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ALL SAINTS' DAY

PROCESSION AND SOLEMN EUCHARIST WITH THE BAPTISM OF AN ADULT

SUNG BY THE SAINT THOMAS CHOIR OF MEN AND BOYS

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THE ORDINARY OF THE MASS Missa O quam gloriosum *Tomás Luis de Victoria* (c. 1548-1611)

PRELUDE Praeludium in C-Major *BuxWV 136* *Dieterich Buxtehude* (1637-1707)

THE GREETINGS

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

ACCLAMATION

Celebrant I heard what seemed to be the loud voice of a great multitude in heaven, crying,
People **"Alleluia! Salvation and glory and power belong to our God,**
for his judgments are true and just."
Celebrant "Praise our God, all you his servants;
People **you who fear him, both small and great."**
Celebrant "Alleluia! The Lord our God the Almighty reigns:
People **Let us rejoice and exult and give him the glory."** *cf. Revelation 19:1, 5, 6b*

The Deacon sings

Let us proceed in peace.
People **In the name of Christ. Amen.**

HYMN SINE NOMINE

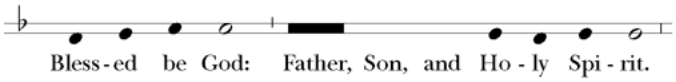




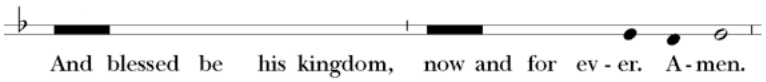
For all the saints, who from their labors rest, #287 from *The Hymnal 1982* — Words: William Walsham How (1823-1897).
Music: *Sine Nomine*, Ralph Vaughn Williams (1872-1958).

THE PREPARATION

Celebrant



People



The Penitential Order is omitted because of the celebration of Holy Baptism later in the service.

The Celebrant says

ALMIGHTY God, unto whom all hearts are open,
all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid:
Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit,
that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name;
through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

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 SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

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

ALMIGHTY God, who hast knit together thine elect in one communion and fellowship in the mystical body of thy Son Christ our Lord: Give us grace so to follow thy blessed saints in all virtuous and godly living, that we may come to those ineffable joys which thou hast prepared for those who unfeignedly love thee; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, who with thee and the Holy Spirit liveth and reigneth, one God, in glory everlasting. **Amen**.

The People sit.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

THE LESSON Revelation 7:9-17

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

PSALM 34:1-10,22 *Sung by the Choir* Anglican Chant (*George C. Martin*)

