

# Saint Thomas's Church

## Easter V

Sunday, May 14, 2023

Evensong & Benediction at 5:00 pm



Christ in the House of Mary and Martha, Henry Siemiradzki, 1886  
Russian Museum, St. Petersburg

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## Welcome!

On behalf of everyone who claims St. Thomas's as their spiritual home, we are happy you are with us, whether in person or via our livestream. If you are a visitor or newcomer, or even a longtime parishioner, but find it awkward or difficult to stand or kneel at the places indicated, remaining seated is perfectly acceptable. Please assume the posture most conducive to prayer throughout this service, or simply observe.

St. Thomas's has many peculiar ways that we cherish and are happy to share. If there seems to be no rhyme or reason for something, there might not be! But feel free to ask anyone after the service; it usually makes for entertaining conversation.

You are not obliged to engage any of us in conversation, though you should know that pretty much everyone here is happy to do so when we gather. You can always slip away without any judgement. We seem to have a lot of introverts here, so we understand the energy it takes to put yourself out there. Even if you're a raging extrovert, the experience of church can be disorienting. Relax and be yourself. Believe it or not, whether from near or far, God has led you here today. We want to honour what God is up to in your life, and we are here for you as you (re-) discover the joy and the challenge of the saving Gospel of Jesus Christ.

Fr. Nathan Humphrey, Rector

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

*Those at the High Altar in loving memory of Evelyn Primus,  
devoted daughter, sister, wife and mother.*

*and*

*In loving remembrance of Lilian Wei-Chee Goh,  
from her husband Swee Chua.*

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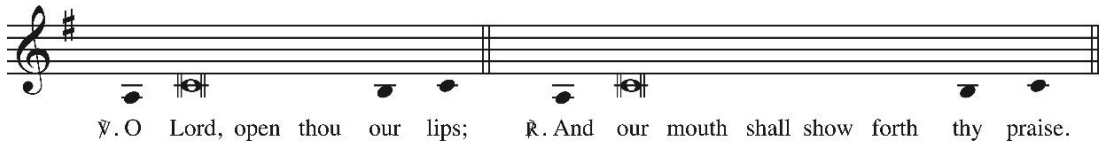
**Officiant: Fr. Shire**  
**Director of Music & Organist: Elizabeth Anderson**

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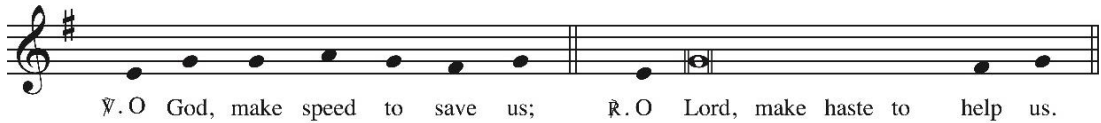
**VOLUNTARY**

Choral on 'Ave Maria,' Flor Peeters (1903-1986)  
'Ave Maria,' Victor Togni (1935-1965)

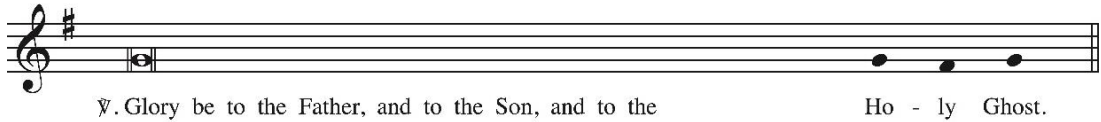
**PRECES**



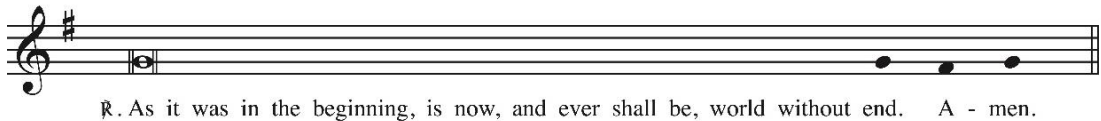
V. O Lord, open thou our lips; R. And our mouth shall show forth thy praise.



