yea, my soul is even as a weaned child.

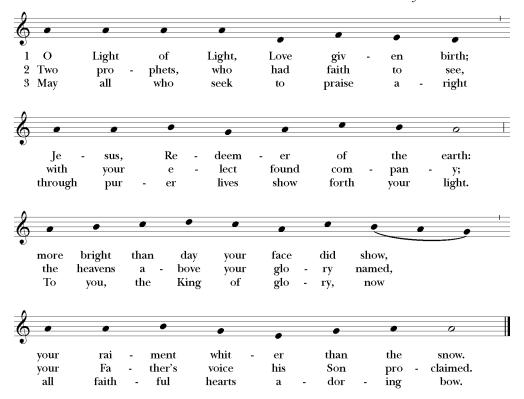
O Israel, trust in the Lord: from this time forth for evermore.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;

as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

FIRST LESSON Exodus 3:1-6

The People stand for the Office Hymn and the Magnificat.



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#### MAGNIFICAT IN D

Sung by the Choir

Reginald Tustin Baker (1900-1966)

MY soul doth magnify the Lord, and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Savior. For he hath regarded the lowliness of his handmaiden. For behold from henceforth all generations shall call me blessed. For he that is mighty hath magnified me, and holy is his Name. And his mercy is on them that fear him throughout all generations. He hath showed strength with his arm; he hath scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts. He hath put down the mighty from their seat, and hath exalted the humble and meek. He hath filled the hungry with good things, and the rich he hath sent empty away. He remembering his mercy hath holpen his servant Israel, as he promised to our forefathers, Abraham and his seed for ever.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

The People sit.

SECOND LESSON John 12:27-36a

The People stand for the Nunc Dimittis and the Creed.

NUNC DIMITTIS IN D Sung by the Choir Reginald Tustin Baker

ORD, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace: according to thy word. For mine eyes have seen: thy salvation;

Which thou hast prepared: before the face of all people;

To be a light to lighten the Gentiles: and to be the glory of thy people Israel.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son: and to the Holy Ghost;

as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.

#### **APOSTLES' CREED**

**BELIEVE** in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth; And in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, Born of the Virgin Mary, Suffered under Pontius Pilate, Was crucified, dead, and buried: He descended into hell: The third day he rose again from the dead: He ascended into heaven, And sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; The holy Catholick Church; The Communion of Saints; The Forgiveness of sins; The Resurrection of the body, And the life everlasting. Amen.

Priest The Lord be with you.

Choir And with thy spirit.

The People kneel.

Priest Let us pray.

Choir Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

Our FATHER, which 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 them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. Amen.

Priest O Lord, show thy mercy upon us; Choir And grant us thy salvation.

Priest O Lord, save the State;

Choir And mercifully hear us when we call upon thee.

Priest Endue thy ministers with righteousness;
Choir And make thy chosen people joyful.

Priest O Lord, save thy people;
Choir And bless thine inheritance.
Priest Give peace in our time, O Lord;

Choir Because there is none other that fighteth for us, but only thou, O God.

Priest O God, make clean our hearts within us; Choir And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.

#### THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

GOD, who before the passion of thy only-begotten Son didst reveal his glory upon the holy mount: Grant unto us that we, beholding by faith the light of his countenance, may be strengthened to bear our cross, and be changed into his likeness from glory to glory; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen*.

#### THE SECOND COLLECT

GOD, from whom all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works do proceed: Give unto thy servants that peace which the world cannot give, that both our hearts may be set to obey thy commandments, and also that by thee, we, being defended from the fear of our enemies, may pass our time in rest and quietness; through the merits of Jesus Christ our Savior. *Amen*.

#### THE THIRD COLLECT FOR AID AGAINST ALL PERILS

**L IGHTEN** our darkness, we beseech thee, O Lord; and by thy great mercy defend us from all perils and dangers of this night; for the love of thy only Son, our Savior Jesus Christ. *Amen.* 

The People sit.

ANTHEM The Transfiguration Jeremy Filsell
(b. 1964)

THE Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us; we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth.

