

SAINT THOMAS CHURCH FIFTH AVENUE
in the
CITY OF NEW YORK



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The Reverend Canon Carl F. Turner, *Rector*

SUNDAY, MAY 10, 2026 AT 4 P.M.
THE SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

FESTAL EVENSONG
SUNG BY THE CHOIR OF MEN AND BOYS



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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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PRELUDE

Improvisation

Jeremiah Stephenson
(b. 1990)

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

VERSICLES AND RESPONSES

Bernard Rose
(1916-1996)

The Officiant and Choir sing the opening responses.

V. O Lord, open thou our lips.

R. And our mouth shall show forth thy praise.

V. O God, make speed to save us.

R. O Lord, make haste to help us.

V. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost.

R. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

V. Praise ye the Lord.

R. The Lord's Name be praised.

The People sit.

WELCOME

PSALM 73:22-27

Sung by the Choir

Anglican Chant (Soaper)

QUAM BONUS ISRAEL

NEVERTHELESS, I am alway by thee : for thou hast holden me by my right hand.
Thou shalt guide me with thy counsel : and after that receive me with glory.

Whom have I in heaven but thee : and there is none upon earth that I desire in comparison of thee.

My flesh and my heart faileth : but God is the strength of my heart, and my portion for ever.

For lo, they that forsake thee shall perish : thou hast destroyed all them that commit fornication against thee.

But it is good for me to hold me fast by God, to put my trust in the Lord God : and to speak of all thy works in the gates of the daughter of Sion.

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

Zechariah 8:1-13

The People stand for the Office Hymn and Magnificat.



OFFICE HYMN

UNSER HERRSCHER

1 He is ris - en, he is ris - en! Tell it out with
2 Come, ye sad and fear - ful - heart - ed, with glad smile and
*3 Come, with high and ho - ly hymn - ing, hail our Lord's tri -
4 He is ris - en, he is ris - en! He hath o - pened

joy - ful voice: he has burst his three days' pris - on;
ra - dian brow! Death's long sha - dows have de - part - ed;
um - phant day; not one dark - some cloud is dim - ming
hea - ven's gate: we are free from sin's dark pris - on,

let the whole wide earth re - joice: death is con - quered,
Je - sus' woes are o - ver now, and the pas - sion
yon - der glo - rious morn - ing ray, break - ing o'er the
ris - en to a ho - lier state; and a bright - er

we are free, Christ has won the vic - to - ry.
that he bore— sin and pain can vex no more.
pur - ple east, sym - bol of our Eas - ter feast.
Eas - ter beam on our long - ing eyes shall stream.

He is risen, He is risen!, #180 from *The New English Hymnal* – Words: Cecil Frances Alexander (1818-1895), alt.
Music: *Unser Herrscher*, Joachim Neander (1650-1680)



MAGNIFICAT

Service in A

*Sir Charles V. Stanford
(1852-1924)*

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

Revelation 21:22-22:5

The People stand for the Nunc dimittis and the Creed.

NUNC DIMITTIS

Service in A

Sir Charles V. Stanford

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

V. The Lord be with you.
R. And with thy spirit.

The People kneel.

Let us pray.

R. 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.

V. O Lord, shew thy mercy upon us.
R. And grant us thy salvation.

V. O Lord, save the State.
R. 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

O GOD, who hast prepared for those who love thee such good things as pass man's understanding: Pour into our hearts such love toward thee, that we, loving thee in all things and above all things, may obtain thy promises, which exceed all that we can desire; 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 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.



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God's Love at the Heart of New York

ANTHEM AT THE OFFERTORY

*Patrick Hadley
(1899-1973)*

MY beloved spake, and said unto me, Rise up, my love, my fair one, and come away.
For, lo, the winter is past, the rain is over and gone;
The flowers appear on the earth; the time of the singing of birds is come, and the voice of the turtle
is heard in our land;
The fig tree putteth forth her green figs, and the vines with the tender grape give a good smell.
Arise, my love, my fair one, and come away.

Song of Solomon 2:10-13

SERMON

The Rev. Luigi Gioia
Theologian in Residence

A period of silent reflection may follow the sermon.



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HYMN

SAVANNAH



1 Love's re - deem - ing work is done, fought the fight, the bat - tle won.
2 Lives a - gain our glo - rious King; where, O death, is now thy sting?
3 Soar we now where Christ has led, fol - lowing our ex - alt - ed Head;



Death in vain for - bids him rise; Christ has o - pened par - a - dise.
Once he died our souls to save, where thy vic - to - ry, O grave?
made like him, like him we rise, ours the cross, the grave, the skies.

Loves redeeming work is done, #188 from *The Hymnal 1982* – Words: Charles Wesley (1707-1788), alt.
Music: Savannah, from *Harmonia Sacra*, ca. 1760

THE EASTERTIDE BLESSING

THE God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, the great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant, make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is well-pleasing in his sight; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always.
Amen.