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 Ho - ly Ghost.



R. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. A - men.



V. Praise ye the Lord; R. The Lord's name be prais - ed.

The People sit when the officiant sits.

PSALM 61

Exaudi, Deus.  
IV. 4.



- Cantor* 1 HEAR MY cry-**ing**, O God :  
*People* give **ear** un-to my prayer.
- 2 From the end of the earth will I call upon thee, when my heart **is** in  
hea-vi<sup>n</sup>-ness : O lead me to the rock that **is** high-er than I.
- Cantor* 3 For thou hast **been** my re-fuge :  
and a strong tower for me a-gainst the en-e<sup>n</sup>-my.
- People* 4 I will dwell in thy taberna-**cle** for ev-er :  
and my trust shall be under the cov-**er**-ing of thy wings.
- Cantor* 5 For thou, O God, hast heard **my** de-sires :  
and hast given an heritage un-**to** those that fear thy<sup>n</sup>-Name.
- People* 6 Thou shalt grant the king a long life :  
his years shall be as ma-**ny** ge-ne-ra-tions.
- Cantor* 7 He shall dwell before **God** for ev-er : O prepare thy loving mercy and  
faithfulness, that **they** may pre-serve him.
- People* 8 So will I always sing praise un-**to** thy Name :  
that I may **dai**-ly per-form my<sup>n</sup>-vows.
- Cantor* Glory be to the Father, and **to** the Son : **and** to the Ho-ly<sup>n</sup>-Ghost;  
*People* As it was in the beginning, is now, and **ev**-er shall be :  
world **with**-out end. A-men.

PSALM 62

Nonne Deo?  
V. 3.



- Cantor* 1 MY SOUL truly waiteth in silence up-on **God** :  
*People* for of him cometh **my** sal-va-tion.
- 2 He verily is my strength and my sal-**va**-tion :  
he is my defence, so that I **shall** not great-ly<sup>n</sup>-fall.
- Cantor* 3 How long will ye set upon a man, battering him, all of **you** :  
like a tottering wall, and **like** a brok-en<sup>n</sup>-fence?

*People* 4 Their device is only how to put him out whom God will ex-**alt** :  
their delight is in lies; they give good words with their mouth,  
but **curse** with their heart.

*Cantor* 5 Nevertheless my soul, wait thou in silence up-on **God** :  
for my **hope** is in him.

*People* 6 He truly is my strength and my sal-**va**-tion :  
he is my defence, so **that** I shall not <sup>^</sup>fall.

*Cantor* 7 In God is my health and my **glo**-ry :  
the rock of my might, and in **God** is my trust.

*People* 8 O put your trust in him always, ye **peo**-ple :  
pour out your hearts before him, for **God** is our hope.

*Cantor* 9 As for the sons of men, they are but vani-**tý**; yea, the sons of men are a  
de-**ceit** : upon the scales they are altogether lighter than **van**-i-ty it<sup>^</sup>self.

*People* 10 O trust not in wrong and robbery, give not yourselves un-to **van**-i<sup>^</sup>ty :  
if riches increase, set not your **heart** up-on them.

*Cantor* 11 God spake once, and twice I have also heard the **same** :  
that power be-**long**-eth un-to<sup>^</sup>God;

*People* 12 And that thou, Lord, art **mer**-ci<sup>^</sup>ful :  
for thou renderest unto every man ac-**cord**-ing to his<sup>^</sup>work.

*Cantor* Glory be to the Father, and to the **Son** : and **to** the Ho-ly<sup>^</sup>Ghost;  
*People* As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever **shall** be :  
world with-**out** end. A-men.

## FIRST LESSON Deuteronomy 6

The First Lesson is written the book of Deuteronomy, in the sixth chapter,  
beginning at the first verse.

