

SAINT THOMAS CHURCH FIFTH AVENUE
in the
CITY OF NEW YORK



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SUNDAY, MAY 25, 2025 AT 11 A.M.
THE SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

FESTAL EUCHARIST
WITH ADMISSION OF CHORISTERS
SUNG BY THE SAINT THOMAS CHOIR OF MEN AND BOYS



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*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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God's Love at the Heart of New York

THE ORDINARY OF THE MASS

Communion Service in D

Sir Edward Cuthbert Bairstow
(1874-1946)

PRELUDE

Adagio in E

Frank Bridge
(1879-1941)

THE GREETINGS

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

HYMN

FORTUNATUS

1 "Wel - come, hap - py morn - ing!" age to age shall say:
*2 Earth her joy con - fess - es, cloth - ing her for spring,
*3 Months in due suc - ces - sion, days of length - ening light,
4 Ma - ker and Re - deem - er, life and health of all,
5 Thou, of life the au - thor, death didst un - der - go,

1 hell to - day is van - quished, heaven is won to - day!
2 all fresh gifts re - turned with her re - turn - ing King:
3 hours and pass - ing mo - ments praise thee in their flight.
4 thou from heaven be - hold - ing hu - man na - ture's fall,
5 tread the path of dark - ness, sav - ing strength to show;

1 Lo! the dead is liv - ing, God for ev - er - more!
2 bloom in ev - ery mea - dow, leaves on ev - ery bough,
3 Bright - ness of the morn - ing, sky and fields and sea,
4 of the Fa - ther's God - head true and on - ly Son,
5 come then, true and faith - ful, now ful - fill thy word,



1 Him their true Cre - a - tor, all his works a - dore!
2 speak his sor - row end - ed, hail his tri - umph now.
3 Van - quish - er of dark - ness, bring their praise to thee.
4 man - kind to de - liv - er, man - hood didst put on.
5 'tis thine own third morn - ing! rise, O bur - ied Lord!

Refrain

"Wel - come, hap - py morn - ing!" age to age shall say.

6 Loose the souls long prisoned, bound with Satan's chain;
all that now is fallen raise to life again;
show thy face in brightness, bid the nations see;
bring again our daylight: day returns with thee!

Refrain

Welcome, happy morning!, #179 from *The Hymnal 1982* – Words: Venantius Honorius Fortunatus (540?-600?); tr. John Ellerton (1826-1893), alt.
Music: *Fortunatus*, Arthur Seymour.

THE PENITENTIAL ORDER

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ is risen.

People The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

The Celebrant says

IF we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us;
but if we confess our sins, God is faithful and just to forgive our sins,
and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

1 John 1:8, 9

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 humbly 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

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,
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 prepared for those who love thee
such good things as pass man's understanding:
Pour into our hearts such love toward thee, that we,
loving thee in all things and above all things, may obtain thy promises,
which exceed all that we can desire; through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.. **Amen.**

The People sit.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

THE LESSON

Acts 16:9-15

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 67

Sung by the Choir

Anglican Chant (*Bairstow*)

DEUS MISEREATUR

GOD be merciful unto us, and bless us :
and shew us the light of his countenance, and be merciful unto us:
That thy way may be known upon earth : thy saving health among all nations.
Let the people praise thee, O God : yea, let all the people praise thee.
O let the nations rejoice and be glad :
for thou shalt judge the folk righteously, and govern the nations upon earth.
Let the people praise thee, O God : let all the people praise thee.
Then shall the earth bring forth her increase :
and God, even our own God, shall give us his blessing.
God shall bless us : and all the ends of the world shall fear him.
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

Revelation 21:10, 22-22:5

The Subdeacon concludes The Word of the Lord.

The People respond **Thanks be to God.**

The People stand.



