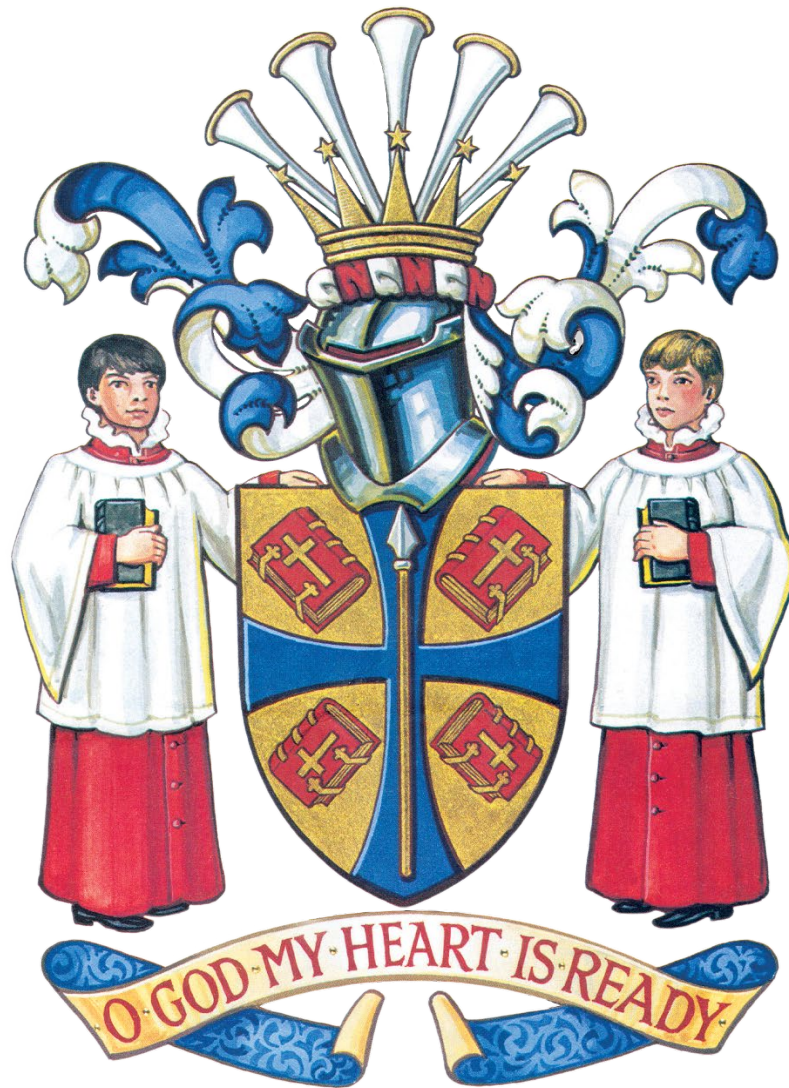




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NEW YORK

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THE PATRONAL FEAST OF SAINT THOMAS THE APOSTLE

SOLEMN EUCHARIST AND PROCESSION

and the

COMMISSIONING OF RICHARD JAMES TANNER
as the Nancy B. & John B. Hoffmann Organist and Director of Music

sung by the

Saint Thomas Choir of Men and Boys

Preacher:

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God's Love at the Heart of New York

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MUSIC BEFORE THE SERVICE

Air
Gerre Hancock
(1934-2012)

THE ORDINARY OF THE MASS

Missa Sancti Thomae in Tempore enim Pestilencia
Jeremy Filsell
(b. 1964)

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ORDER OF SERVICE

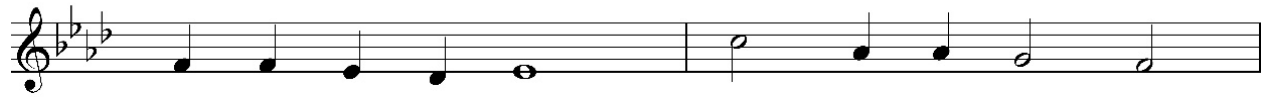
The People stand at the entry of the Choir and Ministers.

