

SAINT THOMAS CHURCH FIFTH AVENUE
in the
CITY OF NEW YORK



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SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 2026 AT 11 A.M.
THE LAST SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY (QUINQUAGESIMA)

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

Messe cum Jubilo

Maurice Duruflé
(b. 1964)

PRELUDE

Alleluyas

Simon Preston
(1938-2002)

THE GREETINGS

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

HYMN

HYFRYDOL

1. Al - le - lu - ia! sing to Je - sus! his the scep - ter, his the throne;
2. Al - le - lu - ia! not as or - phans are we left in sor - row now;
3. Al - le - lu - ia! Bread of Hea - ven, thou on earth our food, our stay!
4. Al - le - lu - ia! King e - ter - nal, thee the Lord of lords we own:
5. Al - le - lu - ia! sing to Je - sus! his the scep - ter his the throne;

Al - le - lu - ia! his the tri - umph, his the vic - to - ry a - lone;
Al - le - lu - ia! he is near us, faith be - lieves, nor ques - tions how:
Al - le - lu - ia! here the sin - ful flee to thee from day to day:
Al - le - lu - ia! born of Ma - ry, earth thy foot - stool, heaven thy throne:
Al - le - lu - ia! his the tri - umph, his the vic - to - ry a - lone;

Hark! the songs of peace - ful Zi - on thun - der like a might - y flood;
though the cloud from sight re - ceived him, when the for - ty days were o'er,
In - ter - ces - sor, friend of sin - ners, earth's Re - deem - er, plead for me,
thou with - in the veil has en - tered, robed in flesh, our great High Priest:
Hark! the songs of peace - ful Zi - on thun - der like a might - y flood;

Je - sus out of ev - every na - tion hath re deemed us by his blood.
shall our hearts for - get his prom - ise, "I am with you ev - er more"?
where the songs of all the sin - less sweep a - cross the crys - tal sea.
thou on earth both Priest and Vic - tim in the eu - cha - ris - tic feast.
Je - sus out of ev - every na - tion hath re deemed us by his blood.



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

THE grace of God has dawned upon the world through our Savior Jesus Christ, who sacrificed himself for us to purify a people as his own. Let us, therefore, confess our sins in penitence and faith. (Cf. *Titus 2:11-14*)

Celebrant and People

ALMIGHTY 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 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

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 before the passion of thy only-begotten Son didst reveal his glory upon the holy mount: Grant unto us that we, beholding by faith the light of his countenance, may be strengthened to bear our cross, and be changed into his likeness from glory to glory; through the same 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

Exodus 24:12-18

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

PSALM 99

Sung by the Choir

Plainsong *Tone IV*⁴

DOMINUS REGNAVIT

THE Lord is King, be the people never so impatient : he sitteth between the cherubims, be the earth never so unquiet.

The Lord is great in Sion : and high above all people.

They shall give thanks unto thy Name : which is great, wonderful, and holy.

The King's power loveth judgement; thou hast prepared equity : thou hast executed judgement and righteousness in Jacob.

O magnify the Lord our God : and fall down before his footstool, for he is holy.

Moses and Aaron among his priests, and Samuel among such as call upon his Name : these called upon the Lord, and he heard them.

He spake unto them out of the cloudy pillar : for they kept his testimonies, and the law that he gave them.

Thou heardest them, O Lord our God : thou forgavest them, O God, and punishedst their own inventions.

O magnify the Lord our God, and worship him upon his holy hill : for the Lord our God is holy.

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

2 Peter 1:16-21

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

The People stand.



HYMN

MOWSELY

1 Christ up - on the moun - tain peak stands a - lone in
2 Trem - bling at his feet we saw Mo - ses and E -
3 Swift the cloud of glo - ry came. God pro - claim - ing
4 This is God's be - lov - ed Son! Law and pro - phets

glo - ry blaz - ing; let us, if we dare to speak,
li - jah speak - ing. All the pro - phets and the Law
in its thun - der Je - sus as his Son by name!
fade be - fore him; first and last and on - ly One,

with the saints and an - gels praise him. Al - le - lu - ia!
shout through them their joy - ful greet - ing. Al - le - lu - ia!
Na - tions cry a - loud in won - der! Al - le - lu - ia!
let cre - a - tion now a - dore him! Al - le - lu - ia!

