

SAINT THOMAS CHURCH FIFTH AVENUE  
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A CELEBRATION OF SAINT MARY THE VIRGIN

SOLEMN EUCHARIST AND PROCESSION TO THE  
SHRINE OF OUR LADY OF FIFTH AVENUE  
SUNG BY THE SAINT THOMAS CONSORT



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THE ORDINARY OF THE MASS

Missa Dixit Maria

Hans Leo Hassler  
(1564-1612)

PRELUDE

Introit - Offertoire  
from Office XXXV - In Assumptione B.M.V.  
(L'Orgue Mystique, Op. 57)

Charles Tournemire  
(1870-1939)

THE GREETINGS

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

HYMN

RUSTINGTON

1 Sing we of the bless - ed Mo - ther who re - ceived the an - gel's  
2 Sing we, too, of Ma - ry's sor - rows, of the sword that pierced her  
3 Sing a - gain the joys of Ma - ry when she saw the ris - en  
4 Sing the chief - est joy of Ma - ry when on earth her work was

word, and o - be - dient to the sum - mons bore in  
through, when be - neath the cross of Je - sus she his  
Lord, and in prayer with Christ's a - pos - tles, wait - ed  
done, and the Lord of all cre - a - tion brought her

love the in - fant Lord; sing we of the joys of  
weight of suf - fering knew, looked up - on her Son and  
on his prom - ised word; from on high the blaz - ing  
to his heaven - ly home; where, raised high with saints and

Ma - ry at whose breast the child was fed who is  
Sa - vior reign - ing from the aw - ful tree, saw the  
glo - ry of the Spi - rit's pres - ence came, heaven - ly  
an - gels, in Je - ru - sa - lem a - bove, she be -



Son of God e - ter - nal and the ev - er - last - ing Bread.  
price of our re - demp - tion paid to set the sin - ner free.  
breath of God's own be - ing, man - i - fest in wind and flame.  
holds her son and Sa - vior reign - ing as the Lord of love.

*Sing we of the blessed Mother*, #278 from The Hymnal 1982.  
Words: George B. Tims (b. 1910), alt. Music: Rustington, Charles Hubert Hastings Parry (1848-1918).

### THE PENITENTIAL ORDER

*Celebrant*



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 hast taken to thyself the blessed Virgin Mary, mother of thy incarnate Son:  
Grant that we, who have been redeemed by his blood, may share with her the glory of thine  
eternal kingdom; through the same thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord, 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

Revelation 11:19a, 12:1-6a, 10ab

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

### PSALM 45:1, 10-18

*Sung by the Choir*

Anglican Chant (Atkins)

ERUCTAVIT COR MEUM

**M**Y heart is inditing of a good matter : I speak of the things which I have made unto the King.  
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

I Corinthians 15:20-27

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

*The People stand.*



HYMN

WOODLANDS

1. Tell out, my soul, the great - ness of the Lord!  
2. Tell out, my soul, the great - ness of his Name!  
3. Tell out, my soul, the great - ness of his might!  
4. Tell out, my soul, the glo - ries of his word!

Un - num - bered bless - ings give my spi - rit voice;  
Make known his might, the deeds his arm has done;  
Powers and do - min - ions lay their glo - ry by.  
Firm is his prom - ise, and his mer - cy sure.

ten - der to me the pro - mise of his word;  
his mer - cy sure, from age to age the same;  
Proud hearts and stub - born wills are put to flight,  
Tell out, my soul, the great - ness of the Lord

in God my Sa - vior shall my heart re - joice.  
his ho - ly Name— the Lord, the Might - y One.  
the hun - gry fed, the hum - ble lift - ed high.  
to chil - dren's chil - dren and for ev - er - more!

*Tell out, my soul*, #438 from *The Hymnal 1982*. Words: Timothy Dudley-Smith (b. 1926), based on *The Song of Mary*.  
Music: Woodlands, Walter Greatorex (1877-1949).







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 (SPECIAL FORM)

*The Intercessor says*

**A**s we pray to God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, we pray with Mary,  
“My soul doth magnify the Lord, and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Savior.”

*The People kneel.*

Almighty God, thy prophet of old foretold a day when a virgin would conceive  
and bear a son who would be called Emmanuel. Help us to look forward to thy deliverance  
and to seek the fullness of thy kingdom.

