SAINT THOMAS CHURCH FIFTH AVENUE

in the

CITY OF NEW YORK



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The Reverend Canon Carl F. Turner, *Rector*

SUNDAY, MARCH 8, 2026 AT 4 P.M.

THE THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT

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LENTEN SERMON SERIES: HABITS OF CHRISTIAN LIFE

"COMMUNION: BECOMING ONE WITH GOD AND ONE ANOTHER"

The Rev. Prisca Lee-Pae, Associate for Pan-Asian Ministry

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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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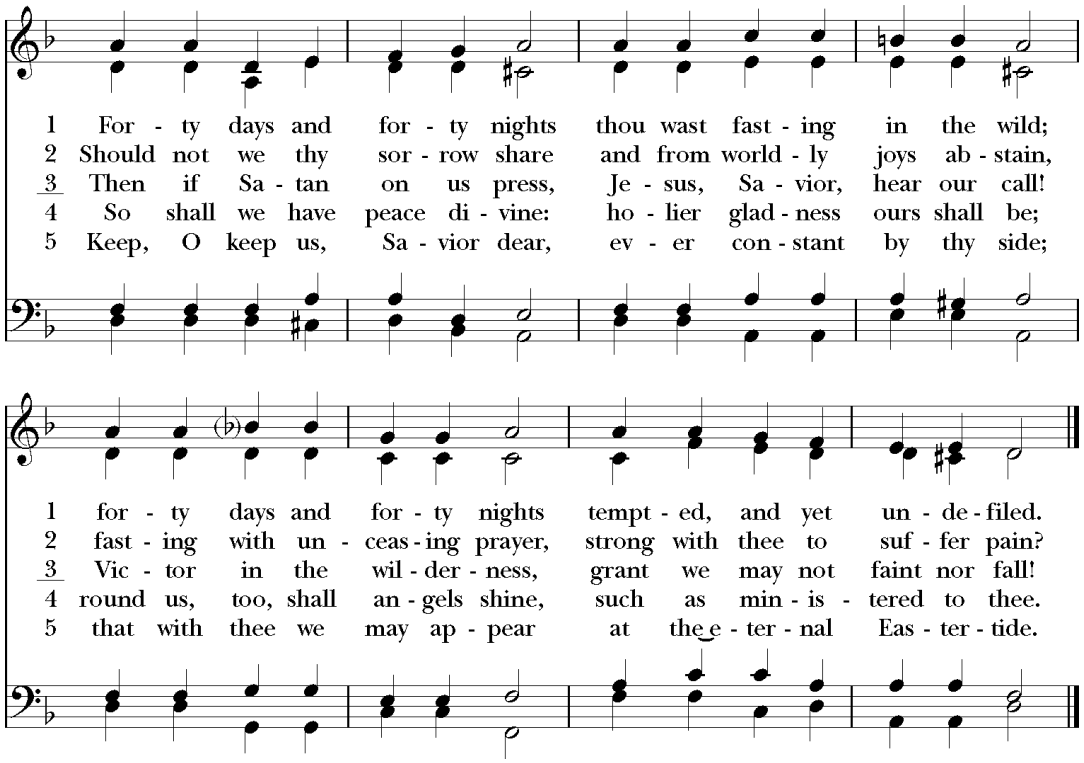
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PRELUDE Andante Sostenuto *Charles Marie Widor* (1844-1937)

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

HYMN AUS DER TIEFE RUFE ICH



Forty days and forty nights, #150 from *The Hymnal 1982* — Words: George Hunt Smyttan (1822-1870), alt.
Music: *Aus der Tiefe rufe ich*, melody att. Martin Herbst (1654-1681), alt.; harm. William Henry Monk (1823-1889).