BENEDICAM DOMINO

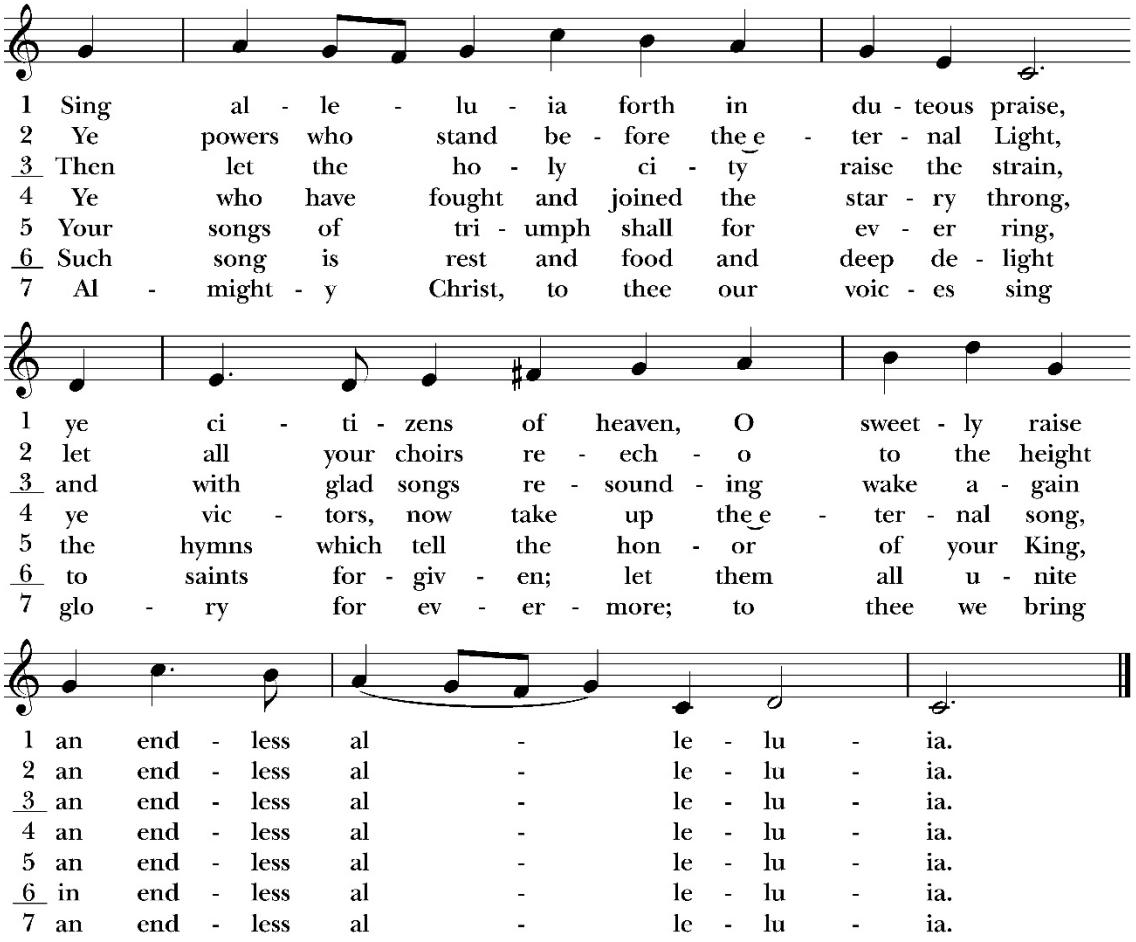
I WILL alway give thanks unto the Lord : his praise shall ever be in my mouth.
My soul shall make her boast in the Lord : the humble shall hear thereof, and be glad.
O praise the Lord with me : and let us magnify his Name together.
I sought the Lord, and he heard me : yea, he delivered me out of all my fear.
They had an eye unto him, and were lightened: and their faces were not ashamed.
Lo, the poor crieth, and the Lord heareth him : yea, and saveth him out of all his troubles.
The angel of the Lord tarrieth round about them that fear him : and delivereth them.
O taste, and see, how gracious the Lord is : blessed is the man that trusteth in him.
O fear the Lord, ye that are his saints : for they that fear him lack nothing.
The lions do lack, and suffer hunger : but they who seek the Lord shall want no manner of thing that is good.
The Lord delivereth the souls of his servants : and all they that put their trust in him shall not be destitute.
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 John 3:1-3

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

The People stand.

HYMN MARTINS



Sing alleluia forth in duteous praise, #619 from *The Hymnal 1982* — Words: Latin, 5th-8th cent.; ver. Hymnal 1940. Copyright © The Church Pension Fund
Music: *Martins*, Percy Carter Buck (1871-1947).

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION *Plainsong (Mode VI)*

This acclamation heralds the Gospel Reading



Choir Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.
People **Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**
Cantor You are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's own people, that you may declare the wonderful deeds of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light.
People **Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

THE HOLY GOSPEL Matthew 5:1-12

Deacon The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to Sain Matthew.

People



After the Gospel, the Deacon says

The Gospel of the Lord.

People



THE SERMON The Rev. Preston Gonzalez-Grissom
Associate Priest for Children and Family Ministry

A period of silent reflection may follow the sermon.

THE LITURGY OF BAPTISM

THE PRESENTATION AND EXAMINATION OF THE CANDIDATE

The People remain seated. The Bishop says

The Candidate for Holy Baptism will now be presented.

The Sponsors say

Right Reverend Father in God, I present Justin Chan to receive the Sacrament of Baptism.

The Bishop says to Justin

Do you desire to be baptized?
Answer *I do.*

The Bishop addresses the Candidate

Do you renounce Satan and all the spiritual forces of wickedness that rebel against God?
Answer *I renounce them.*

Do you renounce the evil powers of this world which corrupt and destroy the creatures of God?
Answer *I renounce them.*

Do you renounce all sinful desires that draw you from the love of God?
Answer *I renounce them.*

Do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept him as your Savior?

Answer *I do.*

Do you put your whole trust in his grace and love?

Answer *I do.*

Do you promise to follow and obey him as your Lord?

Answer *I do.*

The Bishop addresses the People

Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support Justin in his life in Christ?

People **We will.**

Let us join with Justin who is committing himself to Christ and renew our own baptismal covenant.

The People stand.

THE BAPTISMAL COVENANT

The Bishop addresses the whole congregation

Do you believe in God the Father?

People **I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

People **I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.**
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again.
He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

People **I believe in the Holy Spirit,**
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting.

Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers?

People **I will, with God's help.**

Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?

People **I will, with God's help.**

Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?

People **I will, with God's help.**

Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?

People **I will, with God's help.**

Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?

People **I will, with God's help.**

PRAYERS FOR THE CANDIDATE

The Bishop says

Let us now pray for Justin who is to receive the Sacrament of new birth.

