

SAINT THOMAS CHURCH FIFTH AVENUE
in the
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SAINT MARY THE VIRGIN

SOLEMN EUCHARIST AND PROCESSION
SUNG BY THE SAINT THOMAS CONSORT



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God's Love at the Heart of New York

ORDINARY OF THE MASS

Missa Assumpta est Maria

Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina
(c. 1525-1594)

PRELUDE

Ave Maria

Sigfrid Karg-Elert
(1877-1933)

The People stand at the entry of the Choir.

OPENING HYMN

RUSTINGTON

1 Sing we of the bless - ed Mo - ther who re - ceived the an - gel's
2 Sing we, too, of Ma - ry's sor - rows, of the sword that pierced her
3 Sing a - gain the joys of Ma - ry when she saw the ris - en
4 Sing the chief - est joy of Ma - ry when on earth her work was

word, and o - be - dient to the sum - mons bore in
through, when be - neath the cross of Je - sus she his
Lord, and in prayer with Christ's a - pos - tles, wait - ed
done, and the Lord of all cre - a - tion brought her

love the in - fant Lord; sing we of the joys of
weight of suf - fering knew, looked up - on her Son and
on his prom - ised word; from on high the blaz - ing
to his heaven - ly home; where, raised high with saints and

Ma - ry at whose breast the child was fed who is
Sa - vior reign - ing from the aw - ful tree, saw the
glo - ry of the Spi - rit's pres - ence came, heaven - ly
an - gels, in Je - ru - sa - lem a - bove, she be -



Son of God e - ter - nal and the ev - er - last - ing Bread.
price of our re - dcmption paid to set the sin - ner free.
breath of God's own be - ing, man - i - fest in wind and flame.
holds her son and Sa - vior reign-ing as the Lord of love.

Sing we of the blessed Mother, #278 from *The Hymnal* 1982.

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THE PENITENTIAL ORDER

Celebrant
Bless-ed be God: Fa-ther, Son, and Ho-ly Spi-rit.

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

The Celebrant says

Born of a woman, born under the law,
Christ has redeemed us from the curse of sin:
let us come to him that he may heal us and set us free.

Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

The People kneel. Silence is kept.

Celebrant and People

MOST merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against thee in thought,
word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved thee with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of thy Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in thy will, and walk in thy ways, to the glory of thy Name. Amen.

The Celebrant says

THE Almighty and merciful Lord grant you absolution and remission of all your sins,
true repentance, amendment of life, and the grace and consolation of his Holy Spirit. Amen.

The People stand.



GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

Sung by the Choir

GLORIA in excelsis Deo,
et in terra pax
hominibus bonæ voluntatis.
Laudamus te, benedicimus te,
adoramus te, glorificamus te.
Gratias agimus tibi
propter magnam gloriam tuam.
Domine Deus, Rex coelestis,
Deus Pater omnipotens.
Domine Fili unigenite Jesu Christe.
Domine Deus, Agnus Dei,
Filius Patris, qui tollis peccata mundi,
miserere nobis.
Qui tollis peccata mundi,
suscipe deprecationem nostram.
Qui sedes ad dexteram Patris,
miserere nobis.
Quoniam tu solus Sanctus,
tu solus Dominus,
tu solus altissimus Jesu Christe.
Cum Sancto Spiritu
in Gloria Dei Patris. Amen.

*Glory be to God on high,
and on earth peace,
good will towards men.
We praise thee, we bless thee,
we worship thee, we glorify thee.
We give thanks to thee
for thy great glory,
O Lord God, heavenly King,
God the Father almighty.
O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ;
O Lord God, Lamb of God,
Son of the Father, that takest away the sins of the world,
have mercy upon us
Thou that takest away the sins of the world,
receive our prayer.
Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father,
have mercy upon us.
For thou only art holy;
thou only art the Lord;
thou only, O Christ.
With the Holy Ghost, art most high
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.*

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

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

O GOD, who hast taken to thyself the blessed Virgin Mary, mother of thy incarnate Son:
Grant that we, who have been redeemed by his blood, may share with her the glory of thine
eternal kingdom; through the same 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 sit.



THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

THE LESSON

Revelation 11:19a, 12:1-6a, 10ab

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 45:1, 10-18

Sung by the Choir

Anglican Chant (*Atkins*)

ERUCTAVIT COR MEUM

MY heart is inditing of a good matter : I speak of the things which I have made
unto the King.

Kings' daughters were among thy honourable women : upon thy right hand did stand the
queen in a vesture of gold, wrought about with divers colours.

Hearken, O daughter, and consider, incline thine ear : forget also thine own people, and thy
father's house.

So shall the King have pleasure in thy beauty : for he is thy Lord God, and worship thou him.
And the daughter of Tyre shall be there with a gift : like as the rich also among the people shall
make their supplication before thee.

The King's daughter is all glorious within : her clothing is of wrought gold.

She shall be brought unto the King in raiment of needle-work : the virgins that be her fellows
shall bear her company, and shall be brought unto thee.

With joy and gladness shall they be brought : and shall enter into the King's palace.

Instead of thy fathers thou shalt have children: whom thou mayest make princes in all lands.

I will remember thy Name from one generation to another : therefore shall the people give
thanks unto thee, world without end.

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

1 Corinthians 15:20-27

Subdeacon The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

The People stand.



HYMN

ST. BOTOLPH

1 For Ma - ry, Moth - er of the Lord
2 The ang - el Gab - riel brought the word
3 The heav - 'nly call she thus o - beyed,
4 She gave her bo - dy for God's shrine,
5 Dear Ma - ry, from your low - li - ness
6 Hail, Ma - ry, you are full of grace,

God's ho - ly name be praised, Who first the Son of
She should Christ's moth - er be; Our La - dy, hand - maid
And so God's will was done; The sec - ond Eve love's
Her heart to pierc - ing pain, And knew the cost of
And home in Ga - li - lee, There comes a joy and
A - bove all wo - men blest; Blest in your Son, whom

God a - dored As on her child she gazed.
of the Lord, Made ans - wer will - ing - ly.
ans - wer made Which our re - demp - tion won.
love di - vine When Je - sus Christ was slain.
ho - li - ness To ev - 'ry fa - mi - ly.
your em - brace In birth and death con - fessed.

For Mary, Mother of the Lord, #385 (Music) and #161 (Words) from *The New English Hymnal*.
Words: J. R. Peacey (1896-1971). Music: St. Botolph, Gordon Slater (1896-1979)



GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Plainsong (Mode VI)

This acclamation heralds the Gospel Reading
Cantor *People*



Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.
Cantor Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee.
Blessèd art thou among all women and blessèd is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus.
People Alleluia.

THE HOLY GOSPEL

Luke 1:39-56

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



People Glo - ry be to thee, O Lord.

After the Gospel, the Deacon says

The Gospel of the Lord.



People Praise be to thee, O Christ.

THE SERMON

The Rector

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 (SPECIAL FORM)

As we pray to God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, we pray with Mary,
"My soul doth magnify the Lord, and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Savior."

The People kneel.

Almighty God, thy prophet of old foretold a day when a virgin would conceive
and bear a son who would be called Emmanuel.
Help us to look forward to thy deliverance and to seek the fullness of thy kingdom.

For he hath regarded:

People **the lowliness of his handmaiden.**

The angel Gabriel declared unto Mary that she was to be the mother of the Savior.
Help all Christian people to be open to thy word and obedient to thy will.

For behold from henceforth:

People **all generations shall call me blessed.**

Mary rejoiced with Elizabeth and sang thy praise with her Magnificat.
Help us to live joyful lives that sing thy praises.

For he that is mighty hath magnified me,

People **and holy is his Name.**

The child Jesus grew in wisdom and stature in the home of Mary and Joseph.
Strengthen our homes and families, and keep under thy protection
all those whom we love.

