

SAINT THOMAS CHURCH FIFTH AVENUE
in the
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SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, 2024 AT 11 A.M.
SAINT MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS

SOLEMN EUCHARIST
SUNG BY THE SAINT THOMAS CHOIR OF MEN AND BOYS



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*Our mission is to worship, love, and serve Our Lord Jesus Christ
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THE ORDINARY OF THE MASS

Bright Mass with Canons

Nico Mubly
(b. 1981)

PRELUDE

vi. Les Anges from La Nativité du Seigneur (1935)

Olivier Messiaen
(1908-1992)

*'And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God,
and saying, Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men.'*
- Gospel according to St. Luke 2:13, 14

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

HYMN

ANGEL VOICES

1. An - gel voi - ces, e - ver sing - ing, round thy throne of light,
2. Thou who art be - yond the farth - est mor - tal eye can scan,
3. For we know that thou re - joi - cest o'er each work of thine;
4. In thy house, great God, we of - fer of thine own to thee;
5. Ho - nour, glo - ry, might and me - rit thine shall e - ver be,


an - gel harps, for e - ver ring - ing, rest not day nor night;
can it be that thou re - gard - est songs of sin - ful man?
thou didst ears and hands and voi - ces for thy praise de - sign;
and for thine ac - cep - tance prof - fer all un - worth - i - ly
Fa - ther, Son and Ho - ly Spi - rit, bles - sed Tri - ni - ty.


thou - sands on - ly live to bless thee, and con - fess thee Lord of might.
Can we know that thou art near us and wilt hear us? Yes, we can.
crafts - man's art and mu - sic's mea - sure for thy plea - sure all com - bine.
hearts and minds and hands and voi - ces in our choi - cest psal - mo - dy.
Of the best that thou hast gi - ven earth and hea - ven ren - der thee.

Angel Voices ever singing, #336 from *The New English Hymnal* – Words: Francis Pott (1832-1909).
Music: Angel Voices, E. G. Monk (1819-1900).



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

WE have come to Mount Zion,
the city of the living God,
the heavenly Jerusalem,
to myriads of angels,
to God, the judge of all,
and to Jesus the mediator of a new covenant. *Hebrews 12:22-24*

Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

The People kneel. Silence is kept.

Celebrant and People

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

The Celebrant says

THE Almighty and merciful Lord grant you absolution and remission of all your sins,
true repentance, amendment of life, and the grace and consolation of his Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

The People stand.



GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

Sung by the Choir

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 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.

OVERLASTING God, who hast ordained and constituted the ministries of angels and men in a wonderful order: Mercifully grant that, as thy holy angels always serve and worship thee in heaven, so by thy appointment they may help and defend us on earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The People sit.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

THE LESSON

Genesis 28:10-17

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

PSALM 103

Sung by the Choir

Anglican Chant (*Hancock/Andrew*)

BENEDIC, ANIMA MEA

PRAISE the Lord, O my soul : and all that is within me praise his holy Name.
Praise the Lord, O my soul : and forget not all his benefits;
Who forgiveth all thy sin : and healeth all thine infirmities;
Who saveth thy life from destruction : and crowneth thee with mercy and loving-kindness;



Who satisfieth thy mouth with good things : making thee young and lusty as an eagle.
The Lord executeth righteousness and judgement : for all them that are oppressed with wrong.
He shewed his ways unto Moses : his works unto the children of Israel.
The Lord is full of compassion and mercy : long-suffering, and of great goodness.
He will not always be chiding : neither keepeth he his anger for ever.
He hath not dealt with us after our sins : nor rewarded us according to our wickednesses.
For look how high the heaven is in comparison of the earth :
 so great is his mercy also toward them that fear him.
Look how wide also the east is from the west : so far hath he set our sins from us.
Yea, like as a father pitieth his own children : even so is the Lord merciful unto them that fear him.
For he knoweth whereof we are made : he remembereth that we are but dust.
The days of man are but as grass : for he flourisheth as a flower of the field.
For as soon as the wind goeth over it, it is gone: and the place thereof shall know it no more.
But the merciful goodness of the Lord endureth for ever and ever upon them that fear him: and his
righteousness upon children's children;
Even upon such as keep his covenant : and think upon his commandments to do them.
The Lord hath prepared his seat in heaven : and his kingdom ruleth over all.
O praise the Lord, ye angels of his, ye that excel in strength :
 ye that fulfil his commandment, and hearken unto the voice of his words.
O praise the Lord, all ye his hosts : ye servants of his that do his pleasure.
O speak good of the Lord, all ye works of his, in all places of his dominion :
 praise thou the Lord, O my soul.
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son : and to the Holy Ghost;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be : world without end. Amen.