The Intercessor says

Deliver him, O Lord, from the way of sin and death.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Open his heart to thy grace and truth.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Fill him with thy holy and life-giving Spirit.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Keep him in the faith and communion of thy holy Church.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Teach him to love others in the power of the Spirit.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Send him into the world in witness to thy love.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Bring him to the fullness of thy peace and glory.

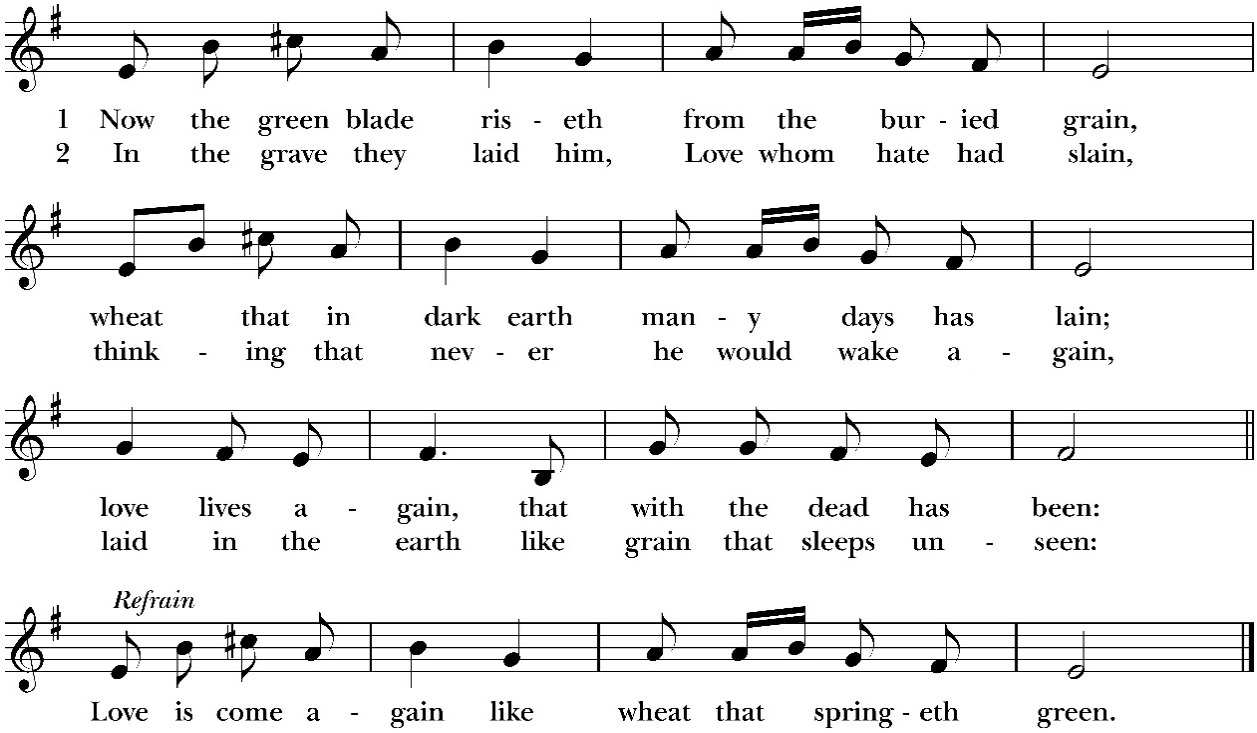
People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Silence is kept, and then the Bishop says

GRANT, O Lord, that all who are baptized into the death of Jesus Christ thy Son may live in the power of his resurrection and look for him to come again in glory; who liveth and reigneth now and forever. **Amen.**

The Bishop, ministers and candidates go to the Font while this hymn is sung

HYMN NOËL NOUVELET



THANKSGIVING OVER THE WATER

The Bishop says

Peace be with you.
People **And with thy spirit.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People **It is meet and right so to do.**

The Bishop continues

WE thank you, Almighty God, for the gift of water.
Over it the Holy Spirit moved in the beginning of creation.
Through it you led the children of Israel out of their bondage in Egypt into the land of promise.
In it your Son Jesus received the baptism of John and was anointed by the Holy Spirit
as the Messiah, the Christ, to lead us, through his death and resurrection,
from the bondage of sin into everlasting life.

We thank you, Father, for the water of Baptism.
In it we are buried with Christ in his death.
By it we share in his resurrection.
Through it we are reborn by the Holy Spirit.
Therefore in joyful obedience to your Son, we bring into his fellowship
those who come to him in faith, baptizing them in the Name of the Father,
and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Here the Bishop touches the water

Now sanctify this water, we pray you, by the power of your Holy Spirit,
that those who here are cleansed from sin and born again
may continue for ever in the risen life of Jesus Christ our Savior.