HYMN

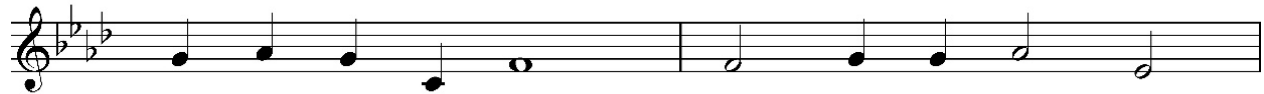
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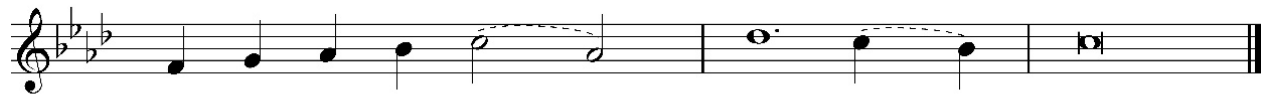
1 Come, la - bor on. Who dares stand i - dle
2 Come, la - bor on. The en - e - my is
3 Come, la - bor on. A - way with gloom - y
4 Come, la - bor on. Claim the high call - ing
5 Come, la - bor on. No time for rest, till



1 on the har - vest plain, while all a - round us
2 watch - ing night and day, to sow the tares, to
3 doubts and faith - less fear! No arm so weak but
4 an - gels can - not share— to young and old the
5 glows the west - ern sky, till the long sha - dows



1 waves the gold - en grain? And to each ser - vant
2 snatch the seed a - way; while we in sleep our
3 may do ser - vice here: by feeblest a - gents
4 Gos - pel glad - ness bear: re - deem the time; its
5 o'er our path - way lie, and a glad sound comes

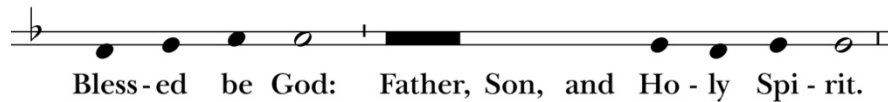


1 does the Mas - ter say, "Go work to - day."
2 du - ty have for - got, he slum - bered not.
3 may our God ful - fill his right - eous will.
4 hours too swift - ly fly. The night draws nigh.
5 with the set - ting sun, "Ser - vants, well done."



THE PENITENTIAL ORDER

The Celebrant says



People And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ev-er. A-men.

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 sit.



THE ADMISSION OF THE ORGANIST AND DIRECTOR OF MUSIC

Antiphon. David commanded the chief of the Levites to appoint musicians who should play loudly on musical instruments, on harps and lyres and cymbals, to raise sounds of joy.

V. When the song was raised in the praise of the Lord:

R. **The glory of the Lord filled the house of God.**

The Wardens present the candidate to the Rector saying

REVEREND Father in God, we present to you, Richard James Tanner to be admitted as Organist and Director of Music of Saint Thomas Church Fifth Avenue, and we ask you to admit him to our foundation and to that office, and to bless him for this new ministry.

The Rector says to Richard

RICHARD, we welcome you in the Lord's name to serve as Organist and Director of Music in this place. This office requires the dedication of a skilled musician, whose Christian faith will seek expression in the enhancement of worship through music, in the inspiration that you convey to the choir, and in your relationships with the choir, with your colleagues in the Church and Choir School, and with the wider community.

Will you endeavor, by the help of God,
to fulfil the work committed to you with faithfulness and diligence?

I will, by the help of God.

Will you work with the Vestry, Clergy, and Staff of our Parish and Choir School in upholding their shared vision of excellence in the ordering of our public worship, and in all things pertaining to our common life?

I will, by the help of God.

Will you be careful to advise the Rector and Vestry in their responsibility for the liturgy and music of this Church so that people may catch a vision of holiness and be strengthened in their discipleship?

I will, by the help of God.