And after six days Jesus took Peter, James, and John his brother, and brought them up into a high mountain, and there he was transfigured before them:

His face did shine as the sun, and his raiment was white as the light. The Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us; we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth.

Text from the Gospels of Mark and John

**SERMON** 

The Rev. Matthew Moretz

Vicar

HYMN ST. JOAN



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#### THE BLESSING

THE Lord bless you, and keep you: the Lord make his face to shine upon you, and be gracious unto you: the Lord lift up the light of his countenance upon you, and give you peace; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you, and remain with you always. *Amen*.

**PSALM 150**Sung by the Choir
Anglican Chant (Talbot)

#### LAUDATE DOMINUM

Praise God in his holiness: praise him in the firmament of his power.

Praise him in his noble acts: praise him according to his excellent greatness.

Praise him in the sound of the trumpet: praise him upon the lute and harp.

Praise him in the cymbals and dances: praise him upon the strings and pipe.

Praise him upon the well-tuned cymbals: praise him upon the loud cymbals.

Let every thing that hath breath: praise the Lord.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;

as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Immediately following this service, we invite you to stay for the Sunday Recital Series featuring organist, **Jonathan Vaughn** from Greenwich, Connecticut.

#### **PARISH NOTICES**

Adult Education. Join Fr. Moretz at 10 a.m. today as he resumes his class on the stained glass windows at Saint Thomas Church. The class is titled, "The Treasure of Saint Thomas: the Whitefriars' Glass". Using high quality images collected by Julie L. Sloan during the recent restoration of the glass (2007-2016), he will lead you through a careful theological reading of our windows, created between 1927 and 1974. As with the reredos, there is so very much to discover in this extraordinary iconographic scheme that was developed by Whitefriars' artist, James H. Hogan. You are welcome to join us in person on the Fifth Floor of the Parish House or on Zoom using the link provided in our E-News.

**Children and Families' Gatherings**. Sunday School takes place each week following the 9 a.m. Mass both in person on the third floor of the Parish House as well as via Zoom. The Nursery Room is available for babies and toddlers with their parents during the 11 a.m. Mass. Young children with their families are also welcome to use the quiet area in the Chantry Chapel during the Mass. For any queries regarding the above or to receive our weekly newsletter please contact: <a href="mailto:ChildrenandFamilies@SaintThomasChurch.org">ChildrenandFamilies@SaintThomasChurch.org</a>.

**Saint Thomas Church Tours** are available on Sundays after the 11 a.m. service. It is a great way to experience and learn about the church. Tours generally last an hour and 15 minutes. If you are interested, please meet the Tour Guide on the north side of the Narthex near the "Tour Guide – Meet Here" sign.

**The Noble Singers**, our children's parish choir for singers ages 5-12, under the Direction of Mrs. Rebecca Kellerman-Filsell, will begin leading the 9 a.m. Mass on Sunday, March 6, and continue throughout Lent. Rehearsals take place on Tuesdays at 4-4:45 p.m. (hybrid option) and/or Saturdays from 10-10:45 a.m. (inperson). No audition is necessary, just enthusiasm and a love of music. It's not too late to join us! For more information, contact <a href="RKellerman@SaintThomasChurch.org">RKellerman@SaintThomasChurch.org</a>.

**The Pilgrims' Course 2022** will not meet on Ash Wednesday, March 2. The course will resume on Wednesday, March 9, titled, "**The Christian Exodus: An Introduction to Lent and Holy Week**".

The Bookstore will be open on Sundays following the 11 a.m. service until 3 p.m., and by appointment at Bookstore@SaintThomasChurch.org. New and in stock: Fleming Rutledge's recently released book, "Means of Grace: A Year of Weekly Devotions". Also available are books for Lent and Easter.

Friday Lenten Bible Study. Fr. Mark Brown begins a Lenten study of a book titled, "Opening the Bible" by Roger Ferlo, at 1 p.m. this Friday over Zoom. It runs for about an hour. For more information, please contact Fr. Brown at <a href="MBrown@SaintThomasChurch.org">MBrown@SaintThomasChurch.org</a>.