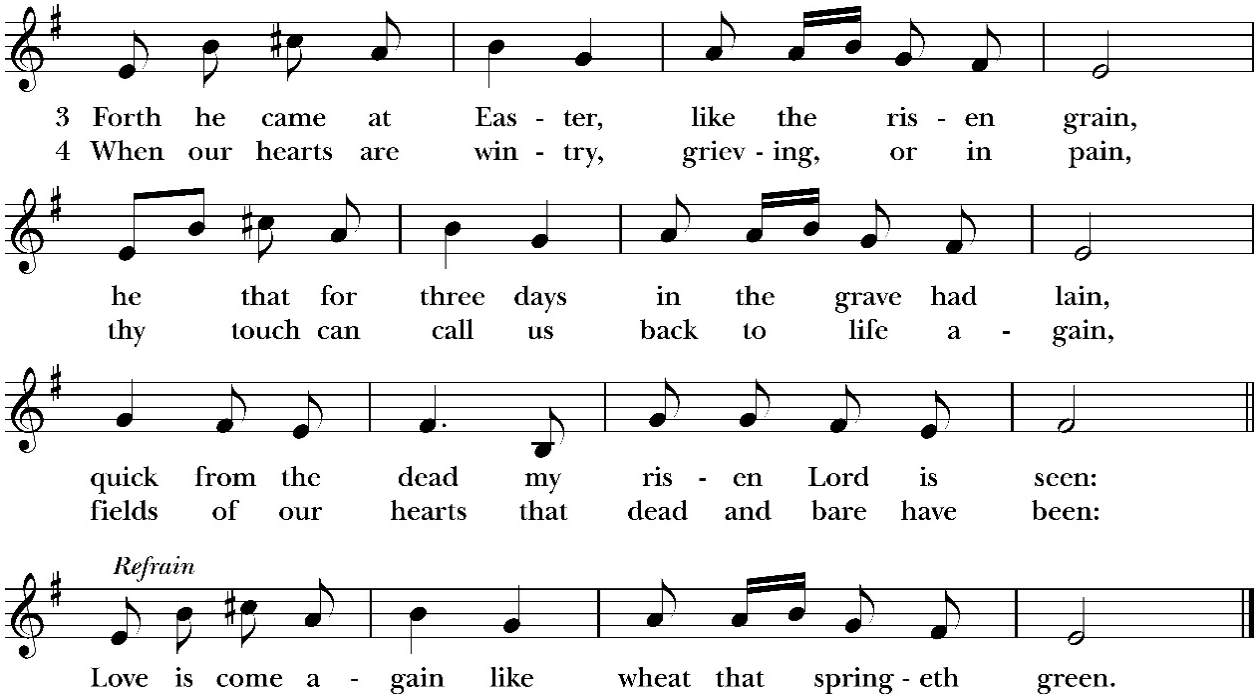
To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory,
now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE BAPTISM

The Bishop baptizes the candidate, saying:

Justin , I baptize you in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

The Bishop, ministers, the newly baptized, and the candidates return to the Nave and the hymn continues



THE ANOINTING WITH THE HOLY CHRISM

The Bishop prays over the newly baptized, saying

HEAVENLY Father,
we thank you that by water and the Holy Spirit
you have bestowed upon this your servant the forgiveness of sin,
and have raised them to the new life of grace.
Sustain him, O Lord, in your Holy Spirit.
Give him an inquiring and discerning heart, the courage to will and to persevere,
a spirit to know and to love you, and the gift of joy and wonder in all your works. **Amen.**

The Bishop places his hand on to the newly baptized, marking him on the forehead with the sign of the cross with the Holy Chrism.

Justin, you are sealed by the Holy Spirit in Baptism and marked as Christ's own for ever. **Amen.**

THE CONFIRMATION

Then the Bishop says

ALMIGHTY GOD, we thank you that by the death and resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ you have overcome sin and brought us to yourself, and that by the sealing of your Holy Spirit you have bound us to your service. Renew in this your servant the covenant you made with him at his Baptism. Send him forth in the power of the Spirit to perform the service you set before him; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

The Bishop lays his hands upon Justin's head and says

Defend, O Lord, your servant Justin. with your heavenly grace, that he may continue yours forever, and daily increase in your Holy Spirit more and more, until he comes to your everlasting kingdom. **Amen.**

THE GIVING OF THE LIGHTED CANDLE

A candle is lit from the Paschal Candle and given to the newly baptized. The Deacon says

RECEIVE the light of Christ, so that when the bridegroom comes you may go forth with all the saints to meet him; and see that you keep the grace of your Baptism. **Amen.**

THE WELCOME

The Bishop says

Let us welcome the newly baptized.