Now this is the commandment - the statutes and the ordinances - that the Lord  
your God charged me to teach you to observe in the land that you are about to  
cross into and occupy, so that you and your children and your children's children  
may fear the Lord your God all the days of your life, and keep all his decrees and  
his commandments that I am commanding you, so that your days may be long.  
Hear therefore, O Israel, and observe them diligently, so that it may go well with  
you, and so that you may multiply greatly in a land flowing with milk and honey,  
as the Lord, the God of your ancestors, has promised you.

Hear, O Israel: The Lord is our God, the Lord alone. You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your might. Keep these words that I am commanding you today in your heart. Recite them to your children and talk about them when you are at home and when you are away, when you lie down and when you rise. Bind them as a sign on your hand, fix them as an emblem on your forehead, and write them on the doorposts of your house and on your gates.

When the Lord your God has brought you into the land that he swore to your ancestors, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, to give you—a land with fine, large cities that you did not build, houses filled with all sorts of goods that you did not fill, hewn cisterns that you did not hew, vineyards and olive groves that you did not plant—and when you have eaten your fill, take care that you do not forget the Lord, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery. The Lord your God you shall fear; him you shall serve, and by his name alone you shall swear. Do not follow other gods, any of the gods of the peoples who are all around you, because the Lord your God, who is present with you, is a jealous God. The anger of the Lord your God would be kindled against you and he would destroy you from the face of the earth.

Do not put the Lord your God to the test, as you tested him at Massah. You must diligently keep the commandments of the Lord your God, and his decrees, and his statutes that he has commanded you. Do what is right and good in the sight of the Lord, so that it may go well with you, and so that you may go in and occupy the good land that the Lord swore to your ancestors to give you, thrusting out all your enemies from before you, as the Lord has promised.

When your children ask you in time to come, “What is the meaning of the decrees and the statutes and the ordinances that the Lord our God has commanded you?” then you shall say to your children, “We were Pharaoh’s slaves in Egypt, but the Lord brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand. The Lord displayed before our eyes great and awesome signs and wonders against Egypt, against Pharaoh and all his household. He brought us out from there in order to bring us in, to give us the land that he promised on oath to our ancestors. Then the Lord commanded us to observe all these statutes, to fear the Lord our God, for our lasting good, so as to keep us alive, as is now the case. If we diligently observe this entire commandment before the Lord our God, as he has commanded us, we will be in the right.”

Here endeth the First Lesson.

## THE MAGNIFICAT

Fauxbourdons, Evening Canticles,  
Sidney Nicholson (1875-1947)

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 Luke 10.38 - 11.13

The Second Lesson is written in the Gospel according to Saint Luke, in the tenth chapter, beginning at the thirty-eighth verse.

Now as they went on their way, Jesus entered a certain village, where a woman named Martha welcomed him into her home. She had a sister named Mary, who sat at the Lord's feet and listened to what he was saying. But Martha was distracted by her many tasks; so she came to him and asked, "Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me to do all the work by myself? Tell her then to help me." But the Lord answered her, "Martha, Martha, you are worried and distracted by many things; there is need of only one thing. Mary has chosen the better part, which will not be taken away from her."

He was praying in a certain place, and after he had finished, one of his disciples said to him, "Lord, teach us to pray, as John taught his disciples." He said to them, "When you pray, say: Father, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come. Give us each day our daily bread, And forgive us our sins, for we ourselves forgive everyone indebted to us. And do not bring us to the time of trial."

And he said to them, “Suppose one of you has a friend, and you go to him at midnight and say to him, ‘Friend, lend me three loaves of bread; for a friend of mine has arrived, and I have nothing to set before him.’ And he answers from within, ‘Do not bother me; the door has already been locked, and my children are with me in bed; I cannot get up and give you anything.’ I tell you, even though he will not get up and give him anything because he is his friend, at least because of his persistence he will get up and give him whatever he needs.