Will you endeavor to promote peace and goodwill among your colleagues,
to strengthen the witness of this Church,
and the ministry of the Church in this Parish and beyond?

I will, by the help of God.

Will you care diligently for those in your charge, and exercise discipline with mercy
and fairness?

I will, by the help of God.

The Rector takes the Director of Music by the hand and says

RICHARD James Tanner, I admit you to the office of Organist and Director of Music
of Saint Thomas Church Fifth Avenue
in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

The Rector then places Richard in his customary seat in Choir

In the name of the Vestry and of this whole Church Community,
I greet you and welcome you.

MAY God give you grace to exercise your office with wisdom, skill and faithfulness.
May he give you joy in his service.
May he bless you in your going out and your coming in,
from this time forward and for ever more. **Amen.**

Let us pray.

The People stand. Silence is kept.

O GOD, whom saints and angels delight to worship in heaven,
be ever present with thy servants who seek through music
to perfect the praises offered by thy people on earth;
and grant them even now glimpses of thy beauty,
and make them worthy at length to behold it unveiled for evermore;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Choir sings the Gloria in excelsis directed by Mr. Tanner.



GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

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

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

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

EVERLIVING God, who didst strengthen thine apostle Thomas
with firm and certain faith in thy Son's resurrection:
Grant us so perfectly and without doubt to believe in Jesus Christ,
our Lord and our God, that our faith may never be found wanting in thy sight;
through him who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The People sit.



THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

THE LESSON

Habakkuk 2:1-4

A Reading from the Prophet Habakkuk.

I WILL stand upon my watch, and set me upon the tower,
and will watch to see what he will say unto me,
and what I shall answer when I am reproved.
And the LORD answered me, and said,
Write the vision, and make it plain upon tables,
that he may run that readeth it.
For the vision is yet for an appointed time,
but at the end it shall speak, and not lie:
though it tarry, wait for it;
because it will surely come, it will not tarry.
Behold, his soul which is lifted up is not upright in him:
but the just shall live by his faith.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

The Choir sings

PSALM 126

Anglican Chant (*Turle*)

IN CONVERTENDO

WHEN the Lord turned again the captivity of Sion :
then were we like unto them that dream.
Then was our mouth filled with laughter : and our tongue with joy.
Then said they among the heathen : The Lord hath done great things for them.
Yea, the Lord hath done great things for us already : whereof we rejoice.
Turn our captivity, O Lord : as the rivers in the south.
They that sow in tears : shall reap in joy.
He that now goeth on his way weeping, and beareth forth good seed :
shall doubtless come again with joy, and bring his sheaves with 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

Hebrews 10:35-11:1

A Reading from the Epistle to the Hebrews.

CAST not away therefore your confidence, which hath great recompence of reward. For ye have need of patience, that, after ye have done the will of God, ye might receive the promise. For yet a little while, and he that shall come will come, and will not tarry. Now the just shall live by faith: but if any man draw back, my soul shall have no pleasure in him. But we are not of them who draw back unto perdition; but of them that believe to the saving of the soul.

Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen.

Subdeacon The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

HYMN

CLOTH FAIR

1. Christ be the Lord of all our days, the swift - ly - pass - ing years;
2. Christ be the source of all our deeds, the life our liv - ing shares;
3. Christ be the goal of all our hopes, the end to whom we come;
4. Christ be the vi - sion of our lives, of all we think and are;

Lord of our un - re - mem - bered birth, heirs to the bright - ness
the fount which flows from worlds a - bove to nev - er - fail - ing
guide of each pil - grim Christ - ian soul which seeks, as com - pass
to shine up - on our spi - rits' sight as light of ev - er -

of the earth; Lord of our griefs and fears.
springs of love; the ground of all our prayers.
seeks the pole, our man - y - man - sioned home.
last - ing light, the bright and morn - ing star.



GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Plainsong (Mode VI) and Colin Mawby

This acclamation heralds the Gospel Reading



Cantor Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

People Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Cantor Jesus saith unto Thomas, because thou hast seen me, thou hast believed;
blessed are they that have not seen, and yet have believed.

People Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Choir Alleluia!

THE HOLY GOSPEL

John 20:24-29

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



People Glo - ry be to thee, O Lord.

THOMAS, one of the twelve, called Didymus, was not with them when Jesus came.
The other disciples therefore said unto him, We have seen the Lord.
But he said unto them, Except I shall see in his hands the print of the nails,
and put my finger into the print of the nails, and thrust my hand into his side,
I will not believe.

And after eight days again his disciples were within, and Thomas with them:
then came Jesus, the doors being shut, and stood in the midst, and said,
Peace be unto you. Then saith he to Thomas, Reach hither thy finger,
and behold my hands; and reach hither thy hand, and thrust it into my side:
and be not faithless, but believing. And Thomas answered and said unto him,
My Lord and my God. Jesus saith unto him, Thomas, because thou hast seen me,
thou hast believed: blessed are they that have not seen, and yet have believed.

The Deacon says The Gospel of the Lord.



People Praise be to thee, O Christ.



THE SERMON

The Right Reverend Dorsey W. M. McConnell
VIII Bishop of Pittsburgh (retired)

A period of silent reflection follows the sermon.

THE NICENE CREED

The People stand. 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 LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

THE PEACE

The Celebrant introduces the Peace with these words

WE are the body of Christ.
In the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body.
Let us then pursue all that makes for peace
and builds up our common life.

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

Deacon Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

And all offer a sign of peace as appropriate.

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

The Celebrant says

Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us,
an offering and sacrifice to God. *Ephesians 5:2*

*The People sit. An offering will be taken. Please scan this QR code
if you wish to give online from your mobile device
or text **Give** to 855-938-2085.*



The Choir sings

ANTHEM

Gerre Hancock

DEEP river, my home is over Jordan,
deep river, Lord, I want to cross over into campground.
Oh don't you want to go to that gospel feast,
that promised land where all is peace?
Deep river, Lord, I want to cross over into campground.

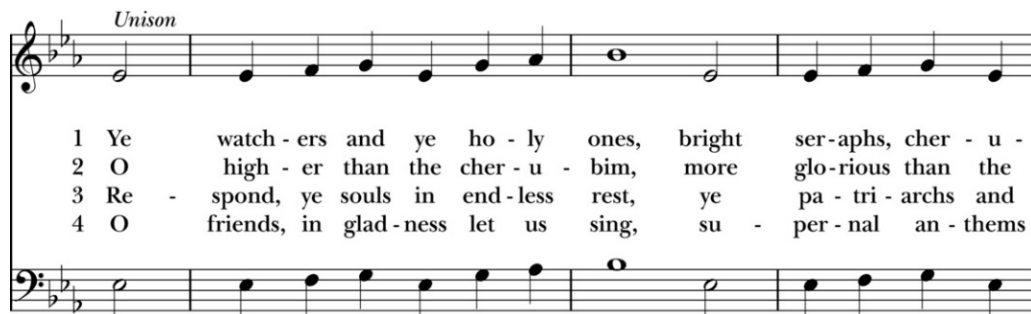
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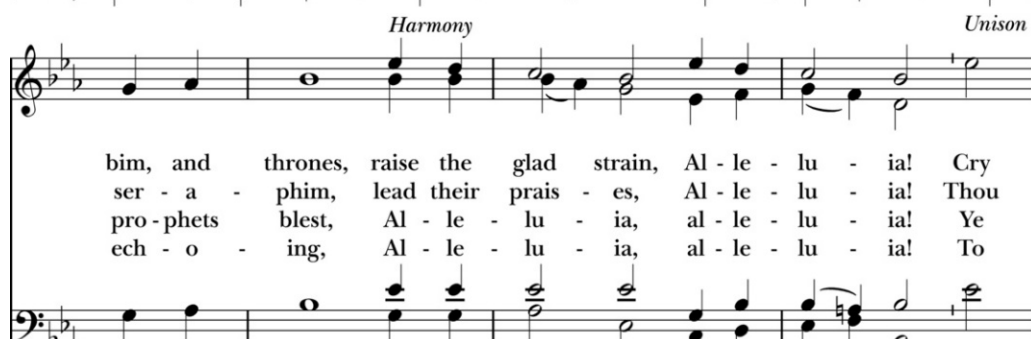
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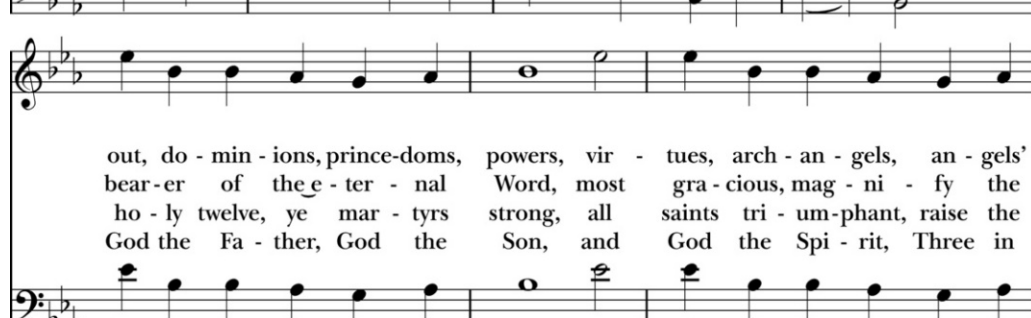


