

SAINT THOMAS CHURCH FIFTH AVENUE
in the
CITY OF NEW YORK



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SUNDAY, MARCH 27, 2022 AT 11 A.M.
THE FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT (LAETARE)

FESTAL EUCHARIST

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.

Recording and Photography during the service is not permitted.

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ORDER OF SERVICE

SETTING

Missa Sancti Thomae

Kenneth Leighton
(1929-1988)

PRELUDE

Aus der Tiefe Op. 72 No. 2

Kenneth Leighton

The People stand at the entry of the Choir and Ministers

HYMN

CWM RHONDDA

1 Guide me, O thou great Je - ho - vah, pil - grim through this
2 O - pen now the crys - tal foun-tain, whence the heal - ing
3 When I tread the verge of Jor - dan, bid my anx - ious

bar - ren land; I am weak, but thou art might - y;
stream doth flow; let the fire and cloud - y pil - lar
fears sub - side; death of death, and hell's de - struc - tion,

hold me with thy power - ful hand; bread of hea - ven,
lead me all my jour - ney through; strong de - liv - erer,
land me safe on Ca - naan's side; songs of prais - es,

bread of hea - ven, feed me now and ev - er -
strong de - liv - erer, be thou still my strength and
songs of prais - es, I will ev - er give to

more, feed me now and ev - er - more.
shield, be thou still my strength and shield.
thee, I will ev - er give to thee.

THE OPENING ACCLAMATION AND COLLECT FOR PURITY

Celebrant Bless the Lord who forgiveth all our sins.
People His mercy endureth for ever.

ALMIGHTY God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known,
and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts
by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee,
and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

KYRIE ELEISON

Sung by the Choir

LORD, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us.

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

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

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People And with thy spirit.
Celebrant Let us pray.

GRACIOUS Father, whose blessed Son Jesus Christ came down from heaven
to be the true bread which giveth life to the world: Evermore give us this bread,
that he may live in us, and we in him; who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

The People sit.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

THE LESSON

Joshua 5:9-12

The Lector concludes The Word of the Lord.
The People respond Thanks be to God.

PSALM 32

Sung by the Choir

Anglican Chant (*Parratt*)

BEATI, QUORUM

BLESSED is he whose unrighteousness is forgiven: and whose sin is covered.
Blessed is the man unto whom the Lord imputeth no sin: and in whose spirit there is no guile.
For while I held my tongue: my bones consumed away through my daily complaining.
For thy hand is heavy upon me day and night: and my moisture is like the drought in summer.
I will acknowledge my sin unto thee: and mine unrighteousness have I not hid.
I said, I will confess my sins unto the Lord: and so thou forgavest the wickedness of my sin.
For this shall every one that is godly make his prayer unto thee, in a time when thou mayest be found:
but in the great water-floods they shall not come nigh him.
Thou art a place to hide me in, thou shalt preserve me from trouble:
thou shalt compass me about with songs of deliverance.
I will inform thee, and teach thee in the way wherein thou shalt go: and I will guide thee with mine eye.

Be ye not like to horse and mule, which have no understanding; whose mouths must be held with bit and bridle, lest they fall upon thee.

Great plagues remain for the ungodly: but whoso putteth his trust in the Lord, mercy embraceth him on every side.

Be glad, O ye righteous, and rejoice in the Lord: and be joyful, all ye that are true of heart.

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 EPISTLE

2 Corinthians 5:16-21

The Subdeacon concludes The Word of the Lord.

The People respond Thanks be to God.

The People stand.

HYMN

BEECHER

1 There's a wide-ness in God's mer-cy like the wide-ness of the sea;
2 There is no place where earth's sor-rows are more felt than up in heaven;
3 For the love of God is broad-er than the mea-sure of the mind;

there's a kind-ness in his jus-tice, which is more than lib-er-ty.
there is no place where earth's fail-ings have such kind-ly judg-ment given.
and the heart of the E-ter-nal is most won-der-ful-ly kind.

