

SAINT THOMAS CHURCH FIFTH AVENUE  
in the  
CITY OF NEW YORK



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SUNDAY, AUGUST 25, 2024 AT 11 A.M.  
THE FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

FESTAL EUCHARIST  
SUNG BY THE GENTLEMEN OF THE CHOIR



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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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THE ORDINARY OF THE MASS

Missa quarti toni

Tomás Luis de Victoria  
(1548-1611)

PRELUDE

Tiento de medio registro de baxon de 1º tono

Francisco Correa de Arauxo  
(c. 1575-1654)

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

HYMN

HYFRYDOL

1 Al - le - lu - ia! sing to Je - sus! his the  
\*2 Al - le - lu - ia! not as or - phans are we  
3 Al - le - lu - ia! bread of Hea - ven, Thou on  
4 Al - le - lu - ia! King c - ter - nal, thee the  
\*5 Al - le - lu - ia! sing to Je - sus! his the

1 scep - ter, his the throne; Al - le - lu - ia! his the  
2 left in sor - row now; Al - le - lu - ia! he is  
3 earth our food, our stay! Al - le - lu - ia! here the  
4 Lord of lords we own; Al - le - lu - ia! born of  
5 scep - ter, his the throne; Al - le - lu - ia! his the

1 tri - umph, his the vic - to - ry a - lone; Hark! the  
2 near us, faith be - lieves, nor ques - tions how: though the  
3 sin - ful flee to thee from day to day: In - ter -  
4 Ma - ry, earth thy foot - stool, heaven thy throne: thou with -  
5 tri - umph, his the vic - to - ry a - lone; Hark! the

1 songs of peace - ful Zi - on thun - der like a  
2 cloud from sight re - ceived him, when the for - ty  
3 ces - sor, friend of sin - ners, earth's Re - deem - er,  
4 in the veil hast en - tered, robed in flesh, our  
5 songs of ho - ly Zi - on thun - der like a



1 might - y flood; Je - sus out of ev - ery  
2 days were o'er, shall our hearts for - get his  
3 plead for me, where the songs of all the  
4 great High Priest: thou on earth both Priest and  
5 might - y flood; Je - sus out of ev - ery

1 na - tion hath re - deemed us by his blood.  
2 prom - ise, "I am with you ev - er - more?"  
3 sin - less sweep a - cross the crys - tal sea.  
4 Vic - tim in the eu - cha - ris - tic feast.  
5 na - tion hath re - deemed us by his blood.

*Alleluia! sing to Jesus*, #460 from *The Hymnal 1982* – Words: William Chatterton Dix (1837-1898).  
Music: *Hyfrydol*, Rowland Hugh Prichard (1811-1887).

#### THE PENITENTIAL ORDER

Celebrant   
Bless-ed be God: Father, Son, and Ho - ly Spi - rit.

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

*The Celebrant says*

**I**F 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*

**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*

**T**HE 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*

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

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



THE SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

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

**G**RANT, we beseech thee, merciful God, that thy Church, being gathered together in unity by thy Holy Spirit, may manifest thy power among all peoples, to the glory of thy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the same Spirit, one God, world without end. **Amen.**

*The People sit.*

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

THE LESSON

Joshua 24:1-2a, 14-18

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

PSALM 34:15-22

*Sung by the Choir*

Plainsong (Tone VII<sup>2</sup>)

BENEDICAM DOMINO

**T**HE eyes of the Lord are over the righteous : and his ears are open unto their prayers.  
The countenance of the Lord is against them that do evil :  
to root out the remembrance of them from the earth.  
The righteous cry, and the Lord heareth them: and delivereth them out of all their troubles.  
The Lord is nigh unto them that are of a contrite heart :  
and will save such as be of an humble spirit.  
Great are the troubles of the righteous : but the Lord delivereth him out of all.  
He keepeth all his bones : so that not one of them is broken.  
But misfortune shall slay the ungodly : and they that hate the righteous shall be desolate.  
The Lord delivereth the souls of his servants :  
and all they that put their trust in him shall not be destitute.  
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

