

SAINT THOMAS CHURCH FIFTH AVENUE
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SUNDAY, MARCH 10, 2024 AT 4 P.M.
THE FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT (LAETARE)

FESTAL EVENSONG

SUNG BY THE SAINT THOMAS CHOIR OF MEN AND BOYS

LENTEN SERMON SERIES: "LORD, TEACH US TO PRAY"

"The Examen of St. Ignatius"

The Rev. Adam Spencer



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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

Jesu, Dulcis Memoria: I-IV

Jessica French
(b. 1984)

INTROIT

Sung by the Choir

Gerre Hancock
(1934-2012)

MAKE me a clean heart O God: renew a right spirit within me.
For I acknowledge my faults: and my sin is ever before me.
Thou shalt make me hear of joy and gladness: that the bones which thou hast broken may rejoice.

Psalm 50:10; Psalm 51:3, 8

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

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

BRESLAU

1 We sing the praise of him who died, of
2 In - scribed up - on the cross we see in
3 The cross: it takes our guilt a - way, and
4 It makes the cow - ard spi - rit brave, and
5 The balm of life, the cure of woe, the

1 him who died up - on the cross; the sin - ner's hope let
2 shin - ing let - ters, God is love: he bears our sins up -
3 holds the faint - ing spi - rit up; it cheers with hope the
4 nerves the fee - ble arm for fight; it takes its ter - ror
5 mea - sure and the pledge of love, the sin - ner's re - fuge

1 sin de - ride: for this we count the world but loss.
2 on the tree: he brings us mer - cy from a - bove.
3 gloom - y day, and sweet - ens ev - ery bit - ter cup.
4 from the grave, and gilds the bed of death with light.
5 here be - low, the an - gels' theme in heaven a - bove.

We sing the praise of him who died, #471 from *The Hymnal 1982* – Words: Thomas Kelly (1769-1855), alt.
Music: Breslau, melody from *Lochamer Gesangbuch*, ca. 1450; harm. Felix Mendelssohn (1809-1847).

THE PENITENTIAL INTRODUCTION

The Priest says these Sentences of the Scriptures

OLORD, correct me, but with judgement; not in thine anger,
lest thou bring me to nothing. (*Jeremiah 10:24; Psalm 6:1*)

Repent ye; for the Kingdom of heaven is at hand. (*St. Matthew 3:2*)

Enter not into judgement with thy servant, O Lord;
for in thy sight shall no man living be justified. (*Psalm 143:2*)

If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us:
but if we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins,
and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. (*1 St. John 1:8-9*)

The Priest says

DEARLY beloved brethren, the Scripture moveth us in sundry places to acknowledge and confess our manifold sins and wickedness; and that we should not dissemble nor cloak them before the face of Almighty God our heavenly Father; but confess them with an humble, lowly, penitent, and obedient heart; to the end that we may obtain forgiveness of the same, by his infinite goodness and mercy. And although we ought at all times humbly to acknowledge our sins before God; yet ought we chiefly so to do, when we assemble and meet together to render thanks for the great benefits that we have received at his hands, to set forth his most worthy praise, to hear his most holy Word, and to ask those things which are requisite and necessary, as well for the body as the soul. Wherefore I pray and beseech you, as many as are here present, to accompany me with a pure heart and humble voice unto the throne of the heavenly grace, saying with me:

The People kneel.

THE GENERAL CONFESSION

Priest and People

ALmighty and most merciful Father, we have erred, and strayed from thy ways like lost sheep, we have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts, we have offended against thy holy laws, we have left undone those things which we ought to have done, and we have done those things which we ought not to have done, and there is no health in us: But thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us miserable offenders; Spare thou them, O God, which confess their faults, restore thou them that are penitent, according to thy promises declared unto mankind in Christ Jesu our Lord: And grant, O most merciful Father, for his sake, that we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life, to the glory of thy holy Name. Amen.

The Priest stands and pronounces the Absolution

ALmighty God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who desireth not the death of a sinner, but rather that he may turn from his wickedness, and live; and hath given power, and commandment, to his Ministers, to declare and pronounce to his people, being penitent, the Absolution and Remission of their sins: He pardoneth and absolveth all them that truly repent,



and unfeignedly believe his holy Gospel. Wherefore let us beseech him to grant us true repentance and his Holy Spirit, that those things may please him, which we do at this present; and that the rest of our life hereafter may be pure, and holy; so that at the last we may come to his eternal joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The People stand.

VERSICLES AND RESPONSES

*James Buonemani
(b. 1956)*

The Officiant and Choir sing the opening responses.

V. O Lord, open thou our lips.

R. And our mouth shall show forth thy praise.

V. O God, make speed to save us.

R. O Lord, make haste to help us.

V. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost.

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

V. Praise ye the Lord.

R. The Lord's Name be praised.

The People sit.