“So I say to you, Ask, and it will be given you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened for you. For everyone who asks receives, and everyone who searches finds, and for everyone who knocks, the door will be opened. Is there anyone among you who, if your child asks for a fish, will give a snake instead of a fish? Or if the child asks for an egg, will give a scorpion? If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!”

Here endeth the Second Lesson.

**NUNC DIMITTIS**

Fauxbourdons, Evening Canticles, Sidney Nicholson

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

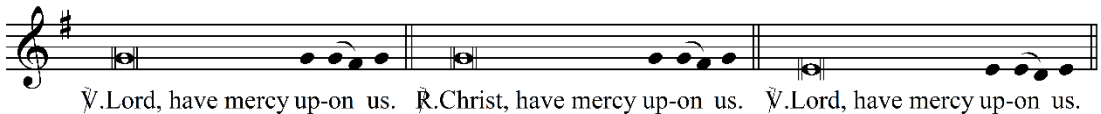
*The Creed is chanted on a monotone, the Officiant beginning,*

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.

## THE SALUTATION AND LESSER LITANY



♩.The Lord be\_\_\_ with\_\_\_ you;    ♩.And with thy\_\_\_ spi - rit.    ♩.Let us pray.



♩.Lord, have mercy up-on us.    ♩.Christ, have mercy up-on us.    ♩.Lord, have mercy up-on us.

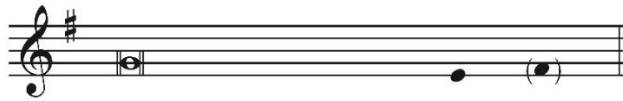
## THE LORD'S PRAYER

*The Lord's Prayer is chanted on a monotone, the Officiant beginning,*

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.**

## THE RESPONSES



Ÿ. O Lord, show thy mercy up-**on** us;

Ŕ. And grant us thy salva-**tion**.

Ÿ. O Lord, save **the** King,

Ŕ. And mercifully hear us when we call up-**on** thee.

Ÿ. Endue thy ministers with righ-**teous**-ness.

Ŕ. And make thy chosen people joy-**ful**.

Ÿ. O Lord, save thy peo-**ple**.

Ŕ. And bless thine inhe-**ri**-tance.

Ÿ. Give peace in our time, **O** Lord;

Ŕ. And evermore mightily defend **us**.

Ÿ. O God, make clean our hearts with-**in** us;

Ŕ. And take not thy Holy Spirit **from** us.

## THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.

**And with thy spirit.**

Let us pray.

O Lord, from whom all good things do come: Grant to us thy humble servants, that by thy holy inspiration we may think those things that be good, and by thy merciful guiding may perform the same; through our Lord Jesus Christ, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end.

**Amen.**

## COLLECT FOR ROGATIONTIDE

Assist us mercifully, O Lord, in these our supplications and prayers, and dispose the way of thy servants towards the attainment of everlasting salvation; that, among all the changes and chances of this mortal life, they may ever be defended by thy most gracious and ready help; 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.**

## ANTHEM

'Hilariter,' German carol

The whole bright world rejoices now, *Hilariter*, The birds do sing on every bough *Alleluya*. Then shout beneath the racing skies, *Hilariter*, To him who rose that we might rise, *Alleluya*. And all you living things make praise, *Hilariter*, He guideth you on all your ways, *Alleluya*. He, Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, *Hilariter!* Our God most high, our joy and boast. *Alleluya*.

