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in the

City of New York



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The Reverend Canon Carl F. Turner, *Rector*

Wednesday, October 28, 2026 at 5:30 p.m.

The Feast of Saint Simon and Saint Jude

Solemn Eucharist

sung by the Gentlemen of the Choir

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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 ORDINARY OF THE MASS Plainsong Mass for a Meane *John Sheppard* (1515-1558)

PRELUDE Ach bleib bei uns, Herr Jesu Christ *BWV 649* *Johann Sebastian Bach* (1685-1750)

The People stand at the entry of the Choir.

INTROIT *Plainsong* (*Mode VII*)

JUDICANT sancti gentes, et dominantur populis:
regnabit Dominus Deus illorum in perpetuum.

Ps. Exsultate iusti in Domino: rectos decet collaudatio.

Gloria Patri, et Filio, et Spiritui Sancto:
sicut erat in principio, et nunc, et semper, et in saecula saeculorum. Amen.

Judicant sancti gentes...

They shall judge the nations, and have dominion over the people:
and their Lord shall reign for ever.

Ps. *Rejoice in the Lord, O ye righteous: for it becometh well the just to be thankful.*

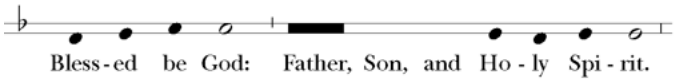
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.

They shall judge the nations...

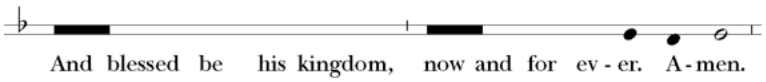
Wisdom 3:8; *Psalm 33*

THE PENITENTIAL ORDER

Celebrant



People



The Celebrant says

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 COLLECT OF THE DAY

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

O God, we thank thee for the glorious company of the apostles, and especially on this day for Simon and Jude; and we pray that, as they were faithful and zealous in their mission, so we may with ardent devotion make known the love and mercy of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ; 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 Ephesians 2:13-22

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

PSALM 119:89-96 *Sung by the Choir* Plainsong (*Tone IV*[4])

IN AETERNUM, DOMINE

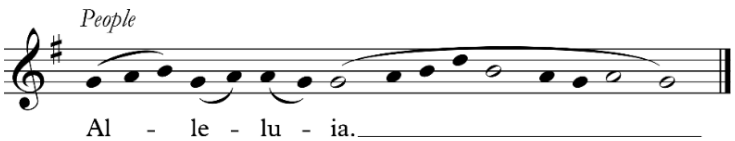
O **LORD,** thy word : endureth for ever in heaven.
Thy truth also remaineth from one generation to another :
thou hast laid the foundation of the earth, and it abideth.
They continue this day according to thine ordinance : for all things serve thee.
If my delight had not been in thy law : I should have perished in my trouble.
I will never forget thy commandments : for with them thou hast quickened me.
I am thine, O save me : for I have sought thy commandments.
The ungodly laid wait for me to destroy me : but I will consider thy testimonies.
I see that all things come to an end : but thy commandment is exceeding broad.
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 People stand.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION Plainsong (*Mode VI*)



Cantor Ye have not chosen me, but I have chosen you, saith the Lord,
and ordained you, that ye should go and bring forth fruit,
and that your fruit should remain.



THE HOLY GOSPEL John 15:17-27

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

People



After the Gospel, the Deacon says

The Gospel of the Lord.

People



HOMILY The Right Reverend Andrew R. St. John
Bishop in Residence

A period of silent reflection may follow the homily.

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 PEACE

The Celebrant says

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

The People sit.

THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

MOTET AT THE OFFERTORY *John Sheppard*

LAUDEM dicite Deo nostro omnes sancti eius,
et qui timetis Deum, pusilli et magni:
quoniam regnavit Dominus Deus noster omnipotens.
Gaudeamus et exsultemus et demus gloriam ei.
Genus electum, gens sancta, populus acquisitionis,
memores memorum laudate Deum.
Gloria Patri et Filio et Spiritui Sancto.