THE PENITENTIAL INTRODUCTION

The Priest says these Sentences of the Scriptures

O **LORD**, correct me, but with judgement; not in thine anger,
lest thou bring me to nothing. *(Jeremiah 10:24; Psalm 6:1)*

Repent ye; for the Kingdom of heaven is at hand. *(St. Matthew 3:2)*

Enter not into judgement with thy servant, O Lord;
for in thy sight shall no man living be justified. *(Psalm 143:2)*

If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us:
but if we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins,
and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. *(1 St. John 1:8-9)*

The Priest says

DEARLY beloved brethren, the Scripture moveth us in sundry places to acknowledge and confess our manifold sins and wickedness; and that we should not dissemble nor cloak them before the face of Almighty God our heavenly Father; but confess them with an humble, lowly, penitent, and obedient heart; to the end that we may obtain forgiveness of the same, by his infinite goodness and mercy. And although we ought at all times humbly to acknowledge our sins before God; yet ought we chiefly so to do, when we assemble and meet together to render thanks for the great benefits that we have received at his hands, to set forth his most worthy praise, to hear his most holy Word, and to ask those things which are requisite and necessary, as well for the body as the soul. Wherefore I pray and beseech you, as many as are here present, to accompany me with a pure heart and humble voice unto the throne of the heavenly grace, saying with me:

The People kneel.

THE GENERAL CONFESSION

Priest and People

ALMIGHTY and most merciful Father, we have erred, and strayed from thy ways like lost sheep, we have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts, we have offended against thy holy laws, we have left undone those things which we ought to have done, and we have done those things which we ought not to have done, and there is no health in us: But thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us miserable offenders; Spare thou them, O God, which confess their faults, restore thou them that are penitent, according to thy promises declared unto mankind in Christ Jesu our Lord: And grant, O most merciful Father, for his sake, that we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life, to the glory of thy holy Name. Amen.

The Priest stands and pronounces the Absolution

ALMIGHTY God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who desireth not the death of a sinner, but rather that he may turn from his wickedness, and live; and hath given power, and commandment, to his Ministers, to declare and pronounce to his people, being penitent, the Absolution and Remission of their sins: He pardoneth and absolveth all them that truly repent, and unfeignedly believe his holy Gospel. Wherefore let us beseech him to grant us true repentance and his Holy Spirit, that those things may please him, which we do at this present; and that the rest of our life hereafter may be pure, and holy; so that at the last we may come to his eternal joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The People stand.

VERSICLES AND RESPONSES *William Byrd* (c. 1540-1623)

The Officiant and Choir sing the opening responses.

℣. O Lord, open thou our lips.
℟. *And our mouth shall show forth thy praise.*

℣. O God, make speed to save us.
℟. *O Lord, make haste to help us.*

℣. 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.*

℣. Praise ye the Lord.
℟. *The Lord's Name be praised.*

The People sit.

WELCOME

PSALM 40 *Sung by the Choir* Anglican Chant (*Buck, Filsell*)