THE EPISTLE

Revelation 12:7-12

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

The People stand.

HYMN

CAELITES PLAUDANT

1 Christ, the fair glo - ry of the ho - ly an - gels,
2 Send thine arch - an - gel Mi - chael to our suc - cor;
3 Send thine arch - an - gel Ga - bri - el, the might - y;
4 Send from the hea - vens Ra - phael thine arch - an - gel,
5 May the blest mo - ther of our God and Sa - vior,
6 Fa - ther Al - might - y, Son, and Ho - ly Spi - rit,

1 ma - ker of all things, ru - ler of all
2 peace - ma - ker bless - ed, may he ban - ish
3 her - ald of hca - ven, may he, from us
4 health - bring - er bless - ed, aid - ing ev - ery
5 may the ce - les - tial com - pa - ny of
6 God ev - er bless - ed, hear our thank - ful



1 na - tions, grant of thy mer - cy un - to us thy
2 from us striv - ing and hat - red, so that for the
3 mor - tals, drive ev - ery e - vil, watch - ing o'er the
4 suf - ferer, that, in thy ser - vice, he may wise - ly
5 an - gels, may the as - sem - bly of the saints in
6 prais - es; thine is the glo - ry which from all cre -



1 ser - vants steps up to hea - ven.
2 peace - ful all things may pros - per.
3 tem - ples where thou art wor - shipped.
4 guide us, heal - ing and bless - ing.
5 hea - ven help us to praise thee.
6 a - tion ev - er a - scend - eth.

Christ, the fair glory of the holy angels. #282 from *The Hymnal 1982* – Words: Rabanus Maurus (776-856); ver. *Hymnal 1940*, alt. Copyright © The Church Pension Fund. Music: *Caelites plaudant*, melody from *Antiphoner*, 1728; harm. Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958).

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



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

People Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

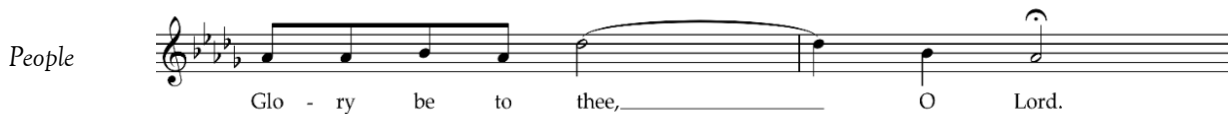
Cantor O praise the Lord, ye angels of his, ye that excel in strength:
ye that fulfil his commandment, and hearken unto the voice of his words.

People Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

THE HOLY GOSPEL

John 1:47-51

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



Glo - ry be to thee, O Lord.

After the Gospel, the Deacon says

The Gospel of the Lord.



Praise be to thee, Praise be to thee, O Christ.

THE SERMON

The Very Rev. Dominic Barrington
Dean of York

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 (SPECIAL FORM)

The Minister says

IN the power of the Spirit, and in unison with Christ,
let us pray to the Father.

The People kneel. This response is used

Lord, hear us.

People **Lord, graciously hear us.**



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

O GOD, who of thy ineffable providence dost vouchsafe to send thy holy Angels to be our guardians: grant to us thy humble servants; that we may in this life ever be defended by their protection, and rejoice in their everlasting company in heaven. Through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

The People stand.

THE PEACE

The Celebrant introduces the Peace with these words

CHRIST is our peace. He has reconciled us to God in one body by the cross.
We meet in his name and share his peace.

People The peace of the Lord be always with you.
 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

ANTHEM AT THE OFFERTORY

Hymn to Saint Michael

Robert Lehman
(b. 1960)

O JESU, life-spring of the soul, the Father's power, and glory bright!
Thee with the angels we extol; from thee they draw their life and light.
Thy thousand hosts are spread embattled over the azure sky;
but Michael bears thy standard dread, and lifts the mighty cries on high.
He in that sign the rebel powers did with their dragon prince expel;
and hurled them from the heaven's high towers down like a thunderbolt to hell.
Grant us with Michael still, O Lord, against the Prince of Pride to fight;
so may a crown be our reward, before the Lord's pure throne of light.

Urban VIII (1568-1644), from the hymn Tibi, Christi, splendor Patris



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The People stand.



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.