For he hath regarded:

*People* **the lowliness of his handmaiden.**

The angel Gabriel declared unto Mary that she was to be the mother of the Savior.  
Help all Christian people to be open to thy word and obedient to thy will.

For behold from henceforth:

*People* **all generations shall call me blessed.**

Mary rejoiced with Elizabeth and sang thy praise with her Magnificat.  
Help us to live joyful lives that sing thy praises.

For he that is mighty hath magnified me:

*People* **and holy is his Name.**



The child Jesus grew in wisdom and stature in the home of Mary and Joseph.  
Strengthen our homes and families, and keep under thy protection  
all those whom we love.

For his mercy is on them that fear him:  
*People* **throughout all generations.**

Mary bore a son of David's line, a king whose reign would never end.  
Bless all the nations of the world with Christ's gift of peace.

He hath showed strength with his arm:  
*People* **he hath scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts.**

At the wedding at Cana in Galilee, Mary said to the stewards "Do whatever he tells you."  
May we respond to Christ's call to build the Beloved Community.

He hath put down the mighty from their seat:  
*People* **and hath exalted the humble and meek.**

At the foot of the cross of Christ stood his mother,  
and from the cross she received his lifeless body in her arms.  
Give comfort and healing to all who suffer  
and all who watch the suffering of those they love.

He hath filled the hungry with good things:  
*People* **and the rich he hath sent empty away.**

The apostle John saw a vision of a woman in heaven, robed with the sun.  
Bring us with all those who have died in the faith of Christ  
to share the joy of heaven with Mary and all the saints.

He remembering his mercy hath holpen his servant Israel:  
*People* **as he promised to our forefathers, Abraham and his seed for ever.**

In a moment of quiet, let us bring our own prayers to the Lord.

*The Celebrant concludes the prayers with this collect*

**F**ATHER in heaven, by whose grace the Virgin Mother of thy incarnate Son was blessed in  
bearing him, but still more blessed in keeping thy word: Grant us who honor the exaltation  
of her lowliness to follow the example of her devotion to thy will; 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 People stand.*



THE PEACE

*The Celebrant says*

UNTO us a child is born, unto us a son is given,  
and his name shall be called the Prince of Peace.

*Isaiah 9.6*

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

*The People offer one another a sign of peace.*

*The Celebrant says the Offertory Sentence, and the People sit.*

THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

MOTET AT THE OFFERTORY

*Sung by the Choir*

*Sergei Rachmaninoff*  
*(1873-1943)*

БОГОРОДИЦЕ Дево, радуйся,  
Благодатная Марие, Господь с тобою.  
Благословена ты в женах,  
и благословен плод чрева твоего,  
яко Спаса родила еси душ наших.

*Transliterated:*

Bogoróditse Dyévo, ráduisya,  
Blagodátnaya Maríye, Gospód s tobóyu.  
Blagoslovyéna ty v zhenákh,  
i blagoslovyén plod chryéva tvoyevó,  
yáko Spása rodilá yesí dush náshikh.

*Rejoice, virgin mother of God,  
Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with you.  
Blessed are you among women,  
and blessed is the fruit of your womb,  
for you have borne the Savior of our souls.*

*Luke 1:28*



HYMN

ST. BOTOLPH

1 For Ma - ry, Moth - er of the Lord  
2 The ang - el Gab - riel brought the word  
3 The heav - 'nly call she thus o - beyed,  
4 She gave her bo - dy for God's shrine,  
5 Dear Ma - ry, from your low - li - ness  
6 Hail, Ma - ry, you are full of grace,

God's ho - ly name be praised, Who first the Son of  
She should Christ's moth - er be; Our La - dy, hand - maid  
And so God's will was done; The sec - ond Eve love's  
Her heart to pierc - ing pain, And knew the cost of  
And home in Ga - li - lee, There comes a joy and  
A - bove all wo - men blest; Blest in your Son, whom

God a - dored As on her child she gazed.  
of the Lord, Made ans - wer will - ing - ly.  
ans - wer made Which our re - demp - tion won.  
love di - vine When Je - sus Christ was slain.  
ho - li - ness To ev - 'ry fa - mi - ly.  
your em - brace In birth and death con - fessed.

*For Mary, mother of the Lord*, #161 from *The New English Hymnal*.

Words: John Raphael Peacey (1896-1971). Music: St. Botolph, Gordon Slater (1896-1979).