For his mercy is on them that fear him

People **throughout all generations.**

Mary bore a son of David's line, a king whose reign would never end.
Bless all the nations of the world with Christ's gift of peace.

He hath showed strength with his arm;

People **he hath scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts.**

At the wedding at Cana in Galilee, Mary said to the stewards
"Do whatever he tells you."

May we respond to Christ's call to build the Beloved Community.

He hath put down the mighty from their seat,

People **and hath exalted the humble and meek.**

At the foot of the cross of Christ stood his mother,
and from the cross she received his lifeless body in her arms.
Give comfort and healing to all who suffer
and all who watch the suffering of those they love.



He hath filled the hungry with good things,
People **and the rich he hath sent empty away.**

The apostle John saw a vision of a woman in heaven, robed with the sun.
Bring us with all those who have died in the faith of Christ
to share the joy of heaven with Mary and all the saints.

He remembering his mercy hath holpen his servant Israel,
People **as he promised to our forefathers, Abraham and his seed for ever.**

In a moment of quiet, let us bring our own prayers to the Lord.

The Celebrant concludes the prayers with this collect

FATHER in heaven, by whose grace the virgin mother of thy incarnate Son was blessed in bearing him, but still more blessed in keeping thy word: Grant us who honor the exaltation of her lowliness to follow the example of her devotion to thy will; 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 PEACE

The Celebrant introduces the Peace with these words

UNTO us a child is born, unto us a son is given,
and his name shall be called the Prince of Peace.

Isaiah 9:6

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

The People sit.

THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

MOTET AT THE OFFERTORY

*Peter Philips
(1561-1628)*

ASSUMPTA est Maria in coelum:
gaudent angeli, laudantes benedicunt Dominum,
Maria virgo assumpta est ad aethereum thalamum,
in quo Rex regum stellato sedet solio.

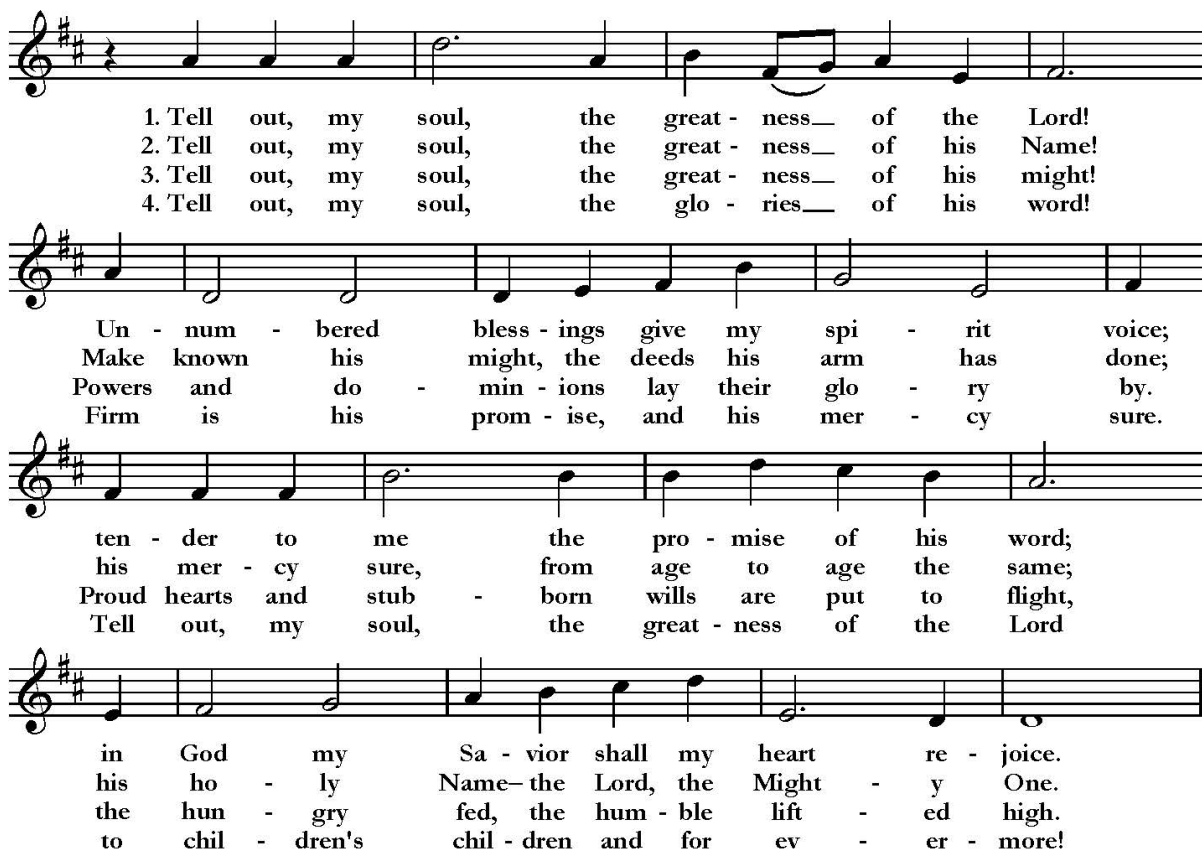
*Mary is taken up into heaven,
the angels rejoice, praising, they bless the Lord.
Mary the Virgin is taken up into the heavenly chamber,
in which the King of kings sits upon his starry throne.*

