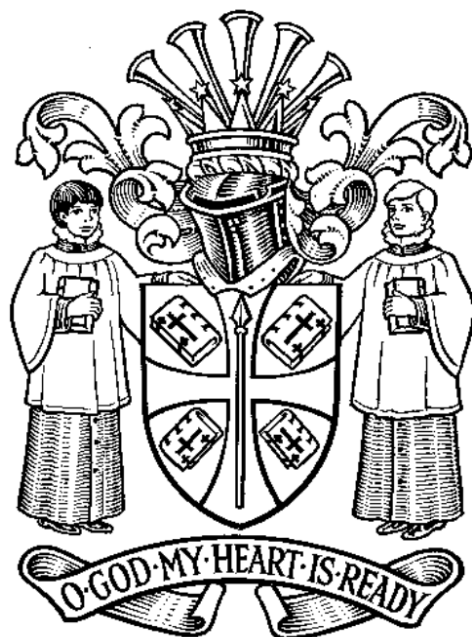


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FRIDAY, MARCH 24, 2023 AT 5:30 P.M.
EVE OF THE ANNUNCIATION OF OUR LORD
TO THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

SOLEMN EUCHARIST
SUNG BY THE GENTLEMEN OF THE CHOIR

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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THE ORDINARY OF THE MASS

Missa de beata Virgine

Francisco Guerrero
(1528-1599)

PRELUDE

Hinno Ave Maris Stella

Girolamo Frescobaldi
(1583-1643)

The People stand at the entry of the Choir and Ministers.

INTROIT

Sung by the Choir

Plainsong (*Mode I*)

RORATE caeli desuper, et nubes pluant iustum:
aperiatur terra, et germinet Salvatorem.

Caeli enarrant gloriam Dei: et opera manuum eius annuntiat firmamentum.

Gloria Patri, et Filio, et Spiritui Sancto:
sicut erat in principio, et nunc, et semper, et in saecula saeculorum. Amen.

Rorate . . .

*Drop down, ye heavens, from above, and let the skies pour down righteousness:
Let the earth open, and bring forth a Savior.*

The heavens declare the glory of God: and the firmament sheweth his handywork.

*Glorify 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.*

Drop down . . .

THE OPENING ACCLAMATION

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
People **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

CONFESSION OF SIN

The Celebrant says

Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

The People kneel. Silence is kept.

Celebrant and People

MOST merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against thee in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved thee with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we earnestly repent. For the sake of thy Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in thy will, and walk in thy ways, to the glory of thy Name. Amen.

The Celebrant says

THE Almighty and merciful Lord grant you absolution and remission of all your sins, true repentance, amendment of life, and the grace and consolation of his Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

The People stand.

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

Sung by the Choir

GLORIA in excelsis Deo,
et in terra pax
hominibus bonæ voluntatis.
Laudamus te, benedicimus te,
adoramus te, glorificamus te.
Gratias agimus tibi
propter magnam gloriam tuam.
Domine Deus, Rex coelestis,
Deus Pater omnipotens.
Domine Fili unigenite Jesu Christe.
Domine Deus, Agnus Dei,
Filius Patris.
Qui tollis peccata mundi,
miserere nobis.
Qui tollis peccata mundi,
suscipe deprecationem nostram.
Qui sedes ad dexteram Patris,
miserere nobis.
Quoniam tu solus Sanctus,
tu solus Dominus,
tu solus altissimus Jesu Christe.
Cum Sancto Spiritu
in Gloria Dei Patris. Amen.

*Glory be to God on high,
and on earth peace,
good will towards men.
We praise thee, we bless thee,
we worship thee, we glorify thee.
We give thanks to thee
for thy great glory,
O Lord God, heavenly King,
God the Father almighty.
O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ;
O Lord God, Lamb of God,
Son of the Father,
that takest away the sins of the world,
have mercy upon us.
Thou that takest away the sins of the world,
receive our prayer.
Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father,
have mercy upon us.
For thou only art holy;
thou only art the Lord;
thou only, O Christ.
With the Holy Ghost, art most high
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.*

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

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

WE BESEECH thee, O Lord, pour thy grace into our hearts, that we who have known the incarnation of thy Son Jesus Christ, announced by an angel to the Virgin Mary, may by his cross and passion be brought unto the glory of his resurrection; who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The People sit.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