(German traditional 1623 ar Martin Shaw 1875-1958)

## CONCLUDING PRAYERS

*The Officiant says selected prayers, following which all say the General Thanksgiving.*

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*

**HYMN 171** – Lord, in thy Name thy servants plead

- 1 Lord, in thy Name thy servants plead,  
And thou hast sworn to hear;  
Thine is the harvest, thine the seed,  
The fresh and fading year
- 2 Our hope, when autumn winds blew wild,  
We trusted, Lord, with thee:  
And still, now spring has on us smiled,  
We wait on thy decree.
- 3 The former and the latter rain,  
The summer sun and air,  
The green ear, and the golden grain,  
All thine, are ours by prayer.
- 4 Thine too by right, and ours by grace,  
The wondrous growth unseen,  
The hopes that soothe, the fears that brace,  
The love that shines serene.
- 5 So grant the precious things brought fourth  
By sun and moon below,  
That thee in thy new heaven and earth  
We never may forego.
- 6 To Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,  
The God whom we adore,  
Be glory, as it was, is now,  
And shall be evermore.

*UNIVERSITY*  
*Ascribed to J. Randall, 1780*

*Rev. John Keble, 1856*

*The People kneel at the sound of the Sanctus bells.*

## **BENEDICTION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT**

### **O SALUTARIS HOSTIA**

*WAREHAM*

- 5 O Saving Victim, opening wide  
The gate of heaven to man below:  
Our foes press on from every side;  
Thine aid supply, thy strength bestow.
- 6 All praise and thanks to thee ascend  
For evermore, Blest One in Three;  
O grant us life that shall not end  
In our true native land with thee. Amen.

### **MOTET**

*Ave verum corpus, W.A. Mozart (1756-1791)*

*Ave verum Corpus, natum de Maria Virgine: vere passum, immolatum in cruce pro homine: Cuius latus perforatum, unda fluxit et sanguine: Esto nobis praegustatem in mortis examine.*

*Hail, true Body, born of the Virgin Mary, Who has truly suffered, was sacrificed on the cross for mortals, Whose side was pierced, whence flowed water and blood: Be for us a foretaste of heaven during our final trial.*

*(Sequence Hymn for Corpus Christi)*

### **TANTUM ERGO SACRAMENTUM**

*GRAFTON*

- 5 Therefore we, before him bending,  
this great sacrament revere:  
types and shadows have their ending,  
for the newer rite is here;  
faith, our outward sense befriending,  
makes our inward vision clear.

6 Glory let us give and blessing  
to the Father and the Son,  
honour, might, and praise addressing,  
while eternal ages run;  
ever too his love confessing,  
who, from both, with both is One. Amen.

*The People match the pitch of the Minister on the underlined syllable.*

Thou gavest them Bread from heaven; Allelu-ia!

**Containing in itself all sweetness. Allelu-ia!**

### **COLLECT OF CORPUS CHRISTI**

O God, who in a wonderful sacrament hast left unto us a memorial of thy passion: Grant us so to reverence the holy mysteries of thy Body and Blood, that we may ever know within ourselves the fruit of thy redemption; who livest and reignest with the Father in the unity of the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. **Amen.**

### **THE BENEDICTION**

*The people are blessed by the Sacrament.*

### **THE DIVINE PRAISES**

*The People repeat each phrase after the Officiant.*

Blessed be God.

Blessed be his Holy Name.

Blessed be Jesus Christ, true God and true Man.

Blessed be the Name of Jesus.

Blessed be his Most Sacred Heart.

Blessed be his Most Precious Blood.

Blessed be Jesus in the Most Holy Sacrament of the Altar.

Blessed be the Holy Ghost, the Comforter.

Blessed be the great Mother of God, Mary most Holy.

Blessed be the name of Mary, Virgin and Mother.

Blessed be St. Joseph, her most chaste spouse.

Blessed be God in his Angels and in his Saints.

PSALM 117—Laudate Dominum; *Tone VI*

*Antiphon:*

*Cantor*

*People*



O PRAISE the Lord, all ye **na**-tions : laud him, **all** yē peo-ples.

For his merciful kindness is ever more and more to-wards us :  
and the truth of the Lord endureth for **ev**-ēr. Praise the Lord.

Glory be to the Father, and to **the** Son : and to thē Ho-ly Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever **shall** be :  
world with-out end. A-men.

*All repeat the Antiphon from the beginning.*

*The People rise at the sound of the Sanctus bells.*

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