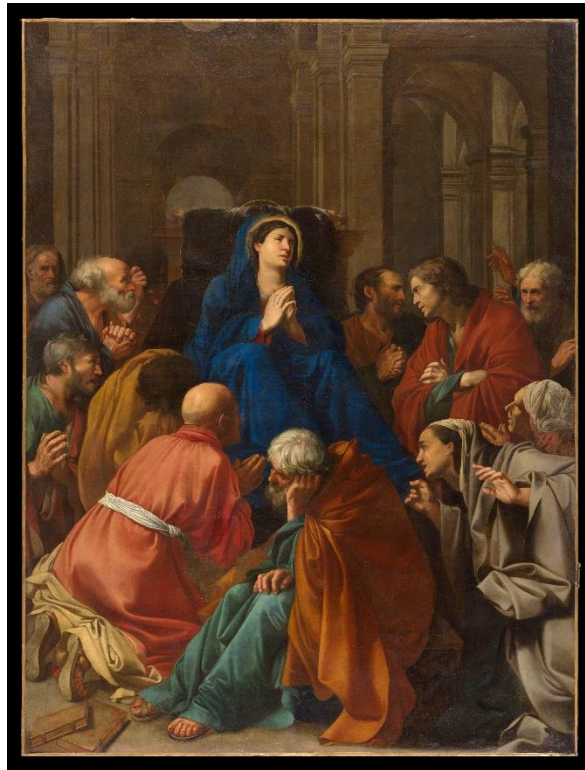


Saint Thomas's Church

The Second Evensong of The Dormition of the Blessed Virgin Mary Sunday, August 15, 2021

on Zoom

Evensong at 4:00 pm
Coffee Hour to follow



The Dormition of the Virgin by Carlo Saraceni, ca. 1612
Le Musée du Louvre

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The Altar flowers are given to the honour and glory of almighty God:

*In loving memory of my brother David Clarke,
and my parents, William John and Jean Clarke, by Susan Clarke;*

and

*In loving memory of Dorothy Walters Grange, Judith Claire Grange,
and Eric Nisbet-Brown.*

Officiant: Fr. Humphrey
Cantors: Elizabeth Anderson & Jennifer McCallum

EVENSONG PRELUDE:

HYMN 30 – Hear our prayer, O heavenly Father

- 1 Hear our prayer, O heavenly Father,
Ere we lay us down to sleep;
May thine angels, pure and holy,
Round our bed their vigil keep.
- 2 Heavy though our sins, thy mercy
Far outweighs them every one;
Down before the Cross we cast them,
Trusting in thy help alone.
- 3 None can measure out thy patience
By the span of human thought;
None can bound the tender mercies
Which thy Holy Son has bought.
- 4 Pardon all our past transgressions,
Give us strength for days to come;
Guide and guard us with thy blessing
Till thine angels bear us home.
- 5 Honour, glory, might, dominion,
To the Father and the Son,
With the Everlasting Spirit,
While eternal ages run.

OMNI DIE
Corner's Gesangbuch, 1631
Arr. W.S. Rockstro, 1906

Harriet Parr, 1856

V / O Lord, open thou our lips;
R / **And our mouth shall show forth thy praise.**

V / O God, make speed to save us;
R / **O Lord, make haste to help us.**

V / Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
R / **As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen.**

V / Praise ye the Lord;
R / **The Lord's Name be praised.**

PSALM 45, *Tone VIII, 2*

- 1 My heart overfloweth with a good matter: I recite my verses for the king:
my tongue is the pen of a ready writer.
- 2 Thou art fairer than the children of men; /
full of grace are thy lips; therefore God hath blessed thee for ever.
- 3 Gird thee with thy sword upon thy thigh, O mighty one, /
according to thy glory and thy majesty.
- 4 And in thy majesty ride on to victory in the cause of truth, and of
meekness and righteousness; /
and let thy right hand teach thee terrible deeds.
- 5 Thy arrows are very sharp in the heart of the king's enemies, /
and the peoples shall be subdued unto thee.
- 6 Thy throne, O God, endureth for ever: /
the sceptre of thy kingdom is a right sceptre.
- 7 Thou hast loved righteousness, and hated iniquity; /
wherefore God, even thy God, hath anointed thee with
the oil of gladness above thy fellows.
- 8 All thy garments smell of myrrh, aloes, and cassia; /
out of ivory palaces stringed instruments make thee glad.
- 9 Kings' daughters are among thy honourable women: /
upon thy right hand doth stand the queen in a vesture of gold.
- 10 Harken, O daughter, consider, and incline thine ear; /
forget also thine own people and thy father's house;
- 11 So shall the king have pleasure in thy beauty; /
since he is thy lord, bow thou down to him.

- 12 And the daughter of Tyre shall be there with a gift: /
even the rich among the people shall entreat thy favour.
- 13 The king's daughter within the palace is all glorious; /
her clothing is of wrought gold.
- 14 She is brought to the king in raiment of needlework: /
the virgins that be her fellows bear her company,
and are brought unto thee.
- 15 With joy and gladness are they led along, /
as they enter into the king's palace.
- 16 Instead of thy fathers thou shalt have sons, /
whom thou mayest make princes in all the earth.
- 17 I will make thy name to be remembered from one generation to another;
therefore shall the peoples praise 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.**

FIRST LESSON – Zechariah 2.10-13

Sing and rejoice, O daughter of Zion; for lo, I come and I will dwell in the midst of you, says the LORD. And many nations shall join themselves to the LORD in that day, and shall be my people; and I will dwell in the midst of you, and you shall know that the LORD of hosts has sent me to you. And the LORD will inherit Judah as his portion in the holy land, and will again choose Jerusalem." Be silent, all flesh, before the LORD; for he has roused himself from his holy dwelling.