HYMN

TRURO

1 Christ is a - live! Let Chris - tians sing. His cross stands
2 Christ is - a - live! No long - er bound to dis - tant
3 Not throned a - bove, re - mote - ly high, un - touched, un -
4 In ev - ery in - sult, rift, and war where co - lor,
5 Christ is a - live! His Spi - rit burns through this and

1 emp - ty to the sky. Let streets and homes with
2 years in Pal - es - tine, he comes to claim the
3 moved by hu - man pains, but dai - ly, in the
4 scorn or wealth di - vide, he suf - fers still, yet
5 ev - ery fu - ture age, till all cre - a - tion

1 prais - es ring. His love in death shall nev - er die.
2 here and now and con - quer ev - ery place and time.
3 midst of life, our Sa - vior with the Fa - ther reigns.
4 loves the more, and lives, though ev - er cru - ci - fied.
5 lives and learns his joy, his jus - tice, love, and praise.

Christ is alive! Let Christians sing, #182 from *The Hymnal 1982* – Words: Brian A. Wren (b. 1936), rev.
Music: Truro, melody from *Psalmody Evangelica*, Part II, 1789; harm. Lowell Mason (1792-1872), alt.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Al-le-lu-ia, Al-le-lu-ia, Al-le-lu-ia.

People Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Cantor I am the first and the last, says the Lord, and the Living One:
I was dead and, behold, I am alive for evermore.

People Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.



THE HOLY GOSPEL

John 14:23-29

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



After the Gospel, the Deacon says

The Gospel of the Lord.



THE SERMON

The Reverend Alison J. Turner
Associate for Children and Family Ministry & School Chaplain

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 People sit.

ADMISSION OF NEW CHORISTERS

The Head of School presents the Probationers for admission to the Rector, saying

Reverend Father, I present to you Lincoln and Thoreau,
to be admitted as Choristers of this Church of Saint Thomas Fifth Avenue.

The Rector asks the Boys to be admitted the following

Do you desire to be admitted as a Chorister of this Church?

The Boys answer

I do.

Taking each Probationer's hand, the Rector says

In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, I admit you, N.,
as a Chorister of this Church. **Amen.**

The Director of Music vests each new Chorister with a surplice and then hands to the Rector a Hymnal.

The Rector hands the Hymnal to each newly admitted Chorister, saying

Remember always that what you sing with your lips, you should believe in your heart,
and what you believe in your heart, you should practice in your life. **Amen.**

*After each Probationer has been admitted, the Head and Deputy Head Chorister take the admitted Chorister
to his place in the Choir stalls and say,*

Pursuant to a decree of the Venerable Rector and Vestry of Saint Thomas Church Fifth Avenue,
we install you, N., as a Chorister of this Church.

The Head and Deputy Head Chorister take their places in the Choir stalls.

The People stand.



The Rector says

Let us pray.

ALmighty and everlasting God, who makes us both to will and to do those things that are good and acceptable unto thee: We offer our prayers to thee for thy servants here present, and more especially for Lincoln and Thoreau who have now been admitted to a place in the Choir of this Church. Let thy fatherly hand ever be over them; let thy Holy Spirit ever be with them; and so lead them in the knowledge and obedience of thy holy word that, in the end, they may obtain everlasting life; through our Lord Jesus Christ, who with thee and the Holy Spirit liveth and reigneth ever, one God, world without end. **Amen.**

THE PEACE

The Celebrant introduces the Peace with these words

THE risen Christ came and stood among his disciples and said, 'Peace be with you.'

Then were they glad when they saw the Lord. Alleluia.

John 20:19-20

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

*Kenneth Leighton
(1929-1988)*

O GOD, enfold me in the sun,
Hard and bright
As shining as steel, and save me from
The night.

Send me Christ,
your Son,
Who was the greatest battle fought
And won.

Send your saints to fight with me,
Side by side
Against this darkness in my heart
Of pride and fear and hate.

A splendid sunburst then my shield,
And fierce
Bright sunbeams through the powerful dark
Will pierce.

Darkness and death before him must
Depart.
Light and life in triumph take
My heart.

Jacqueline Froom (1929-2018)



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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.

But chiefly are we bound to praise thee for the glorious resurrection of thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the very Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us, and hath taken away the sin of the world; who by his death hath destroyed death, and by his rising to life again hath won for us everlasting life.

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

HOLY, holy, holy,
Lord God Sabaoth.
Heaven and earth are full of thy Glory.
Glory be to thee, O Lord most High.