People **We receive you into the household of God.**
Confess the faith of Christ crucified,
proclaim his resurrection,
and share with us in his eternal priesthood.

The People welcome Justin.

THE PEACE

The Bishop introduces the Peace with these words

WE are fellow-citizens with the saints and of the household of God, through Christ our Lord, who came and preached peace to those who were far off and those who were near. *Ephesians 2:19,17*

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

The People offer one another a sign of peace.

The Bishop says the Offertory Sentence, and the People sit.

The Liturgy of the Eucharist

Anthem at the Offertory

Sir Ernest Bullock
(1890-1979)

GIVE us the wings of faith to rise
Within the veil, and see
The saints above, how great their joys,
How bright their glories be.

We ask them whence their victory came:
They, with united breath,
Ascribe the conquest to the Lamb,
Their triumph to his death.

They marked the footsteps that he trod,
His zeal inspired their breast,
And, following their incarnate God,
They reached the promised rest.

Isaac Watts (1674-1748)

HYMN EWING

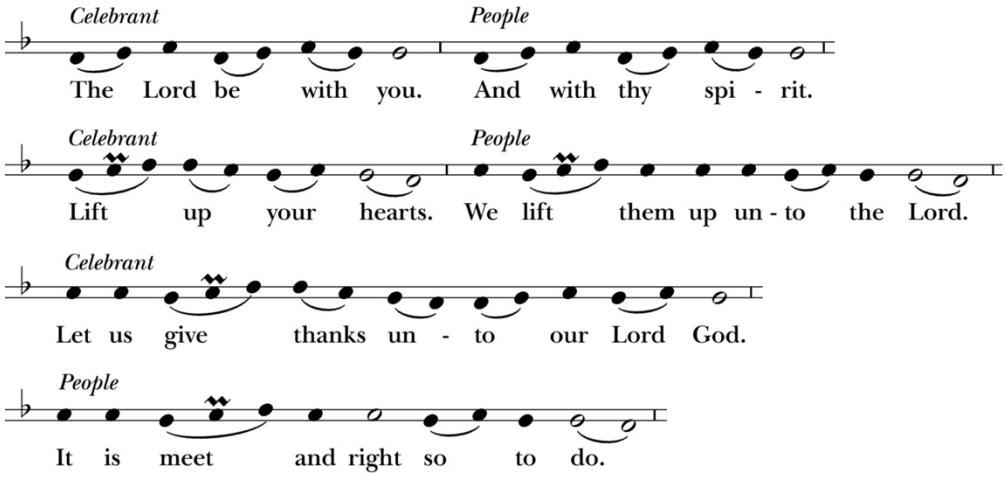


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The People stand.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING



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.

Who, in the multitude of thy saints, hast compassed us about with so great a cloud of witnesses, that we, rejoicing in their fellowship, may run with patience the race that is set before us; and, together with them, may receive the crown of glory that fadeth not away.

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	*Holy, holy, holy,*
Dominus Deus Sabaoth.	*Lord God of Hosts.*
Pleni sunt caeli et terra Gloria tua.	*Heaven and earth are full of thy glory.*
Hosanna in excelsis.	*Hosanna in the highest.*
Benedictus qui venit	*Blessed is he that cometh*
in nomine Domini.	*in the name of the Lord.*
Hosanna in excelsis.	*Hosanna in the highest.*

The People kneel or stand.

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

The Celebrant continues the Eucharistic Prayer, which concludes

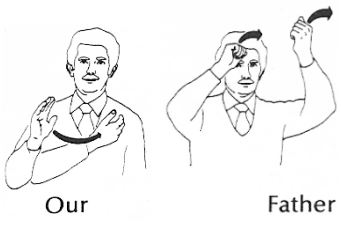
By whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end.