Here endeth the First Lesson.

THE MAGNIFICAT

Canticles, Tone II, 2

MY soul doth magnify the Lord, /
and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Saviour.
For he hath regarded / the lowliness of his handmaiden.
For behold, from henceforth / all generations shall call me blessed.
For he that is mighty hath magnified me; / and holy is his Name.
And his mercy is on them that fear him / throughout all generations.
He hath showed strength with his arm; /
he hath scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts.
He hath put down the mighty from their seat, /
and hath exalted the humble and meek.
He hath filled the hungry with good things; /
and the rich he hath sent empty away.
He remembering his mercy / hath holpen his servant Israel;
As he promised to our forefathers, / Abraham and his seed for ever.
GLORY be to the Father, and to the Son, / and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, /
world without end. Amen.

SECOND LESSON – Acts 1.6-14

So when they had come together, they asked him, “Lord, will you at this time restore the kingdom to Israel?” He said to them, “It is not for you to know times or seasons which the Father has fixed by his own authority. But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria and to the end of the earth.” And when he had said this, as they were looking on, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. And while they were gazing into heaven as he went, behold, two men stood by them in white robes, and said, “Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking into heaven? This Jesus, who was taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven.” Then they returned to Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, a sabbath day’s journey away; and when they had entered, they went up to the upper room, where they were staying, Peter and John and James and Andrew, Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew, James the son of Alphaeus and

Simon the Zealot and Judas the son of James. All these with one accord devoted themselves to prayer, together with the women and Mary the mother of Jesus, and with his brothers.

Here endeth the Second Lesson.

NUNC DIMITTIS
Canticles, Tone II, 1

Lord, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace, / according to thy word.
For mine eyes have seen thy salvation, /
which thou hast prepared before the face of all people;
To be a light to lighten the Gentiles, /
and to be the glory of thy people Israel.

GLORY be to the Father, and to the Son, / and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, /
world without end. Amen.

APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God
the Father Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth:
And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord,
Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, Born of
the Virgin Mary, Suffered under Pontius Pilate,
Was crucified, dead, and buried: He descended
into hell; The third day he rose again from the
dead; He ascended into heaven, And sitteth on
the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Ghost; The holy Catholic Church;
The Communion of Saints; The Forgiveness of sins;
The Resurrection of the body,
And the Life everlasting. Amen.

V / The Lord be with you;

R / **And with thy spirit.**

V / Let us pray.

V / Lord, have mercy upon us.

R / **Christ, have mercy upon us.**

V / Lord, have mercy upon us.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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 them that trespass against us; And lead us not into temptation, But deliver us from evil. Amen.

Priest: O Lord, show thy mercy upon us;

People: **And grant us thy salvation.**

Priest: O Lord, save the Queen;

People: **And mercifully hear us when we call upon thee.**

Priest: Endue thy ministers with righteousness;

People: **And make thy chosen people joyful.**

Priest: O Lord, save thy people;

People: **And bless thine inheritance.**

Priest: Give peace in our time, O Lord;

People: **And evermore mightily defend us.**

Priest: O God, make clean our hearts within us;

People: **And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.**

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

O GOD most high, who didst endue with wonderful virtue and grace the Blessed Virgin Mary, the Mother of our Lord: Grant that we, who now call her blessed, may be made very members of the heavenly family of him who was pleased to be called the first-born among many brethren; who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end. **Amen.**

THE COLLECT OF TRINITY XI

O God, who declarest thy almighty power most chiefly in showing mercy and pity: Mercifully grant unto us such a measure of thy grace, that we, running the way of thy commandments, may obtain thy gracious promises, and be made partakers of thy heavenly treasure; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

COLLECT FOR PEACE

O God, from whom all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works do proceed: Give unto thy servants that peace which the world cannot give; that our hearts may be set to obey thy commandments, and also that by thee we being defended from the fear of our enemies may pass our time in rest and quietness; through the merits of Jesus Christ our Saviour. **Amen.**

COLLECT FOR AID AGAINST ALL PERILS

Lighten our darkness, we beseech thee, O Lord; and by thy great mercy defend us from all perils and dangers of this night; for the love of thy only Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

PRAYERS

(the General Thanksgiving may be said)

Almighty God, Father of all mercies, We thine unworthy servants do give thee most humble and hearty thanks For all thy goodness and loving-kindness To us and to all men; We bless thee for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life; But above all for thine inestimable love In the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ; For the means of grace, And for the hope of glory. And we beseech thee, give us that due sense of all thy mercies, That our hearts may be unfeignedly thankful, And that we show forth thy praise, Not only with our lips, but in our lives; By giving up ourselves to thy service, And by walking before thee in holiness and righteousness all our days; Through Jesus Christ our Lord, To whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honour and glory, world without end. **Amen.**

A PRAYER OF SAINT CHRYSOSTOM

Almighty God, who hast given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplications unto thee; and dost promise that when two or three are gathered together in thy Name thou wilt grant their requests: Fulfil now, O Lord, the desires and petitions of thy servants, as may be most expedient for them; granting us in this world knowledge of thy truth, and in the world to come life everlasting. **Amen.**

THE GRACE

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Ghost, be with us all evermore. **Amen.**

2 Corinthians 13.14