



SAINT THOMAS CHURCH FIFTH AVENUE

in the
CITY OF NEW YORK



The Reverend Canon Carl F. Turner, *Rector*

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.

SUNG EUCHARIST

Music Sung by the Noble Singers

Optional Liturgical Guide:

✙ = Make the sign of the Cross from head to
heart, then shoulder to shoulder

✙ at Gospel Acclamation =
Make small Crosses on forehead, lips, and heart

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Patronal Feast of Saint Thomas

In the life of the Church, a patron saint is a particular witness whose story helps shape a community's identity, prayers, and mission. A Patronal Feast is the day a church gives particular thanks for the saint after whom it is named. For us, that saint is Saint Thomas the Apostle.

Thomas is often remembered as "Doubting Thomas," but his story is really one of honest searching and being met by the compassion of Jesus, who meets us where we are. After the Resurrection, Thomas needed to know that the risen Jesus was truly the same Jesus who had suffered and died. When the Risen Christ met him with mercy, Thomas responded with one of the great confessions of Christian faith saying, "My Lord and my God."

According to early church tradition, Saint Thomas the Apostle traveled to India, or perhaps modern-day Pakistan as some Orthodox Christians in India trace their lineage to Saint Thomas' missionary voyages. According to church tradition he was martyred around 72 AD. The liturgical color for this Sunday is red, which we wear to bear witness to the martyrs of the Church.

We are grateful to celebrate this feast under the name and witness of Saint Thomas the Apostle.

Prelude

The People stand for the entry of the Ministers.

Hymn

ST. BOTOLPH

1 We walk by faith, and not by sight; no
2 We may not touch his hands and side, nor
3 Help then, O Lord, our un - be - lief; and

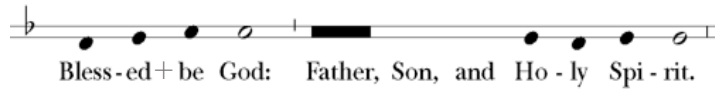
gra - cious words we hear from him who spoke as
fol - low where he trod; but in his prom - ise
may our faith a - bound, to call on you when

none e'er spoke; but we be - lieve him near.
we re - joice, and cry, "My Lord and God!"
you are near, and seek where you are found:

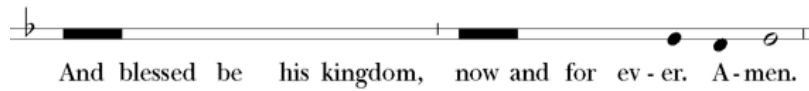
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The Penitential Order

Celebrant



People



Welcome

The Celebrant welcomes the people and introduces the celebration before silent personal confession.

Confession

Following personal confession, the Celebrant says

Now, together, let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

The People remain standing.

Celebrant and People

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

The Celebrant says

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive + you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ,
strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

Gloria in Excelsis

Sung by all.

1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and
peace to his peo-ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly
King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we
give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus
Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you
take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy
on us; 5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther: re -
ceive our prayer. 6. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One,
you a - lone are the Lord, 7. you a - lone are the Most
High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the
+ glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

The Collect of the Day

The Celebrant says

People The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Silence is kept. The Celebrant says the Collect.

Everliving God, who strengthened your apostle Thomas with firm and certain faith in your Son's resurrection: Grant us so perfectly and without doubt to believe in Jesus Christ, our Lord and our God, that our faith may never be found wanting in your sight; through him who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The People sit.

The Liturgy of the Word

The Lesson

Habakkuk 2:1-4

A reading from the book of Habakkuk.

