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SUNDAY, JANUARY 25, 2026 AT 11 A.M.
THE FEAST OF THE CONVERSION OF SAINT PAUL

SOLEMN EUCHARIST
AND COMMEMORATION OF THE REV. DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING JR.
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

Messe solennelle

Louise Vierne
(1870-1937)

PRELUDE

Adagio from *Symphonie III*

Louise Vierne

THE GREETINGS

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

HYMN

LIFT EVERY VOICE

1 Lift ev-ery voice and sing till earth and hea - ven ring, ring with the
2 Ston-y the road we trod, bit - ter the chas-tening rod, felt in the
3 God of our wea - ry years, God of our si - lent tears, thou who hast

har - mon - ies of lib - er - ty. Let our re - joic - ing rise
days when hope un - born had died; yet, with a stead - y beat,
brought us thus far on the way; thou who hast by thy might

high as the lis - tening skies; let it re - sound loud as the
have not our wea - ry feet come to the place for which our
led us in - to the light; keep us for ev - er in the

roll - ing sea. Sing a song full of the faith that the dark past has
par - ents sighed? We have come o - ver a way that with tears has been
path, we pray. Lest our feet stray from the pla - ces, our God, where we



The musical score is written for a four-part vocal ensemble (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass) and piano accompaniment. It is in the key of F major (two flats) and 4/4 time. The score is divided into three systems, each with a vocal line and a piano accompaniment line. The lyrics are written below the vocal line. The first system covers the first two lines of the hymn. The second system covers the next two lines. The third system covers the final two lines and ends with a double bar line. The piano accompaniment features a steady bass line and chords that support the vocal melody.

taught us; sing a song full of the hope that the pres - ent has
wa - tered; we have come, tread - ing our path through the blood of the
met thee; lest, our hearts drunk with the wine of the world, we for -

brought us; fac - ing the ris - ing sun of our new
slaugh - tered, out from the gloom - y past, till now we
get thee; sha-dowed be - neath thy hand may we for

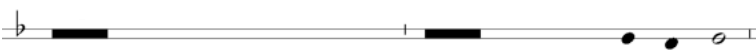
day be - gun, let us march on, till vic - to - ry is won.
stand at last where the white gleam of our bright star is cast.
ev - er stand, true to our God, true to our na - tive land.

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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

GOD shows his love for us in that, while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.
Let us then show our love for him
by confessing our sins in penitence and faith.

cf Romans 5.8

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.

O GOD, who, by the preaching of thine apostle Paul, hast caused the light of the Gospel to shine throughout the world: Grant, we beseech thee, that we, having his wonderful conversion in remembrance, may show forth our thankfulness unto thee for the same by following the holy doctrine which he taught; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The People sit.



THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

THE LESSON

Acts 26:9-21

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

PSALM 67

Sung by the Choir Anglican Chant (*Sir Edward C. Bairstow*)

DEUS MISEREATUR

GOD be merciful unto us, and bless us : and shew us the light of his countenance, and be merciful unto us:
That thy way may be known upon earth : thy saving health among all nations.
Let the people praise thee, O God : yea, let all the people praise thee.
O let the nations rejoice and be glad : for thou shalt judge the folk righteously, and govern the nations upon earth.
Let the people praise thee, O God : let all the people praise thee.
Then shall the earth bring forth her increase : and God, even our own God, shall give us his blessing.
God shall bless us : and all the ends of the world shall fear him.
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

Galatians 1:11-24

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

The People stand.



HYMN

CORNISH

1 A light from hea - ven shone a - round, and in that
2 It was the bless - ed Son come down to save him
3 Saint Paul was changed by God's free love. The scales fell
4 Re - new us with your love, O Lord. Your new cre -

light a voice was heard. Then Saul fell blind - ed
from his fear - ful ways and free him from the
from his eyes, he saw the love of God, the
a - tion let us be; re - deemed for ev - er

to the ground and cried a - loud, "Who are you, Lord?"
bonds of sin, a sin - ner saved by Je - sus' grace.
cos - mos move in time with grace, be - yond the law.
and re - stored, with Paul's new vi - sion, let us see.

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GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Plainsong (Mode VI)

This acclamation heralds the Gospel Reading

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

Choir Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

People Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Cantor The last shall be first, and the first last: for many be called, but few chosen.

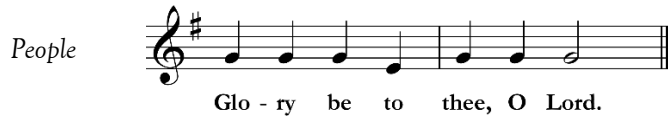
People Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.



THE HOLY GOSPEL

Matthew 10:16-22

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



After the Gospel, the Deacon says

The Gospel of the Lord.



THE SERMON

The Very Reverend Dominic Barrington
Dean of York, United Kingdom

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.