There is wel-come for the sin-ner, and more gra-ces for the good;
There is plen-ti-ful re-dem-p-tion in the blood that has been shed;
If our love were but more faith-ful, we should take him at his word;

there is mer-cy with the Sa-vior; there is heal-ing in his blood.
there is joy for all the mem-bers in the sor-rows of the Head.
and our life would be thanks-giv-ing for the good-ness of the Lord.

THE HOLY GOSPEL

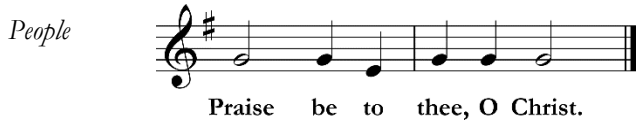
Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32

Deacon The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to Saint Luke.



After the Gospel, the Deacon says

The Gospel of the Lord.



SERMON

The Rev. Matthew Moretz
Vicar

THE NICENE CREED

Said by all, standing. It is customary to bow at the underlined words.

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 PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE (FORM III)

The Leader says

Let us pray for the Church and for the world, and let us thank God for his mercy.

The People kneel.

Father, we pray for thy holy Catholic Church;
That we all may be one.

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve thee;
That thy Name may be glorified by all people.

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;
That they may be faithful ministers of thy Word and Sacraments.

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;
That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

Give us grace to do thy will in all that we undertake;
That our works may find favor in thy sight.

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;
That they may be delivered from their distress.

Give to the departed eternal rest;
Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We praise thee for thy saints who have entered into joy;
May we also come to share in thy heavenly kingdom.

In a moment of silence, let us bring our own petitions to the Lord.

After a period of silence, the Celebrant concludes with this collect

LORD Jesus Christ, who didst say to thine apostles, "Peace I give to you; my own peace I leave with you." Regard not our sins, but the faith of thy Church, and grant us the peace and unity of that heavenly City, where with the Father and the Holy Spirit thou livest and reignest, now and for ever. *Amen.*

CONFESSION OF SIN

The Celebrant says

Let us humbly confess our sins to Almighty God.

Celebrant and People

ALMIGHTY God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, maker of all things, judge of all men: We acknowledge and bewail our manifold sins and wickedness, which we, from time to time, most grievously have committed, by thought, word, and deed, against thy divine Majesty, provoking most justly thy wrath and indignation against us. We do earnestly repent, and are heartily sorry for these our misdoings; the remembrance of them is grievous unto us; the burden of them is intolerable. Have mercy upon us, have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; for thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, forgive us all that is past; and grant that we may ever hereafter serve and please thee in newness of life, to the honor and glory of thy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Celebrant says

ALMIGHTY God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all those who with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE PEACE

The People stand. The Celebrant introduces the Peace with these words

SINCE we are justified by faith,
we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ,
who has given us access to his grace.

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

THE GREETINGS

THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

AT THE OFFERTORY, MOTET

Let my love be heard

Jake Runestad
(b. 1986)

ANGELS where you soar up to God's own light,
take my own lost bird on your hearts tonight,
and as grief once more mounts to heaven and sings,
let my love be heard whispering in your wings.

Alfred Noyes (1880-1958)

HYMN

ST. AGNES

1 Shep - herd of souls, re - fresh and bless thy cho - sen
2 We would not live by bread a - lone, but by thy
3 Be known to us in break - ing bread, and do not
4 Lord, sup with us in love di - vine thy Bo - dy

pil - grim flock with man - na in the
word of grace, in strength of which we
then de - part; Sa - vior, a - bid with
and thy Blood, that liv - ing bread, that

wil - der - ness, with wa - ter from the rock.
trav - el on to our a - bid - ing - place.
us, and spread thy ta - ble in our heart.
heaven - ly wine, be our im - mor - tal food.

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THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

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

The Celebrant continues

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.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord, who was in every way tempted as we are, yet did not sin; by whose grace we are able to triumph over every evil, and to live no longer unto ourselves, but unto him who died for us and rose again.

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

SANCTUS AND BENEDICTUS

Sung by the 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.