PSALM 150

Sung by the Choir

Anglican Chant (George S. Talbot)

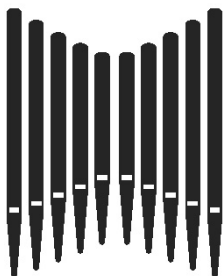
LAUDATE DOMINUM

O PRAISE God in his holiness : praise him in the firmament of his power.
Praise him in his noble acts : praise him according to his excellent greatness.
Praise him in the sound of the trumpet : praise him upon the lute and harp.
Praise him in the cymbals and dances : praise him upon the strings and pipe.
Praise him upon the well-tuned cymbals : praise him upon the loud cymbals.
Let every thing that hath breath : praise the Lord.
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.

VOLUNTARY

Prelude on a theme by Orlando Gibbons
Song 22

Charles V. Stanford
(1852-1924)



*You are invited to stay on for our
Sunday Recital Series*

with our recitalist, Amelie Held, organ – New York, NY



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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 *Harriet Ferry Manice, Robert Means Brannon, Guernsey Curran, The Rev. Leslie John Alden Lang, Margaret Crane Hurlbut, Jane Rutherford Faile, Lena Succa, Judith Loman Spires, and Thomas Biallot,* 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

A MINISTRY OF CARE AT SAINT THOMAS CHURCH

Every Saturday morning between **8am and 10:30am**, a group of volunteers meet in the Cloisters of the Church to provide meals, toiletries and community to our neighbors in need.

On **the second Saturday of every month**, we provide clothing to our guests from **11am to 12pm**.

Please email at communityoutreachstc@gmail.com to volunteer!

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WORSHIP & RECITALS THIS WEEK

* indicates livestreamed.

The Daily Mass

Monday 11th May – Friday 15th May

12 p.m. Shrine Prayers*

12:05 p.m. Holy Eucharist*

Tuesday 12th

Rogation Day

5:30 p.m. Choral Evensong*

sung by the Choir of Men and Boys

music by Leighton, Byrd, and Tomkins

Wednesday 13th

Eve of the Ascension

5:30 p.m. Festal Evensong*

sung by the Choir of Men and Boys

music by Leighton, Stanford, and Gowers

Thursday 14th

Ascension Day

5:30 p.m. Procession and Solemn Eucharist*

sung by the Choir of Men and Boys

music by Moore, Finzi, and Stanford

Friday 15th

3 p.m. Contemplative Prayer

Saturday 16th

Note time changes today because of the Spring Lecture

9 a.m. Holy Eucharist

**9:30-10 a.m. Confessions, Spiritual Advice,
Ministry of Healing in the Resurrection
Chapel Confessor Fr. Morris**

Next Sunday: May 17th

The Seventh Sunday of Easter

7:45 a.m. Said Mass

**10 a.m. Solemn Eucharist with Confirmation
and Reception by The Rt. Rev. Matthew Heyd**
sung by the Choir of Men and Boys
Sermon by the Rt. Rev. Matthew Heyd

4 p.m. Festal Evensong

Sung by the Choir of Men and Boys
Sermon by Fr. Schultz

5:15 p.m. Sunday Recital Series

Emmanuel Duperrey, organ – Villemonble, France



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SPRING THEOLOGY LECTURE

Idolatry and the Eucharist

How to See God in
Things without Making a
God of Things

SATURDAY MAY 16
11AM - 12:30PM

1 W 53rd Street, New York, New York

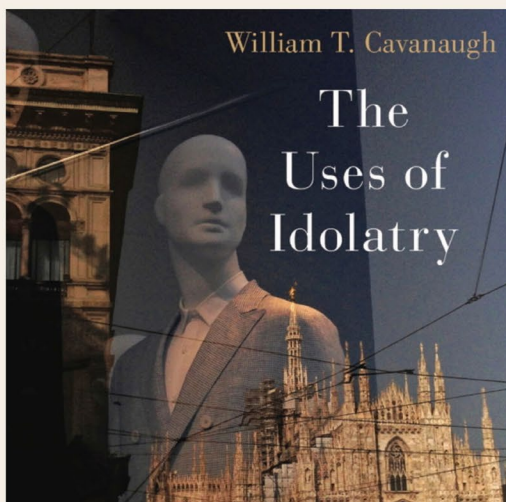


Register today!
In person and via livestream.



PROFESSOR
WILLIAM T. CAVANAUGH

Professor of Catholic Studies,
DePaul University



Parish Notices

Parish Brunch on Sunday, May 17: Following a 10:00 AM Solemn Eucharist, when Bishop Shin will confirm and receive new members, the parish is warmly invited to a Parish Brunch in Andrew Hall. Tickets are currently available using the QR code. This much-loved gathering has sold out the past two years and is widely said to be the best brunch in New York.



Children and Family Ministries: Children's Formation (Pre-K-High School) returns this Sunday. Next Sunday, May 17th, there is no Children's Formation due to the 10am Joint Service. The Children's area (near the icon of Saint Thomas) is available for families during all services, with quiet activities for young children. This Sunday, the Nursery is available on the 3rd Floor from 9-1pm 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 are on Thursdays at 4:15pm. 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.

Contemplative Prayer takes place on Fridays at 3pm at 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.

Neighbor to Neighbor: 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.

Every second Saturday of the 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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