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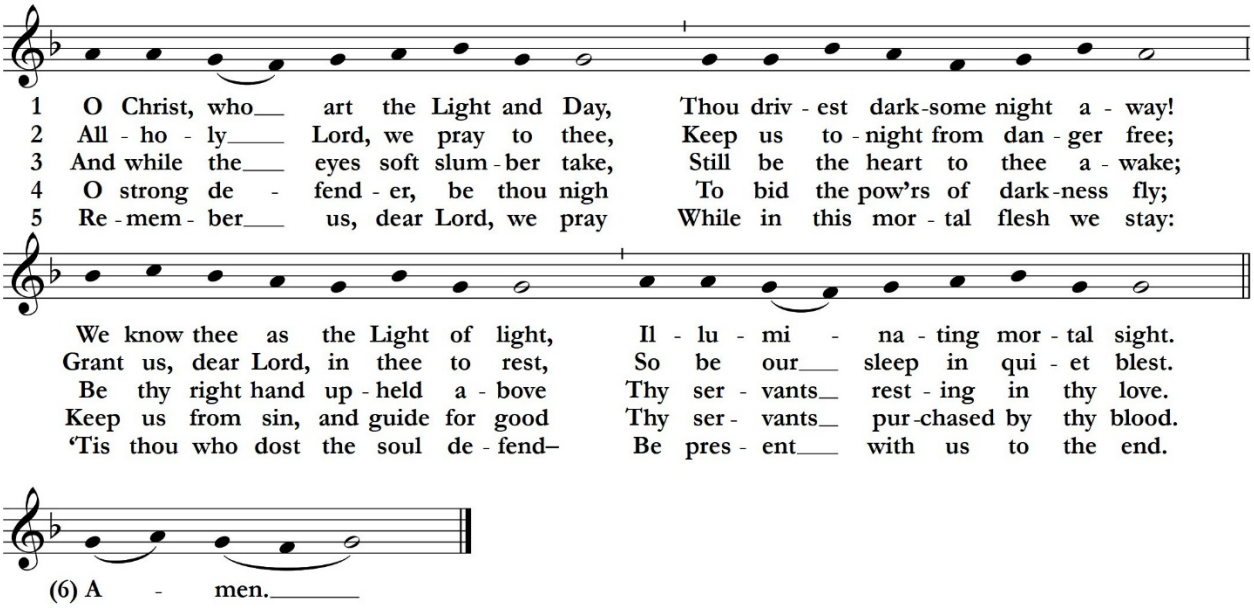
I **WAITED** patiently for the Lord : and he inclined unto me, and heard my calling.
He brought me also out of the horrible pit, out of the mire and clay : and set my feet upon the rock, and ordered my goings.
And he hath put a new song in my mouth : even a thanksgiving unto our God.
Many shall see it, and fear : and shall put their trust in the Lord.
Blessed is the man that hath set his hope in the Lord : and turned not unto the proud, and to such as go about with lies.
O Lord my God, great are the wondrous works which thou hast done, like as be also thy thoughts which are to us-ward : and yet there is no man that ordereth them unto thee.
If I should declare them, and speak of them : they should be more than I am able to express.
Sacrifice and meat-offering thou wouldest not: but mine ears hast thou opened.
Burnt-offerings, and sacrifice for sin, hast thou not required : then said I, Lo, I come,
In the volume of the book it is written of me, that I should fulfil thy will, O my God : I am content to do it; yea, thy law is within my heart.
I have declared thy righteousness in the great congregation : lo, I will not refrain my lips, O Lord, and that thou knowest.
I have not hid thy righteousness within my heart : my talk hath been of thy truth and of thy salvation.
I have not kept back thy loving mercy and truth : from the great congregation.
Withdraw not thou thy mercy from me, O Lord: let thy loving-kindness and thy truth alway preserve me.
For innumerable troubles are come about me; my sins have taken such hold upon me that I am not able to look up : yea, they are more in number than the hairs of my head, and my heart hath failed me.
O Lord, let it be thy pleasure to deliver me : make haste, O Lord, to help me.
Let them be ashamed and confounded together, that seek after my soul to destroy it : let them be driven backward and put to rebuke, that wish me evil.

Let them be desolate, and rewarded with shame: that say unto me, Fie upon thee, fie upon thee.
Let all those that seek thee be joyful and glad in thee : and let such as love thy salvation say alway, The Lord be praised.
As for me, I am poor and needy : but the Lord careth for me.
Thou art my helper and redeemer : make no long tarrying, O my God.
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.

FIRST LESSON Isaiah 55: 1-9

The People stand for the Office Hymn and Magnificat.

OFFICE HYMN CHRISTE QUI LUX ES ET DIES



6 Blest Three in One and One in Three,
Almighty God, we pray to thee
That thou wouldst now vouchsafe to bless
Our fast with fruits of righteousness. Amen.

O Christ, who art the Light and Day, #61 from *The New English Hymnal* – Words: 6th Century Latin; trans. William Copeland (1804-1885), and others.
Music: *Christe qui lux es et dies*, plainsong, Mode ii.

MAGNIFICAT Service in B-minor *T. Tertius Noble* (1867-1953)

MY SOUL doth magnify the Lord,
and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Savior.
For he hath regarded the lowliness of his handmaiden.
For behold from henceforth all generations shall call me blessed.
For he that is mighty hath magnified me, and holy is his Name.
And his mercy is on them that fear him throughout all generations.
He hath showed strength with his arm;
he hath scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts.
He hath put down the mighty from their seat, and hath exalted the humble and meek.
He hath filled the hungry with good things, and the rich he hath sent empty away.
He remembering his mercy hath holpen his servant Israel,
as he promised to our forefathers, Abraham and his seed for ever.
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 sit.

SECOND LESSON Luke 24:28-35

The People stand for the Nunc dimittis and the Creed.

NUNC DIMITTIS Service in B-minor *T. Tertius Noble*

LORD, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace according to thy word.
For mine eyes have seen thy salvation;
Which thou hast prepared before the face of all people;
To be a light to lighten the Gentiles, and to be the glory of thy people Israel.
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 APOSTLES' CREED

**I BELIEVE in God, the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth:
And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord:
who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead, and buried.
He descended into hell.
The third day he rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven,
and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father almighty.
From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Ghost,
the holy Catholick Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

THE PRAYERS

Sung by the Choir

℣. The Lord be with you.
℟. *And with thy spirit.*

The People kneel.

