



# SAINT THOMAS CHURCH FIFTH AVENUE

in the  
CITY OF NEW YORK



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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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THE PATRONAL FEAST

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## The Penitential Order

*Celebrant* Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.  
*People* **And blessed be his kingdom,  
now and for ever. Amen.**

*The Celebrant says*

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

*The Celebrant may read a sentence of scripture.*

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*Silence is kept.*

*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.**

Lord, have mercy. *or* Kyrie eleison.  
**Lord, have mercy. Kyrie eleison.**

Christ, have mercy. Christe eleison.  
**Christ, have mercy. Christe eleison.**

Lord, have mercy. Kyrie eleison.  
**Lord, have mercy. Kyrie eleison.**

*The Gloria in Excelsis is said*

**Glory to God in the highest,  
and peace to his people on earth.**

Lord God, heavenly King,  
almighty God and Father,  
we worship you, we give you thanks,  
we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,  
Lord God, Lamb of God,  
you take away the sin of the world:  
have mercy on us;  
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:  
receive our prayer.  
For you alone are the Holy One,  
you alone are the Lord,  
you alone are the Most High,  
Jesus Christ,  
with the Holy Spirit,  
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

## The Collect of the Day

*The Celebrant says to the people*

The Lord be with you.  
*People* **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 Liturgy of the Word

### The Epistle Reading

*Ephesians 2:19-22*

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Ephesians.

You are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are citizens with the saints and also members of the household of God, built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the cornerstone. In Christ the whole structure is joined together and grows into a holy temple in the Lord; in whom you also are built together spiritually into a dwelling place for God.

The word of the Lord.  
*People* **Thanks be to God.**

### Responsorial Psalm

*Psalm 118*

*The Lector announces the psalm response and all repeat.*

**R. Go out to all the world and tell the good news.**

1. Praise the Lord, all you nations!  
Extol him, all you peoples! **R.**

2. For great is his steadfast love toward us, and the faithfulness of the Lord endures forever. **R.**

### Gospel Acclamation

*The People stand.*

*Lector* Alleluia, alleluia.  
You believe in me, Thomas, because you have seen me; happy those who have not seen me, but still believe!  
*People* **Alleluia.**

## The Holy Gospel

*John 20:24-29*

*The Priest reads the Gospel, first saying*

✠ The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.  
*People* **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Thomas, called the Twin, who was one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But Thomas 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 Jesus 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 Thomas, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe."

The Gospel of the Lord.  
*People* **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

### The Homily

### The Nicene Creed

**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 III*

*The Leader and People pray responsively*

Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;  
**That we all may be one.**

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and  
humbly serve you;  
**That your Name may be glorified by all people.**

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;  
**That they may be faithful ministers of your Word  
and Sacraments.**

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the  
nations of the world;  
**That there may be justice and peace on the earth.**

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;  
**That our works may find favor in your sight.**

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief  
or trouble;  
**That they may be delivered from their distress.**

Give to the departed eternal rest.  
**Let light perpetual shine upon them.**

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;  
**May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.**

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

*Silence*

*The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.*

*People*      **Amen.**

## The Liturgy of the Eucharist

### The Peace

*All stand. The Celebrant says*

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

### The Offertory

*The Celebrant takes the paten with the bread, saying*

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation:  
for through your goodness  
we have received the bread we offer you:  
fruit of the earth and work of human hands,  
It will become for us the bread of life.  
**Blessed be God for ever.**

*The Celebrant takes the chalice, saying*

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation:  
for through your goodness  
we have received the wine we offer you:  
fruit of the vine and work of human hands.  
It will become our spiritual drink.  
**Blessed be God for ever.**

### The Great Thanksgiving

*Celebrant*      The Lord be with you.  
*People*          **And also with you.**  
*Celebrant*      Lift up your hearts.  
*People*          **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 says the Preface, ending*

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:

*Celebrant and People*

**Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.**

*The People kneel. The Celebrant continues the Eucharistic Prayer.*

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

*Celebrant and People*

**Christ has died.  
Christ is risen.  
Christ will come again.**

*or, Prayer B*

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

*Celebrant and People*

**We remember his death,  
We proclaim his resurrection,  
We await his coming in glory;**

*or, Prayer D* ...we praise you and we bless you.

*Celebrant and People*

**We praise you, we bless you,  
we give thanks to you,  
and we pray to you, Lord our God.**

*The Prayer concludes*

...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

*People and Celebrant*

**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.**

**The Breaking of the Bread**

*The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.*

*A period of silence is kept.*

*Then is said*

*People* Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;  
**Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

*People and Celebrant*

**Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:  
have mercy on us.  
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:  
have mercy on us.  
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:  
grant us peace.**

**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.**

*The Celebrant and people receive Holy Communion.*

*After Communion, the Celebrant says*

Let us pray.

*Celebrant and People*

**Almighty and everliving God,  
we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food  
of the most precious Body and Blood  
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ;  
and for assuring us in these holy mysteries  
that we are living members of the Body of your Son,  
and heirs of your eternal kingdom.  
And now, Father, send us out  
to do the work you have given us to do,  
to love and serve you  
as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord.  
To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,  
be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.**

**The Dismissal**

*The Celebrant blesses the People and then dismisses them with these words*

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