1 Ye watch - ers and ye ho - ly ones, bright ser - a - phs, cher - u -
2 O high - er than the cher - u - bim, more glo - rious than the
3 Re - spond, ye souls in end - less rest, ye pa - tri - archs and
4 O friends, in glad - ness let us sing, su - per - nal an - thems

Harmony *Unison*



bim, and thrones, raise the glad strain, Al - le - lu - ia! Cry
ser - a - phim, lead their prais - es, Al - le - lu - ia! Thou
pro - phets blest, Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Ye
ech - o - ing, Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! To



out, do - min - ions, prince - doms, powers, vir - tues, arch - an - gels, an - gels'
bear - er of the e - ter - nal Word, most gra - cious, mag - ni - fy the
ho - ly twelve, ye mar - tyrs strong, all saints tri - um - phant, raise the
God the Fa - ther, God the Son, and God the Spi - rit, Three in

Harmony



choirs, Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le -
Lord, Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le -
song, Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le -
One, Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le -

Unison



lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!



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.

Through the great shepherd of thy flock, Jesus Christ our Lord; who after his resurrection sent forth his apostles to preach the Gospel and to teach all nations; and promised to be with them always, even unto the end of the ages.

Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,

The Choir sings

SANCTUS AND BENEDICTUS

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

Benedictus qui venit
in nomine Domini.
Hosanna in excelsis.

Holy, holy, holy,
Lord God of Hosts.
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 EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

The People kneel or stand. The Celebrant continues

ALL glory be to thee, O Lord our God, for that thou didst create heaven and earth,
and didst make us in thine own image; and, of thy tender mercy,
didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to take our nature upon him,
and to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption.
He made there a full and perfect sacrifice for the whole world;
and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue,
a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.

FOR in the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread;
and when he had given thanks, he brake it, and gave it to his disciples, saying,
"Take, eat, this is my Body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

LIKEWISE, after supper, he took the cup;
and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying,
"Drink this, all of you; for this is my Blood of the New Covenant,
which is shed for you, and for many, for the remission of sins.
Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me."

WHEREFORE, O Lord and heavenly Father, we thy people do celebrate and make,
with these thy holy gifts which we now offer unto thee,
the memorial thy Son hath commanded us to make;
having in remembrance his blessed passion and precious death,
his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension;
and looking for his coming again with power and great glory.

AND we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us, and,
with thy Word and Holy Spirit, to bless and sanctify these gifts of bread and wine,
that they may be unto us the Body and Blood of thy dearly-beloved Son Jesus Christ.