For with thy co-eternal Son and Holy Spirit, thou art one God, one Lord, in Trinity of Persons and in Unity of Substance; and we celebrate the one and equal glory of thee, O Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

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

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.

The People kneel or stand.

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

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

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,

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.

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

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

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



The People remain kneeling until the bell rings.

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

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

HOLY COMMUNION

All baptized Christians are invited to receive Holy Communion.

*The Sacrament is distributed at the Crossing. Intinction (dipping the host in the chalice) is not permitted.
You are welcome to receive in one kind only. Gluten free hosts are available - please ask the priest.*

MIDDLE VOLUNTARY

AGNUS DEI

Sung by the Choir

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

ANTHEM

Plainsong (Mode I)

LEGE qui certa moderaris alte
cuncta caelorum, dominans ubique
quo Tibi prompta pietate mentis
serviat orbis:

Te chorus claro celebrat honore,
quem locat dextris Tua dextra fortis.
Inter hos princeps mediante summo
Michael astat.

Hic Tui praedux populi sacra
bella congressu superat secundo,
quem pavet caeli revolutus axe
lividus hostis.

Solis abscessus tenebras reduxit,
nunc, Pater, nos irradias, benigne,
luce qui fulva foves angelorum
agmina sancta.

*You rule all the heavens without wavering
Loyal and sublime, ruling without limits,
That with a ready heart and pious mind
The world serves you.*

*The choir of powers hymns you with high praise,
Standing at your strong right hand.
Michael, the prince among them,
Rushes to serve you.*

*This one is your holy people's warrior,
In victorious battle he wins the fight.
He attacks the enemy and makes him embittered
and tremble in fear.*

*The shadows lengthen with the setting sun,
Now, gracious Father, kindly shine on us
With the warm light of the angels'
Holy host.*



O beatorum Deus angelorum,
rector humani generis et auctor,
nobis aeternum tribue benignus
scandere caelum.

Angelum pacis, Michaellem ad istam
caelitus mitti rogitamus aulam,
nobis ut crebro veniente crescant
prospera cuncta.

Tu libens festis animas choreis
carne migrantes sociato sanctas,
quo salus perpes fideique merces
regnat in ævum.

Laus Tibi Patri, decus atque Nato,
Flamini Sancto parilis potestas,
cuncta qui summa pietate regnas
omne per ævum. Amen.

*You, the God of blessed choirs of angels,
Ruler and Author, too, of humankind:
Grant us, we beseech you, to ascend to heaven
For all eternity.*

*We pray for Michael, the Angel of Peace
To be sent to us from the Heavenly Halls
That by his frequent visitation we may grow
In all prosperity.*

*Eagerly you draw from earthly pleasure
Holy pilgrim souls to the festal dance,
You who grant for faith salvation without measure,
Ruling for aye the heavenly trance.*

*Praise to you, O Father, and Honor to the Son,
And Equal Power to the Holy Spirit,
In perfect blessedness ruling all things
while endless ages run. Amen.*

This hymn is sung, the people kneeling or sitting.

HYMN

PICARDY



1 Let all mo - rtal flesh keep si - lence, and with fear and
2 King of kings, yet born of Ma - ry, as of old on
3 Rank on rank the host of hea - ven spreads its van - guard
4 At his feet the six - winged ser - aph; cher - u - bim with



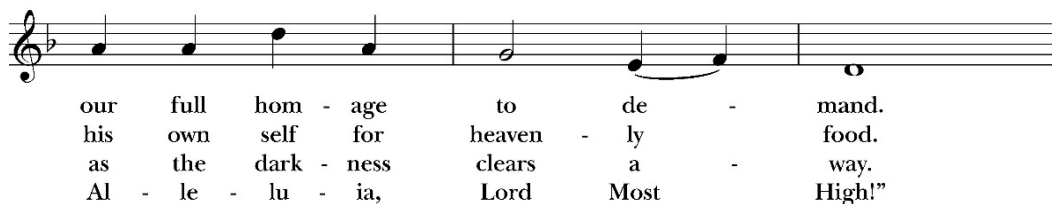
trem - bling stand; pon - der noth - ing earth - ly -
earth he stood, Lord of lords in hu - man
on the way, as the Light of Light de -
sleep - less eye veil their fac - es to the



mind - ed, for with bless - ing in his hand
ves - ture, in the Bo - dy and the Blood
scend - eth from the realms of end - less day,
Pres - ence, as with cease - less voice they cry,



Christ our God to earth de - scend - eth,
he will give to all the faith - ful
that the powers of hell may va - nish
"Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!"



