

**SAINT THOMAS CHURCH FIFTH AVENUE**  
in the  
**CITY OF NEW YORK**



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**SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 2023 AT 11 A.M.**  
**THE LAST SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY (QUINQUAGESIMA)**

**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.

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PRELUDE

The Revd Mustard his Installation Prelude (2013)

Nico Mubly

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

HYMN

HYFRYDOL

1. Al - le - lu - ia! sing to Je - sus! his the scep - ter, his the throne;  
 2. Al - le - lu - ia! not as or - phans are we left in sor - row now;  
 3. Al - le - lu - ia! Bread of Hea - ven, thou on earth our food, our stay!  
 4. Al - le - lu - ia! King e - ter - nal, thee the Lord of lords we own:  
 5. Al - le - lu - ia! sing to Je - sus! his the scep - ter his the throne;

Al - le - lu - ia! his the tri - umph, his the vic - to - ry a - lone;  
 Al - le - lu - ia! he is near us, faith be - lieves, nor ques - tions how:  
 Al - le - lu - ia! here the sin - ful flee to thee from day to day:  
 Al - le - lu - ia! born of Ma - ry, earth thy foot - stool, heaven thy throne:  
 Al - le - lu - ia! his the tri - umph, his the vic - to - ry a - lone;

Hark! the songs of peace - ful Zi - on thun - der like a might - y flood;  
 though the cloud from sight re - ceived him, when the for - ty days were o'er,  
 In - ter - ces - sor, friend of sin - ners, earth's Re - deem - er, plead for me,  
 thou with - in the veil has en - tered, robed in flesh, our great High Priest:  
 Hark! the songs of peace - ful Zi - on thun - der like a might - y flood;

Je - sus out of ev - ery na - tion hath re deemed us by his blood.  
 shall our hearts for - get his prom - ise, "I am with you ev - er more"?  
 where the songs of all the sin - less sweep a - cross the crys - tal sea.  
 thou on earth both Priest and Vic - tim in the eu - cha - ris - tic feast.  
 Je - sus out of ev - ery na - tion hath re deemed us by his blood.

## THE OPENING ACCLAMATION AND COLLECT FOR PURITY

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

**A**LMIGHTY 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.**

## GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

*Sung by the Choir*

**G**LORIA 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 SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

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

**O** 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 LITURGY OF THE WORD

### THE LESSON

Exodus 24:12-18

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

DOMINUS REGNAVIT

**T**HE LORD is King, be the people never so unpatient :  
 He sitteth between the cherubims, be the earth never so unquiet.  
 The Lord is great in Sion : and high above all people.  
 They shall give thanks unto thy Name : which is great, wonderful, and holy.  
 The King's power loveth judgement; thou hast prepared equity :  
 thou hast executed judgement and righteousness in Jacob.  
 O magnify the Lord our God : and fall down before his footstool, for he is holy.  
 Moses and Aaron among his priests, and Samuel among such as call upon his Name :  
 these called upon the Lord, and he heard them.  
 He spake unto them out of the cloudy pillar : for they kept his testimonies,  
 and the law that he gave them.  
 Thou heardest them, O Lord our God : thou forgavest them, O God,  
 and punishedst their own inventions.  
 O magnify the Lord our God, and worship him upon his holy hill : for the Lord our God is holy.  
 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 Peter 1:16-21

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

*The People stand.*

HYMN

MOWSELY

1 Christ up - on the moun - tain peak stands a - lone in  
 2 Trem - bling at his feet we saw Mo - ses and E -  
 3 Swift the cloud of glo - ry came. God pro - claim - ing  
 4 This is God's be - lov - ed Son! Law and pro - phets

glo - ry blaz - ing; let us, if we dare to speak,  
 li - jah speak - ing. All the pro - phets and the Law  
 in its thun - der Je - sus as his Son by name!  
 fade be - fore him; first and last and on - ly One,

with the saints and an - gels praise him. Al - le - lu - ia!  
 shout through them their joy - ful greet - ing. Al - le - lu - ia!  
 Na - tions cry a - loud in won - der! Al - le - lu - ia!  
 let cre - a - tion now a - dore him! Al - le - lu - ia!

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

*The People stand. This acclamation heralds the Gospel reading.*



*People* **Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

*Choir* Christ was manifest in the flesh, justified in the Spirit, seen of angels,  
preached unto the Gentiles, and believed on in the world.

*People* **Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

## THE HOLY GOSPEL

Matthew 17:1-9

*Deacon* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Saint Matthew.



*After the Gospel, the Deacon says*

The Gospel of the Lord.



## THE SERMON

The Rev. Matthew J. Moretz  
*Vicar*

*A period of silent reflection may follow the sermon.*

## 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 Celebrant says*

**L**ET 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*

**O** LORD, who hast taught us that all our doings without charity are nothing worth:  
Send thy Holy Ghost and pour into our hearts that most excellent gift of charity,  
the very bond of peace and of all virtues, without which whosoever liveth is counted dead  
before thee. Grant this for thine only Son Jesus Christ's sake, who liveth and reigneth with thee  
and the same Holy Ghost, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## CONFESSION OF SIN

*The Celebrant says*

Let us humbly confess our sins to Almighty God.