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*The People stand.*

### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

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

*Celebrant*  
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*

**I**T 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

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*

**S**ANCTUS, 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 kneel or stand.*

### 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,

*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

*The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept. Then is said*

Al - le - lu - ia. Christ our Pass - o - ver is sac - ri - ficed for us;

*People*

There - fore let us keep the feast. Al - le - lu - ia.



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 shouldest 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 in person*)

**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.*

MIDDLE VOLUNTARY

*Élevation - Communion  
from Office XXXV - In Assumptione B.M.V.  
(L'Orgue Mystique, Op. 57)*

*Charles Tournemire*

AGNUS DEI

*Sung by the Choir*

**A**GNUS 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.*

MOTET

*Sung by the Choir*

*Richard Shephard  
(1949-2021)*

**I**AM the rose of Sharon, and the lily of the valley.  
As the lily among thorns so is my love.  
As the apple tree among the trees of the wood, so is my beloved among the sons.  
Come away, rise up my love, my fair one and come away.

*Song of Solomon 2:1-3, 10*

*After Communion, silence is kept for a while.*





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.

SOLEMN BLESSING

*The Celebrant says*

The Lord be with you.

*People* **And with thy spirit.**

**M**AY the Father, who has loved the eternal Son from before the foundation of the world, shed that love upon you his children. **Amen.**

May Christ, who by his incarnation gathered into one things earthly and heavenly, fill you with joy and peace. **Amen.**

May the Holy Spirit, by whose overshadowing Mary became the God-bearer, give you grace to carry the good news of Christ. **Amen.**

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



## PROCESSION TO THE SHRINE OF OUR LADY OF FIFTH AVENUE

*When the procession reaches the Shrine of our Lady of Fifth Avenue in the Nave,  
the hymn is paused and all turn to face the Shrine for the traditional devotions.*

HYMN

DEN DES VATERS SINN GEBOREN

1 Ye who claim the faith of Je - sus, sing the won - ders that were done  
2 Bless - ed were the cho - sen peo - ple out of whom the Lord did come;  
3 There - fore let all faith - ful peo - ple sing the hon - or of her name;  
4 "Mag - ni - fy, my soul, God's great - ness; in my Sa - vior I re - joice;

when the love of God the Fa - ther o - ver sin the  
bless - ed was the land of prom - ise fa - shioned for his  
let the Church, in her fore - shad - owed, part in her thanks -  
all the a - ges call me bless - ed, in his praise I

vic - tory won, when he made the Vir - gin Ma - ry  
earth - ly home; but more bless - ed far the mo - ther,  
giv - ing claim; what Christ's mo - ther sang in glad - ness  
lift my voice; he has cast down all the might - y,

mo - ther of his on - ly Son. Hail Ma - ry, full of grace.  
she who bore him in her womb. Hail Ma - ry, full of grace.  
let Christ's peo - ple sing the same: Hail Ma - ry, full of grace.  
and the low - ly are his choice." Hail Ma - ry, full of grace.



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| <p>5. Let us weave our supplications,<br/>she with us and we with her,<br/>for the advancement of the faithful,<br/>for each faithful worshiper,<br/>for the doubting, for the sinful,<br/>for each heedless wanderer.<br/>Hail Mary, full of grace.</p> <p>7. For the sick and for the aged,<br/>For our dear ones far away,<br/>For the hearts that mourn in secret,<br/>All who need our prayers today,<br/>For the faithful gone before us,<br/>May the holy Virgin pray.<br/>Hail Mary, full of grace.</p> | <p>6. May the Mother's intercessions<br/>on our homes a blessing win,<br/>that the children all be prospered,<br/>strong and fair and pure within,<br/>following our Lord's own footsteps,<br/>firm in faith and free from sin.<br/>Hail Mary, full of grace.</p> <p>8. Praise, O Mary, praise the Father,<br/>Praise thy Saviour and thy Son,<br/>Praise the everlasting Spirit,<br/>Who hath made thee ark and throne;<br/>O'er all creatures high exalted,<br/>Lowly praise the Three in One.<br/>Hail Mary, full of grace.</p> |
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*Ye who claim the faith of Jesus*, #269 from *The Hymnal 1982* — Words: Sts. 1-3, Vincent Stuckey Stratton Coles (1845-1929), alt; st. 4, F. Bland Tucker (1845-1894). Music: *Den des Vaters Sinn geboren*, melody from *Hundert Arien*, 1694; harm. Conrad Kocher (1786-1872).

