

# SAINT THOMAS CHURCH FIFTH AVENUE

# in the CITY OF NEW YORK

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The Reverend Canon Carl F. Turner, Rector

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 TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

**OCTOBER 31, 2021** 

# FESTAL EUCHARIST – 11 a.m. sung by the Saint Thomas Choir of Men and Boys

**ORDINARY OF THE MASS** 

Missa Resurrectionis

Gerre Hancock (1934-2012)

**PRELUDE** 

O wie selig seid ihr doch, ihr Frommen

Franz Schmidt (1874-1939)

The People stand at the entry of the Choir. This Hymn is sung as the Sacred Ministers go to the altar.

HYMN IN BABILONE



#### THE OPENING ACCLAMATION AND COLLECT FOR PURITY

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit

People And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

The Celebrant says

A LMIGHTY God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

# GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

Sung by the Choir

LORY be to God on high, J 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.

#### THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

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

With the Holy Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

A LMIGHTY and merciful God, of whose only gift it cometh that thy faithful people do unto thee true and laudable service: Grant, we beseech thee, that we may run without stumbling to obtain thy heavenly promises; through Jesus Christ our Lord, 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 Deuteronomy 6:1-9

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

PSALM: 119:1-8 Sung by the Choir Anglican Chant (Noble)

#### BEATI IMMACULATI

Blessed are those that are undefiled in the way: and walk in the law of the Lord. Blessed are they that keep his testimonies: and seek him with their whole heart.

For they who do no wickedness: walk in his ways.

Thou hast charged: that we shall diligently keep thy commandments.

O that my ways were made so direct: that I might keep thy statutes!

So shall I not be confounded: while I have respect unto all thy commandments.

I will thank thee with an unfeigned heart: when I shall have learned the judgements of thy righteousness. I will keep thy ceremonies: O forsake me not utterly.

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 9:11-14

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

The People stand.

HYMN

GENERAL SEMINARY



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GOSPEL ACCLAMATION Plainsong (Mode VI)



Choir Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia! People Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Cantor I am the way, the truth, and the life, says the Lord.

No one comes to the Father except through me.

People Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

THE HOLY GOSPEL Mark 12:28-34

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

People Glory be to thee, O Lord.

After the Gospel, the Deacon says

The Gospel of the Lord. Praise be to thee, O Christ.

THE SERMON

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

#### THE NICENE CREED

People

Said by all, standing. It is customary to bow at the underlined words.

**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 PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE (FORM III)

The Leader says

Let us pray for the Church and for the world, and let us thank God for his mercy.

The People kneel.

Father, we pray for thy holy Catholic Church;

That we all may be one.

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve thee; *That thy Name may be glorified by all people.* 

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;

That they may be faithful ministers of thy Word and Sacraments.

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world; *That there may be justice and peace on the earth.* 

Give us grace to do thy will in all that we undertake; *That our works may find favor in thy sight.* 

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble; *That they may be delivered from their distress.* 

Give to the departed eternal rest; Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We praise thee for thy saints who have entered into joy; *May we also come to share in thy heavenly kingdom.* 

In a moment of silence, let us bring our own petitions to the Lord.

After a period of silence, the Celebrant concludes with this collect

**I** ORD Jesus Christ, who didst say to thine apostles, "Peace I give to you; my own peace I leave with you:" Regard not our sins, but the faith of thy Church, and grant us the peace and unity of that heavenly City, where with the Father and the Holy Spirit thou livest and reignest, now and for ever. *Amen.* 

#### **CONFESSION OF SIN**

The Celebrant says

Let us humbly confess our sins to Almighty God.

Celebrant and People

A LMIGHTY God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, maker of all things, judge of all men: We acknowledge and bewail our manifold sins and wickedness, which we, from time to time, most grievously have committed, by thought, word, and deed, against thy divine Majesty, provoking most justly thy wrath and indignation against us. We do earnestly repent, and are heartily sorry for these our misdoings; the remembrance of them is grievous unto us; the burden of them is intolerable. Have mercy upon us, have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; for thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, forgive us all that is past; and grant that we may ever hereafter serve and please thee in newness of life, to the honor and glory of thy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Celebrant says

A LMIGHTY God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all those who with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

# THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

#### THE PEACE

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And with thy spirit.

THE GREETINGS

Please be seated.

**OFFERTORY ANTHEM**Sung by the Choir
Gerre Hancock
(1934-2012)

▲ LLELUIA.

There is no longer Jew or Greek; there is no longer slave or free; there is no longer male, there is no longer female.

For all of you are one, you are one in Christ Jesus.

Alleluia.

Galatians 3:27-28

#### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

CelebrantThe Lord be with you.PeopleAnd with thy spirit.CelebrantLift up your hearts.

People We lift them up unto the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

People It is meet and right so to do.

#### The Celebrant continues

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 God.

Creator of the light and source of life, who hast made us in thine image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord.

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

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.

Please kneel.

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

**UR** 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

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

#### PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS

Celebrant and People

//E 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**

**DEHOLD** the Lamb of God: behold him that taketh away the sins of the world. **D** Blessed are those who are called to his supper.

Lord, I am not worthy that thou shouldest come under my roof, People but speak the word only and my soul shall be healed.

#### AN ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION (for those unable to receive Holy Communion)

**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 in one kind only at the Crossing. Gluten free hosts are available; please ask the priest.

#### **AGNUS DEI**

Sung by the Choir

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.

MOTET

Sung by the Choir

Maurice Duruflé
(1902-1986)

BI caritas et amor, Deus ibi est.
Congregavit nos in unum Christi amor.
Exsultemus et in ipso jucundemur.
Timeamus et amemus Deum vivum.
Et ex corde diligamus nos sincero.
Amen.