Speak praise to our God, all you who are his saints,
and all who fear God, both small and great:
for our Lord God almighty is king.
Let us rejoice and exult and give him glory.
O chosen race, O holy nation, O you people who are his,
be mindful of God and praise him.
Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.

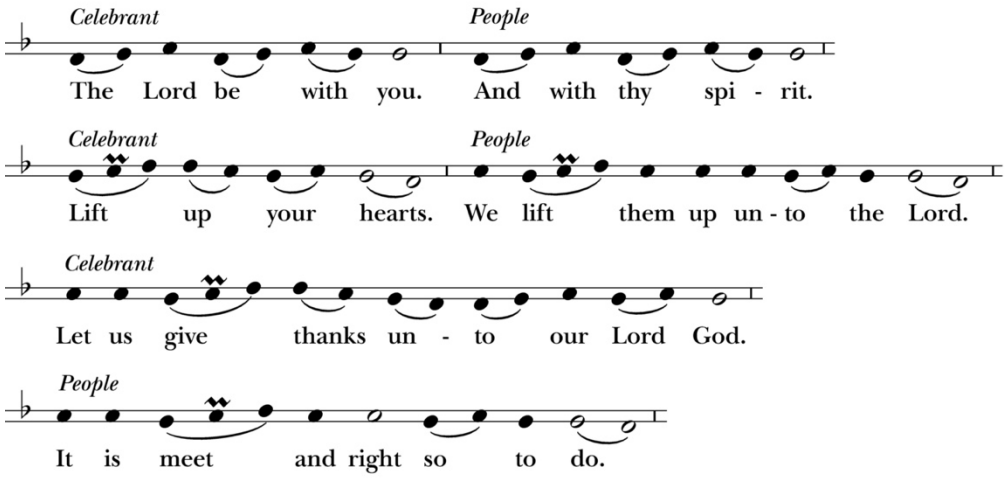
Revelation 19:5-7, 1 Peter 2:9

HYMN SAN ROCCO



Give us the wings of faith, #253 from *The Hymnal 1982* — Words: Isaac Watts (1674-1748), alt.
Music: *San Rocco*, Derek Williams (b. 1945)

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING



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

SANCTUS AND BENEDICTUS

Sung by the Choir

SANCTUS, 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

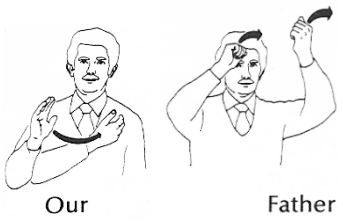
The Celebrant continues the Eucharistic Prayer, which concludes