Let all mortal flesh keep silence, #324 from *The Hymnal 1982* – Words: Liturgy of St. James; para. Gerard Moultrie (1829-1885).
Music: Picardy, French Carol, 17th cent; melody from *Chansons populaires des Provinces de France*, 1860.

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

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 BLESSING

The Celebrant says

GOD keep you in the fellowship of his saints; Christ protect you by the ministry of the angels; the Spirit make you holy in God's service; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**



HYMN

NOEL

1 It came up - on the mid - night clear, that glo - rious song of old,
2 Still through the clo - en skies they come with peace - ful wings un - furled,
3 Yet with the woes of sin and strife the world has suf - fered long;
4 For lo! the days are haste - ning on, by pro - phets seen of old,
from an - gels bend - ing near the earth to touch their harps of gold:
and still their heav - en - ly mu - sic floats o'er all the wea - ry world;
be - neath the heav - en - ly hymn have rolled two thou - sand years of wrong;
when with the ev - er - cir - cling years shall come the time fore - told,
“Peace on the earth, good will to men, from heaven’s all - gra - cious King.”
a - bove its sad and low - ly plains they bend on hov - ering wing,
and war - ring hu - man - kind hears not the tid - ings which they bring;
when peace shall o - ver all the earth its an - cient splen - dors fling,
The world in sol - emn still - ness lay to hear the an - gels sing.
and ev - er o'er its Ba - bel - sounds the bless - ed an - gels sing.
O hush the noise and cease your strife and hear the an - gels sing!
and all the world give back the song which now the an - gels sing.

It came upon a midnight clear, #90 from *The Hymnal 1982* – Words: Edmund H. Sears (1810-1876), alt.
Music: Noel, English melody; adapt. Arthur Seymour Sullivan (1842-1900).

THE DISMISSAL

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

VOLUNTARY

Michael, his Sword and Shield (*from Four Ikons of the Archangels*)

Neil Cox
(b. 1955)

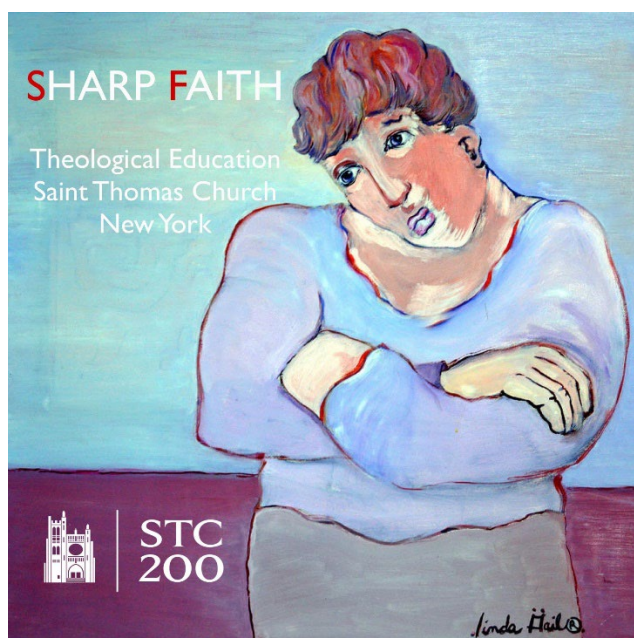
Please join us for Coffee Hour in the Living Room after the service.



The flowers today are offered to the glory of God and in memory of the following:
Margaret Crane Hurlbut, Nydia Mason, James Massey, and Frances Wasson Scoville

The Saint Thomas Theological Education Program 2024-25 continues Sundays at 10 a.m. with a series of talks on *The Question of Evil and Suffering* and *The Theology of Healing* by our Theologian In Residence, Fr. Luigi Gioia.

The lectures will be livestreamed on YouTube and video-recorded. If you want to receive weekly updates about the program, or to access the dates and titles of the talks, please register at this link:



The Saint Thomas Theological Education Program is at the service of those who seek a deeper understanding of faith and want to nourish their worship and their prayer. The teaching is rooted in Scripture, Christian tradition and spirituality. The lecturers are The Rev. Dr. Luigi Gioia, Theologian in Residence, and internationally renowned guest speakers who are committed to making theology accessible to non-specialists. The classes are held on Sundays at 10 AM on the Fifth Floor of the Parish House and are streamed online. Additionally, recordings and handouts are made available for those who cannot attend the live sessions. For the registration and the Program of Talks 2024-25 you can write to Fr. Luigi Gioia at lgioia@SaintThomasChurch.org.