#### RESPONSORY

Blessed is she who had faith that the Lord's promise would be fulfilled.

*People* **All generations shall call her blessed.**

So tenderly has he looked upon his servant.

*People* **All generations shall call her blessed.**

Blessed is she among women, and blessed is the fruit of her womb.

*People* **All generations shall call her blessed.**

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.

*People* **All generations shall call her blessed.**

#### MOTET

*Sir John Tavener*  
(1944-2013)

**M**OTHER of God, here I stand now praying,  
Before this ikon of your radiant brightness,  
Not praying to be saved from a battlefield;  
Not giving thanks, nor seeking forgiveness  
For the sins of my soul, nor for all the souls  
Numb, joyless and desolate on earth;  
But for her along, whom I wholly give you.

*Mikhail Lermontov (1814-1841)*



PRAYER TO OUR LADY OF FIFTH AVENUE

*Composed by Father John Andrew, XI Rector*

Let us pray.

*Silence is kept. Please join in this prayer with the Celebrant if you wish.*

**W**E come to you Holy Mother to ask your prayers.  
You give us all encouragement to approach you as your children,  
whose brother your Son, Jesus Christ we claim as our blessed Savior and yours.  
Help us now we ask you with a prayer to him on our behalf and for his sake. Amen.

*The hymn continues.*

THE DISMISSAL

Deacon     Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.  
People     **Thanks be to God.**

VOLUNTARY

Paraphrase-Carillon  
from Office XXXV – In Assumptione B.M.V.  
(L'Orgue Mystique, Op. 57)

*Charles Tournemire*

**Please join us for Coffee Hour in the Lady Chapel after the service.**

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Saint Thomas gives thanks for those who have given endowed funds to provide flowers to  
beautify the church in perpetuity. This week, we give thanks for the memory of  
*David Decker Miller, Lillian Dickerson Crangle, James Frederick Crangle, and Jerome I. Rosner Crangle*  
*Margaret Crane Hurlbut, Joel Rothermel Jane McNeely Harding, and Edith M. Schroeder*  
and pray for the repose of their souls.

*May the glory of the LORD endure for ever, may the LORD rejoice in his works. (Psalm 104:31)*

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**NEIGHBOR TO NEIGHBOR**  
**The Saint Thomas Community Outreach Program**



The Saint Thomas Social Outreach program **Neighbor to Neighbor** provides coffee, tea, croissants, and fresh fruit to community members in need. The program serves guests between 9am and 10am every Saturday, with volunteers arriving at the cloisters of the church on 53rd Street around 8:30am. Please note there is a signup form for interested volunteers to ensure we do not have too many or too few present. If you are interested in knowing more about the program and getting involved, **please register to the mailing list for this group using the QR code below.**



**WORSHIP THIS WEEK**

\* indicates livestreamed.

**Monday – Friday**

**12 p.m. Shrine Prayers\***

**12:05 p.m. Holy Eucharist\***

**Saturday**

**9:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist.**

**9:30 – 10 a.m. Confessions, Spiritual Advice,**  
**Ministry of Healing in the Resurrection Chapel**  
**Confessor: Fr. Schultz**

**Next Sunday: August 24**

**Saint Bartholomew**

**7:45 a.m. Said Mass**

**9 a.m. Sung Mass**

*followed by Coffee Hour in the Parish House*

**11 a.m. Solemn Eucharist\***

**Sermon by The Rector**

***Sung by the Saint Thomas Consort***

## PARISH NOTICES

### ***Be a Chorister for a Day: Find your voice. Find yourself.***

On **Saturday, November 8**, Saint Thomas Choir School will hold its annual **Chorister for a Day**. Open to boys in Grades 3-6, this day will be an opportunity to experience life in the choir school community with fun activities, choir rehearsal with the choristers, tours of the Church and School, and **Evensong with the Saint Thomas Choir of Men and Boys**. For more information contact Margaret White, Director of Admissions and Administration: [mwhite@choirschool.org](mailto:mwhite@choirschool.org).

**Children and Family Ministries:** Sunday School (3-10), Faith Alive (10-14+), and Noble Singers (5-14+) are now on summer recess and will resume at the beginning of September. The Children's area (near the icon of Saint Thomas) is available for families during all services, with quiet activities for young children. The Nursery also 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, 3<sup>rd</sup> floor. To receive our Summer CFM newsletter, contact [childrenandfamilies@saintthomaschurch.org](mailto:childrenandfamilies@saintthomaschurch.org).