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

The Celebrant continues the Eucharistic Prayer, which concludes

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

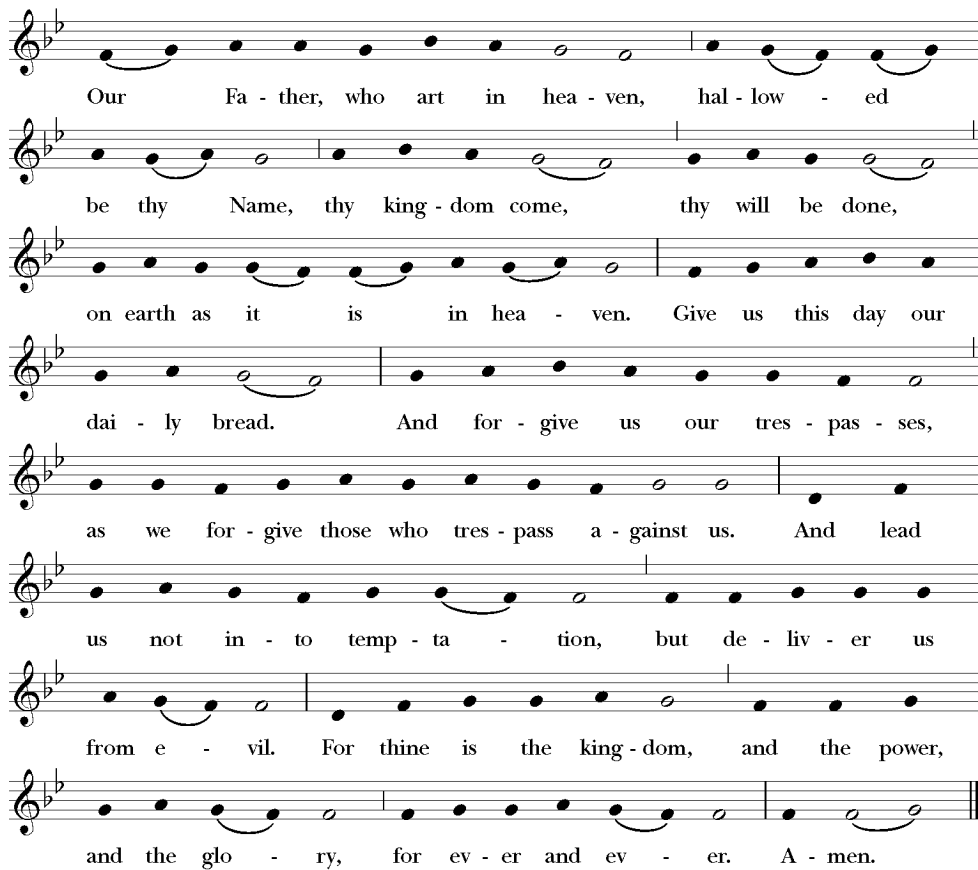
The People respond AMEN.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

The Celebrant says

And now, as our Savior Christ hath taught us, we are bold to say,

People and Celebrant



Our Fa - ther, who art in hea - ven, hal - low - ed
be thy Name, thy king - dom come, thy will be done,
on earth as it is in hea - ven. Give us this day our
dai - ly bread. And for - give us our tres - pas - ses,
as we for - give those who tres - pass a - gainst us. And lead
us not in - to temp - ta - tion, but de - liv - er us
from e - vil. For thine is the king - dom, and the power,
and the glo - ry, for ev - er and ev - er. A - men.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Celebrant Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People Therefore let us keep the feast.

PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS

Celebrant and People

WE do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord whose property is always to have mercy. Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body, and our souls washed through his most precious blood, and that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

The Celebrant says

BEHOLD the Lamb of God: behold him that taketh away the sins of the world.
Blessed are those who are called to his supper.

People Lord, I am not worthy that thou shouldst come under my roof,
but speak the word only and my soul shall be healed.

The People remain kneeling until the bell rings.

AN ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION *(for those unable to receive Holy Communion)*

I BELIEVE in thee, O my Jesus, present in the most holy Sacrament of the Altar;
I love thee above all things, and I desire to receive thee into my soul.
Since I cannot at this moment receive thee sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart.
I embrace thee, and I unite myself to thee as if thou wast already there.
Never permit me to be separated from thee!
O Lord Jesus Christ, let the sweet and consuming force of thy love absorb my whole soul, that I may die for the love of thee, who wast pleased to die for the love of me. Amen.