Let us pray.

℟. *Lord, have mercy upon us.*
Christ, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us.

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. Amen.

℣. O Lord, shew thy mercy upon us.
℟. *And grant us thy salvation.*

℣. O Lord, save the State.
℟. *And mercifully hear us when we call upon thee.*

℣. Endue thy Ministers with righteousness.
℟. *And make thy chosen people joyful.*

℣. O Lord, save thy people.
℟. *And bless thine inheritance.*

℣. Give peace in our time, O Lord.
℟. *Because there is none other that fighteth for us, but only thou, O God.*

℣. O God, make clean our hearts within us.
℟. *And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.*

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

ALMIGHTY God, who seest that we have no power of ourselves to help ourselves:
Keep us both outwardly in our bodies and inwardly in our souls,
that we may be defended from all adversities which may happen to the body,
and from all evil thoughts which may assault and hurt the soul;
through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

THE COLLECT FOR ASH WEDNESDAY

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, who hatest nothing that thou hast made
and dost forgive the sins of all those who are penitent: Create and make in us
new and contrite hearts, that we, worthily lamenting our sins and acknowledging our
wretchedness, may obtain of thee, the God of all mercy, perfect remission and forgiveness;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE COLLECT FOR PEACE

O GOD, from whom all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works do proceed:
Give unto thy servants that peace which the world cannot give,
that both our hearts may be set to obey thy commandments, and also that by thee,
we, being defended from the fear of our enemies, may pass our time in rest and quietness;
through the merits of Jesus Christ our Savior. *Amen.*

THE COLLECT FOR AID AGAINST ALL PERILS

LIGHTEN our darkness, we beseech thee, O Lord;
and by thy great mercy defend us from all perils and dangers of this night;
for the love of thy only Son, our Savior Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

The People sit.

ANTHEM AT THE OFFERTORY *Sung by the Choir* *Samuel Sebastian Wesley* (1810-1876)

THOU wilt keep him in perfect peace whose mind is stayed on Thee,
The darkness is no darkness with Thee,
But the night is as clear as the day:
The darkness and the light to Thee are both alike.
God is light and with Him is no darkness at all.
Oh let my soul live and it shall praise Thee.
For Thine is the Kingdom, the power and the glory, for evermore.

Isaiah xxvi, 3

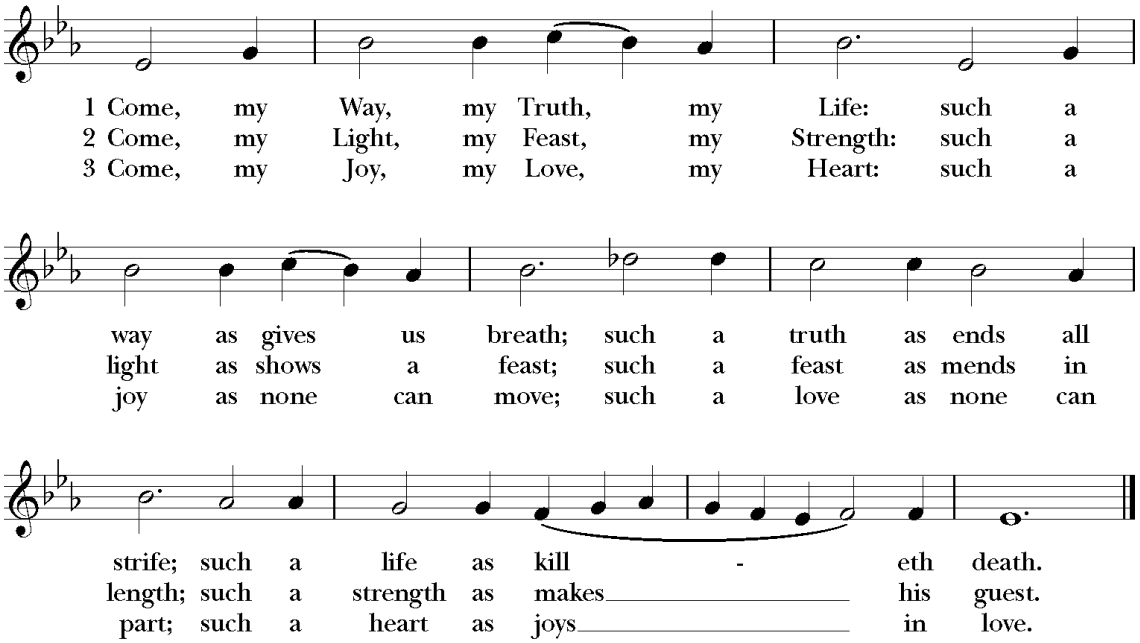
SERMON

The Rev. Prisca Lee-Pae
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"Communion: Becoming one with God and One Another"

A period of silent reflection may follow the sermon.