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

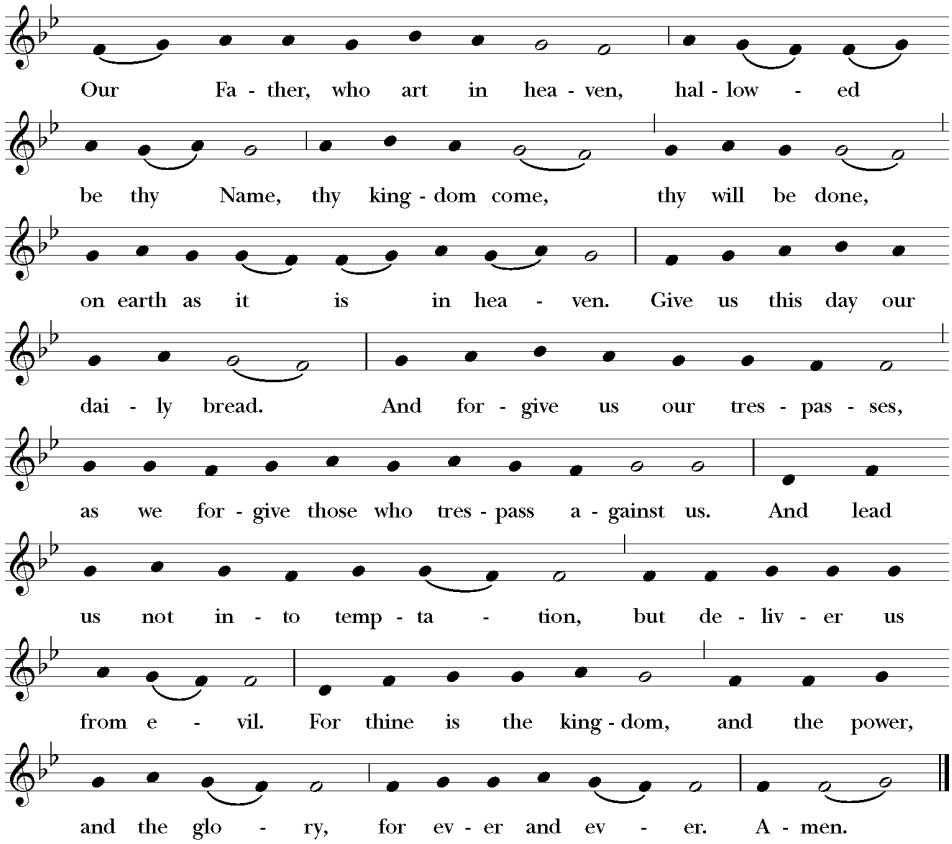
Padre nuestro, que estás en el cielo
하늘에 계신 우리 아버지
Notre Père qui es aux cieux
Πατερ ημων ο εν τοις ουρανοις
Pai nosso, que estais nos Céus,
Отче наш, що єси на небесах
أَبَانَا الذِي فِي السَّمَاوَاتِ،
Vater unser, der du bist im Himmel
Pater noster, qui es in caelis
我們在天上的父
Baba Yetu uliye mbinguni
Padre nostro, che sei nei cieli
天におられる私たちの父よ
हे हमारे स्वर्गबासी पिता,



The Celebrant says

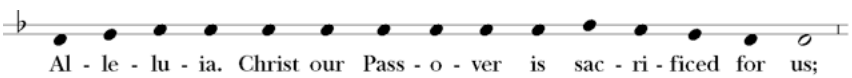
And now, as our Savior Christ hath taught us, we are bold to say,

Celebrant and People

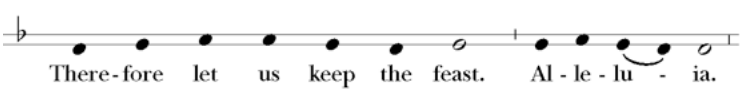


THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

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



People



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

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 Improvisation

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.

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

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**.

THE DISMISSAL

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

VOLUNTARY Prelude and Fugue in C-Major *BWV 545* *Johann Sebastian Bach*

Worship & Recitals this Week

* indicates livestreamed.

The Daily Mass
Monday, October 26th – Friday, October 30th

12 p.m. Shrine Prayers*
12:05 p.m. Holy Eucharist*

Thursday 29th
5:30 p.m. Choral Evensong*
sung by the Gentlemen of the Choir
music by Ashfield, Victoria, and Croce

Friday 30th
3 p.m. Contemplative Prayer

Confessions, Spiritual Advice, and the Ministry of Healing

Saturday, October 31st
11 a.m. – 11:45 a.m.
in the Resurrection Chapel
Confessor: Fr. Gioia

11:30 a.m. Rosary at the Shrine of Our Lady of Fifth Avenue

12:05 p.m. Holy Eucharist

Next Sunday:
November 1st
All Saints' 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. Procession and Solemn Eucharist*
sung by the Choir of Men and Boys
Sermon by Fr. Gonzalez-Grissom
followed by Coffee hour in the Lady Chapel