Christ upon the mountain peak, #129 from *The Hymnal 1982* — Words: Brian A. Wren (b. 1936)
Music: Mowsley, Cyril Vincent Taylor (b. 1907)



GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Plainsong (Mode VI)

This acclamation heralds the Gospel Reading



Choir Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

People Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Cantor Speak, Lord, for thy servant is listening. Thou hast the words of eternal life.

People Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

THE HOLY GOSPEL

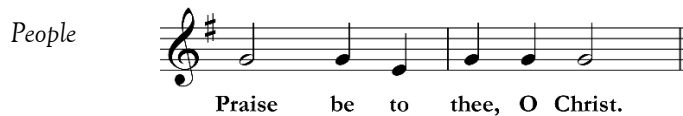
Matthew 17:1-9

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

Fr. 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 II)

Let us pray.

The People kneel.

After each bidding, this response is used

Lord, hear us.
People **Lord, graciously hear us.**

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

O MOST loving Father, who willest us to give thanks for all things, to dread nothing but the loss of thee, and to cast all our care on thee who carest for us: Preserve us from faithless fears and worldly anxieties, and grant that no clouds of this mortal life may hide from us the light of that love which is immortal, and which thou hast manifested unto us in thy Son 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 stand.



THE PEACE

The Celebrant says

OUR Savior Christ is the Prince of Peace.
Of the increase of his government and of peace there shall be no end.

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

*David Briggs
(b. 1962)*

Ave Maria, gratia plena,
Dominus tecum;
benedicta tu in mulieribus,
et benedictus fructus ventris tui.
Amen.

*Hail, Mary, thou that art highly favored,
the Lord is with thee:
blessed art thou among women
and blessed be the fruit of thy womb.
Amen.*

Luke 1:28,42



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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.

Because in the mystery of the Word made flesh, thou hast caused a new light to shine in our hearts, to give the knowledge of thy glory in the face of thy Son 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

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 People kneel or stand.



THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

The Celebrant continues the Eucharistic Prayer, which concludes

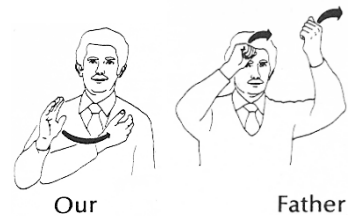
By whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost,
all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end.

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 الَّذِي فِي السَّمَاءَاتِ،

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 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. Then is said

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

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*



ANTHEM

Sung by the Choir

*Louis Vierne
(1870-1937)*

Tantum ergo sacramentum
Veneremur cernui,
Et antiquum documentum
Novo cedat ritui
Praestet fides supplementum
Sensuum defectui.

*Therefore we, before him bending,
this great Sacrament revere;
types and shadows have their ending,
for the newer rite is here;
faith, our outward sense befriending,
makes our inward vision clear.*

Genitori genitoque
Laus et jubilatio,
Salus honor virtus quoque
Sit et benedictio.
Precedenti ab utroque
Compar sit laudatio.
Amen.