Ephesians 6:10-20

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

*The People stand.*



HYMN

GOTT SEI DANK

1 Spread, O spread, thou might - y word, spread the king - dom of the Lord,  
2 word of how the Fa - ther's will made the world, and keeps it, still;  
3 word of how the Sa - vior's love earth's sore bur - den doth re - move;  
4 word of how the Spi - rit came bring - ing peace in Je - sus' name;  
5 Word of life, most pure and strong, word for which the na - tions long,

1 that to earth's re - mot - est bound all may heed the joy - ful sound;  
2 how his on - ly Son he gave, earth from sin and death to save;  
3 how for - ev - er, in its need, through his death the world is freed;  
4 how his nev - er - fail - ing love guides us on to heaven a - bove.  
5 spread a - broad, un - til from night all the world a - wakes to light.

*Spread, O spread, thou mighty word*, #530 from *The Hymnal 1982* – Words: Jonathan Friedrich Bahnmaier (1774-1841); tr. Arthur William Farlander (1898-1952) and Charles Winfred Douglas (1867-1944), alt. St. 4, F. Bland Tucker (1895-1984).  
Music: *Gott sei Dank*, melody from *Geistreiches Gesangbuch*, 1704; adapt. and harm. William Henry Havergal (1793-1870).

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Plainsong (Mode VI)

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

Choir Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.  
People Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.  
Cantor I am the living bread which came down from heaven:  
if any man eat of this bread, he shall live for ever.  
People Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

THE HOLY GOSPEL

John 6:56-69

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

People Glo - ry be to thee, O Lord.





After the Gospel, the Deacon says

People      The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise      be      to      thee, O Christ.

THE SERMON

The Rev. Dr. Luigi Gioia  
*Theologian in Residence*

*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 PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE (FORM I)**

*The Intercessor says*

With all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord, saying, "Lord, have mercy."

*The People kneel.*

*After each petition,*

Let us pray to the Lord.

*People*    **Lord, have mercy.**

*At the end of the Litany,*

Defend us, deliver us, and in thy compassion protect us, O Lord, by thy grace.

*People*    **Lord, have mercy.**

*After the last petition*

... let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life, to Christ our God.

*People*    **To thee, O Lord our God.**

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

**L**ORD Jesus Christ, thou saidst 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 give to 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.**

*The People stand.*

**THE PEACE**

*The Celebrant says*

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

Juan Vasquez  
(c. 1500-1560)

**S**ANA me, Domine, et sanabor: saluum me fac, et saluus ero,  
quoniam laus mea, et virtus mea tu es.  
Miserere mei Domine, quoniam infirmus sum:  
sana Domine animam meam, quia peccavi tibi: sana me, Domine, et sanabor.

*Heal me, O Lord, and I shall be healed; save me, and I shall be saved:  
for thou art my praise, and you are my strength.  
Have mercy upon me, O Lord; for I am weak:  
Heal O Lord my soul because I have sinned to thee.*

*Jeremiah 17:14, Psalm 6:2, Antiphon at Matins for the Office of the Dead*



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*The People stand.*

### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

<i>Celebrant</i>	<i>People</i>
The Lord be with you.	And with thy spi - rit.
<i>Celebrant</i>	<i>People</i>
Lift up your hearts.	We lift them up un - to the Lord.
<i>Celebrant</i>	
Let us give thanks un - to our Lord God.	
<i>People</i>	
It is meet and right so to do.	

*The Celebrant continues*

**I**T is very meet, right and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places,  
give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting 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*

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

*Holy, holy, holy,  
Lord God of Hosts.  
Heaven and earth are full of thy glory.  
Hosanna in the highest.*

Benedictus qui venit  
in nomine Domini.  
Hosanna in excelsis.

*Blessed is he that cometh  
in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.*

*The People kneel or stand.*

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

*The Celebrant continues the Eucharistic Prayer, which concludes*

By whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost,  
all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end.