THE LESSON

Isaiah 7:10-14

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

PSALM 45

Sung by the Choir

Plainsong Tone VIII²

ERUCTAVIT COR MEUM

MY HEART is inditing of a good matter : I speak of the things which I have made unto the King.
My tongue is the pen : of a ready writer.
Thou art fairer than the children of men :
full of grace are thy lips, because God hath blessed thee for ever.
Gird thee with thy sword upon thy thigh, O thou most Mighty :
according to thy worship and renown.
Good luck have thou with thine honour : ride on, because of the word of truth,
of meekness, and righteousness; and thy right hand shall teach thee terrible things.
Thy arrows are very sharp, and the people shall be subdued unto thee :
even in the midst among the King's enemies.
Thy seat, O God, endureth for ever : the sceptre of thy kingdom is a right sceptre.

Thou hast loved righteousness, and hated iniquity : wherefore God, even thy God,
 hath anointed thee with the oil of gladness above thy fellows.
 All thy garments smell of myrrh, aloes, and cassia : out of the ivory palaces,
 whereby they have made thee glad.
 Kings' daughters were among thy honourable women :
 upon thy right hand did stand the queen in a vesture of gold, wrought about with divers colours.
 Hearken, O daughter, and consider, incline thine ear :
 forget also thine own people, and thy father's house.
 So shall the King have pleasure in thy beauty : for he is thy Lord God, and worship thou him.
 And the daughter of Tyre shall be there with a gift :
 like as the rich also among the people shall make their supplication before thee.
 The King's daughter is all glorious within : her clothing is of wrought gold.
 She shall be brought unto the King in raiment of needle-work :
 the virgins that be her fellows shall bear her company, and shall be brought unto thee.
 With joy and gladness shall they be brought : and shall enter into the King's palace.
 Instead of thy fathers thou shalt have children: whom thou mayest make princes in all lands.
 I will remember thy Name from one generation to another :
 therefore shall the people give thanks unto thee, world without end.
 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

Hebrews 10:4-10

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

The People stand.

HYMN

DIVINUM MYSTERIUM

1. Of the Fa - ther's love be - got - ten, ere the worlds be - gan_ to be,
 2. O that birth for ev - er bless - ed, when the Vir - gin, full_ of grace,
 3. Let the heights of heaven a - dore_ him; an - gel hosts, his prais - es sing;
 4. Christ, to thee with God the Fa - ther, and, O Ho - ly Ghost, to thee,

he is Al - pha and O - me - ga, he the source, the end - ing he,
 by the Ho - ly Ghost con - ceiv - ing, bare the Sa - vior of_ our race;
 powers, do - min - ions, bow be - fore_ him, and ex - tol our God_ and King;
 hymn and chant and high thanks - giv - ing, and un - wea - ried prais - es be;

of the things that are, that have_ been, and that
 and the Babe, the world's Re - deem - er, first re -
 let no tongue on earth be si - - - lent, ev - ery
 hon - or, glo - ry and do - min - ion, and e -

fu - ture years shall see, ev - er - more and ev - er - more!____
 vealed his sa - cred face, ev - er - more and ev - er - more!____
 voice in con - cert ring, ev - er - more and ev - er - more!____
 ter - nal vic - to - ry, ev - er - more and ev - er - more!____

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

People



Glo-ry be to thee, O Lord.

After the Gospel, the Deacon says

The Gospel of the Lord.

People



Praise be to thee, O Christ.

THE SERMON

The Rev. Prisca Lee-Pae
Associate for Pan-Asian Ministry

A period of silent reflection may follow the sermon.

THE NICENE CREED

Said by all, standing. On this feast day, it is customary to kneel or 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 PEACE

The Celebrant introduces the Peace with these words

IN the tender mercy of our God,
the dayspring from on high shall break upon us,
to give light to those who dwell in darkness
and in the shadow of death,
and to guide our feet into the way of peace.

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, MAGNIFICAT

Secundi toni

Gilles Binchois
(1400-1460)

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.

Burden

No - va, no - va. A - ve fit ex E - va.

1 Ga - bri - el of high de - gree, he was sent —
 2 He met a maid - en in that place; there he knelt —
 3 When the maid - en heard his song, she was filled —
 4 Said the an - gel, "Have no fear; by con - cep -
 5 "There are yet but six months gone since E - liz - a -
 6 Said the maid - en, "Ver - i - ly, I am your —

1 from the Trin - i - ty, to Naz - a - reth in
 2 down be - fore her face and said, "Hail, Ma - ry,
 3 with con - fu - sion strong and feared that she had
 4 tion with - out com - pare the Sa - vior Je - sus
 5 beth con - ceiv - ed John, to be the her - ald
 6 ser - vant right tru - ly, the hand - maid of the

Repeat Burden

1 Gal - i - lee. No - va, no - va.
 2 full of grace." No - va, no - va.
 3 done a wrong. No - va, no - va.
 4 shall you bear." No - va, no - va.
 5 of God's Son." No - va, no - va.
 6 Lord now see." No - va, no - va.