*Glory let us give, and blessing
to the Father and the Son,
honor, thanks, and praise addressing,
while eternal ages run;
ever too his love confessing,
who from both with both is One.
Amen.*

Thomas Aquinas (1225-1274)

Psalm 145:15

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

MAY Christ, the Son of God, be manifest in you, that your lives may be a light to the world; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

HYMN

MARTINS

1 Sing al - le - lu - ia forth in du - teous praise,
2 Ye powers who stand be - fore the e - ter - nal Light,
3 Then let the ho - ly ci - ty raise the strain,
4 Ye who have fought and joined the star - ry throng,
5 Your songs of tri - umph shall for ev - er ring,
6 Such song is rest and food and deep de - light
7 Al - might - y Christ, to thee our voic - es sing

1 ye ci - ti - zens of heaven, O sweet - ly raise
2 let all your choirs re - ech - o to the height
3 and with glad songs re - sound - ing wake a - gain
4 ye vic - tors, now take up the e - ter - nal song,
5 the hymns which tell the hon - or of your King,
6 to saints for - giv - en; let them all u - nite
7 glo - ry for ev - er - more; to thee we bring

1 an end - less al - le - lu - ia.
2 an end - less al - le - lu - ia.
3 an end - less al - le - lu - ia.
4 an end - less al - le - lu - ia.
5 an end - less al - le - lu - ia.
6 in end - less al - le - lu - ia.
7 an end - less al - le - lu - ia.

*Sing alleluia forth in duteous praise, #619 from The Hymnal 1982 – Words: Latin, 5th to 8th cent.; Hymnal 1940
Music: Martins, Percy Carter Buck (1871-1947)*

THE DISMISSAL

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

VOLUNTARY

Prelude and Fugue in A-flat, Op. 36

Marcel Dupré
(1886-1971)

Please join us for Coffee Hour in the Narthex 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 *Amelia Parsons Ferry, E. Hayward Ferry, Arthur James Manice, William DeForest Manice, George Arents, William Henry Hurlbut, Alice Mary Hyde, Margaret Crane Hurlbut, and Rhoda D. Newman,* and pray for the repose of their souls.

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:**



THE PILGRIMS' COURSE 2026

The Christian Faith for Newcomers

The **Pilgrims' Course** offers a warm and inviting introduction to the Christian faith and to how Saint Thomas lives out the Gospel in the Episcopal tradition through worship, love, and service to our Lord Jesus Christ.

Who is it for?

Designed especially *for those new to Saint Thomas*, this fifteen-week course pairs thoughtful talks with shared reflection and the chance to experience community over a light meal. **You are welcome to join at any time during the course!**

When?

Tuesdays, January to May
Beginning January 13, 2026
6:30 to 8:00 pm
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Where?

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WORSHIP & RECITALS THIS WEEK

* indicates livestreamed.

Today

4 p.m. Festal Evensong*

sung by the Gentlemen of the Choir
Sermon by Mo. Lee-Pae

5:15 p.m. Sunday Recital Series

Aurélien Filion, organ – Lille, France

Monday 16th February – Friday 20th February

12 p.m. Shrine Prayers*

12:05 p.m. Holy Eucharist*

Wednesday 18th

12 p.m. and 5:30 p.m.

The Solemn Liturgy of Ash Wednesday

Lent Begins

sung by the Choir of Men and Boys
music by Byrd, Allegri, and Tallis

Thursday 19th

5:30 p.m. Choral Evensong

sung by the Gentlemen of the Choir
music by Millington, Morales, and Lassus

Friday 20th

3 p.m. Contemplative Prayer

Saturday 21st

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

12 p.m. Shrine Prayers*

12:05 p.m. Holy Eucharist*

Next Sunday: February 22nd

Lent 1

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. Litany and Solemn Eucharist*

sung by the Choir of Men and Boys
Sermon by the Rector

4 p.m. Solemn Evensong*

sung by the Choir of Men and Boys

5:15 p.m. Sunday Recital Series

Ching-Yi Lin, organ – Chevy Chase, MD

ASH WEDNESDAY – FEBRUARY 18, 2026

Masses at:

**8 a.m. (said), 12 p.m. (Solemn with the choir),
and 5:30 p.m. (Solemn with the choir)**

Confessions:

09:30-10:30am
10:30-11:30am
3-4pm
4-5pm

Lady Chapel

The Rector
Mo. Lee-Pae
Fr. Schultz
Fr. Gioia

Resurrection

Fr. Gioia
Fr. Schultz
Mo. Lee-Pae
The Rector

Imposition of Ashes all day

Parish Notices

Concerts at Saint Thomas welcomes the Choir of New College Oxford for a program of works for Holy Week on Friday, March 27th at 7:30pm. Conductor Robert Quinney leads the choir in this concert for Passiontide.