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 الذِي فِي السَّمَاوَاتِ،

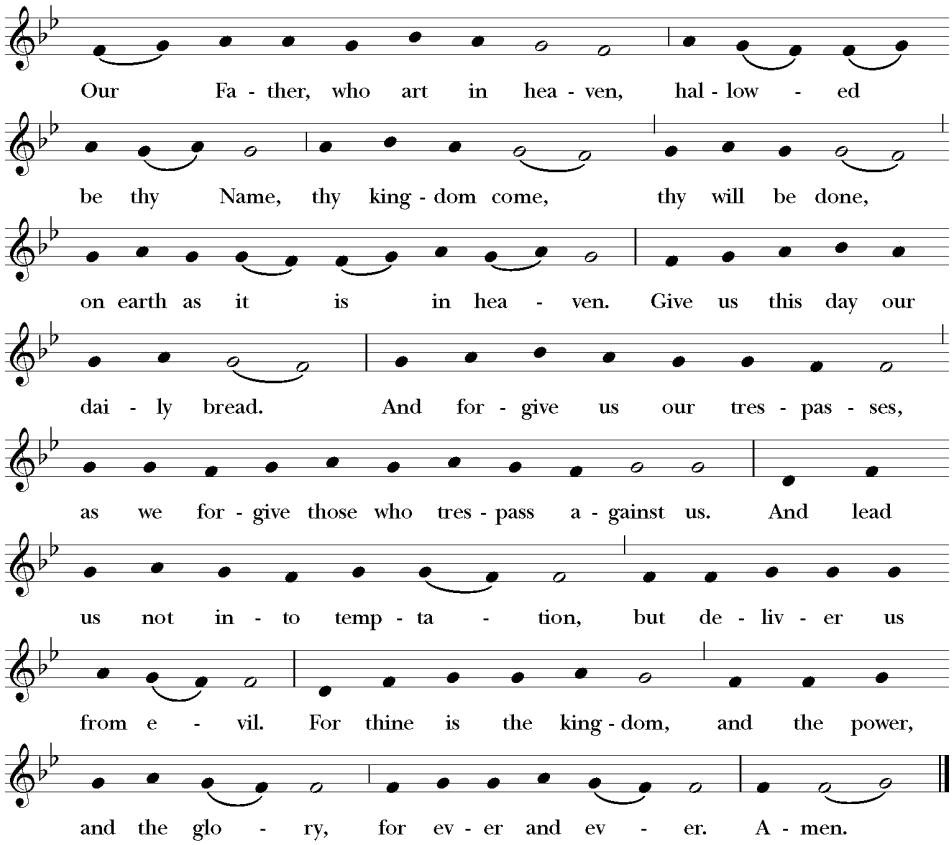
Vater unser, der du bist im Himmel
Pater noster, qui es in caelis
我們在天上的父
Baba Yetu uliye mbinguni
Padre nostro, che sei nei cieli
天におられる私たちの父よ
हे हमारे स्वर्गबासी पिता,



The Celebrant says

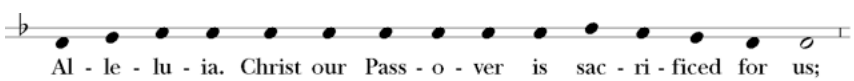
And now, as our Savior Christ hath taught us, we are bold to say,

Celebrant and People

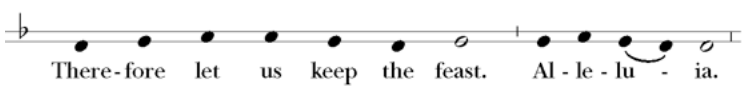


THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

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



People



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 *(for those unable to receive Holy Communion in person)*

I BELIEVE in thee, O my Jesus, present in the most holy Sacrament of the Altar;
I love thee above all things, and I desire to receive thee into my soul.
Since I cannot at this moment receive thee sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart.
I embrace thee, and I unite myself to thee as if thou wast already there.
Never permit me to be separated from thee!
O Lord Jesus Christ, let the sweet and consuming force of thy love absorb my whole soul, that I may die for the love of thee, who wast pleased to die for the love of me. Amen.

HOLY COMMUNION

All baptized Christians are invited to receive Holy Communion.
The Sacrament is distributed at the Crossing. Intinction (dipping the host in the chalice) is not permitted.
You are welcome to receive in one kind only. Gluten free hosts are available - please ask the priest.

MIDDLE VOLUNTARY Improvisation

AGNUS DEI *Sung by the Choir*

AGNUS Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi,
miserere nobis.
Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi,
dona nobis pacem.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us.
O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,
grant us peace.

ANTHEM *Tomás Luis de Victoria*

O **QUAM** gloriosum est regnum,
in quo cum Christo gaudent omnes Sancti!
Amicti stolis albis,
sequuntur Agnum, quocumque ierit.

O, how glorious is the kingdom,
in which all the saints rejoice with Christ!
Arrayed in white robes,
they follow the Lamb, wherever he goes.

Antiphon to the Magnificat at Second Vespers on All Saints' Day

After Communion, silence is kept for a while.

THE PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

The Celebrant says

Let us pray.

The People kneel and silence is kept.