#### **SERVICES THIS WEEK**

#### The Church is open for Private Prayer and Visits

Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. Saturday: 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Proof of vaccination and hand sanitization are required for entry. Masks are **optional** except for unvaccinated children.

### **Shrine Prayers (Intercessions)**

Monday - Saturday at 12 p.m. Live audio stream and then on-demand.

Please send your requests for prayers via the website click here or emailed to: prayer@saintthomaschurch.org

#### The Daily Eucharist

Monday – Saturday at 12:05 p.m. *Live audio stream and then on-demand.* Tuesday and Thursday at 5:30 p.m. following Evensong.

<u>Confessions, Spiritual Advice and Healing Ministry</u> in the Resurrection Chapel Saturday 11 to 11:45 a.m. in the Church. Confessor: The Rector.

## CHORAL SERVICES AND CONCERTS THIS WEEK

The choral services are video livestreamed, and, thereafter, available on-demand

#### TUESDAY, MARCH 1

5:30 p.m. Choral Evensong

sung by the Saint Thomas Choir of Men and Boys

#### WEDNESDAY, MARCH 2 – ASH WEDNESDAY

(See below for details)

#### THURSDAY, MARCH 3

5:30 p.m. Choral Evensong

sung by the Saint Thomas Choir of Men and Boys

### **¥** SUNDAY, MARCH 6

### THE FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT

#### 9 a.m. Sung Eucharist

Cantor: Rebecca Kellerman-Filsell sung by the Noble Singers
Sermon by Fr. Moretz

#### 11 a.m. Festal Eucharist

sung by the Saint Thomas Choir of Men and Boys Sermon by The Rector

#### 4 p.m. Festal Evensong

sung by the Saint Thomas Choir of Men and Boys 'A Grain of Wheat' – Martyrs of our time Sermon by Fr. Schultz – Maximilian Kolbe

#### 5:15 p.m. Sunday Recital Series

Ali Mammadoff, piano New York, New York

## LITURGICAL SCHEDULE FOR LENT

## ₩ Wednesday, March 2 - Ash Wednesday

8 a.m. Said Mass\*

## 12 p.m. Solemn Liturgy\*

sung by the Saint Thomas Choir of Men and Boys Sermon by The Rector

## 5:30 p.m. Solemn Liturgy\*

sung by the Saint Thomas Choir of Men and Boys Sermon by The Rector

\*Ashes will be available at all Masses, and throughout the day. Confessions: 9:30-10:30 a.m. (Fr. Moretz), 10:30-11:30 a.m. (Fr. Schultz and Mo. Turner) and 4-5 p.m. (The Rector)

Sunday Adult Education, March 6 – April 3 10 a.m. 'No Greater Love' – An exploration of Christian Art and Passion

### Sunday School for Children and Families

10 a.m. Sunday School follows the 9 am Mass, in-person and online

Throughout Lent, we will follow a special program focusing on different forms of prayer for both children and families.

## **Sunday Evensong Sermon Series:**

4 p.m. 'A Grain of Wheat' - Martyrs of our time

March 6: Fr. Schultz – Maximilian Kolbe

March 13: Mo. Susan Hill, *Holy Apostles, New York City* – Elizabeth of Russia

March 20: Mo. Lee-Pae – Won-Chang Lee & Jun-Kyoung Moon

March 27: The Rev. Canon George Brandt

Rector Emeritus, St. Michael's Church, New York City – Manche Masemola

April 3: Fr. Patrick Cheng, *Theologian-in-Residence* – The Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

## Wednesdays

Silent Prayer before the Blessed Sacrament from the end of Noonday Mass until 4 p.m.

## **Fridays**

1 p.m. Lenten Bible Study
"Opening the Bible" via Zoom with Fr. Mark Brown

#### 5:30 p.m. Come and sing Compline

Parishioners are invited to sing Compline together under the direction of Dr. Filsell followed by

#### 6 p.m. Book Group

led by Fr. Schultz on "The Seven Last Words" by the Very Rev. Andrew McGowan

## Saturdays

12 p.m. The Stations of the Cross and Holy Eucharist

Holy Week begins with Palm Sunday on April 10, and ends with Easter Day on April 17.