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HYMN THE CALL



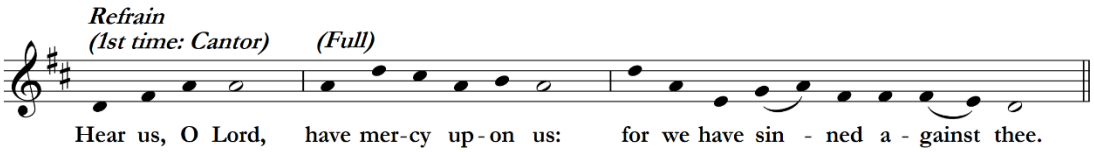
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BLESSING

CHRIST give you grace to grow in holiness,
to deny yourselves, take up your cross, and follow him;
and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son,
and the Holy Spirit, be amongst you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

LENT PROSE *Sung by the Choir* Plainsong (*Mode V*)

The People stand and join in the Refrain.



To thee, Redeemer, on thy throne of glory: lift we our weeping eyes in holy pleadings:
listen, O Jesu, to our supplications.
Refrain

O thou chief Cornerstone, Right Hand of the Father: Way of Salvation,
Gate of Life Celestial: cleanse thou our sinful souls from all defilement.
Refrain

God, we implore thee, in thy glory seated: bow down and hearken to thy weeping children:
pity and pardon all our grievous trespasses.
Refrain

Sins oft committed now we lay before thee: with true contrition, now no more we veil them:
grant us, Redeemer, loving absolution.
Refrain

Innocent, captive, taken unresisting: falsely accused, and for us sinners sentenced, save us,
we pray thee, Jesu our Redeemer.
Refrain

VOLUNTARY Larghetto in F-sharp minor *Samuel Sebastian Wesley*

5:15 P.M. ORGAN RECITAL

Immediately following the service, we invite you to stay for the Sunday Recital Series
featuring organist Alistair Reid – New York, NY

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
Margaret Crane Hurlbut and Gertrude Seney Robinson,
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)

Worship & Recitals this Week

* indicates livestreamed.

Today

5:15 p.m. Sunday Recital Series*
Alistair Reid, Organ – New York, NY

Monday 9th March – Friday 13th March
12 p.m. Shrine Prayers*
12:05 p.m. Holy Eucharist*

Tuesday 10th
5:30 p.m. Choral Evensong*
sung by the Choir of Men and Boys
music by Tomkins and Stanford

Wednesday 11th
5:30 p.m. Choral Evensong*
sung by the Choir of Men and Boys
music by Tomkins, Filsell, and Sheppard

Thursday 12th
5:30 p.m. Choral Evensong
sung by the Choir of Men and Boys
music by Tomkins, Palestrina, Lassus, and Greene

Friday 13th
3 p.m. Contemplative Prayer

Saturday 14th
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: March 15th
Lent 4 - Laetare