AND we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness to accept
this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, whereby we offer and present unto thee,
O Lord, our selves, our souls and bodies.
Grant, we beseech thee, that all who partake of this Holy Communion
may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ,
and be filled with thy grace and heavenly benediction;
and also that we and all thy whole Church may be made one body with him,
that he may dwell in us, and we in him;
through the same Jesus Christ our Lord;
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

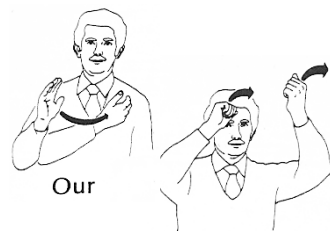
And now, as our Savior Christ hath taught us, we are bold to say,

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.

Padre nuestro, que estás en el cielo
하늘에 계신 우리 아버지
Notre Père qui es aux cieux
Πατερ ημων ο εν τοις ουρανοις
Pai nosso, que estais nos Céus,
Отче наш, що єси на небесах
أَبَانَا الَّذِي فِي السَّمَاوَاتِ،

Vater unser, der du bist im Himmel
我們在天上的父
Pater noster, qui es in caelis
हे हमारे स्वर्गबासी पिता,
Padre nostro, che sei nei cieli
天におられる私たちの父よ
אָבִינוּ שְׁבַשְׁמִים יְתְּקַדֵּשׁ שְׁמֶךָ:

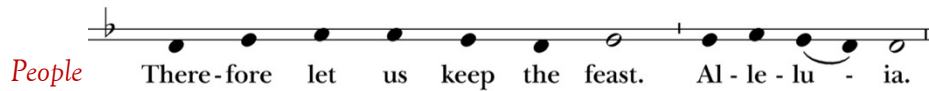
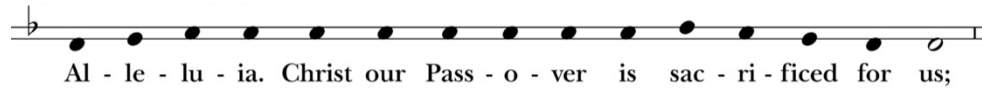


Father



THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

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



PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS

Celebrant and People

WE do not presume to come to this thy Table,
O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness,
but in thy manifold and great mercies.
We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table.
But thou art the same Lord
whose property is always to have mercy.
Grant us therefore, gracious Lord,
so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ,
and to drink his blood,
that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body,
and our souls washed through his most precious blood,
and that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

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.



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.
Please follow the direction of the Ushers. Gluten free hosts are available - please ask the priest.
Please do not intinct (dip) the host in the wine.*

MIDDLE VOLUNTARY

Prelude on 'Cloth Fair' by John Scott

Ian Wicks
(b. 1963)

AGNUS DEI

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

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

The Choir sings

MOTET

Daniel Hyde
(b.1980)

A VE verum corpus natum
de Maria Virgine:
vere passum immolatum
in cruce pro homine,
cujus latus perforatum
fluxit aqua et sanguine,
esto nobis praegustatum
mortis in examine.
O Jesu dulcis! O Jesu pie!
O Jesu Fili Mariae. Amen.

Hail the true body,
born of the Virgin Mary:
you who truly were sacrificed
on the cross for the sake of man,
from whose pierced flank
flowed water and blood,
Be a foretaste for us
in the trial of death.
O sweet Jesus, O merciful Jesus,
O Jesus, Son of Mary. Amen.

Pope Innocent VI (d. 1362)



THE PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

The Celebrant says

Let us pray.

The People kneel and silence is kept.

Celebrant and People

ALMIGHTY and everliving God,
we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us,
in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food
of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ;
and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us;
and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son,
the blessed company of all faithful people;
and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom.
And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace,
that we may continue in that holy fellowship,
and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost,
be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

THE SOLEMN BLESSING

Celebrant May Almighty God, to whose glory we celebrate this festival
in honor of our Patron, be now and evermore your guide and
companion in the way.

People Amen.