Translation: "Tidings! Tidings! Promise of salvation!"

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Celebrant *People*

The Lord be with you. And with thy spi - rit.

Celebrant *People*

Lift up your hearts. We lift them up un - to the Lord.

Celebrant

Let us give thanks un - to 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.

Because thou didst give Jesus Christ, thine only Son, to be born for us; who, by the mighty power of the Holy Ghost, was made very Man of the substance of the Virgin Mary his mother; that we might be delivered from the bondage of sin, and receive power to become thy children

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

Sanctus, Sanctus, Sanctus
Dominus Deus Sabaoth.
Pleni sunt caeli et terra Gloria tua.
Hosanna in excelsis.

*Holy, holy, holy,
Lord God of Hosts.
Heaven and earth are full of thy glory.
Hosanna in the highest.*

Benedictus qui venit
in nomine Domini.
Hosanna in excelsis.

*Blessed is he that cometh
in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.*

The People remain standing or kneel.

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

The Celebrant continues the Eucharistic Prayer, which concludes

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.

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,

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.**

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 at the Crossing. Intinction (dipping the host in the chalice) is not permitted.
You are welcome to receive in one kind only. Gluten free hosts are available - please ask the priest.*

AGNUS DEI

Sung by the Choir

AGNUS Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi,
miserere nobis.
Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi,
dona nobis pacem.

*O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us.
O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,
grant us peace.*

ANTHEM

Sung by the Choir

Plainsong

AUDI filia, et vide, et inclina aurem tuam:
quia concupivit rex speciem tuam.
Vultum tuum deprecabuntur omnes divites
plebis: filiae regum in honore tuo.
Adducentur regi virgines post eam: proximae
eius afferentur tibi.
Adducentur in laetitia et exultatione:
adducentur in templum regis.

*Hearken, O daughter, and consider, incline thine ear:
so shall the King have pleasure in thy beauty. The rich
among the people shall make their supplication before
thee: Kings' daughters were among thy honourable
women. The virgins that be her fellows shall be brought
unto the King: they that bear her company shall be
brought unto thee. With joy and gladness shall they be
brought and shall enter into the King's palace.*

Psalm 45:11-13, 10, 15-16

THE PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

The Celebrant says

Let us pray.

The People kneel and silence is kept.

Celebrant and People

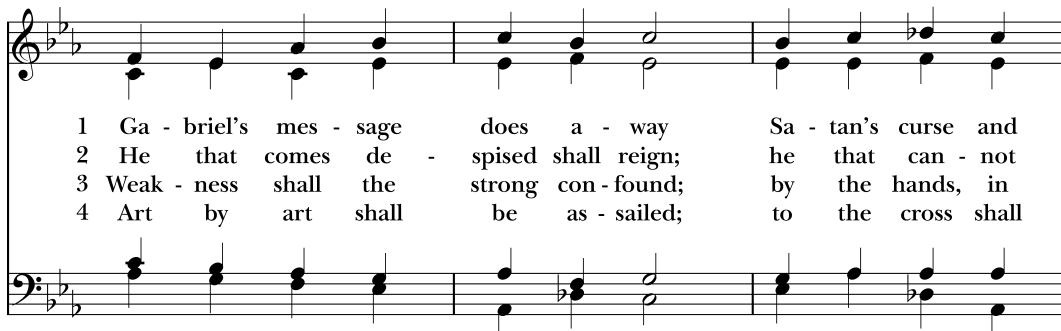
ALMIGHTY and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate 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 BLESSING