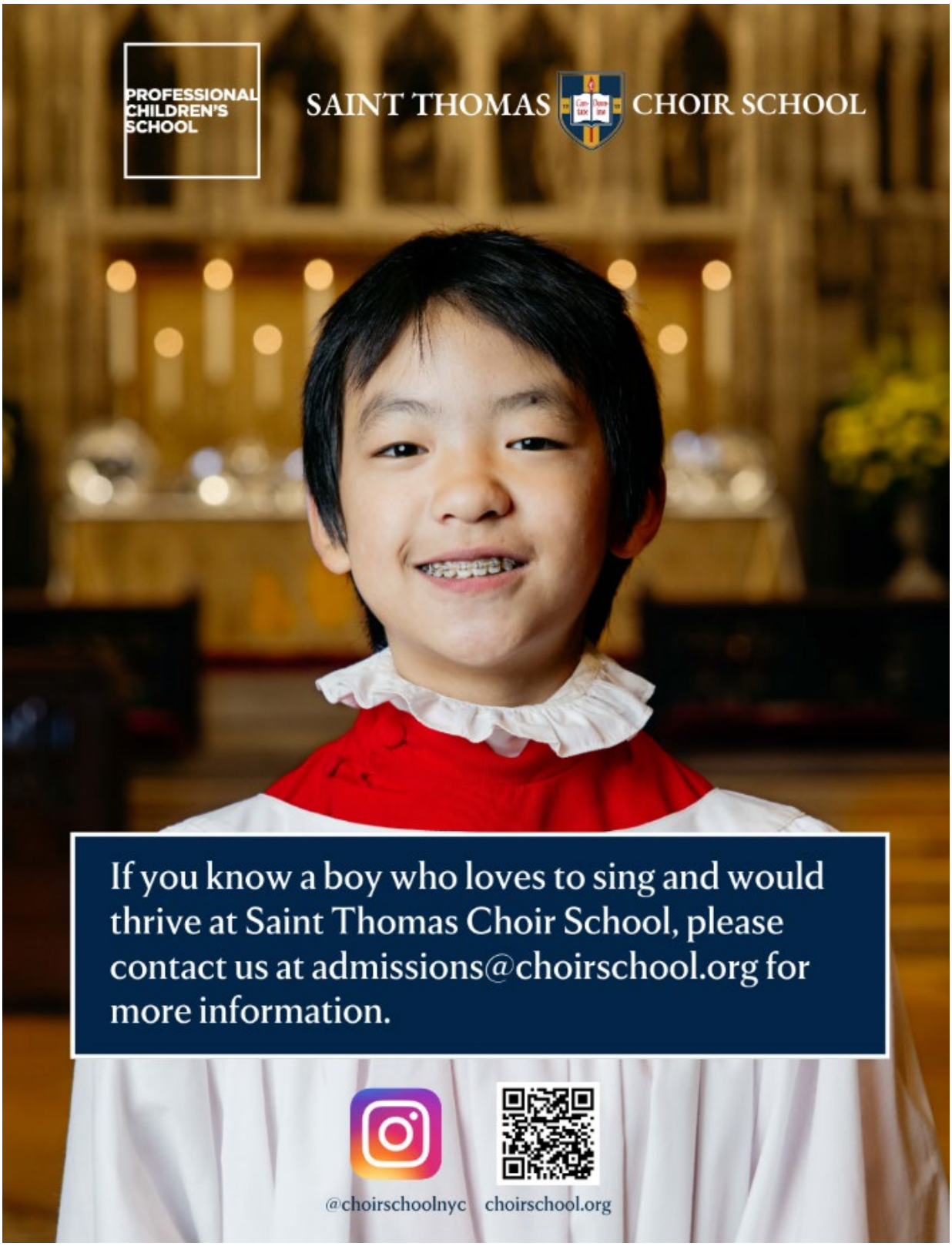
7:45 a.m. Said Mass

9 a.m. Sung Mass
sung by the Noble Singers
followed by Coffee Hour in the Parish House

11 a.m. Festal Eucharist*
sung by the Choir of Men and Boys
Sermon by Mo. Lee-Pae

4 p.m. Solemn Evensong*
sung by the Choir of Men and Boys
Sermon by Fr. Schultz


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HOLY WEEK

SAINT THOMAS CHURCH FIFTH AVENUE

March 29 - April 5, 2026



HOLY WEEK PREACHER
The Rev. Dr. Sarah Coakley
Author and Norris-Hulse Professor Emeritus of Divinity, University of Cambridge, U.K.