HOLY COMMUNION

*All baptized Christians are invited to receive Holy Communion.
The Sacrament is distributed in one kind only at the Crossing.
Gluten free hosts are available; please ask the priest.*

AGNUS DEI

Sung by the Choir

O LAMB of God, that takest away the sins of the world,
have mercy upon us.
O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,
have mercy upon us.
O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,
grant us thy peace.

MOTET

*Daniel Hyde
(b. 1980)*

A VE verum corpus natum
de Maria Virgine:
vere passum immolatum
in cruce pro homine,
cujus latus perforatum
fluxit aqua et sanguine,
esto nobis praegustatum
mortis in examine.

O Jesu dulcis! O Jesu pie!
O Jesu Fili Mariae. Amen.

*Hail the true body,
born of the Virgin Mary:
you who truly were sacrificed
on the cross for the sake of man,
from whose pierced flank
flowed water and blood,
Be a foretaste for us
in the trial of death.*

*O sweet Jesus! O merciful Jesus!
O Jesus, Son of Mary. Amen.*

Pope Innocent VI (d. 1362)

THE POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

The Celebrant says

Let us pray.

The People kneel. The Celebrant and People say

A LMIGHTY 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 Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor 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 honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

THE SOLEMN PRAYER OVER THE PEOPLE

The Deacon says

Bow down before the Lord.

The Celebrant says

LOOK down in mercy, Lord, on your people who kneel before you; and grant that those whom you have nourished by your Word and Sacraments may bring forth fruit worthy of repentance; through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

HYMN

WOODWORTH

1 Just as I am, with - out one plea, but that thy
2 Just as I am, though tossed a - bout with man - ya
* 3 Just as I am, poor, wretch - ed, blind; sight, rich - es,
4 Just as I am: thou wilt re - ceive; wilt wel - come,
5 Just as I am, thy love un - known has bro - ken

1 blood was shed for me, and that thou bidd'st me
2 con - flict, man - ya doubt; fight - ings and fears with -
3 heal - ing of the mind, yea, all I need, in
4 par - don, cleanse, re - lieve, be - cause thy prom - ise
5 ev - ery bar - rier down; now to be thine, yea,

1 come to thee, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.
2 in, with - out, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.
3 thee to find, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.
4 I be - lieve, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.
5 thine a - lone, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

6 Just as I am, of thy great love
the breadth, length, depth, and height to prove,
here for a season, then above:
O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

Words: Charlotte Elliot (1789-1871) Music: Woodworth, William Batchelder Bradbury (1816-1868)

THE DISMISSAL

Deacon Let us go forth in the name of Christ.
People Thanks be to God.

VOLUNTARY

Ite missa est from *Missa de Gloria*, Op. 82

Kenneth Leighton

THIS AFTERNOON

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 the The Rev. Canon George Brandt

Retired Rector of St. Michael's Church, New York City

Manche Masemola

5:15 p.m. Sunday Recital Series

Jamie Hitel, organ

Greenwich, Connecticut

PARISH NOTICES

Adult Education. During Lent, we are offering a series called, 'No Greater Love' – An exploration of Christian Art and Passion. Over the course of this penitential season, the clergy of Saint Thomas Church will share fine works of art that convey the rich meaning of the suffering love of Christ during His Passion. At 10 a.m. today, Mother Lee-Pae, will present the fourth of a series of classes in Lent entitled: **'No Greater Love': An exploration of Christian Art and the Passion.** Mother Lee-Pae will be speaking about the work of modern ink painter Ki-chang Kim (1914-2001), also known as Unbo, from Seoul, Korea. 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: ChildrenandFamilies@SaintThomasChurch.org.

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, assists with leading worship for our Sunday Mass at 9 a.m. Rehearsals take place on Tuesdays at 4-4:45 p.m. (hybrid option) and/or Saturdays from 10-10:45 a.m. (in-person). It's not too late to join us! No audition is necessary; just enthusiasm and a love of music. For more information, contact RKellerman@SaintThomasChurch.org.