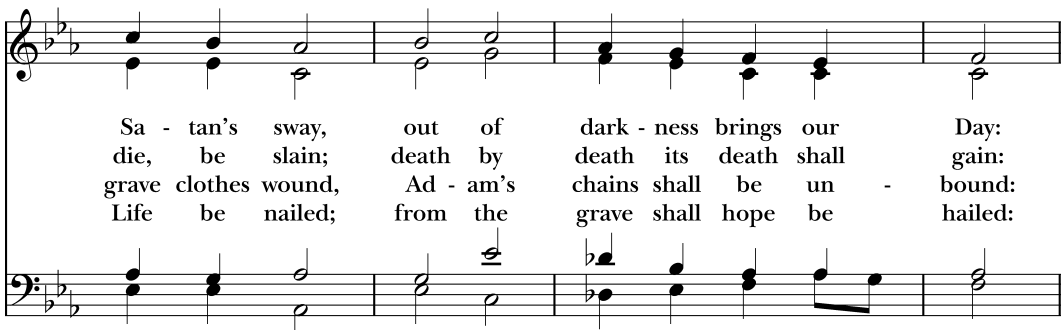
CHRISt the Son of God, born of Mary, fill you with his grace to trust his promises and obey his will; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be amongst you, and remain with you always. Amen.

HYMN

ANGELUS EMITTITUR



1 Ga - briel's mes - sage does a - way Sa - tan's curse and
2 He that comes de - spised shall reign; he that can - not
3 Weak - ness shall the strong con - found; by the hands, in
4 Art by art shall be as - sailed; to the cross shall



Sa - tan's sway, out of dark - ness brings our Day:
die, be slain; death by death its death shall gain:
grave clothes wound, Ad - am's chains shall be un - bound:
Life be nailed; from the grave shall hope be hailed:

Refrain



so, be - hold, all the gates of heaven un - fold.

THE DISMISSAL

Deacon Go, in the light and peace of Christ.
People **Thanks be to God.**

VOLUNTARY

Magnificat Fugue No. 4

Johann Pachelbel
(1653-1706)

EASTER FLOWERS

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 go to our website (www.saintthomaschurch.org/give) or 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 2.**

HOLY WEEK POSTCARD NOW AVAILABLE WITH THE FULL SCHEDULE OF WORSHIP AND CONCERTS. PLEASE SEE AN USHER UPON EXITING.

WORSHIP THIS WEEK

* indicates livestreamed.

Saturday

11-11:45 a.m. Confessions, Spiritual Advice,
Ministry of Healing in the Resurrection Chapel
Confessor: Mo. Turner

This Sunday: March 26, Fifth Sunday in Lent **Passiontide begins**

7:45 a.m. Said Mass

9 a.m. Sung Mass

sung by the Noble Singers
especially suitable for Children and Families
followed by Coffee Hour in the Parish House

11 a.m. 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
Sunday Evensong Sermon Series on The
Beatitudes: "Blessed are the merciful, for they
will receive mercy."

Sermon by The Rev. Zachary Thompson,
Vicar, St. James' Madison Avenue

PARISH NOTICES

The Pilgrims' Course continues Wednesday at 7 p.m. in the Parish House. A hot meal is provided at 6:30 p.m. This annual educational and fellowship series 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 open to all and particularly suited to those who wish to be baptized, confirmed, or become members. Each year, a number of parishioners attend to refresh their faith and support those new to the faith or to our community. Next week's topic will be "They Recognized Him in the Breaking of the Bread": The Eucharist at the Heart of Our Common Life." To discover more about topics, schedule, and to register, please visit: saintthomaschurch.org/rector/the-pilgrims-course

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. If you are interested, please meet the Tour Guide on the south side of the Narthex near the "Tour Guide – Meet Here" sign.

The **Bookstore and Giftshop** is open Sunday following the 11 a.m. Mass until 3 p.m. Please access the shop via the Parish House entrance round the corner at 1 West 53rd Street. New in stock: Fr. Luigi Gioia books, "Saint Benedict's Wisdom", "Say it to God: In Search of Prayer: The Archbishop of Canterbury's Lent Book 2018", "Touched by God: The way to contemplative prayer", and many books for Lent and Easter, devotional items, and beautiful gifts.

Weekly Bible Study on Fridays at 1 p.m. Fr. Schultz leads a series of sessions that will serve as a deep dive into the Gospel of John. Join us as we continue our exploration of the Book of Signs (John 1:18 through chapter 12). For more information, please contact Fr. Schultz at MSchultz@SaintThomasChurch.org.

Saint Thomas Choir School is accepting applications from boys currently in grades 2-5 for admission to the 2023-2024 academic year. The school exists to nurture and educate the approximately 30 boy choristers of the Saint Thomas Choir of Men and Boys. Talented boys come from Michigan to Texas, and Massachusetts to Virginia, and even Manhattan. If you know a boy who loves to sing, encourage his family to contact Ruth Cobb, rcobb@choirschool.org.