4 p.m. Solemn Evensong and Benediction*
sung by the Choir of Men and Boys

SUNDAY THEOLOGY TALKS

The Gospel of Mark

A Journey to Recognition

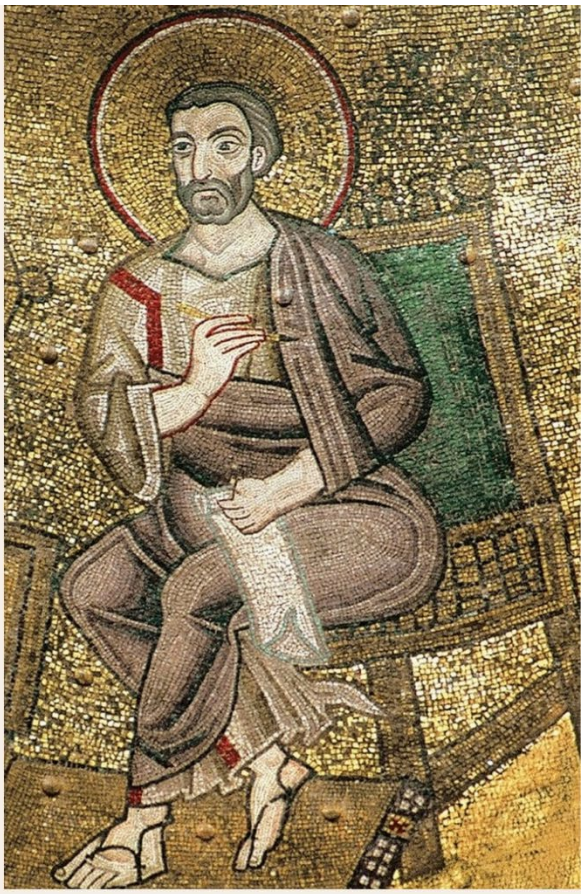
Mark tells the story of disciples who follow Jesus without ever fully understanding him. Through movement, conflict, and irony, his Gospel portrays discipleship as a journey toward recognition, culminating at the cross and continuing in our lives.

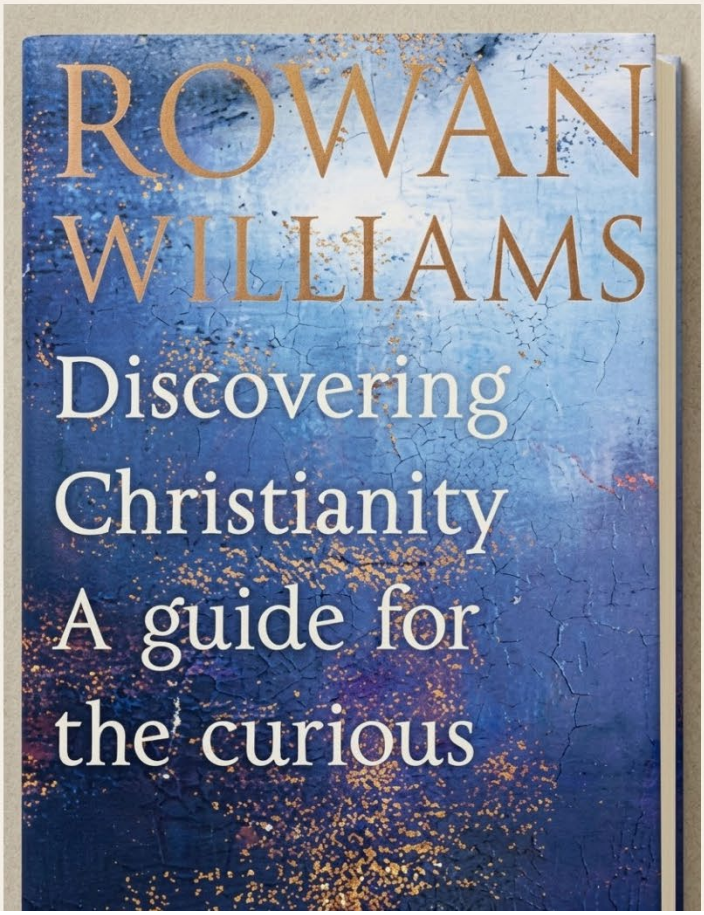
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Sundays through November 15

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Thursday Reading Group

Discovering Christianity
A Guide for the Curious

Rowan Williams writes for anyone who wants to know what Christians actually believe and why it matters. We read one chapter a week and talk it through together, with no prior study assumed and every question welcome.

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