I will stand at my watch-post, and station myself on the rampart;
I will keep watch to see what he will say to me, and what he will answer concerning my complaint. Then the Lord answered me and said, Write the vision; make it plain on tablets, so that a runner may read it. For there is still a vision for the appointed time; it speaks of the end, and does not lie. If it seems to tarry, wait for it; it will surely come, it will not delay. Look at the proud! Their spirit is not right in them, but the righteous live by their faith.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 126 *Sung by the Choir.*

Anglican Chant (Edward Rimbault)

When the Lord restored the fortunes of Zion, then were we like those who dream.
Then was our mouth filled with laughter, and our tongue with shouts of joy.
Then they said among the nations, "The Lord has done great things for them."
The Lord has done great things for us, and we are glad indeed.
Restore our fortunes, O Lord, like the watercourses of the Negev.
Those who sowed with tears will reap with songs of joy.
Those who go out weeping, carrying the seed, will come again with joy, shouldering their sheaves.
Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.
As it was in the beginning is now, and will be forever. Amen.

The People stand. The Choir sings the refrain and all repeat.



Choir

Speak, Lord, your servant is listening.
You have the words of everlasting life.

All repeat the refrain.

The Holy Gospel

John 20:24-29

The Priest reads the Gospel, first saying

✠ The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Saint John.

People



But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, 'We have seen the Lord.' But he said to them, 'Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe.'

A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you.' Then he said to Thomas, 'Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe.' Thomas answered him, 'My Lord and my God!' Jesus said to him, 'Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe.'

At the end

The Gospel of the Lord.

People



The Homily

Father Schultz

The Nicene Creed

The People stand. It is customary to bow at the underlined words.

We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God, begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.
He has spoken through the Prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection + of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

The Prayers of the People (Form IV)

The Leader says

Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

The People remain standing. This response is used after each petition

Lord, in your mercy.

People **Hear our prayer.**

After the prayers, silence is kept, then the Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

Almighty and eternal God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth: Mercifully accept the prayers of your people, and strengthen us to do your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Peace

The Celebrant says

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

The Greetings

The Liturgy of the Eucharist

Offertory Anthem *Sung by the Choir.*

Mary Plumstead

Thou that hast given so much to me
Give one thing more, a grateful heart.
Not thankful when it pleaseth me,
As if Thy blessings had spare days:
But such a heart, whose pulse may be Thy praise.
Thou that hast given so much to me
Give one thing more, a grateful heart.



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The People stand.

Celebrant *People*
The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

Celebrant *People*
Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People
It is right to give him thanks and praise.

The Celebrant sings the Preface

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere
to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

For in the multitude of your saints you have surrounded us with a great cloud of witnesses, that
we might rejoice in their fellowship, and run with endurance the race that is set before
us; and, together with them, receive the crown of glory that never fades away.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all
the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Sanctus & Benedictus *Sung by all.*

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and

might, hea - ven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -

san - na in the high - est. Blessed + is he who

comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est. ———

The People remain standing or kneel. The Celebrant continues the Eucharistic Prayer.

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and,
when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy,
sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature,
to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me." +

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me." +

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

The Celebrant continues

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify + us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever.

People **AMEN.**

The Lord's Prayer

Celebrant And now, as our Savior Christ has 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.

Padre nuestro, que estás en el cielo
하늘에 계신 우리 아버지
Notre Père qui es aux cieux
اے ہمارے باپ جو آسمان پر ہے،
Pai nosso, que estais nos Céus,
Отче наш, що єси на небесах
أَبَانَا الَّذِي فِي السَّمَاوَاتِ،
Vater unser, der du bist im Himmel
我們在天上的父
Pater noster, qui es in caelis
हे हमारे स्वर्गवासी पिता,
Padre nostro, che sei nei cieli
天におられる私たちの父よ
אָבִינוּ שְׁבַשְׁמַיִם יְהִי שְׁמֶךָ:



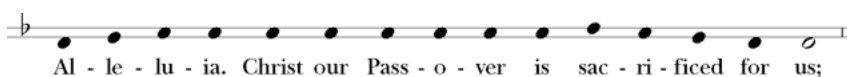
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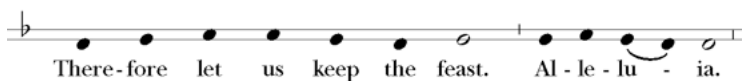
Father