**Explore the Beauty and History of Saint Thomas Church** each Sunday following the 11am service with a guided tour. These tours offer a unique opportunity to delve into the rich history, sacred art, and exquisite architectural details of our landmark building. To take part, please meet the Tour Guide at the "Tour Guide - Meet Here" sign on the south side of the Narthex. All are warmly welcome.

**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 5<sup>th</sup> Floor of the Parish House and are streamed online. For more info, contact Fr. Luigi Gioia: [lgioia@saintthomaschurch.org](mailto:lgioia@saintthomaschurch.org).

You are cordially invited to the **Holy Eucharist in the Korean language** every second Sunday of the month at 1:30 pm. It is preceded by brunch at 12:45 pm in the Dining Room of the Parish House.

매달 둘째 주일 오후 1:30 에 본당에서 올리는 한국어 감사 성찬례에 여러분을 초대합니다. 오후 12:45 에 2층 식당에서 브런치를 함께 나누니 조금 일찍 오셔서 친교도 나누세요.

**Contemplative Prayer** takes place on Fridays at 3pm in the Resurrection Chapel. You are welcome to join this sacred time of silent prayer and quiet praise in the presence of God. The service includes Taize Songs, Centering Prayer, and Lectio-Divina, and is led by Mo. Prisca Lee-Pae. For more information, please contact Mo. Lee-Pae at [pleepae@SaintThomasChurch.org](mailto:pleepae@SaintThomasChurch.org). Note: *Contemplative Prayer is on Break and will resume on September 12.*

**Friday Zoom Bible Study is on Break and will resume on August 29!** Contact Fr. Schultz with any questions and for the Zoom link: [MSchultz@SaintThomasChurch.org](mailto:MSchultz@SaintThomasChurch.org).

**Saint Thomas Choir School** is home to the boy choristers of the Saint Thomas Choir of Men and Boys. Beginning in September 2025, the choristers (grades 4-8) will partner with Professional Children's School for their academic education, while continuing to live and train at STCS in a close-knit, music-centered environment. They sing five weekly services at Saint Thomas Church and perform in the Concerts at Saint Thomas series. If you know a boy who loves to sing and may thrive in this unique setting, please contact Margaret White at [mwhite@choirschool.org](mailto:mwhite@choirschool.org).

**The Noble Singers**, our children's parish choir for singers (ages 5-14+) return with Choir Camp on Saturday, September 6th and return to singing in the 9am Mass Sunday, September 7<sup>th</sup>. New singers are always welcome. No audition is necessary, just enthusiasm and a love of music! For more information, and to register your singer, contact [childrenandfamilies@saintthomaschurch.org](mailto:childrenandfamilies@saintthomaschurch.org).

**Volunteer with Neighbor to Neighbor** and help address the pressing needs of those experiencing hunger, homelessness, isolation, and hardship right here in Midtown. This ministry of Saint Thomas Church, in partnership with St. Patrick's Cathedral and Fifth Avenue Presbyterian, is part of the *Ecumenical Outreach Partnership (EOP)*, which provides professional social work support to ensure compassionate, safe, and effective outreach. Volunteers gather each Saturday from 8:30 to 10:30am at the Parish House to welcome our neighbors in need with breakfast and hospitality. Additional opportunities to serve include assisting with meal distribution on 55th Street, Mondays and Wednesdays from 1 to 2pm. To learn more or to volunteer, please contact Fr. Luigi Gioia at [lgioia@saintthomaschurch.org](mailto:lgioia@saintthomaschurch.org).



Saint Thomas Choir School invites you to

# Chorister for a Day

*Find your voice.  
Find yourself.*

Is your son in grades 3–6 and curious about singing, music, or life in a close-knit community?

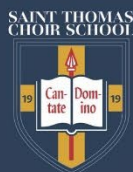
Join us on **Saturday, November 8** for Chorister for a Day at **Saint Thomas Choir School**—a unique opportunity for boys and their families to discover what it's like to be a Saint Thomas Chorister.

The day includes:

- Fun, interactive activities
- A choir rehearsal alongside current choristers
- Guided tours of the Church and Choir School
- Sing at Evensong alongside the world-renowned Saint Thomas Choir of Men and Boys

To register, email:

✉ [mwhite@choirschool.org](mailto:mwhite@choirschool.org)



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