The Pilgrims' Course 2022 explores the Christian Faith as the Episcopal Church has received it, and as Saint Thomas expresses it through its mission to *worship, love, and serve our Lord Jesus Christ through the Anglican Tradition and our unique choral heritage*. Classes are open to all and, each year, a number of parishioners attend to refresh their faith and support those who are new to the faith or to our community. Fr. Schultz and Mo. Lee-Pae will assist the Rector in the leadership of the course. Meetings will be hybrid (in-person and on-line) and are held on **Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m.** This week's topic is, **"An Introduction to the Sacramental Life of the Church: Baptism and Confirmation"**. Please [register online](#) if you would like to attend.

Contributions are now being received for Easter Flowers in memory of departed loved ones. The names of the faithful departed in whose memory the church will be adorned will be listed in the Easter service leaflet. In order to cover the cost of the flowers, we suggest a minimum donation of \$25. Please send your check, made payable to Saint Thomas Church, and a printed list of those in whose memory you are making your donation. Deadline for submission is **Sunday, April 3.**

Concerts at Saint Thomas presents an unprecedented collaboration between the Saint Thomas Choir of Men and Boys and the Choir of Trinity Wall Street as together, we anticipate Holy Week with J.S. Bach's masterful *St. Matthew Passion*. Presented in two performances (March 29 at Saint Thomas Church, and March 31 at Trinity Church Wall Street), tickets may be purchased through each respective venue. Please [visit our website](#) for tickets and more information. Support *Concerts at Saint Thomas* by becoming a [Friend of Music](#). To make your donation with our team, email Concerts@SaintThomasChurch.org or call 212-664-9360.

Saint Thomas Choir School. The boy choristers of the Saint Thomas Choir of Men and Boys attend Saint Thomas Choir School, which exists solely to nurture, house, and educate the select group of approximately 30 boys in grades three through eight. If you know a boy who loves to sing, contact admissions@choirschool.org to learn more about this opportunity of a lifetime.

Now On-Demand: An Evening with Nico Muhly. This exciting evening of chamber music presented by *Concerts at Saint Thomas*, which took place on February 3, 2022, is now available to watch [On-Demand](#). It featured chamber works of Nico Muhly as well as Benjamin Britten's *Canticle II: Abraham and Isaac*. Please [visit our website](#) for tickets and more information. Support *Concerts at Saint Thomas* by becoming a [Friend of Music](#). To make your donation with our team, email Concerts@SaintThomasChurch.org or call 212-664-9360.

The Bookstore is currently closed. It will reopen after Easter on Sunday, April 24.

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 MBrown@SaintThomasChurch.org.

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, Wednesday and Thursday at 5:30 p.m. in the Chantry Chapel.

Confessions, Spiritual Advice and Healing Ministry in the Resurrection Chapel

Saturday 11 to 11:45 a.m. in the Church. Confessor: Fr. Schultz.

CHORAL SERVICES AND CONCERTS THIS WEEK

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

✠ TUESDAY, MARCH 29

7:30 p.m. Johann Sebastian Bach's St. Matthew Passion

sung by the Saint Thomas Choir of Men and Boys

with the Choir of Trinity Church, Wall Street

(this is a ticketed event)

✠ SUNDAY, APRIL 3

THE FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT

9 a.m. Sung Eucharist

Cantor: Rebecca Kellerman-Filsell

sung by The Noble Singers

Sermon by The Rector

11 a.m. The Litany and Solemn Eucharist

sung by the Saint Thomas Choir of Men and Boys

Sermon by The Rector

4 p.m. Solemn Evensong

sung by the Saint Thomas Choir of Men and Boys

'A Grain of Wheat' – Martyrs of our time

Sermon by the The Rev. Patrick Cheng, *Theologian-in-Residence*

The Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

5:15 p.m. Sunday Recital Series

Margaret Carpenter Haigh, *Soprano*

Madeline Apple Healey, *Soprano*

Elizabeth Weinfield, *Viola da Gamba*

Nicolas Haigh, *Organ*

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE FOR LENT

Sunday Adult Education, March 27 – 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.

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.