*Celebrant and People*

**A**LMIGHTY 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*

**A**LMIGHTY 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 People stand.*

## THE PEACE

*The Celebrant says*

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

## THE GREETINGS

### THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

#### AT THE OFFERTORY, ANTHEM

*Richard Dirksen*  
(1921-2003)

**O**RULER of the universe, Lord, God, great deeds are they that you have done, surpassing human understanding.  
Your ways are ways of righteousness and truth, O King of all the ages.  
Who can fail to do you homage, Lord, and sing the praises of your name?  
For you only are the holy one.  
All nations will draw near and fall down before you,  
because your just and holy works have been revealed.  
Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and shall be for ever. Amen.

*Revelation 15:3-4*



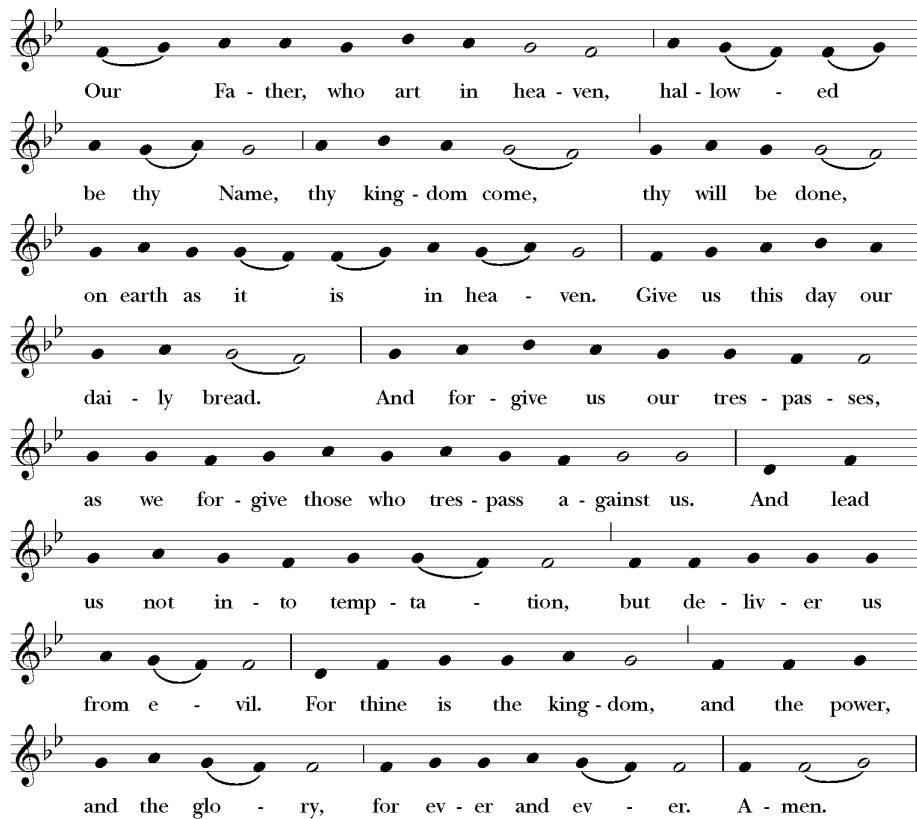


## THE LORD'S PRAYER

*The Celebrant says*

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

*Celebrant and People*



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* Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;  
*People* Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

## INVITATION TO COMMUNION

*The Celebrant says*

**B**EHOLD 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 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*

<b>A</b> GNUS Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis.	<i>O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.</i>
Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, dona nobis pacem.	<i>O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, grant us peace.</i>

**ANTHEM**

*Sung by the Choir*

*Richard Shephard  
(1949-2021)*

**A**FTER six days Jesus taketh Peter, James and John his brother;  
and bringeth them up to a high mountain apart,  
and was transfigured before them.  
And his face did shine as the sun.  
And his raiment was white as the light.  
And behold, a bright cloud overshadowed them;  
and behold a voice out of the cloud, which said:  
“This is my beloved Son in whom I am well pleased.  
This is my beloved Son. Hear ye him.”

**THE PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

*The Celebrant says*

Let us pray.