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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 here:



please join us for a
BICENTENNIAL
Closing Celebration

OCTOBER **5** AT 6 PM

Cocktails and Live Music

A collage of six small photographs showing various church activities: people singing in a choir, a group of people in formal attire, a group of people in red and white robes, a group of people in red and white robes, a group of people in red and white robes, and a group of people in red and white robes.

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FOR TICKETS

A square QR code with a black and white pixelated pattern, used for linking to the ticket purchase page.

You may also email
bicentennial@saintthomaschurch.org
to purchase your ticket(s).

Bonnell Hall, Fifth Avenue Presbyterian

WORSHIP THIS WEEK

* indicates livestreamed.

Today

4 p.m. Festal Evensong*

sung by the Saint Thomas Choir of Men and Boys
Sermon by The Rev. Landon Moore,
Vicar for Vocations, Diocese of Long Island

Monday – Friday

12 p.m. Shrine Prayers*

12:05 p.m. Holy Eucharist*

Tuesday – Thérèse of Lisieux

5:30 p.m. Choral Evensong*

Followed by a short, said Mass
sung by the Saint Thomas Choir of Men and Boys

Wednesday – Holy Guardian Angels

5:30 p.m. Choral Evensong*

Followed by a short, said Mass
sung by the Saint Thomas Choir of Men and Boys

Thursday

5:30 p.m. Choral Evensong*

Followed by a short, said Mass
sung by the Saint Thomas Choir of Men and Boys

Friday

3 p.m. Contemplative Prayer

In the Resurrection Chapel

Saturday

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

**11:30 a.m.-12 p.m. The Rosary at the Shrine of
Our Lady of Fifth Avenue** (*includes Shrine Prayers*)

12 p.m. Holy Eucharist*

(Saturday Mass of Our Lady)

Next Sunday: October 6, Patronal Feast Day

10 a.m. Procession and Solemn Eucharist*

*sung by the Saint Thomas Choir of Men and Boys, and
the Noble Singers*
Sermon by The Rector

4 p.m. Solemn Evensong*

sung by the Saint Thomas Choir of Men and Boys
Sermon by The Rt. Rev. Allen Shin,
Bishop Suffragan, Diocese of New York

5:15 p.m. Sunday Recital Series

Jeremy Filsell, piano, and Balint Karosi, clarinet
New York, NY

PARISH NOTICES

Children and Family Ministries: CFM Registration is now open. Please register your children on the church website for the 2024-2025 CFM Program Year. Sunday School (ages 3-10) and Faith Alive (10-14+) meet at 10 a.m. Sunday School meets in the Sunday School Room (3rd Floor) and Faith Alive meets in the Dining Room (2nd Floor). The Nursery continues to be available for the sole use of babies and toddlers with their parents/caregivers, from 9 a.m. – 1 p.m. on Sundays in the Parish House, 3rd Floor. To receive our CFM newsletter contact childrenandfamilies@saintthomaschurch.org.

The **Noble Singers**, our parish children's choir for singers ages 5-14+, under the direction of Mrs. Rebecca Kellerman-Filsell, is now accepting new choristers. The choir rehearses weekly on Thursdays and Fridays from 4:15 - 5:15 p.m. Choristers select one rehearsal to attend each week and sing weekly at the 9 am Sung Eucharist on Sundays during the program year. No audition is necessary, just enthusiasm and a love of music! For more information, and to register your singer, contact Rkellerman@saintthomaschurch.org.

Join us on Saturday, November 23 at 3 p.m. as **Concerts at Saint Thomas** presents Austrian organist **Lukas Hasler** playing **Bruckner and Beyond: Austrian Organ Masterpieces**. This concert is presented in collaboration with the Austrian Cultural Forum New York and will feature music of Bruckner, Mozart, Planyavsky, and Liszt. For in-person or livestream tickets and for information about future concerts, please email us at concerts@saintthomaschurch.org or visit <https://www.saintthomaschurch.org/music/concerts>. Support *Concerts at Saint Thomas* by becoming a *Friend of Music*. To make a donation, please call 212-664-9360.

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.

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.

Contemplative Prayer takes place on Fridays at 3 p.m. 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 Taize 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—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.

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.

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 1-2 p.m. on Mondays and Wednesdays. Those who would like to join can write to Fr. Luigi Gioia at Lgioia@saintthomaschurch.org.