WELCOME

PSALM 13

Sung by the Choir

Anglican Chant (How)

USQUE QUO, DOMINE?

HOW long wilt thou forget me, O Lord, for ever :
how long wilt thou hide thy face from me?

How long shall I seek counsel in my soul, and be so vexed in my heart :
how long shall mine enemies triumph over me?

Consider, and hear me, O Lord my God : lighten mine eyes, that I sleep not in death.

Lest mine enemy say, I have prevailed against him :

for if I be cast down, they that trouble me will rejoice at it.

But my trust is in thy mercy : and my heart is joyful in thy salvation.

I will sing of the Lord, because he hath dealt so lovingly with me :

yea, I will praise the Name of the Lord most Highest.

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 14

Sung by the Choir

Anglican Chant (*Stanford*)

DIXIT INSIPIENS

THE fool hath said in his heart : There is no God.
They are corrupt, and become abominable in their doings :
there is none that doeth good, no not one.
The Lord looked down from heaven upon the children of men :
to see if there were any that would understand, and seek after God.
But they are all gone out of the way, they are altogether become abominable :
there is none that doeth good, no not one.
Their throat is an open sepulchre, with their tongues have they deceived :
the poison of asps is under their lips.
Their mouth is full of cursing and bitterness : their feet are swift to shed blood.
Destruction and unhappiness is in their ways, and the way of peace have they not known :
there is no fear of God before their eyes.
Have they no knowledge, that they are all such workers of mischief :
eating up my people as it were bread, and call not upon the Lord?
There were they brought in great fear, even where no fear was :
for God is in the generation of the righteous.
As for you, ye have made a mock at the counsel of the poor :
because he putteth his trust in the Lord.
Who shall give salvation unto Israel out of Sion?
When the Lord turneth the captivity of his people :
then shall Jacob rejoice, and Israel shall be glad.
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

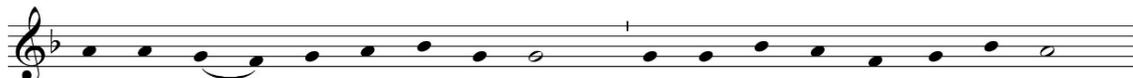
1 Samuel 3:1-10

The People stand for the Office Hymn and Magnificat.



OFFICE HYMN

CHRISTE QUI LUX



1 O Christ, who art the Light and Day, Thou driv - est dark - some night a - way!
 2 All - ho - ly Lord, we pray to thee, Keep us to - night from dan - ger free;
 3 And while the eyes soft slum - ber take, Still be the heart to thee a - wake;
 4 O strong de - fend - er, be thou nigh To bid the pow'rs of dark - ness fly;
 5 Re - mem - ber us, dear Lord, we pray While in this mor - tal flesh we stay:



We know thee as the Light of light, Il - lu - mi - na - ting mor - tal sight.
 Grant us, dear Lord, in thee to rest, So be our sleep in qui - et blest.
 Be thy right hand up - held a - bove Thy ser - vants rest - ing in thy love.
 Keep us from sin, and guide for good Thy ser - vants pur - chased by thy blood.
 'Tis thou who dost the soul de - fend - Be pres - ent with us to the end.



(6) A - men.

6 Blest Three in One and One in Three,
 Almighty God, we pray to thee
 That thou wouldst now vouchsafe to bless
 Our fast with fruits of righteousness. Amen.

O Christ, who art the Light and Day, #61 from *The New English Hymnal* – Words: 6th century Latin, tr. William Copeland (1804-1885).
 Music: *Christe qui lux*, plainsong, Mode ii.

MAGNIFICAT IN D

Charles Wood
(1866-1926)

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

1 John 4:1-13

The People stand for the Nunc dimittis and the Creed.



NUNC DIMITTIS IN D

Charles Wood

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.

THE 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.

THE PRAYERS

Sung by the Choir

℣. The Lord be with you.
℞. And with thy spirit.

The People kneel.

Let us pray.

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

*Our Father who 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 those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation;
but deliver us from evil. Amen.*

℣. O Lord, shew thy mercy upon us.
℞. And grant us thy salvation.

℣. O Lord, save the State.
℞. And mercifully hear us when we call upon thee.

℣. Endue thy Ministers with righteousness.
℞. And make thy chosen people joyful.

℣. O Lord, save thy people.
℞. And bless thine inheritance.

℣. Give peace in our time, O Lord.
℞. Because there is none other that fighteth for us, but only thou, O God.

℣. O God, make clean our hearts within us.
℞. And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

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 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 COLLECT FOR PEACE

O 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 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

*Francis Jackson
(1917-2022)*

BLOW ye the trumpet in Zion,
sound an alarm in my holy mountain:
let all the inhabitants of the land tremble:
for the day of the Lord cometh, for it is nigh at hand;
a day of darkness and gloominess,
a day of clouds and thick darkness,
as the dawn spread upon the mountains.