During Lent this year, **Saint Thomas is raising money to address modern challenges facing those who are sick.** Partnering with Undue Medical Debt, we aim to raise funds to forgive medical debt, following the example of Christ's healing ministry. Every dollar donated can relieve over a hundred dollars of debt, offering tangible relief to those in need. Starting Ash Wednesday individuals may participate in this campaign by scanning the QR code. For inquiries, contact Parishioner Erich Erving at erich@shoestringpressny.org. Let's join together in this act of compassion, honoring Saint Thomas's legacy and making a meaningful impact on the lives of those burdened by medical expenses.

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. On Sundays, the Nursery is available on the 3rd Floor from 9-10 and 11-1pm and is for the sole use of babies and toddlers with their parents/caregivers. 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 1:30 에 본당에서 올리는 한국어 감사 성찬례에 여러분을 초대합니다. 오후 12:45 에 2 층 식당에서 브런치를 함께 나누니 조금 일찍 오셔서 친교도 나누세요.

Contemplative Prayer takes place on 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 resumes on February 6 at 1 p.m. on Zoom with a series called THE VISION OF THE CITY. Join us as we dive into the enigmatic and compelling Revelation of Saint John the Divine. From examining the book's symbolism to exploring what prophetic and apocalyptic literature are for, we'll see how our author understands liturgy and worship as the touchstone for understanding everything, and we'll move with him as he brings us not into the future, but to an apprehension of the very heart of what is always already Real: the Vision of the City. Write to Fr. Schultz at mschultz@saintthomaschurch.org if you're interested in joining the Study.

Planning for next-year's MLK commemoration:

"The arc of the moral universe is long, but it bends toward justice."

Martin Luther King, Jr. spoke these words in a baccalaureate sermon he delivered at Wesleyan University in 1964. This year's commemoration for Martin Luther King at Saint Thomas is over, but there is now time to plan for next year's observance. If you would be interested in discussing our next commemoration, please join Pamela Lewis and other parishioners in the Parish House living room on **February 22, at 1:00 p.m.**

LENT 2026

Sunday Lenten Sermon Series at 4pm: Habits of Christian Life

Lent invites us to be more intentional in our relationship with God. This series explores five habits of Christian life that help shape faithful discipleship: confession and spiritual direction, Scripture, Communion, prayerfulness, and service to the poor. These practices form us in love of God and neighbor, renewing our lives in Christ.

1. Confession & Spiritual Direction:

Returning to God

2. Scripture: Listening to God

3. Communion: Becoming one with God and one another

4. Prayerfulness: Abiding with God

5. Service to the Poor: Caring for our Neighbor

Weekdays in Lent

- Daily Shrine Prayers and Mass at 12pm
- The Way of the Cross Wednesdays at 12pm
- Reading Group for Lent Thursdays at 6:30pm in the Parish House
- Bible Study on the Book of Revelations on-line on Fridays at 1pm
- Contemplative Prayer in-person on Fridays at 3pm
- Film Club 'Let us keep the Feast' Fridays at 6:30pm in the Parish House



The 2026 Saint Thomas Girl Chorister Course will take place this year from July 18-26 with Guest Music Director Carolyn Craig, Assistant Director of Music at Wells Cathedral in England. The Saint Thomas Girl Chorister Course is an intensive choral experience for girls ages 12-18 at Saint Thomas Church Fifth Avenue, New York City. Throughout the course, choristers and staff live at Saint Thomas Choir School and take part in choral rehearsals and services, music history and theory classes, private vocal coaching, and outings to various sites around the city. To learn more and apply, visit www.choirschool.org/girlscourse