Celebrant May God, who has bound us together in the company of the elect,
in this age and the age to come, attend to the prayers
of his faithful servants on your behalf,
as he hears your prayers for them.

People Amen.

Celebrant May God, who has given us, in the lives of his saints,
patterns of holy living and victorious dying, strengthen your faith and devotion,
and enable you to bear witness to the truth against all adversity.

People Amen.

Celebrant And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be upon you and remain with you for ever.

People Amen.



PROCESSION TO THE SHRINE OF SAINT THOMAS

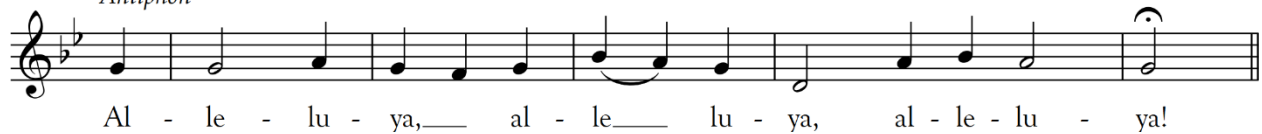
Deacon Let us proceed in peace.
People In the name of Christ. Amen.

HYMN

O FILII ET FILIAE

The Antiphon is sung in-between every verse and at the end of the hymn.

Antiphon



Verse



1. Ye sons and daugh - ters of the King,
2. On that first morn - ing of the week,
3. An An - gel bade their sor - row flee,
4. That night the Apos - tles met in feart,
5. When Thom - as aft - er - wards had heard



1. Whom heav' - nly hosts in glo - ry sing,
2. Be - fore the day be - gan to break,
3. For thus he spake un - to the three:
4. A - midst them came their Lord most dear,
5. That Je - sus had ful - filled his word,



1. To - day the grave hath lost its sting. Al - le - lu - ya!
2. The Ma - rys went their Lord to seek. Al - le - lu - ya!
3. 'Your Lord has gone to Ga - li - lee.' Al - le - lu - ya!
4. And said: 'Peace be un - to you here!' Al - le - lu - ya!
5. He doub - ted if it were the Lord. Al - le - lu - ya!

6. 'Thomas, behold my side,' saith he,
'My hands, my feet, my body see;
'And doubt not, but believe in me.' *Alleluya!*

8. Blessèd are they who have not seen,
And yet whose faith hath constant been,
In life eternal they shall reign. *Alleluya!*

7. No longer Thomas then denied;
He saw the feet, the hands, the side;
Thou art my Lord and God,' he cried. *Alleluya!*

9. On this most holy day of days,
To God your hearts and voices raise
In laud, and jubilee, and praise. *Alleluya!*



10. And we with Holy Church unite,
As evermore is just and right,
In glory to the King of Light. *Alleluya!*

O Ye sons and daughters of the King #125 from *The New English Hymnal* — Words: Latin, Jean Tisserand (d. 1419); tr. John Mason Neale (1818-1866).
Music: *O filii et filiae*, melody from *Airs sur les hymnes sacrez*, Paris 1683; Solesmes version harmonized by E.W. Goldsmith (1800-1934)

STATION AT THE SHRINE OF SAINT THOMAS

The People turn to face the Icon.

The Celebrant says

Great is the Lord, and marvellous worthy to be praised:

People **There is no end of his greatness.**

One generation shall praise thy works unto another:

People **and declare thy power.**

All thy works praise thee, O Lord:

People **and thy saints give thanks unto thee.**

They shew the glory of thy kingdom:

People **and talk of thy power.**

My mouth shall speak the praise of the Lord:

People **and let all flesh give thanks unto his holy Name for ever and ever.**

From Psalm 145

The Celebrant says

Let us pray.