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,

People and Celebrant

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,

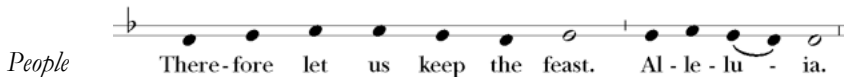
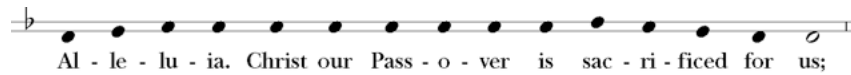
as we forgive those who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

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



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 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

Chorale Prelude on 'St. Cross'
from Seven Chorale Preludes

Sir Charles Hubert Hastings Parry
(1848-1918)

AGNUS DEI

Sung by the Choir

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,
have mercy on us.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,
grant us peace.

MOTET

Sung by the Choir

Jake Runestad
(b. 1986)

A NGELS where you soar up to God's own light,
take my own lost bird on your hearts tonight,
and as grief once more mounts to heaven and sings,
let my love be heard whispering in your wings.

Alfred Noyes (1880-1958)

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.



THE BLESSING

THE God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, the great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant, make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is well-pleasing in his sight; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. Amen.

HYMN

LUX EOI

1 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Hearts and voic - es heaven-ward raise:
2 Now the i - ron bars are bro - ken, Christ from death to life is born,
3 Christ is ris - en, Christ, the first-fruits of the ho - ly har - vest - field,
4 Christ is ris - en, we are ris - en! Shed up - on us heaven - ly grace,
5 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Glo - ry be to God on high;

1 sing to God a hymn of glad-ness, sing to God a hymn of praise.
2 glor - ious life, and life im - mor - tal, on his re - sur - rec - tion morn.
3 which with all its full a - bun-dance at his sec - ond com - ing yield:
4 rain and dew and gleams of glo - ry from the bright-ness of thy face;
5 Al - le - lu - ia! to the Sa - vior who has won the vic - to - ry;

1 He, who on the cross a vic - tim, for the world's sal - va - tion bled,
2 Christ has tri - umphed, and we con - quer by his might - y en - ter - prise:
3 then the gold - en ears of har - vest will their heads be - fore him wave,
4 that, with hearts in hea - ven dwell - ing, we on earth may fruit - ful be,
5 Al - le - lu - ia! to the Spi - rit, fount of love and sanc - ti - ty;

1 Je - sus Christ, the King of glo - ry, now is ris - en from the dead.
2 we with him to life e - ter - nal by his re - sur - rec - tion rise.
3 ri - pened by his glo - rious sun - shine from the fur - rows of the grave.
4 and by an - gel hands be gath - ered, and be ev - er, Lord, with thee.
5 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! to the Tri - une Ma - jes - ty.



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THE EASTER DISMISSAL

Deacon

Go, in the peace of Christ, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

People

Thanks be to God, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

VOLUNTARY

Toccata in F

Joules Grison
(1842-1896)

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



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 Margaret Crane Hurlbut, The Rev. Leslie John Alden Lang, Ida May Ives, the Ralph Meade Hyde family, Margaret Crane Hurlburt, and the Rev. Leslie John Alden Lang and pray for the repose of their souls.

We also pray for the repose of the soul of Ambassador Frank G Wisner II (July 2, 1938 - February 24, 2025) Whose memorial service was celebrated last Thursday and for the flowers donated to the Church by Judy and his family.

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



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.**



The Feast of the Ascension

(All services will be audio or video livestreamed)

On Thursday, May 29, we celebrate the Feast of the Ascension, when we think of Jesus leaving the disciples and taking his place in glory at the right hand of the Father. This is a principal feast day of the Episcopal Church and we encourage all parishioners to attend one of the services.

Wednesday – **Eve of the Ascension**

5:30 p.m. Festal Evensong

Sung by the Gentlemen of the Choir

Thursday – **ASCENSION DAY**

12 p.m. Shrine Prayers

12:05 p.m. Holy Eucharist

5:30 p.m. Solemn Eucharist

Sung by the Choir of Men and Boys

Sermon by the Rev. Ben de Hart, Rector of St. John's Church, Park Slope, Brooklyn.

WORSHIP THIS WEEK

* indicates livestreamed.