Offertory for the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary



HYMN

WOODLANDS



1. Tell out, my soul, the great-ness of the Lord!
2. Tell out, my soul, the great-ness of his Name!
3. Tell out, my soul, the great-ness of his might!
4. Tell out, my soul, the glo-ries of his word!

Un - num - bered bless - ings give my spi - rit voice;
Make known his might, the deeds his arm has done;
Powers and do - min - ions lay their glo - ry by.
Firm is his prom - ise, and his mer - cy sure.

ten - der to me the pro - mise of his word;
his mer - cy sure, from age to age the same;
Proud hearts and stub - born wills are put to flight,
Tell out, my soul, the great - ness of the Lord

in God my Sa - vior shall my heart re - joice.
his ho - ly Name—the Lord, the Might - y One.
the hun - gry fed, the hum - ble lift - ed high.
to chil - dren's chil - dren and for ev - er - more!

Tell out my soul, #438 from *The Hymnal 1982* – Words: Timothy Dudley-Smith (b. 1926); based on *The Song of Mary*. © 1962, Hope Publishing Company.
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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.

Because thou didst give Jesus Christ, thine only Son, to be born for us; who, by the mighty power of the Holy Ghost, was made very Man of the substance of the Virgin Mary his mother; that we might be delivered from the bondage of sin, and receive power to become thy children.

Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying

SANCTUS AND BENEDICTUS

Sung by the Choir

SANCTUS, Sanctus, Sanctus
Dominus Deus Sabaoth.
Pleni sunt caeli et terra Gloria tua.
Hosanna in excelsis.

Holy, holy, holy,
Lord God of Hosts.
Heaven and earth are full of thy glory.
Hosanna in the highest.

Benedictus qui venit
in nomine Domini.
Hosanna in excelsis.

Blessed is he that cometh
in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

The People kneel or stand.

