



SAINT THOMAS CHURCH FIFTH AVENUE

in the
CITY OF NEW YORK



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Welcome to Saint Thomas Church, a parish of the Episcopal Diocese of New York.
Our mission is to worship, love and serve Our Lord Jesus Christ
through the Anglican tradition and our unique choral heritage.

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THE FEAST OF THE DEDICATION OF THE CHURCH

OCTOBER 4, 2020

The Penitential Order

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

The Celebrant says

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open,
all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid:
Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts
by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,
that we may perfectly love you,
and worthily magnify your holy Name;
through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Celebrant may read a sentence of scripture.

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

The People remain standing or kneel. Silence is kept.

Celebrant and People

Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in your will,
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your Name. Amen.

The Celebrant says

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins
through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all
goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you
in eternal life. **Amen.**

Lord, have mercy. *or* Kyrie eleison.
Lord, have mercy. Kyrie eleison.

Christ, have mercy. Christe eleison.
Christ, have mercy. Christe eleison.

Lord, have mercy. Kyrie eleison.
Lord, have mercy. Kyrie eleison.

The People stand. The Gloria in Excelsis is said

**Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to his people on earth.**

Lord God, heavenly King,
almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world:
have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:
receive our prayer.
For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

The Collect of the Day

The Celebrant says to the people

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.
People Let us pray.
Celebrant

Silence is kept. The Celebrant says the Collect.

Almighty God, to whose glory we celebrate the dedication of this house of prayer: We give you thanks for the fellowship of those who have worshiped in this place, and we pray that all who seek you here may find you, and be filled with your joy and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

The Liturgy of the Word

The Lesson *1 Kings 8:22-23, 27-30*

A reading from the First Book of the Kings.

On the day of the dedication of the Temple, Solomon stood before the altar of the Lord in the presence of all the assembly of Israel, and spread out his hands to heaven. He said, "O Lord, God of Israel, there is no God like you in heaven above or on earth beneath, keeping covenant and steadfast love for your servants who walk before you with all their heart. "But will God indeed dwell on the earth? Even heaven and the highest heaven cannot contain you, much less this house that I have built! Regard your servant's prayer and his plea, O Lord my God, heeding the cry and the prayer that your servant prays to you today; that your eyes may be open night and day toward this house, the place of which you said, 'My name shall be there,' that you may heed the prayer that your servant prays toward this place. "Hear the plea of your servant and of your people Israel when they pray toward this place; O hear in heaven your dwelling place; heed and forgive."

The word of the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**

Responsorial Psalm *Psalm 84:2, 3, 4+9, 10*

The Lector announces the psalm response and all repeat.

R. How loving is your dwelling place, Lord, mighty God!

My soul longs, indeed it faints
for the courts of the Lord;
my heart and my flesh sing for joy
to the living God. **R.**

Even the sparrow finds a home,
and the swallow a nest for herself,
where she may lay her young, at your altars,
O Lord of hosts, my King and my God. **R.**

Happy are those who live in your house,
ever singing your praise.
Behold our shield, O God;
look on the face of your anointed. **R.**

For a day in your courts is better
than a thousand elsewhere.
I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God
than live in the tents of wickedness. **R.**

Gospel Acclamation

The People stand.

Lector Alleluia, alleluia.
I have chosen and sanctified this house, says the
Lord, that my name may remain in it for all time.
People **Alleluia.**

The Holy Gospel *John 2:13-22*

The Priest reads the Gospel, first saying

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

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

The Passover of the Jews was near, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. In the temple he found people selling cattle, sheep, and doves, and the money changers seated at their tables. Making a whip of cords, Jesus drove all of them out of the temple, both the sheep and the cattle. He also poured out the coins of the money changers and overturned their tables. He told those who were selling the doves, "Take these things out of here! Stop making my Father's house a marketplace!" His disciples remembered that it was written, "Zeal for your house will consume me." The Jews then said to Jesus, "What sign can you show us for doing this?" Jesus answered them, "Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up." The Jews then said, "This temple has been under construction for forty-six years, and will you raise it up in three days?" But Jesus was speaking of the temple of his body. After he was raised from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this; and they believed the scripture and the word that Jesus had spoken.