A LITANY FOR THE MISSION OF THE CHURCH

The Intercessor says

Let us pray for the mission of the Church in the world.

*The People **remain standing** for the Litany, interspersed with words of Martin Luther King Jr.*

Holy God, in whom all things in heaven and earth have their being,
Have mercy on us.

Jesus the Christ, through whom the world is reconciled to the Father,
Have mercy on us.

Holy Spirit, whose glory fills the world and searches the depths of God,
Have mercy on us.

Blessed Trinity, source of both unity and diversity,
Have mercy on us.

'We must learn to live together as brothers or perish together as fools.'

From blind hearts and petty spirits, that refuse to see the need of all humankind for your love,
Savior, deliver us.

From pride, self-sufficiency and the unwillingness to admit our own need of your compassion,
Savior, deliver us.

From discouragement in the face of pain and disappointment,
and from lack of persistence and thoroughness,
Savior, deliver us.

From ignorance, apathy, and complacency that prevent us from spreading the Gospel,
Savior, deliver us.

'Life's most persistent and urgent question is, "What are you doing for others?"'

O God, we pray for the gifts of ministry.
Inspire our minds with a vision of your kingdom in this time and place.
Hear us, O Christ.

Touch our eyes, that we may see your glory in all creation.
Hear us, O Christ.



Touch our ears, that we may hear from every mouth the hunger for hope
and stories of refreshment.

Hear us, O Christ.

Touch our lips, that we may tell in every tongue and dialect the wonderful works of God.

Hear us, O Christ.

*'Our loyalties must transcend our race, our tribe, our class, and our nation;
and this means we must develop a world perspective.'*

Touch our hearts, that we may discern the mission to which you call us.

Hear us, O Christ.

Touch our feet, that we may take your Good News into our neighborhoods, communities,
and all parts of the world.

Hear us, O Christ.

Touch our hands, that we may each accomplish the work you give us to do.

Hear us, O Christ.

Strengthen and encourage all who minister in your name in lonely,
dangerous and unresponsive places.

Hear us, O Christ.

Open the hearts and hands of many to support your Church in this and every place.

Hear us, O Christ.

*'Everybody can be great...because anybody can serve. You don't have to have a college degree to serve.
You don't have to make your subject and verb agree to serve. You need only a heart full of grace.
A soul generated by love.'*

Let us bring our prayers and thanksgivings to God in a moment of silence.

The Celebrant concludes with this collect

ALmighty God, who by the hand of Moses thy servant didst lead thy people out of slavery,
and didst make them free at last: Grant that thy Church, following the example of thy
prophet Martin Luther King, may resist oppression in the name of thy love, and may strive to
secure for all thy children the blessed liberty of the Gospel of Jesus Christ; who liveth and reigneth
with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**



THE PEACE

The Celebrant says

The Apostle Paul said:
'Aim for perfection, be of one mind, live in peace.
Greet one another with a holy kiss.'

cf 2 Corinthians 13.11

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

Sung by the Choir

*Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina
(c.1525-1594)*

MAGNUS sanctus Paulus, vas electionis,
vere digne est glorificandus,
qui et thronum duodecimum meruit possidere.
Vas electionis, intercede pro nobis ad Deum,
qui te elegit, ut digni efficiamur gratia Dei.

*The great Saint Paul, the vessel of election,
is indeed worthy to be glorified;
who also deserved to possess the twelfth throne.
Vessel of election, intercede for us to God,
who chose thee, so that we may worthily give thanks to God.*

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The People stand.



HYMN

NEW BRITAIN

1 A - maz - ing grace! how sweet the sound, that
2 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and
3 The Lord has prom - ised good to me, his
4 Through man - y dan - gers, toils, and snares, I
* 5 When we've been there ten thou - sand years, bright

1 saved a wretch like me! I once was lost but
2 grace my fears re - lieved; how pre - cious did that
3 word my hope se - cures; he will my shield and
4 have al - rea - dy come; 'tis grace that brought me
5 shin - ing as the sun, we've no less days to

1 now am found, was blind but now I see.
2 grace ap - pear the hour I first be - lieved!
3 por - tion be as long as life en - dures.
4 safe thus far, and grace will lead me home.
5 sing God's praise than when we'd first be - gun.

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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.

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

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.

*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.