*The People kneel and silence is kept.*

*Celebrant and People*

**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 BLESSING

*The Celebrant says*

**M**AY Christ, the Son of God, be manifest in you, that your lives may be a light to the world; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

*The People stand.*

## HYMN

## MARTINS



1 Sing al - le - lu - ia forth in du - teous praise,  
2 Ye powers who stand be - fore the e - ter - nal Light,  
3 Then let the ho - ly ci - ty raise the strain,  
4 Ye who have fought and joined the star - ry throng,  
5 Your songs of tri - umph shall for ev - er ring,  
6 Such song is rest and food and deep de - light  
7 Al - might - y Christ, to thee our voic - es sing



1 ye ci - ti - zens of heaven, O sweet - ly raise  
2 let all your choirs re - ech - o to the height  
3 and with glad songs re - sound - ing wake a - gain  
4 ye vic - tors, now take up the e - ter - nal song,  
5 the hymns which tell the hon - or of your King,  
6 to saints for - giv - en; let them all u - nite  
7 glo - ry for ev - er - more; to thee we bring



1 an end - less al - le - lu - ia.  
2 an end - less al - le - lu - ia.  
3 an end - less al - le - lu - ia.  
4 an end - less al - le - lu - ia.  
5 an end - less al - le - lu - ia.  
6 in end - less al - le - lu - ia.  
7 an end - less al - le - lu - ia.

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## THE DISMISSAL

*Deacon* Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.  
*People* **Thanks be to God.**

## VOLUNTARY

Toccata (from Suite Op. 5)

*Maurice Duruflé*  
(1902-1986)

**Please join us for Coffee Hour in Andrew Hall after the service.**



The flowers today are offered to the glory of God and in memory of the following:  
*George Arents, Margaret Crane Hurlbut, William Henry Hurlbut, Arthur James Manice, and Rhoda D. Newman*

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## **ASH WEDNESDAY SCHEDULE**

**8 a.m. Said Mass**

**12 p.m. Solemn Eucharist\***

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

**5:30 p.m. Solemn Eucharist\***

*sung by the Choir of Men and Boys*  
Sermon by Fr. Schultz

*\* indicates livestreamed.*

*Imposition of ashes will be available at all services,  
and in between all the liturgies in the nave.*

***Confessions:***

*9:30-10:30 am*

*10:30-11:30 am*

*3-4 pm*

*4-5 pm*

***Chantry***

*The Rector*

*Mo. Lee-Pae*

*Mo. Turner*

*Fr. Gioia*

***Resurrection Chapel***

*Fr. Gioia*

*Fr. Moretz*

*Fr. Schultz*

*The Rector*

**WORSHIP THIS WEEK**

\* indicates livestreamed.

**Today**

**4 p.m. Festal Evensong\***

Sermon by Fr. Schultz

*sung by the Choir of Men and Boys*

*followed by an organ recital by Viktoriia Shorokhova,  
Atlanta, GA*

**Monday - Saturday**

**12 p.m.** Shrine Prayers and Holy Eucharist\*

**Tuesday**

**5:30 p.m. Choral Evensong\***

*sung by the Choir of Men and Boys*

**Thursday**

**5:30 p.m. Choral Evensong\***

*sung by the Gentlemen of the Choir*

**Friday**

**3 p.m.** Contemplative Prayer

*In the Resurrection Chapel*

**Saturday**

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

*Confessor: Fr. Schultz*

**Next Sunday: February 26, First Sunday in Lent**

**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. Litany and Solemn Eucharist\***

*sung by the Gentlemen of the Choir*

Sermon by The Rector

**4 p.m. Solemn Evensong\***

*sung by the Gentlemen of the Choir*

**Sunday Evensong Sermon Series on The  
Beatitudes: "Blessed are the poor in spirit, for  
theirs is the kingdom of heaven."**

Sermon by The Rev. Gina Gore,

*Chaplain of The Cathedral School of St. John the Divine*

*followed by a piano and organ recital by Jeremy Filsell,*

*Organist and Director of Music*

## PARISH NOTICES

**The Pilgrims' Course will not meet this Wednesday due to the start of Lent.** The next meeting will be on March 1, and the topic will be "The Holy Bible: 'The Word of the Lord.'" 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 are open to all and particularly suited to those who wish to be baptized, confirmed, or become members of Saint Thomas. Each year, a number of parishioners attend to refresh their faith and support those who are new to the faith or to our community. To discover more about topics, schedule, and to register, please visit: [www.saintthomaschurch.org/rector/the-pilgrims-course](http://www.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 53<sup>rd</sup> 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 other selections of books, 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](mailto: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](mailto:rcobb@choirschool.org).

**On Tuesday, March 7** at 7:30 p.m., *Concerts at Saint Thomas* presents concert organist Olivier Latry for an evening of Wagner transcriptions, paired with Widor's *Symphony for Organ, No. 5*. 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, call [212-664-9360](tel:212-664-9360) or email [concerts@saintthomaschurch.org](mailto:concerts@saintthomaschurch.org).

**Children and Families:** We are on Winter Break from Sunday, February 19-Saturday, February 25. Noble Singers, Sunday School, and Nursery resume on Sunday, February 26! To learn more or get your children involved, **sign up** for our weekly newsletter, with details of programs and activities for 2023: [Childrenandfamilies@saintthomaschurch.org](mailto: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](mailto:RKellerman@SaintThomasChurch.org).

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](mailto:giving@saintthomaschurch.org). Every pledge makes a difference.



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