Blow ye the trumpet in Zion,
sanctify a fast, call a solemn assembly:
gather the people, sanctify the congregation.
Let the priests weep between the porch and the altar,
and let them say, Spare thy people, O Lord,
and give not thine heritage to reproach,
that the nations should rule over them:
wherefore should they say among the peoples,
Where is their God?

And it shall come to pass,
that whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be delivered.
So shall ye know that I am the Lord your God,
dwelling in Zion my holy mountain.
Judah shall abide forever, and Jerusalem from generation to generation.
For the Lord dwelleth in Zion.
Blow ye the trumpet in Zion.

See then that ye walk, not as unwise, but as wise:
redeeming the time, because the days are evil.
Be filled with the spirit; speaking one to another
in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs,
singing and making melody with your heart to the Lord;
giving thanks always for all things
in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ to God, even the Father.

Joel 2:1-2, 15-17, 32; 3:17, 20; Ephesians 5:15, 18-20

SERMON

The Rev. Adam Spencer
Rector, St. Elisabeth's Episcopal Church, Glencoe, IL



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HYMN AT THE OFFERTORY

ST. ANDREW

1 Je - sus calls us; o'er the tu - mult of our life's wild, rest - less
 2 as, of old, Saint An - drew heard it by the Gal - i - le - an
 3 Je - sus calls us from the wor - ship of the vain world's gold - en
 4 In our joys and in our sor - rows, days of toil and hours of
 5 Je - sus calls us! By thy mer - cies, Sa - vior, make us hear thy
 sea, day by day his clear voice sound - eth, say - ing,
 lake, turned from home and toil and kin - dred leav - ing
 store; from each i - dol that would keep us, say - ing
 ease, still he calls, in cares and plea - sures, "Chris - tian,
 call, give our hearts to thine o - be - dience, serve and
 "Chris - tian, fol - low me;" say - ing, "Chris - tian, fol - low me;"
 all for his dear sake; leav - ing all for his dear sake.
 "Chris - tian, love me more;" say - ing "Chris - tian, love me more."
 love me more than these;" "Chris - tian, love me more than these."
 love thee best of all; serve and love thee best of all.

Jesus calls us; o'er the tumult, #549 from *The Hymnal 1982* – Words: Cecil Frances Alexander (1818-1895), alt.
 Music: *St. Andrew*, David Hurd (b. 1950). Copyright © 1983, G.I.A. Publications.

BLESSING

CHRIST give you grace to grow in holiness,
 to deny yourselves, take up your cross, and follow him;
 and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son,
 and the Holy Spirit, be amongst you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

LENT PROSE

Sung by the Choir

Plainsong (Mode V)

The People stand and 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.

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

VOLUNTARY

Jesu, Dulcis Memoria: V

Jessica French

5:15 P.M. SUNDAY RECITAL SERIES

*Immediately following the service, we invite you to stay for the Sunday Recital Series
featuring Timothy Olsen, organ, Winston-Salem, NC*



PILGRIMS' COURSE 2024



Want to know more about the Christian Faith?

Want to be baptized or confirmed?

Want to become a member of Saint Thomas Church?

The Pilgrims' Course 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.

The next class will be Wednesday, March 13, on the subject *The History of the Church 1:*

From House Church to Established Religion. A simple hot meal is available at 6:30pm, and the class runs from 7-8pm. Classes are hybrid, so if you cannot be present in-person, you can join us on-line. To register please email: pilgrims@saintthomaschurch.org.

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 Monday, March 18.

WORSHIP THIS WEEK

* indicates livestreamed.

Today

5:15 p.m. Sunday Recital Series

Timothy Olsen, Organ – Winston-Salem, NC

Monday-Tuesday, Thursday-Saturday

12 p.m. Shrine Prayers and Holy Eucharist*

Tuesday – Gregory the Great, Bishop of Rome, 604

5:30 p.m. Choral Evensong*

sung by the Saint Thomas Choir of Men and Boys

Wednesday

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

5:30 p.m. Choral Evensong*

sung by the Saint Thomas Choir of Men and Boys

Thursday

5:30 p.m. Said Mass

In the Resurrection Chapel

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: The Rector

Next Sunday: March 17, The Fifth Sunday in Lent, The Beginning of Passiontide

7:45 a.m. Said Mass

9 a.m. Sung Mass

followed by Coffee Hour in the Parish House

11 a.m. Litany and Solemn Eucharist*

sung by the Saint Thomas Choir of Men and Boys

Sermon by Fr. Schultz

4 p.m. Solemn Evensong*

sung by the Saint Thomas Choir of Men and Boys

Sermon by The Rev. Canon Stuart Kenworthy

Lenten Sermon Series: “Lord, teach us to pray”

