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in the
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SUNDAY, MARCH 6, 2022 AT 4 P.M.
THE FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT

SOLEMN EVENSONG

SUNG BY THE SAINT THOMAS CHOIR OF MEN AND BOYS

LENTEN SERMON SERIES
'A Grain of Wheat' – Martyrs of our time
Maximilian Kolbe

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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ORDER OF SERVICE

PRELUDE

Attende Domine *Jeanne Demessieux*
from 'Douze Choral-préludes sur des chants grégoriens pour orgue', Op. 8 (1921-1968)

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 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.

PSALM 33

Sung by the Choir

Anglican Chant (*Dettra, Dirksen*)

EXULTATE, JUSTI

REJOICE in the Lord, O ye righteous: for it becometh well the just to be thankful.
Praise the Lord with harp: sing praises unto him with the lute, and instrument of ten strings.
Sing unto the Lord a new song: sing praises lustily unto him with a good courage.
For the word of the Lord is true: and all his works are faithful.
He loveth righteousness and judgement: the earth is full of the goodness of the Lord.
By the word of the Lord were the heavens made: and all the hosts of them by the breath of his mouth.
He gathereth the waters of the sea together, as it were upon an heap: and layeth up the deep,
as in a treasure-house.
Let all the earth fear the Lord: stand in awe of him, all ye that dwell in the world.
For he spake, and it was done: he commanded, and it stood fast.
The Lord bringeth the counsel of the heathen to nought: and maketh the devices of the people
to be of none effect, and casteth out the counsels of princes.

The counsel of the Lord shall endure for ever: and the thoughts of his heart from generation to generation.
 Blessed are the people, whose God is the Lord Jehovah: and blessed are the folk,
 that he hath chosen to him to be his inheritance.
 The Lord looked down from heaven, and beheld all the children of men:
 from the habitation of his dwelling he considereth all them that dwell on the earth.
 He fashioneth all the hearts of them: and understandeth all their works.
 There is no king that can be saved by the multitude of an host:
 neither is any mighty man delivered by much strength.
 A horse is counted but a vain thing to save a man: neither shall he deliver any man by his great strength.
 Behold, the eye of the Lord is upon them that fear him: and upon them that put their trust in his mercy;
 To deliver their soul from death: and to feed them in the time of dearth.
 Our soul hath patiently tarried for the Lord: for he is our help and our shield.
 For our heart shall rejoice in him: because we have hoped in his holy Name.
 Let thy merciful kindness, O Lord, be upon us: like as we do put our trust in thee.
 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 34

Sung by the Choir

Anglican Chant (*Martin*)


BENEDICAM DOMINO

I WILL always give thanks unto the Lord: his praise shall ever be in my mouth.
 My soul shall make her boast in the Lord: the humble shall hear thereof, and be glad.
 O praise the Lord with me: and let us magnify his Name together.
 I sought the Lord, and he heard me: yea, he delivered me out of all my fear.
 They had an eye unto him, and were lightened: and their faces were not ashamed.
 Lo, the poor crieth, and the Lord heareth him: yea, and saveth him out of all his troubles.
 The angel of the Lord tarrieth round about them that fear him: and delivereth them.
 O taste, and see, how gracious the Lord is: blessed is the man that trusteth in him.
 O fear the Lord, ye that are his saints: for they that fear him lack nothing.
 The lions do lack, and suffer hunger: but they who seek the Lord shall want no manner of thing
 that is good.
 Come, ye children, and hearken unto me: I will teach you the fear of the Lord.
 What man is he that lusteth to live: and would fain see good days?
 Keep thy tongue from evil: and thy lips, that they speak no guile.
 Eschew evil, and do good: seek peace, and ensue it.
 The eyes of the Lord are over the righteous: and his ears are open unto their prayers.
 The countenance of the Lord is against them that do evil: to root out the remembrance of them
 from the earth.
 The righteous cry, and the Lord heareth them: and delivereth them out of all their troubles.
 The Lord is nigh unto them that are of a contrite heart: and will save such as be of an humble spirit.
 Great are the troubles of the righteous: but the Lord delivereth him out of all.
 He keepeth all his bones: so that not one of them is broken.
 But misfortune shall slay the ungodly: and they that hate the righteous shall be desolate.
 The Lord delivereth the souls of his servants: and all they that put their trust in him shall not be destitute.
 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

Wisdom 3:1-9

The People stand for the Office Hymn and the Magnificat.



1 The glo - ry of these for - ty days we
 2 A - lone and fast - ing Mo - ses saw the
 3 So Dan - iel trained his mys - tic sight, de -
 4 Then grant us, Lord, like them to be full
 * 5 O Fa - ther, Son, and Spi - rit blest, to

1 ce - le - brate with songs of praise; for Christ, through whom all
 2 lov - ing God who gave the law; and to E - li - jah,
 3 liv - ered from the li - ons' might; and John, the Bride - groom's
 4 oft in fast and prayer with thee; our spi - rits strength - en
 5 thee be ev - ery prayer ad - dressed, who art in three - fold

1 things were made, him - self has fast - ed and has prayed.
 2 fast - ing, came the steeds and char - i - ots of flame.
 3 friend, be - came the her - ald of Mes - si - ah's name.
 4 with thy grace, and give us joy to see thy face.
 5 Name a - dored, from age to age, the on - ly Lord.

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 Music: *Erhalt uns, Herr*, melody from *Geistliche Lieder*, 1543; harm. Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

MAGNIFICAT

The Second Service

Kenneth Leighton

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

I John 3:14-18

The People stand for the Nunc Dimittis and the Creed.