Celebrant and People

ALMIGHTY and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

SOLEMN BLESSING

Bishop Peace be with you.
People **And with thy spirit.**

The Bishop says

MAY Almighty God, to whose glory we celebrate this festival of all the Saints, be now and evermore your guide and companion in the way. **Amen.**

May God, who has bound us together in the company of the elect, in this age and the age to come, attend to the prayers of his faithful servants on your behalf, as he hears your prayers for them. **Amen.**

May God, who has given us, in the lives of his saints, patterns of holy living and victorious dying, strengthen your faith and devotion, and enable you to bear witness to the truth against all adversity. **Amen.**

And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. **Amen.**

HYMN MOULTRIE



Hark! The sound of holy voices, #275 from *The Hymnal 1982* — Words: Christopher Wordsworth (1807-1885).
Music: *Moultrie*, Gerard Francis Cobb (1838-1904)

The Dismissal

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

Voluntary

Toccata
Suite No. 5
Maurice Durufle
(1902-1986)

Please join us for Coffee Hour at the back of the Lady Chapel after 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 *Edith M. Stoughton, Charles R. Stoughton, Adelaide M. King, Linda Griffith Vorsanger, William Harris Roome, The Ralph Mead Hyde Family, Zach Carr, and Margaret Crane Hurlbut.*

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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INFORMATION ABOUT OUR OUTREACH

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Worship & Recitals this week

* indicates livestreamed.

Today

4 p.m. Solemn Evensong and Benediction*
sung by the Choir of Men and Boys

Monday 2nd November – Friday 6th November
12 p.m. Shrine Prayers*
12:05 p.m. Holy Eucharist*

Monday 2nd
All Souls' Day
5:30 p.m. Solemn Requiem Eucharist*
sung by the Choir of Men and Boys
featuring Maurice Duruflé's *Messe de Requiem*

Tuesday 3rd
Richard Hooker
5:30 p.m. Choral Evensong*
Followed by a short, said Mass
sung by the Choir of Men and Boys
music by Johnson-Manning, Leighton, and Martin

Wednesday 4th
Charles Borromeo
5:30 p.m. Choral Evensong*
Followed by a short, said Mass
sung by the Choir of Men and Boys with members of
Tenebrae – *Nigel Short, director*
music by Johnson-Manning, Forbes-L'Estrange, and Marsh

Thursday 5th
Concerts at Saint Thomas presents:
TENEBRAE: THE JOURNEY*
Nigel Short, director

Friday 6th
3 p.m. Contemplative Prayer

Confessions, Spiritual Advice, and the Ministry of Healing

Saturday, November 7th
11 a.m. – 11:45 a.m.
in the Resurrection Chapel
Confessor: Fr. Schultz

12:00 p.m. Requiem for Robert Crozier*

Next Sunday: November 8th
Remembrance Sunday

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 Requiem Eucharist with Orchestra*
sung by the Choir of Men and Boys and the Modus Operandi Orchestra
followed by Coffee Hour at the back of the Lady Chapel
Sermon by the Rev. Andrew C. Mead, *Rector Emeritus*

4 p.m. Choral Evensong with an Act of Remembrance, Attended by the Patriotic and Historical Societies of New York*
sung by the Choir of Men and Boys

PARISH NOTICES

For three years, the Annual Appeal is taking up, word by word, our mission to worship, love, and serve our Lord Jesus Christ. The 2027 Appeal is the year of *Love*. We see it in the beauty of our worship, the formation of our choristers, the welcome at coffee hour, and the compassion we offer our community through Neighbor to Neighbor. Your pledge keeps our doors open 365 days a year and puts that care into action every day. We hope you will consider making a pledge by scanning the QR code.

Concerts at Saint Thomas presents the internationally acclaimed UK chamber choir Tenebrae, as they mark their 25th anniversary with a tour of the US, stopping first at Saint Thomas Church on November 5th at 7:30pm. Under the direction of Artistic Director and Founder Nigel Short, the choir will sing a program of works associated with Tenebrae's history, including classic choral favorites as well as brand new commissions, with works by Frank Martin, Max Richter, Joanna Marsh, Francis Poulenc, and many others. Tickets are available now at www.saintthomaschurch.org/music/concerts

Children and Family Ministries: This Sunday there is Children's Formation for kids between the ages of 2 – 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. 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.

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 with the email address.
매달 둘째 주일 오후1:30에 본당에서 올리는 한국어 감사 성찬례에 여러분을 초대합니다. 오후12:45에 2층 식당에서 브런치를 함께 나누니 조금 일찍 오셔서 친교도 나누세요. 아래 주소로 등록하시면 월요일 아침묵상글을 이메일로 받아볼 수 있습니다.

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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 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.

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.

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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.