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

The Celebrant continues the Eucharistic Prayer, which concludes

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

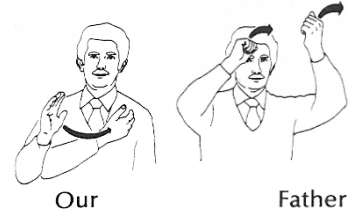
The People respond **AMEN.**



THE LORD'S PRAYER

Padre nuestro, que estás en el cielo
하늘에 계신 우리 아버지
Notre Père qui es aux cieux
Πατερ ημων ο εν τοις ουρανοις
Pai nosso, que estais nos Céus,
Отче наш, що єси на небесах
أَبَانَا 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,

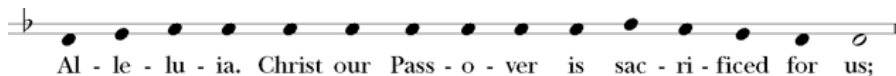
Celebrant and People

Our 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. The Celebrant says



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

Contemplation II

*Ad Wammes
(b. 1953)*

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.*



MOTET

Sung by the Choir

Robert Parsons
(c. 1535-1572)

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

THE PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

The Celebrant says

Let us pray.

The People kneel and silence is kept.

The Celebrant prays

GOD most high,
whose handmaid bore the Word made flesh:
we thank thee that in this sacrament of our redemption
thou visitest us with thy Holy Spirit
and overshadow us by thy power;
strengthen us to walk with Mary the joyful path of obedience
and so to bring forth the fruits of holiness;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

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.



SOLEMN BLESSING

The Celebrant says

The Lord be with you.

People **And with thy spirit.**

MAY the Father, who has loved the eternal Son
from before the foundation of the world,
shed that love upon you his children.

People **Amen.**

May Christ, who by his incarnation gathered into one
things earthly and heavenly,
fill you with joy and peace.

People **Amen.**

May the Holy Spirit, by whose overshadowing Mary became the God-bearer,
give you grace to carry the good news of Christ.

People **Amen.**

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

People **Amen.**

PROCESSION TO THE SHRINE OF OUR LADY OF FIFTH AVENUE

When the procession reaches the Shrine of our Lady of Fifth Avenue in the Nave, the hymn is paused and all turn to face the Shrine for the traditional devotions which can be found printed overleaf after the hymn.

HYMN

DEN DES VATERS SINN GEBOREN

1 Ye who claim the faith of Je - sus, sing the won - ders that were done
2 Bless - ed were the cho - sen peo - ple out of whom the Lord did come;
3 There - fore let all faith - ful peo - ple sing the hon - or of her name;
4 "Mag - ni - fy, my soul, God's great - ness; in my Sa - vior I re - joice;

when the love of God the Fa - ther o - ver sin the
bless - ed was the land of prom - ise fa - shioned for his
let the Church, in her fore - shad - owed, part in her thanks -
all the a - ges call me bless - ed, in his praise I



vic - tory won, when he made the Vir - gin Ma - ry
earth - ly home; but more bless - ed far the mo - ther,
giv - ing claim; what Christ's mo - ther sang in glad - ness
lift my voice; he has cast down all the might - y,

mo - ther of his on - ly Son. Hail Ma - ry, full of grace.
she who bore him in her womb. Hail Ma - ry, full of grace.
let Christ's peo - ple sing the same: Hail Ma - ry, full of grace.
and the low - ly are his choice." Hail Ma - ry, full of grace.

5. Let us weave our supplications,
she with us and we with her,
for the advancement of the faithful,
for each faithful worshiper,
for the doubting, for the sinful,
for each heedless wanderer.
Hail Mary, full of grace.

7. For the sick and for the aged,
For our dear ones far away,
For the hearts that mourn in secret,
All who need our prayers today,
For the faithful gone before us,
May the holy Virgin pray.
Hail Mary, hail Mary,
hail Mary full of grace.

6. May the Mother's intercessions
on our homes a blessing win,
that the children all be prospered,
strong and fair and pure within,
following our Lord's own footsteps,
firm in faith and free from sin.
Hail Mary, full of grace.

8. Praise, O Mary, praise the Father,
Praise thy Saviour and thy Son,
Praise the everlasting Spirit,
Who hath made thee ark and throne;
O'er all creatures high exalted,
Lowly praise the Three in One.
Hail Mary, hail Mary,
hail Mary full of grace.