NUNC DIMITTIS

The Second Service

Kenneth Leighton

LORD, 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

I 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

ALMIGHTY GOD, whose blessed Son was led by the Spirit to be tempted of Satan: Make speed to help thy servants who are assaulted by manifold temptations; and, as thou knowest their several infirmities, let each one find thee mighty to save; through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

THE COLLECT FOR ASH WEDNESDAY

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, who hatest nothing that thou hast made, and dost forgive the sins of all them that are penitent: Create and make in us new and contrite hearts, that we worthily lamenting our sins, and acknowledging our wretchedness, may obtain of thee, the God of all mercy, perfect remission and forgiveness; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE THIRD 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 FOURTH COLLECT FOR AID AGAINST ALL PERILS

LIGHTEN 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

Sung by the Choir

Stephen Hough
(b. 1961)

JUST as I am, without one plea, but that thy blood was shed for me,
and that thou bidst me come to thee, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

Just as I am, and waiting not to rid my soul of one dark blot,
to thee whose blood can cleanse each spot, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

Just as I am, though tossed about with many a conflict, many a doubt,
fightings and fears within without, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

Just as I am, poor, wretched, blind, sight, riches, healing of the mind,
yea, all I need in thee to find, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

Just as I am, thou wilt receive, wilt welcome, pardon, cleanse, relieve;
because thy promise I believe, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

Just as I am, thy love unknown hath broken every barrier down;
now, to be thine, yea thine alone, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

Charlotte Elliott (1789-1871)

SERMON

The Rev. Mark Schultz
Associate for Pastoral Care

HYMN

JESU, NOSTRA REDEMPTIO

1. King of the mar - tyrs' no - ble band,
2. hear us as now we cel - e - brate
3. Dy - ing through thee they o - ver - came;
4. Glo - ry to God the Fa - ther be;

crown of the true of ev - ery land,
faith un - de - terred by cru - el hate;
liv - ing, were faith - ful to thy Name.
glo - ry to Christ, who set us free;

strength of the pil - grim on the way,
hear and for - give us, sin - ners who
Turn our re - bel - lious hearts, and thus
and to the Spi - rit, liv - ing flame,

be - con - by night and cloud by day:
are bur - dened by the wrong we do.
win a like vic - to - ry in us.
glo - ry un - ceas - ing we pro - claim.

SOLEMN BLESSING

MAY God the Father,
who does not despise the broken spirit,
give to you a contrite heart. *Amen.*

May Christ,
who bore our sins in his body on the tree,
heal you by his wounds. *Amen.*

May the Holy Spirit,
who leads us into all truth,
speak to you words of pardon and peace. *Amen.*

And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost,
be amongst you, and remain with you always. *Amen.*

LENT PROSE

Sung by the Choir

Plainsong (Mode V)

The People join in the Refrain.

Refrain
(1st time: Cantor) (Full)

Hear us, O Lord, have mer-cy up-on us: for we have sin - ned a - gainst thee.

HEAR us, O Lord, have mercy upon us: for we have sinned against thee.

To thee, Redeemer, on thy throne of glory: lift we our weeping eyes in holy
pleadings: listen, O Jesu, to our supplications.

Refrain

O thou chief Cornerstone, Right Hand of the Father: Way of Salvation, Gate of
Life Celestial: cleanse thou our sinful souls from all defilement.

Refrain

God, we implore thee, in thy glory seated: bow down and hearken to thy weeping
children: pity and pardon all our grievous trespasses.

Refrain

Sins oft committed now we lay before thee: with true contrition, now no more
we veil them: grant us, Redeemer, loving absolution.

Refrain

Innocent, captive, taken unresisting: falsely accused, and for us sinners
sentenced, save us, we pray thee, Jesu our Redeemer.

Refrain

POSTLUDE

Méditation VI sur le Mystère de la Sainte Trinité
Dans le Verbe était la Vie et la Vie était la Lumière
(In the Word was life and in life was light)

Olivier Messiaen
(1908-1992)

Immediately following this service, we invite you to stay for the Sunday Recital Series
featuring pianist, **Ali Mammadoff** from New York, New York.

PARISH NOTICES

Adult Education. During Lent, we will offer 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, the Rector will present and discuss some of the work of the English painter, Stanley Spencer (1891-1959). 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, "**The Christian Exodus: An Introduction to Lent and Holy Week**". Please [register online](#) if you would like to attend.

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. following Evensong.

Confessions, Spiritual Advice and Healing Ministry in the Resurrection Chapel

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

CHORAL SERVICES AND CONCERTS THIS WEEK

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

TUESDAY, MARCH 8

5:30 p.m. Choral Evensong

sung by the Saint Thomas Choir of Men and Boys

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 9

5:30 p.m. Choral Evensong

sung by the Saint Thomas Choir of Men and Boys

THURSDAY, MARCH 10

5:30 p.m. Choral Evensong

sung by the Saint Thomas Choir of Men and Boys

✠ SUNDAY, MARCH 13

THE SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT

9 a.m. Sung Eucharist

Cantor: Rebecca Kellerman-Filsell

sung by the Noble Singers

Sermon by Mo. Lee-Pae

11 a.m. Solemn Eucharist

sung by the Saint Thomas Choir of Men and Boys

Sermon by Mo. Turner

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 Rev. Susan Hill, *Holy Apostles, New York City*

Elizabeth of Russia

5:15 p.m. Sunday Recital Series

Jeremy Filsell, organ

The Nancy B. & John B. Hoffman Organist and Director of Music

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE FOR LENT

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 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.