The Gospel of the Lord.
People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

The Homily

The Nicene Creed

**We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
 the only Son of God,
 eternally begotten of the Father,
 God from God, Light from Light,
 true God from true God,
 begotten, not made,
 of one Being with the Father.
 Through him all things were made.
 For us and for our salvation
 he came down from heaven:
 by the power of the Holy Spirit
 he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
 and was made man.
 For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
 he suffered death and was buried.
 On the third day he rose again
 in accordance with the Scriptures;
 he ascended into heaven
 and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
 He will come again in glory to judge the living
 and the dead,
 and his kingdom will have no end.
 We believe in the Holy Spirit,
 the Lord, the giver of life,
 who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
 With the Father and the Son
 he is worshiped and glorified.
 He has spoken through the Prophets.
 We believe in one holy catholic
 and apostolic Church.
 We acknowledge one baptism
 for the forgiveness of sins.
 We look for the resurrection of the dead,
 and the life of the world to come. Amen.

A Litany of Thanksgiving for a Church

The People remain standing for the Litany

Let us thank God whom we worship here in the beauty of holiness.

Eternal God, the heaven of heavens cannot contain you,
 much less the walls of temples made with hands. Graciously
 receive our thanks for this place, and accept the work of our
 hands, offered to your honor and glory.

For the Church universal, of which these visible buildings
 are the symbol,
We thank you, Lord.

For your presence whenever two or three have gathered
 together in your Name,
We thank you, Lord.

For this place where we may be still and know that you
 are God,
We thank you, Lord.

For making us your children by adoption and grace, and
 refreshing us day by day with the bread of life.

We thank you, Lord.

For the knowledge of your will and the grace to perform it,
We thank you, Lord.

For the fulfilling of our desires and petitions as you see
 best for us,
We thank you, Lord.

For the pardon of our sins, which restores us to the
 company of your faithful people,
We thank you, Lord.

For the blessing of our vows and the crowning of our years
 with your goodness,
We thank you, Lord.

For the faith of those who have gone before us and for our
 encouragement by their perseverance,
We thank you, Lord.

For the fellowship of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of
 God, Saint Thomas our patron, and all your Saints,
We thank you, Lord.

After a brief silence, the Celebrant concludes with the following Doxology

<i>Celebrant</i>	Yours, O Lord, is the greatness, the power, the glory, the victory, and the majesty:
<i>People</i>	For everything in heaven and on earth is yours.
<i>Celebrant</i>	Yours, O Lord, is the kingdom.
<i>People</i>	And you are exalted as head over all. Amen.

The Liturgy of the Eucharist

The Peace

The People stand. The Celebrant says

	The peace of the Lord be always with you.
<i>People</i>	And also with you.

The Offertory

The Celebrant takes the paten with the bread, saying

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation:
 for through your goodness
 we have received the bread we offer you:
 fruit of the earth and work of human hands,
 It will become for us the bread of life.
Blessed be God for ever.

The Celebrant takes the chalice, saying

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation:
 for through your goodness
 we have received the wine we offer you:
 fruit of the vine and work of human hands.
 It will become our spiritual drink.
Blessed be God for ever.

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer B

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Celebrant Lift up your hearts.
People **We lift them to the Lord.**
Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

The Celebrant says the Preface, ending

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Celebrant and People

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

The People kneel. The Celebrant continues the Eucharistic Prayer.

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

Celebrant and People

We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory;

The Prayer concludes

...now and for ever.
People **AMEN.**

The Lord's Prayer

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

Celebrant and People

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

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

Celebrant and People

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:
have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:
have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:
grant us peace.

The Invitation to Communion

The Celebrant says

Behold the Lamb of God.
Behold him who takes away the sins of the world.
Blessed are those who are called to his supper.
People **Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter
under my roof, but only say the word and
my soul shall be healed.**

The Celebrant and people receive Holy Communion.

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

The People kneel. Celebrant and People

Almighty and everliving God,
we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food
of the most precious Body and Blood
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ;
and for assuring us in these holy mysteries
that we are living members of the Body of your Son,
and heirs of your eternal kingdom.
And now, Father, send us out
to do the work you have given us to do,
to love and serve you
as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord.
To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,
be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

The Dismissal

The Celebrant blesses the People and then dismisses them with these words

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