Monday – Friday

12 p.m. Shrine Prayers*

12:05 p.m. Holy Eucharist*

Tuesday

5:30 p.m. Said Mass

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Saturday

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

12 p.m. Shrine Prayers and Holy Eucharist.

Next Sunday: June 1

– **The Seventh Sunday after Easter**

7:45 a.m. Said Mass

10 a.m. Festal Eucharist *

Sermon by Mo. Lee-Pae

Sung by the Gentlemen of the Choir

SUMMER FEASTS at 5:30PM **sung by the Saint Thomas Consort**

followed by cheese, wine, and soft drinks in the Lady Chapel

Wednesday, June 11 – St. Barnabas

Tuesday, June 24 – The Nativity of St. John Baptist

Tuesday, July 22 – Saint Mary Magdalene

*Celebrating the 30th anniversary of the Episcopal Ordination of
Bishop Andrew St. John*

Wednesday, August 6 – The Transfiguration

Friday, August 15 – Assumption of the BVM
with Assumptiontide desserts!

PARISH NOTICES

Children and Family Ministries: Sunday School (5-9) and Faith Alive (10-14+) meet at 10am! Faith Alive meets in Andrew Hall (3rd Floor) and Sunday School meets in the Sunday School Room (3rd Floor). The Nursery continues to be available for the sole use of babies and toddlers with their parents/caregivers, from 9 am – 1 pm on Sundays in the Parish House, 3rd Floor. To receive our CFM newsletter contact Childrenandfamilies@saintthomaschurch.org.

“Let Mutual Love Continue: An Exhortation to Inhabit the Community of Witness.” **The Zoom Bible Study Group** has embarked on its next course, diving into the Epistle to the Hebrews. Examining the Epistle’s structure, ecclesiology, and Christology, we’ll discover a vision of community that transcends time, space and circumstance, rooted by faith in the never-ending love of God. As the epistle’s author encourages us to remain faithful to Jesus in a time of oppression and fear, they help us to understand what it means to truly take our place in a community that witnesses to a reality of love that is both immanent and transcendent. The Study meets Fridays at 1pm on Zoom. Each session begins with prayer for the needs of the community, and continues with our engagement with scripture, ending at 2:15pm. Contact Fr. Schultz (Mschultz@saintthomaschurch.org) to join.

The Noble Singers, our parish children’s choir for singers ages 5-14+, under the direction of Mrs. Rebecca Kellerman-Filsell, is accepting new choristers for the new year. We rehearse on Thursdays and Fridays from 4:15-5:15pm with choristers selecting one rehearsal to attend each week. The choir sings weekly at the 9am Sung Eucharist on Sundays during the program year. No audition is necessary, just enthusiasm and a love of music. For more information, and to register your singer, contact RKellerman@SaintThomasChurch.org.

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 Margaret White: Mwhite@choirschool.org.

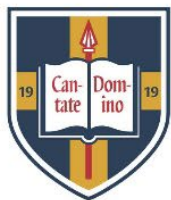
Contemplative Prayer takes place on Fridays at 3pm in the Resurrection Chapel. You are welcome to join this sacred time of silent prayer and quiet praise in the presence of God. The service includes Taizé Songs, Centering Prayer, and Lectio-Divina, and is led by Mo. Prisca Lee-Pae. For more information, please contact Mo. Lee-Pae at Pleepae@saintthomaschurch.org.

Note: for the season of Lent, we will meet in the Lady Chapel at 3:30pm, to commence after the conclusion of the Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament from 12:30-3:30, also in the Lady Chapel.

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

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

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,



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Beginning in September 2025, Saint Thomas Choir School will partner with Professional Children's School to offer an unparalleled, music-centered education in the heart of Manhattan. While continuing to live at STCS, the boy choristers will be formally enrolled at PCS, an institution with a longstanding tradition of academic excellence and a deep commitment to supporting the performing arts. An average day will include several hours at PCS for core academics, with remaining time based at STCS for studies in Latin, theology, and music theory, as well as weekly private music lessons, sports, and recreational activities.

If you know a boy who loves to sing and would thrive within this extraordinary musical and educational environment, please contact us at admissions@choirschool.org.



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