5:15 p.m. Sunday Recital Series

Lenten Bach Cantatas: Ich habe genug, BWV 82 and Mein Herze schwimmt im Blut, BWV 199

Performed by Brian Mummert, baritone, Margaret Carpenter Haigh, soprano, and the Saint Thomas Baroque Ensemble

MEDICAL DEBT FORGIVENESS CAMPAIGN

As Saint Thomas Fifth Avenue celebrates its bicentennial, we are reflecting on our history of compassion and service to New York City. One tradition dating back to the just after the Civil War era is the church’s participation in the Easter Parade, where members carried flowers used in the Easter service to St. Luke’s Hospital located at 54th Street. This was a small way Saint Thomas Church showed caring for the sick and suffering of New York. During Lent this year, Saint Thomas is raising money to address modern challenges facing those who are sick. Partnering with RIP Medical Debt, we aim to raise funds to forgive medical debt, following the example of Christ’s healing ministry. Every dollar donated can relieve over a hundred dollars of debt, offering tangible relief to those in need. To participate in this campaign, individuals can scan the QR code. For inquiries, contact Parishioner Erich Erving at erich@shoestringpressny.org. Let’s join together in this act of compassion, honoring Saint Thomas’s legacy and making a meaningful impact on the lives of those burdened by medical expenses.



PARISH NOTICES

Children and Family Ministries: Today from 10-10:40am, Sunday School (for children ages 3-10) continues in the Sunday School room with a Lenten Theme of “Boats in the Bible,” which will run through March 17. “Faith Alive” (for students ages 10-14) also continues today in the Living Room with Father Preston Gonzalez-Grissom. And then we will all join together on March 24 for a Sunday Procession at the 9am Mass followed by a Palm Sunday Family Feast in the Dining Room at 10am. The Nursery continues to be available for the sole use of babies and toddlers with their parents/caregivers, from 9am-1pm on Sundays in the Parish House, 3rd Floor. To receive our CFM newsletter, contact childrenandfamilies@saintthomaschurch.org.

An Introduction to Safeguarding Training for New Volunteers will be offered on Sunday, March 17, from 1-2:30pm on the Fifth Floor of the Parish House. A light lunch will be provided. For more information, or if you plan to attend, please inform Mother Turner, by Thursday, March 14 at aturner@saintthomaschurch.org.

Our Parish **Bookstore and Gift Shop** is still temporarily closed. However, we will have a table in the Narthex on Sundays after the 11am services thru March 17, selling books for Lent and Easter. If you have any questions, please reach out to giftshop@saintthomaschurch.org.

Friday Bible Study—Christ and Ekklesia: John’s Wondrous Vision of Light. Led by Fr. Schultz Fridays at 1pm via Zoom. We continue our journey of prayer, study, and reflection through the Gospel of John, discovering at every turn John’s wondrous vision of the light, life, and love of God at work in the world. Having finished the Book of Signs (John 1-12) in which we encounter Jesus’ public ministry, we embark this Lent on the Book of the Glory (John 13-21) in which we will witness Jesus’ Passion and Resurrection. Bring your Bible, your questions, and yourself as, together, we deepen our relationship with God through scripture. Contact MSchultz@SaintThomasChurch.org with any questions and for the Zoom link.

Saint Thomas Church Tours are available on Sundays after the 11am 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.

Saint Thomas Choir School exists to nurture and educate the boy choristers of the Saint Thomas Choir of Men and Boys. Talented students in grades 3-8 come from the greater New York City area and beyond to sing, study, play, perform, and live together at the school. If you know a boy who loves to sing, encourage his family to contact Nora Thomson: nthomson@choirschool.org.

The Tree of the Knowledge: Cinematic Visions of Good and Evil – A Lenten Film Series: On Friday evenings in Lent, join us for the return of *Lenten Movie Nights* in which we will explore together the following questions: are innocence and goodness the same? Is evil depicted as a force, a person, an illness, a situation or pattern, an archetype . . . and what do these depictions say about the film-makers’ perspectives on evil and on goodness? How does the good show up—what does it look like? And how might the Church respond to or critique these visions? Each session begins at 6pm with a vegetarian meal (for those abstaining from meat on Fridays), followed by the film at 6:30pm, with a discussion afterward. For more information, please contact Fr. Schultz through email: MSchultz@SaintThomasChurch.org.

The Saint Thomas Theological Education Program, rooted in Scripture, tradition, and spirituality, is for those who seek a deeper understanding of faith, worship and prayer. Lecturers are The Rev. Dr. Luigi Gioia, Theologian in Residence, and internationally renowned guest speakers committed to making theology accessible to non-specialists. Classes are held Sundays at 10am on the 5th Floor of the Parish House and are streamed online. For more info, contact Fr. Luigi Gioia: lgioia@saintthomaschurch.org.

A Small School in a Great City

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