Concerts at Saint Thomas welcomes the Choir of New College Oxford on tour with a 2-Concert event. On **Thursday, March 30 at 7:30 p.m.**, the choir presents a program featuring the music of Howells, Elgar, and Baird. This is a ticketed event. [Visit our website](#) to secure your in-person or livestream ticket.

And on **Saturday, April 1 at 3 p.m.** the Saint Thomas Choir of Men and Boys joins forces with the Choir of New College Oxford for an afternoon of choral masterpieces for Holy Week. Tickets for this concert are free with a suggested donation of \$20 per ticket. [Reserve your in-person or livestream ticket](#) for this exciting choral event.

Children and Families: Join us after the 9 a.m. Mass as we continue our LENTEN JOURNEY in the third floor Sunday School room. During that time the older children, (age 9+) are invited to meet with Fr. Schultz for a Bible study during Lent. **Sign up** for our weekly newsletter, with details of programs and activities for 2023: Childrenandfamilies@saintthomaschurch.org.

The Noble Singers, our children's parish choir for singers ages 5-12, under the Direction of Mrs. Rebecca Kellerman-Filsell, sings at the 9 a.m. Mass on Sundays during the program year. We welcome new singers at any time! No audition is necessary, just enthusiasm and a love of music. For more information, and to register your singer, contact RKellerman@SaintThomasChurch.org.

Easter Giving Opportunity: With Easter and the season of renewal comes our annual Easter Basket project for St. Ann's Episcopal Church and Safe Horizon's Shelter, which serves survivors of domestic abuse. There are a number of ways you can help! You can drop off Easter candy and small gifts for Easter Baskets in reception during regular business hours; and/or donate an Easter outfit using our online giving portal or by contacting Linda Morfi at lmorfi@saintthomaschurch.org or 212-757-7013 ext: 416. The deadline for gifts is Palm Sunday, April 2. Baskets will be assembled and delivered during Holy Week, and we welcome your assistance with the fun job and filling the baskets and preparing them for the children!

For the first part of this year, we continue our **2023 Annual Appeal: Invitation, Community, Discipleship**. You can make a pledge via the QR code below to be taken to the website or email giving@saintthomaschurch.org. Every pledge makes a difference.



HOLY WEEK CHORAL SERVICES AND CONCERTS

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

MONDAY AND TUESDAY, APRIL 3 AND 4

12:30 p.m. Shrine Prayers and Mass

5:30 p.m. Solemn Eucharist

sung by the Gentlemen of the Choir

Preacher: Mother Farmer

6:45 p.m. Musical Meditations:

Monday

Maks Adach, Organ

Tuesday

Jeremy Filsell, Piano

The Atlantic Reed Consort

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 5

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

5:30 p.m. The Office of Tenebrae

sung by the Gentlemen of the Choir

MAUNDY THURSDAY, APRIL 6

**5:30 p.m. The Mass of the Lord's Supper with
Procession to the Altar of Repose and Stripping of the Altars**

sung by the Saint Thomas Choir of Men and Boys

Preacher: Mother Farmer

GOOD FRIDAY, APRIL 7

10:30-11:30 a.m. & 3:30-5 p.m. Confessions

10:15 a.m. – 11:45 p.m. The Way of the Cross – The Way of Love

A celebration especially for children and families

12 p.m. The 'Three Hours' Devotion

sung by the Gentlemen of the Choir

Preacher: Fr. Gioia

**5:30 p.m. The Celebration of the Lord's Passion
including the Veneration of the Cross and Holy Communion**

sung by the Saint Thomas Choir of Men and Boys

Preacher: Mother Farmer

HOLY SATURDAY, APRIL 8

5:30 p.m. The Great Vigil, Baptism, and First Mass of Easter

sung by the Saint Thomas Choir of Men and Boys

Preacher: Mother Farmer

EASTER SUNDAY, APRIL 9

8 a.m. and 11 a.m. Procession, Solemn Eucharist, and Renewal of Baptismal Vows

sung by the Saint Thomas Choir of Men and Boys with Saint Thomas Brass

Preachers: 8 a.m. The Rector, 11 a.m. Mother Farmer

2:15 p.m. An Eastertide Prelude to Evensong

From the organists of Saint Thomas Church

3 p.m. Solemn Evensong and Easter Procession

sung by the Saint Thomas Choir of Men and Boys

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