*The People respond*      **AMEN.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

*The Celebrant says*

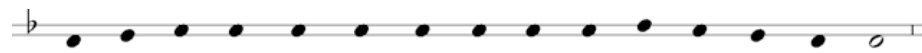
And now, as our Savior Christ hath taught us, we are bold to say,

*Celebrant and People*

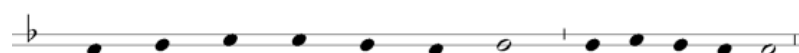
**O**UR Father, who art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy Name,  
thy kingdom come,  
thy will be done,  
on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread.  
And forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive those who trespass against us.  
And lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,  
for ever and ever. Amen.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

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

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

*People*

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



INVITATION TO COMMUNION

*The Celebrant says*

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

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

*The People remain kneeling until the bell rings.*

AN ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION *(for those unable to receive Holy Communion in person)*

**I** BELIEVE in thee, O my Jesus, present in the most holy Sacrament of the Altar;  
I love thee above all things, and I desire to receive thee into my soul.  
Since I cannot at this moment receive thee sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart.  
I embrace thee, and I unite myself to thee as if thou wast already there.  
Never permit me to be separated from thee!  
O Lord Jesus Christ, let the sweet and consuming force of thy love absorb my whole soul, that I  
may die for the love of thee, who wast pleased to die for the love of me. Amen.

HOLY COMMUNION

*All baptized Christians are invited to receive Holy Communion.*

*The Sacrament is distributed at the Crossing. Intinction (dipping the host in the chalice) is not permitted.*

*You are welcome to receive in one kind only. Gluten free hosts are available - please ask the priest.*

AGNUS DEI

*Sung by the Choir*

**A**GNUS Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi,  
miserere nobis.  
Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi,  
dona nobis pacem.

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

ANTHEM

Francisco Guerrero  
(1528-1599)

**O**LUX beata Trinitas,  
Et principalis unitas,  
Iam sol recedit igneus,  
Infunde lumen cordibus.

O Trinity of blessed light,  
O Unity of princely might,  
The fiery sun now goes his way;  
Shed Thou within our hearts Thy ray.

Te mane laudum carmine,  
Te deprecemur vespere:  
Te nostra supplex gloria  
Per cuncta laudet sæcula.

To Thee our morning song of praise,  
To Thee our evening prayer we raise;  
Thy glory suppliant we adore  
Forever and forevermore.

Deo Patri sit gloria,  
Ejusque soli Filio,  
Cum Spiritu Paraclito,  
Et nunc et in perpetuum.

All laud to God the Father be;  
All praise, Eternal Son, to Thee;  
All glory, as is ever meet,  
To God the Holy Paraclete.

*Ambrose of Milan (c. 340-397)*



*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 Celebrant says*

**T**HE 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

ST. THOMAS (WILLIAMS)

1 I love thy king-dom, Lord, the house of thine a-bode, the  
2 For her my tears shall fall; for her my prayers a-scent; to  
3 Be-yond my high-est joy I prize her heaven-ly ways, her  
4 Je-sus, thou friend di-vine, our Sa-vior and our King, thy  
5 Sure as thy truth shall last, to Zi-on shall be given the

1 Church our blest Re-deem-er saved with his own pre-cious blood.  
2 her my cares and toils be given, till toils and cares shall end.  
3 sweet com-mun-ion, so-lemn vows, her hymns of love and praise.  
4 hand from ev-ery snare and foe shall great de-liv-erance bring.  
5 bright-est glo-ries earth can yield, and bright-er bliss of heaven.

*I love thy kingdom, Lord*, #524 from *The Hymnal 1982* – Words: Timothy Dwight (1725-1817).  
Music: St. Thomas (Williams), melody Aaron Williams (1731-1776); harm. Lowell Mason (1792-1872).

THE DISMISSAL

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

VOLUNTARY

Registo baixo do 1º tom

Sebastián Aguilera de Heredia  
(1561-1627)

Please join us for Coffee Hour in the Narthex after the service.

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## PILGRIMS' II COURSE FALL 2024



*Want to know more about the Christian Faith?  
Want to be baptized or confirmed?  
Want to become a member of Saint Thomas Church?*

A Follow-Up to the Pilgrims' course will take place in the Fall on **October 22, 29** and **November 5, 12, and 19**.