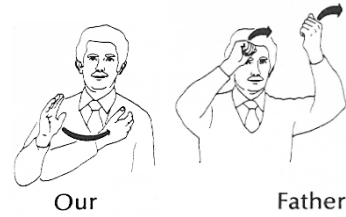
The People respond **AMEN.**



THE LORD'S PRAYER

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 الَّذِي 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,

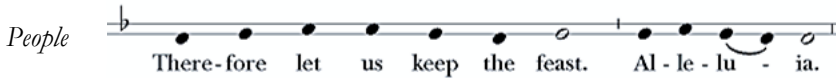
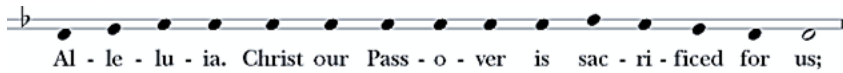
Celebrant and People

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. Then is said



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 on-line and 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

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



ANTHEM

Sir William Henry Harris
(1883-1973)

HOLY is the true light, and passing wonderful,
lending radiance to them that endured in the heat of the conflict:
from Christ they inherit a home of unfading splendor,
wherein they rejoice with gladness evermore. Alleluia.

The Salisbury Diurnal
G. H. Palmer

THE PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

The Celebrant says

Let us pray.

The People kneel and silence is kept.

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 (FROM THE ANGLICAN CHURCH OF KENYA)

*The congregation accompanies the first three responses with a sweep of the arm towards behind the High Altar;
the final response is a sweep of the arm upwards towards heaven.*

The Celebrant says

All our problems
People **we send to the cross of Christ.**

All our difficulties
People **we send to the cross of Christ.**

All the devil's works
People **we send to the cross of Christ.**

All our hopes
People **we set on the risen Christ;**

and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father,
the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**



HYMN

MIT FREUDEN ZART

Lord Christ, when first thou cam'st to earth, up - on a cross they_
O awe - ful Love, which found no room in___ life where sin de -
New ad - vent of the love of Christ, shall___ we a - gain re -
O wound - ed hands of Je - sus, build in___ us thy new cre -

bound thee, and mocked thy sav - ing king - ship then
nied thee, and, doomed to death, must bring to doom
fuse thee, till in the night of hate and war
- a - tion; our pride is dust, our vaunt is stilled,

by___ thorns with which they___ crowned thee: and still our wrongs
the___ powers which cru - ci - fied thee, till not a stone
we___ per - ish as we___ lose thee? From old un - faith
we___ wait thy rev - e - la - tion: O love that tri -

may weave thee now new thorns to pierce that
was left on stone, and all those na - tions'
our souls re - lease to seek the king - dom
umphs o - ver loss, we bring our hearts be -

stead - y brow, and robe of sor - row___ round thee.
pride, o'er - thrown, went down to dust be - side thee!
of thy peace, by which a - lone we___ choose thee.
fore thy cross, to fi - nish thy sal - va - tion.

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THE DISMISSAL

Deacon Go in the light and peace of Christ.
People Thanks be to God.

VOLUNTARY

Allegro (Symphonie II)

Louise Vierne
(1837-1911)

Please join us for Coffee Hour in the back of the Lady Chapel
after the service.



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God's Love at the Heart of New York



Saint Thomas gives thanks for those who have given endowed funds to provide flowers to beautify the church in perpetuity. This week, we give thanks for the memory of
Bonnie Wilds, Mrs. Charles W. Sanders, and Margaret Crane Hurlbut.

May the glory of the LORD endure for ever, may the LORD rejoice in his works. (Psalm 104:31)

Neighbor To Neighbor

The Saint Thomas Community Outreach Program



The Saint Thomas Social Outreach program **Neighbor to Neighbor** breakfast, conversation, and assistance to community members in need. The program serves guests between 9am and 10am every Saturday, with volunteers arriving at the cloisters of the church on 53rd Street around 8:30am. Please note there is a signup form for interested volunteers to ensure we do not have too many or too few present. If you are interested in knowing more about the program and getting involved, **please register to the mailing list for this group using the QR code:**



Pilgrims' 2026

Find out about the Christian Faith; get baptized and confirmed;
become a member of Saint Thomas Church – *Most Tuesdays at 6:30pm*





WORSHIP & RECITALS THIS WEEK

* indicates livestreamed.

Today

4 p.m. Festal Evensong for Religious Life Sunday*

sung by the Choir of Men and Boys

Sermon by Fr. Gioia on Benedictine life and spirituality

5:15 p.m. Sunday Recital Series

The AAM Gerre Hancock Memorial Organ Recital

Grace Jackson, organ – Houston, TX

2025-2026 AAM Gerre Hancock Intern

Monday 26th January – Friday 30th January

12 p.m. Shrine Prayers*

12:05 p.m. Holy Eucharist*

Tuesday 27th – Saint John Chrysostom

5:30 p.m. Choral Evensong*

Followed by a short, said Mass

Sung by the Gentlemen of the Choir

Music by Jones, Ravalde, and Bennett

Wednesday 28th – Saint Thomas Aquinas

5:30 p.m. Choral Evensong*

Followed by a short, said Mass

Sung by the Choir of Men and Boys

Music by Leighton, Filsell, and McDowall

Thursday 29th

5:30 p.m. Choral Evensong*

Followed by a short, said Mass

Sung by the Choir of Men and Boys

Music by Leighton, Noble, and Briggs

Friday 30th

3 p.m. Contemplative Prayer

Saturday 31st

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

Confessor: Fr. Mark Brown

12 p.m. Shrine Prayers*

12:05 p.m. Holy Eucharist*

3 p.m. A Four Choirs' Festival:

Festal Evensong for the Eve of Candlemas

Sung by the Choir of Men and Boys,

the Choir of Grace Church (Providence, RI),

the Choir of Saint Paul's Church (Fairfield, CT), and the

Choir of Saint Luke's Church (Greenwich, RI)

Directed by Dr. Barry Rose OBE

Next Sunday: February 1st

The Presentation of Our Lord

Candlemas (anticipated)

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. Candlemas ceremonies, Procession, and Solemn Eucharist*

sung by the Choir of Men and Boys

Sermon by The Rector

4 p.m. Solemn Evensong and Benediction

sung by the Choir of Men and Boys

5:15 p.m. Sunday Recital Series

Players from the Historical Performance Program

at The Juilliard School – New York, NY

PARISH NOTICES

Concerts at Saint Thomas presents organist Weicheng Zhao in Eastern Tastes and Sounds on Saturday, February 7 at 3pm. This Grand Organ Series recital features Chinese transcriptions for organ, along with favorites of the French repertoire. Violinist Fang Gao joins for this eclectic and exciting program. Tickets are available online at saintthomaschurch.org/music/concerts.

FOUR CHOIRS' FESTIVAL RETURNS! On Saturday, January 31 at 3pm (note time) we are delighted to welcome the choirs of Grace Church, Provident, RI, St. Paul's Church, Fairfield, CT, and St. Luke's Church, Greenwich, RI, who will join the Choir of Men and Boys to celebrate the Eve of Candlemas with a special evensong directed by old friend of our parish Dr. Barry Rose OBE.

Children and Family Ministries: 10am Formation continues for children Pre-K-High School. The Children's area (near the icon of Saint Thomas) is available for families during all services, with quiet activities for young children. The Nursery also continues to be available for the sole use of babies and toddlers with their parents/caregivers, from 9am-1pm on Sundays in the Parish House, 3rd floor. To receive more information, contact childrenandfamilies@saintthomaschurch.org.

The Noble Singers, rehearsals continue on Thursdays from 4:15-5:15pm. Children sing during 9am Mass. New singers are always welcome. No audition is necessary, just enthusiasm and a love of music! For more information, and to register your singer, contact JLane@saintthomaschurch.org.

Saint Thomas Choir School is home to the boy choristers of the Saint Thomas Choir of Men and Boys. Since September 2025, the Choir School (grades 4-8) has partnered with Professional Children's School for the boys' academic education, while they continue to live and train at STCS in a close-knit, music-centered environment. They sing five weekly services at Saint Thomas Church and perform in the Concerts at Saint Thomas series. If you know a boy who loves to sing and may thrive in this unique setting, please contact Margaret White at mwhite@choirschool.org.

You are cordially invited to the **Holy Eucharist in the Korean language** every **second Sunday** of the month at 1:30pm. It is preceded by brunch at 12:45pm 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 친교도 나누세요. 아래 주소로 등록하시면 월요일 아침묵상글을 이메일로 받아볼 수 있습니다.

Contemplative Prayer takes place most Fridays at 3pm 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 Taizé 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.

The Saint Thomas Theological Education Program, rooted in Scripture, tradition, and spirituality, is for those who seek a deeper understanding of faith, worship and prayer. Lecturers are The Rev. Dr. Luigi Gioia, Theologian in Residence, and internationally renowned guest speakers committed to making theology accessible to non-specialists. Classes are held Sundays at 10am on the 5th Floor of the Parish House and are streamed online. For more info, contact Fr. Luigi Gioia: lgioia@saintthomaschurch.org.

Explore the Beauty and History of Saint Thomas Church each Sunday following the 11am service with a guided tour. These tours offer a unique opportunity to delve into the rich history, sacred art, and exquisite architectural details of our landmark building. To take part, please meet the Tour Guide at the "Tour Guide - Meet Here" sign on the south side of the Narthex. All are warmly welcome.

Friday Bible Study occurs at 1pm on Zoom, currently focusing on the book of Ecclesiastes. To receive the zoom link, contact Fr. Brown at mbrown@saintthomaschurch.org

Farewell gifts to Nicolas Haigh and Maks Adach. As is our tradition when organists leave, you can contribute to a farewell purse to Nicolas and/or Maks. You can make a one-off donation on-line or send a check to the parish office. If giving on-line, scan the QR code and select the Organist you wish to give to. If writing a check, indicate on the memo line who the funds are intended for.