The Breaking of the Bread

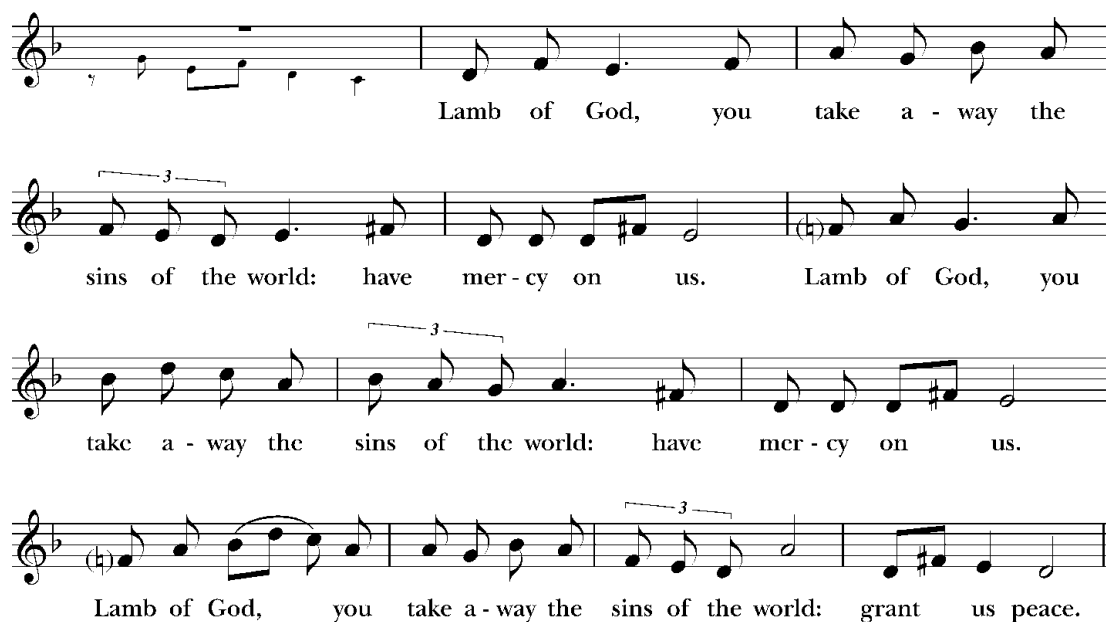
The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.



People



Agnus Dei *Sung by all.*



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The Invitation to Communion

The Celebrant says

Behold + the Lamb of God.
Behold him who takes away the sins of the world.
Blessed are those who are called to his supper.

People

Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof,
but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.

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.

Sung by the Choir.

Lead me, Lord, lead me in thy righteousness,
Make thy way plain before my face.
For it is thou, Lord, thou, Lord, only
That makest me dwell in safety.

After Communion, silence is kept. The Celebrant says

Let us pray.

The People stand.

Celebrant and People

Eternal God, heavenly Father,
you have graciously accepted us as living members
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ,
and you have fed us with spiritual food
in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.
Send us now into the world in peace,
and grant us strength and courage
to love and serve you
with gladness and singleness of heart;
through Christ our Lord. Amen

The Blessing

The Celebrant says

The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the
knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord;
and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and
remain with you always. **Amen.**

O praise ye the Lord! Praise him in the height; re - joice in his
 O praise ye the Lord! Praise him up - on earth, in tune - ful ac -
 O praise ye the Lord! All things that give sound; each ju - bi - lant

word ye an - gels of light; ye hea - vens, a - dore him_ by__
 cord, all ye of new birth; praise him who hath brought you_ his__
 chord re - ech - o a - round; loud or - gans, his glo - ry__ forth

whom ye were made, and wor - ship be - fore_ him, in bright ness ar - rayed.
 grace from a - bove, praise him who hath taught you to sing of his love.
 tell in deep tone, and sweet harp, the sto - ry of what he hath done.