AllChoralServices are sung by The Saint Thomas Choir of Men and Boys unless otherwise noted

Palm Sunday, March 29

7:45am Said Mass
9am The Liturgy of the Palms and Sung Mass sung by the Noble Singers
11am The Liturgy of the Palms and Solemn Eucharist of the Passion, with the Choir of New College, Oxford UK
4pm Solemn Evensong and Sermon

Monday and Tuesday, March 30 & 31

12pm Shrine Prayers and Said Mass
5:30pm Solemn Eucharist with Sermon, sung by the Gentlemen of the Choir
5:45pm Holy Week Musical Meditations
Monday: J.S. Bach: Passion and Praise, Robert Quinney, organist
Tuesday: Buxtehude: Membra Jesu Nostri sung by The Saint Thomas Consort

Wednesday, April 1

12pm The Way of the Cross and Holy Eucharist
5:30pm Sermon
5:45pm The Office of Tenebrae sungbytheGentlemenoftheChoir

The Easter Triduum

Maundy Thursday, April 2

5:30pm The Mass of the Lord's Supper with Sermon including
Procession to the Altar of Repose and the Stripping of the Altar

Good Friday, April 3

Confessions: 10:30-11:30am and 3:30-5:00pm
10:30am The Way of the Cross for Children and Families
12-3pm **The Three Hours Devotion** led by the Gentlemen of the Choir
The Seven Last Words from the Cross will be explored by
Donyelle McCray, Associate Professor of Homiletics at Yale Divinity School



5:30pm The Celebration of the Lord's Passion with Sermon
Including the Veneration of the Cross and Holy Communion

Holy Saturday, April 4

5:30pm The Great Vigil of Easter with Baptisms and the First Mass of Easter

Easter Day, April 5

8am & 11am Procession, Solemn Eucharist, Sermon, and Renewal of Baptismal Vows
2:15pm 8am Preacher: The Rector; 11am Preacher: Professor Coakley
3pm Easter Music for Organ
Solemn Evensong and Easter Procession

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. For tickets and more information, visit www.saintthomaschurch.org/music/concerts.

Contributions are now being received for **Easter Flowers in memory of departed loved ones**. The names of the faithful departed in whose memory the church will be adorned will be listed in the Easter service leaflet. In order to cover the cost of the flowers, we suggest a minimum donation of $25 per person. To give: visit www.saintthomaschurch.org/give or send your check, made payable to Saint Thomas Church, and a printed list of those in whose memory you are making your donation. Deadline for submission is **Monday, March 16**.

We invite you to be part of our **Easter Outreach** by donating treats for children in need, or by using the QR code to make a donation. Please bring chocolate Easter bunnies, foil-wrapped chocolate eggs, and individually wrapped Easter treats, along with any little stuffed bunny or appropriate toy for an Easter basket to the Parish House by Saturday, March 28th. Baskets will be assembled on Sunday, March 29th, after coffee hour in the Parish House—just stop by if you're available! Your generosity makes a difference to children and families. For more information, contact Linda Morfi at 212-757-7013 ext. 416 or lmorfi@saintthomaschurch.org.

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.

Saint Thomas Behind the Scenes Tour, Saturday, April 11, 2025, 1:00 PM: Saint Thomas Church Tour Guide, Bill Hearst, will lead a tour that will explore our landmark building with parishioners. From the gigantic blower in the basement that powers the great organ, to the vesting room housing the vast ecclesiastical wardrobe. This will then be followed by an ascent via winding stairs into the tower to view the carillon and its bells, and finally, it's out onto the tower roof for a panoramic view of Fifth Avenue. Please note that ascent to the tower is optional. This tour will last just under 2 hours and is best suited for individuals aged 12 and above. There is a limit of 15 participants, and each participant will be required to complete and sign a waiver. If there are more than 15 individuals who express interest, we will work to schedule another offering. Interested parishioners should register with Bill in advance at wshearst@gmail.com

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 **1:30**pm. It is preceded by brunch at 12:45pm in the Dining Room of the Parish House. 매달 둘째 주일 오후1:30에 본당에서 올리는 한국어 감사 성찬례에 여러분을 초대합니다. 오후12:45에 2층 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: 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.

Participating in **Neighbor to Neighbor** is a wonderful way to enter into the Lenten practice of humility and service! Every Saturday morning between 8:30-10:30am, a group of volunteers meet in the Cloisters of the Church to provide coffee, tea, pastries, fresh fruit, oatmeal, toiletries, and community to our neighbors in need. **On the second Saturday of every month from 11am to 12pm** — we will provide new clothing to our guests. Because we distribute new clothing only, we ask that you consider making a financial donation rather than bringing second-hand items. Help make these important ministries possible by joining Neighbor to Neighbor: communityoutreachstc@gmail.com

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

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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. **Communion: Becoming one with God and one another**
3. **Prayerfulness: Abiding with God**
4. **Service to the Poor: Caring for our Neighbor**
5. **Scripture: Listening to God**

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