Where charity and love are, God is there.
Christ's love has gathered us into one.
Let us rejoice and he pleased in him.
Let us fear and let us love the living God.
And may we love each other with a sincere heart.
Amen.

#### THE POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

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 peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you, and remain with you always. Amen.

HYMN BLAENWERN



# THE DISMISSAL

Deacon Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE Toccata (Suite Op. 5)

Maurice Duruflé
(1902-1986)

# **PARISH NOTICES**

**Adult Education**. Join Fr. Moretz today at 10 a.m. when he continues his class series on the *Theology of the Reredos*. Going beyond the architectural meaning, he will reveal the personages, spiritual biographies, and deep symbolism of this great work of sacred art. This class will include close up images of this powerful work of sculpture, building on previous classes, but so presented that one will not have had to attend the previous classes to appreciate subsequent ones. You are welcome to join us in person on the Fifth Floor of the Parish House or on Zoom using the link provided in our E-News.

Children and Families' Gatherings. Each Sunday begins with a Sung Mass at 9 a.m., which is especially suitable for children. Afterwards, Sunday School is offered for children ages 4 to 11 on the third floor of the Parish House until 10:45 a.m. Nursery care is available from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Registration for all 2021-22 Children and Family events and programs is essential. You may access the registration form Here. For any queries regarding the above or to receive our weekly newsletter please contact: ChildrenandFamilies@SaintThomasChurch.org. A quiet Children's area in the Chantry Chapel is also available for parents with their children during the 11 a.m. Mass.

Concerts at Saint Thomas celebrates the music of 20th century, French organ virtuoso Jeanne Demessieux in the centennial year of her birth. Organist Stephen Tharp plays a series of three concerts on Saturdays, November 6, 13 and 20, at 3 p.m., featuring her complete organ works on the Miller-Scott Organ. Purchase tickets for the Series Package to all three concerts or visit our website for more information. Support Concerts at Saint Thomas by becoming a Friend of Music. To make a donation, email Concerts@SaintThomasChurch.org or call 212-664-9360.

The Saint Thomas Choir of Men and Boys released our first new choral album in seven years, "The Music of Gerre Hancock", in April 2021. The performances on the new recording are led by Dr. Jeremy Filsell, with accompaniment from Benjamin Sheen (former Associate Organist), Nicholas Quardokus (former Assistant Organist), and The Saint Thomas Brass Ensemble. <u>Listen</u> to tracks and purchase your own copy of the album to stream or order the CD directly from our website.

Children's Parish Choir. Under the direction of Mrs. Rebecca Kellerman-Filsell, a new children's parish choir for singers ages 5-12 is now underway. Rehearsals will take place on Tuesdays at 4-4:45 p.m. and Saturdays from 10-10:45 a.m. Registration is now available online. This **FREE** music program will feature the acclaimed RSCM (Royal School of Church Music) Voice for Life curriculum in which choristers will gain different colored ribbons by working towards different assessed levels of music and vocal instruction. Our first appearance as a choir will be at the Crèche Service in December. Then, beginning in January 2022, we will sing at the 9 a.m. Sunday morning Mass (Family Service). No audition is necessary, just enthusiasm and a love of music. For more information, contact **RKellerman@SaintThomasChurch.org**.

**Friday Bible Study** continues at 1:30 p.m. over Zoom, and runs for about an hour. For more information, please contact Fr. Bennett at **RBennett@SaintThomasChurch.org**.

Welcoming Father Mark Schultz. Next Sunday, November 7, we will formally welcome and commission Fr. Shultz as the new Associate for Pastoral Care at the 11 a.m. Solemn Eucharist. Following the service, there will be a special Coffee Hour in the Narthex. Please join us!

# SERVICES THIS WEEK AND BEYOND

# The Church is open for Private Prayer and Visits

Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. Saturday: 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Proof of vaccination, face masks, hand sanitization and health screening are required for entry.

# **Shrine Prayers (Intercessions)**

Monday - Saturday at 12 p.m Live audio stream and then on-demand.

Please send your requests for prayers via the website click here or emailed to: prayer@saintthomaschurch.org

#### The Daily Eucharist

Monday – Saturday 12:05 p.m. *Live audio stream and then on-demand.* Wednesday at 5:30 p.m. in the Chantry Chapel. Thursday following Evensong.

# **CHORAL SERVICES THIS WEEK**

All choral services are video livestreamed, and, thereafter, available on-demand

# MONDAY, NOVEMBER 1

#### ALL SAINTS' DAY

5:30 p.m. Solemn Eucharist

sung by the Saint Thomas Choir of Men and Boys

Homily by Fr. Moretz

# **TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 2**

# **ALL SOULS' DAY**

#### 5:30 p.m. Solemn Requiem Eucharist

sung by the Saint Thomas Choir of Men and Boys

Homily by The Rector

# THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 4

5:30 p.m. Choral Evensong

sung by the Saint Thomas Choir of Men and Boys

# **¥** SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 7

# **ALL SAINTS' SUNDAY**

#### 9 a.m. Sung Eucharist

Cantor: Rebecca Kellerman-Filsell
This service is especially suitable for children

Homily by Fr. Moretz

# 11 a.m. Solemn Eucharist and Commissioning of Father Mark Schultz

as Associate for Pastoral Care

sung by the Saint Thomas Choir of Men and Boys

Sermon by Fr. Schultz

# 4 p.m. Solemn Evensong

sung by the Saint Thomas Choir of Men and Boys

Sermon by The Rector

# <u>Confessions, Spiritual Advice and Healing Ministry</u> in the Resurrection Chapel Saturday 11 to 11:45 a.m. in the Church. Confessor: Fr. Brown

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and Chief Operating Officer
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Associate for Children & Family Ministry
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The Reverend Ryan Bennett, Assistant Priest

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