The Dismissal

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
 Thanks be to God.

People

Coffee Hour in the Living Room (2nd Floor) after the service with **Adult Education** on the 5th Floor from 10 – 10:45am.

10am Children's Formation

2 – 4's	Ages 2-4 w/ Parent	Dining Room, 2 nd Floor
Early Childhood	Pre-K – 2 nd Grade	Nursery Room, 3 rd Floor
Intermediate	Grades 3 - 6	Sunday School Room, 3 rd Floor
Faith Alive	Grades 7 – High School	Andrew Hall, 3 rd Floor



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 *Ida Spear O'Neill, Margaret Crane Hurlbut, Frances Wasson Scoville, and Nydia Mason*, 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

4 p.m. Solemn Evensong and Benediction*

sung by the Choir of Men and Boys

Sermon by

The Most Reverend and Rt. Hon. Sarah Mullally
Archbishop of Canterbury

The Daily Mass

**Monday, September 28th –
Friday, October 2nd**

12 p.m. Shrine Prayers*

12:05 p.m. Holy Eucharist*

Tuesday 29th

Saint Michael and All Angels

5:30 p.m. Solemn Eucharist*

sung by the Choir of Men and Boys

music by Dove and Bairstow

Wednesday 30th

5:30 p.m. Choral Evensong*

sung by the Choir of Men and Boys

music by Smith and Purcell

Confessions, Spiritual Advice, and the Ministry of Healing

Saturday, October 3rd

11 a.m. – 11:45 a.m.

in the Resurrection Chapel

Confessor: Fr. Gioia

3 p.m. Choral Evensong*

CHORISTER FOR A DAY

music by Shephard, Stanford, and Goodall

Next Sunday:

October 4th

Saint Francis of Assisi

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. Solemn Eucharist to Celebrate the 800th
Anniversary of the death of St. Francis***

sung by the Choir of Men and Boys

Sermon by Mo. Lee-Pae

followed by Coffee hour in the Lady Chapel

4 p.m. Blessing of the Animals*

sung by the Choir of Men and Boys

PARISH NOTICES

Children and Family Ministries: This Sunday we have Children's Formation for kids between the ages of 2 – High School. Our annual Liturgy Teach-in at 10am in Andrew Hall and is open to anyone interested in learning more about the fundamentals of the Eucharist Service at Saint Thomas. 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 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 sing every Sunday during the 9am mass. Rehearsals are on Thursdays from 4:15-5:15pm. 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.

Concerts at Saint Thomas presents *Entente Cordiale: French and English Romantic Masterpieces* on Saturday, September 26 at 3 p.m., featuring internationally renowned concert organist David Briggs, who launches the 2026-2027 Grand Organ Series with works by Saint-Saëns, Ravel, and Vaughan Williams. General Admission tickets, as well as more information about the full 2026-2027 season are available now at saintthomaschurch.org/music/concerts

Saint Thomas Choir School is home to the boy choristers of the Saint Thomas Choir of Men and Boys. The Choir School (grades 4-8) partners with *The Professional Children's School of New York* for the boys' core academic education, while they continue to live and study 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. For more information see the School Website: www.choirschool.org or email **Jorie Van Nest:** jvannest@choirschool.org

You are cordially invited to the **Holy Eucharist in the Korean language** every **Second Sunday** of the month at **1:30 pm**. The service is preceded by brunch at 12:45 pm in the Dining Room of the Parish House. You can receive the Monday Morning Devotion by email by registering through the QR code below.

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. 아래 주소로 등록하시면 월요일 아침묵상글을 이메일로 받아볼 수 있습니다.



Contemplative Prayer takes place on Fridays at 3pm at 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.

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. Help make these important ministries possible by joining Neighbor to Neighbor: communityoutreachstc@gmail.com

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 touchstone for understanding everything. Contact Fr. Schultz if you are interested in joining the group: mschultz@saintthomaschurch.org

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