RESPONSORY

Blessed is she who had faith that the Lord's promise would be fulfilled.
People **All generations shall call her blessed.**

So tenderly has he looked upon his servant.
People **All generations shall call her blessed.**

Blessed is she among women, and blessed is the fruit of her womb.
People **All generations shall call her blessed.**

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.
People **All generations shall call her blessed.**

MOTET

John Sheppard
(c. 1515-1558)

GAUDE Maria virgo cunctas haereses sola interemisti,
quae Gabrielis archangeli dictis credidisti;

Dum virgo Deum et hominem genuisti
et post partum virgo inviolate permansisti.

*Rejoice, virgin Mary, you alone ended all heresies,
you who believed in the words of the archangel Gabriel;*

*While a virgin, you bore God and man,
and after the birth you remained a virgin inviolate.*

Anonymous

PRAYER TO OUR LADY OF FIFTH AVENUE

Composed by Father John Andrew

Let us pray.

Silence is kept. Please join in this prayer with the Celebrant if you wish.

WE come to you Holy Mother to ask your prayers.
You give us all encouragement to approach you as your children,
whose brother your Son, Jesus Christ we claim as our blessed Savior and yours.
Help us now we ask you with a prayer to him on our behalf and for his sake. Amen.

The hymn continues.



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God's Love at the Heart of New York

THE DISMISSAL

Deacon Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.
People Thanks be to God.

VOLUNTARY

Fuga Sopra il Magnificat
BWV 733

Johann Sebastian Bach
(1685-1750)

**Please join us for cheese, dessert, wine, and soft drinks in the Lady Chapel
immediately following the service.**



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
John Henry Eydeler, Margaret Crane Hurlbut, and Joel Rothermel,
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, August 17th – Saturday, August 22nd

12 p.m. Shrine Prayers*

12:05 p.m. Holy Eucharist*

Tuesday 18th

5:30 p.m.

Holy Eucharist (traditional language)

Wednesday 19th

5:30 p.m.

Holy Eucharist (traditional language)

Thursday 20th

5:30 p.m.

Holy Eucharist (traditional language)

Confessions, Spiritual Advice, and the
Ministry of Healing

Saturday, August 22nd

11 a.m. – 11:45 a.m.

in the Resurrection Chapel

Confessor: The Rector

Next Sunday:

August 23rd

The Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

7:45 a.m. Said Mass

9 a.m. Sung Mass

followed by Coffee Hour in the Parish House

11 a.m. Festal Eucharist*

sung by the Saint Thomas Consort

Sermon by Mo. Turner

*Please Note: The Choir of Men and Boys will
return on 10 September, 2026. During the
Summer, Sunday and Feast Day Masses will be
sung by the Saint Thomas Consort, the Girl
Chorister Course, and Visiting Choirs.*

Summer Feast Days 2026

Come and celebrate the stories of our faith

5:30 p.m. SOLEMN EUCHARIST

with the Saint Thomas Consort

followed by cheese, wine, and soft drinks

Tuesday, September 8 – The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

PARISH NOTICES

Sunset Harbor Cruise

– Saturday, September 12 - Join fellow parishioners for a memorable evening aboard a chartered boat with Classic Harbor



Line as we enjoy a two-hour sunset cruise through New York Harbor and along the Hudson River. The evening will feature an open bar, passed hors d'oeuvres, live music, and spectacular views of the Manhattan skyline, the Statue of Liberty, Ellis Island, and New York Harbor. Please use the QR code to register and for complete event details, including pricing. Space is limited, and registration closes on August 24.

Children and Family Ministries: 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 9-10 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 are on break until Choir Camp, Saturday, September 12th. 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 will resume on **September 18** in the Lady 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.

Take a Tour! Explore the beauty and rich history of Saint Thomas Church each Sunday following the main service. The tour offers a unique opportunity to learn about the exquisite architecture of our landmark building as well as the choral tradition of our church. Please meet at the “Tour Guide – Meet Here” sign in the Narthex where you entered the church. All are warmly welcome.

Friday Bible Study is held 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.