Among the topics there will be two highly appreciated talks by the Rector:

- **“Divine Design:** a guided exploration of Saint Thomas Church and of the liturgical signification of its architecture with the Rector”
- **“Unpacking the Sunday High Mass:** A step-by-step explanation of what happens and why”

A poll will be sent to the participants of the Pilgrims' course of the past few years to ask them which topics they would like to revisit or deepen. If you wish to be kept informed about the Pilgrims' Follow Up Course, please register at <https://saintthomaschurch.tpsdb.com/OnePageReg/307>

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The flowers today are offered to the glory of God and in memory of the following:  
*Margaret Crane Hurlbut, Albion E. Metcalf II, and Joel Rothermel*

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## WORSHIP THIS WEEK

\* indicates livestreamed.

Monday – Saturday

12 p.m. Shrine Prayers and Holy Eucharist\*

Saturday

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

Confessor: Mo. Turner

Next Sunday: September 1, Pentecost XV

7:45 a.m. Said Mass

9 a.m. Sung Mass

*followed by Coffee Hour in the Parish House*

11 a.m. Festal Eucharist\*

*sung by the Gentlemen of the Choir*

Sermon by Mo. Turner

## PARISH NOTICES

**Children and Family Ministries:** Registration for the 2024-2025 CFM Academic Year is now open and available on the website. Sunday School (3-10), Faith Alive (10-14+), and Noble Singers (8-14+) are off for the Summer. CFM Programming will resume September 7 with Choir Camp, followed by a picnic on September 8! The Nursery is closed today, but will resume availability next Sunday, August 25. We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause. To receive our CFM newsletter or for registration questions please contact [Childrenandfamilies@saintthomaschurch.org](mailto:Childrenandfamilies@saintthomaschurch.org).

**New Volunteer Meeting** – Save the Date! Safe Church: an introduction to safeguarding training within the Episcopal Church will take place Sunday, September 22 from 1-2:30 p.m. on the fifth floor with lunch. Sign up details to follow in September.

**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.

**The Saint Thomas Theological Education Program** will be on summer break through September 1. For more info, contact Fr. Luigi Gioia: [Lgioia@saintthomaschurch.org](mailto:Lgioia@saintthomaschurch.org).

You are cordially invited to the **Holy Eucharist in the Korean language** every second Sunday of the month at 1:30 p.m. It is preceded by brunch at 12:45 p.m. 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 친교도나누세요.

**Contemplative Prayer** will be on a break until September 13. For more information, please contact Mo. Lee-Pae at [Pleepae@saintthomaschurch.org](mailto:Pleepae@saintthomaschurch.org).

**Friday Zoom Bible Study—Christ and Ekklesia:** John’s Wondrous Vision of Light. Led by Fr. Schultz Fridays at 1 p.m. via Zoom. We have embarked on the Book of the Glory (John 13-21) in which we will witness Jesus’ Passion and Resurrection. Bring your Bible, your questions, and yourself as, together, we deepen our relationship with God through scripture. Contact Fr. Schultz with any questions and for the Zoom link: [Mschultz@saintthomaschurch.org](mailto:Mschultz@saintthomaschurch.org).

**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](mailto:Mwhite@choirschool.org).

**The Noble Singers**, our children’s parish choir for singers ages 5-14, under the Direction of Mrs. Rebecca Kellerman-Filsell, is now on Summer Break. We will begin our Fall 2024 Choir Term with a Choir Camp Day on Saturday, September 7 from 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. Weekly rehearsals will resume in early September and we will return to singing and leading worship at the 9 a.m. Sung Mass on Sunday, September 15. We welcome new singers at any time. No audition is necessary, just enthusiasm and a love of music! For more information, and to register your singer, contact [Rkellerman@saintthomaschurch.org](mailto:Rkellerman@saintthomaschurch.org).

**The Saint Thomas Social Justice Outreach Group** gathers volunteers from our community to address the needs of vulnerable people facing special challenges and who struggle to meet basic needs. With St. Patrick’s Cathedral and Fifth Avenue Presbyterian, Saint Thomas Church is part of the EOP (Ecumenical Outreach Partnership). The EOP employs two social workers who make sure that volunteer work is done professionally, in compliance with regulations and safeguarding, and in such a way that people in need are helped to improve their life situations. Parishioners from Saint Thomas can join the distribution of meals by the EOP on 55th Street from 1 to 2 p.m. on Mondays and Wednesdays. Those who would like to join can write to Fr. Luigi Gioia at [Lgioia@saintthomaschurch.org](mailto:Lgioia@saintthomaschurch.org).