O ALMIGHTY God, whom truly to know is everlasting life:
Grant us so perfectly to know thy Son Jesus Christ to be the way, the truth,
and the life, that we may steadfastly follow his steps in the way that leadeth to eternal life;
through the same thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

THE DISMISSAL

Deacon Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

People **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

Final from *Première Symphonie pour Orgue* Op. 14

Louis Vierne
(1870-1937)



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God's Love at the Heart of New York

**Please join us for a reception at the back of the Nave
and 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 Herbert Asher Metzger, Mrs. Willi Brown, James W. Gerrard, Margaret Crane Hurlbut, Ida May Ives & Warren Johnson 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)

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:





WORSHIP THIS WEEK

* indicates livestreamed.

This Afternoon

4 p.m. Solemn Evensong*

Sermon by the Rector

Sung by the Choir of Men and Boys

*Music by John Scott, Gerre Hancock, T. Tertius Noble, and
T. Frederick Candlyn*

Monday, September 8 – Friday, September 12

12 p.m. Shrine Prayers*

12:05 p.m. Holy Eucharist*

Tuesday, September 9

Constance & her Companions - The Martyrs of Memphis

5:30 p.m. Choral Evensong*

Sung by the Gentlemen of the Choir

Music by John Scott, Roy Rashbrook, & Charles Wood

Wednesday, September 10

5:30 p.m. Choral Evensong*

Sung by the Choir of Men and Boys

Music by Gerre Hancock, & Charles Wood

Thursday, September 11

5:30 p.m. Choral Evensong*

Sung by the Choir of Men and Boys

*Music by Gerre Hancock, Adrian Batten, & Maurice
Duruflé*

Saturday, September 13

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

Confessor: The Rector

12 p.m. Shrine Prayers*

12:05 p.m. Holy Eucharist*

*This will be the monthly requiem mass for our departed loved-
ones & for those who lost their lives on 9/11*

Sunday, September 14

Holy Cross Day

7:45 a.m. Said Mass

9 a.m. Sung Mass

Sung by the Noble Singers

followed by Coffee Hour in the Parish House

11 a.m. Solemn Eucharist*

Sermon by the Rector

Sung by the Choir of Men and Boys

1:30 p.m. Korean Language Sung Eucharist

한국어 감사성찬례

Preceded by brunch in the Parish House at 12:45 p.m.

4 p.m. Solemn Evensong

Sermon by Fr. Schultz

Sung by the Choir of Men and Boys

PARISH NOTICES

STAND UP SUNDAY - Sunday, September 7, 2025

Today, Saint Thomas Church stands together with Houses of Worship serving over 1.5 million people of faith nationwide to combat all faith-based hate and antisemitism. We will send a clear, united message that hate has no home here—that all people, regardless of background or faith, deserve dignity and respect. Now, more than ever, communities must raise their voices and join this critical movement. The program, organized by the interfaith Appeal of Conscience Foundation and the Foundation to Combat Antisemitism, runs across the country from NYC to San Francisco. Blue square pins, a symbol of solidarity and unity against hate and bracelets are available today as we join other churches across New York City in supporting this important initiative.

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:
admissions@choirschool.org

Children and Family Ministries: 10am Formation for Children Pre-K-10th Grade begins Sunday, Sept. 14th from 10-10:45am. Parents and Caretakers join Fr. Schultz for a Liturgy Teach-in next Sunday at 10am at the Lady Chapel! 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, 3rd floor. To receive our Summer CFM newsletter, contact

childrenandfamilies@saintthomaschurch.org

Explore the Beauty and History of Saint Thomas Church each Sunday following the 11am service with a **guided tour**. The tour today takes place at 1pm. 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 5th Floor of the Parish House and are streamed online. For more info, contact Fr. Luigi Gioia: lgioia@saintthomaschurch.org

You are cordially invited to the **Holy Eucharist in the Korean language** every second Sunday of the month. It is preceded by brunch at 12:45 pm in 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 2 층 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 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

Friday Zoom **Bible Study** has resumed! We continue our study of the Epistle to the Hebrews. Contact Fr. Schultz with any questions and for the Zoom link:
MSchultz@SaintThomasChurch.org

The 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

The Noble Singers rehearsals return this Thursday, Sept. 11th. 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 Mrs. Lane at llane@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



Scan QR code
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