Saint Thomas ***Behind the Scenes Tour,*** **Saturday, December 5, 2026, 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. Interested parishioners should register with Bill in advance at wshearst@gmail.com

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

SUNDAY THEOLOGY TALKS

The Gospel of Mark

A Journey to Recognition

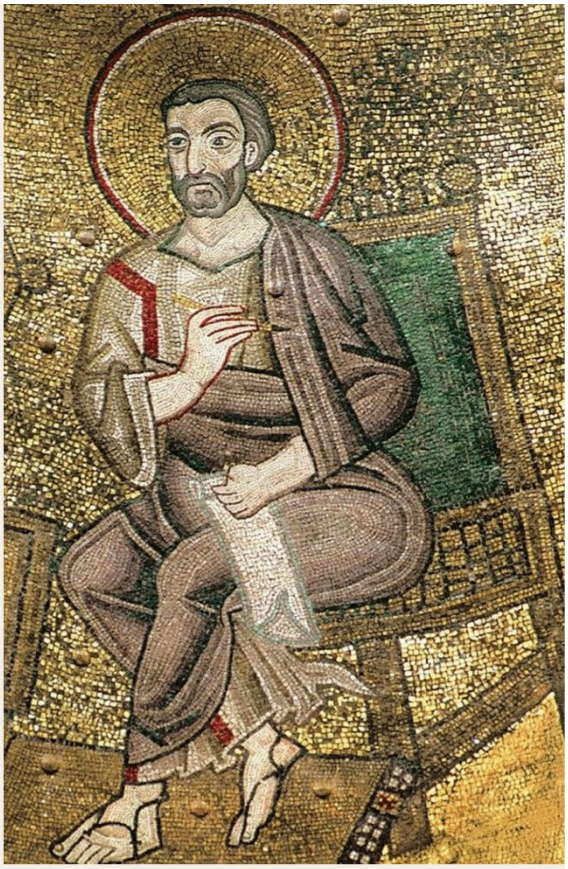
Mark tells the story of disciples who follow Jesus without ever fully understanding him. Through movement, conflict, and irony, his Gospel portrays discipleship as a journey toward recognition, culminating at the cross and continuing in our lives.

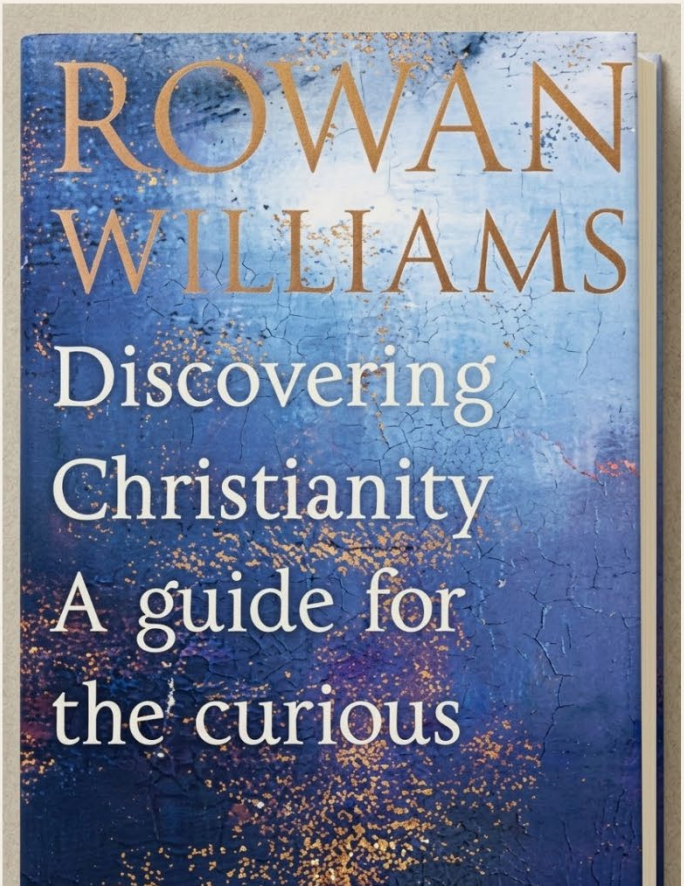
With the Rev. Dr. Luigi Gioia
Theologian in Residence

Sundays through
November 15

10:00 to 10:45 a.m.
Parish House, Fifth Floor
In person and online

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Thursday Reading Group

Discovering Christianity
A Guide for the Curious

Rowan Williams writes for anyone who wants to know what Christians actually believe and why it matters. We read one chapter a week and talk it through together, with no prior study assumed and every question welcome.

Rev. Dr. Luigi Gioia
Theologian in Residence

Thursdays through
November 12

6:30 to 8:00 p.m.
Parish House, Fifth Floor
In person

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