

Saint Thomas's Church

Harvest Thanksgiving
Sunday, October 10, 2021

High Mass at 11 o'clock



Still Life with Apples and a Pot of Primroses
Paul Cézanne, c. 1890



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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 Alf Hansen, Mae Hansen, Albert Maslen,
and Ila Maslen McArthur, grandparents of Wendy Hansen-McEachern;*

Those on the Lady Altar in loving memory of Jean and Stanley Somerville, by Maureen Somerville.

Celebrant: Fr. D'Angelo
Deacon & Homilist: Fr. Humphrey
Intercessor: Andrew Smith
Cantor: Jennifer McCallum
Reader: Maureen Somerville
Organist & Director of Music: Matthew Whitfield

Today's motet was recorded by a small group of Saint Thomas's choral section leads and volunteers on Thursday, October 7.

MUSIC OF THE MASS – Mass of St. Dominic, *Robert MacLennan*

PRELUDE: Nun danket alle Gott, BWV 657, *J.S. Bach*

INTROIT: Psalm 34.1-10

- 1 I will always give thanks unto the Lord; /
his praise shall ever be in my mouth.
- 2 My soul shall make her boast in the Lord; /
the humble shall hear thereof and be glad.
- 3 O praise the Lord with me, / and let us magnify his Name together.
- 4 I sought the Lord, and he heard me; /
yea, he delivered me out of all my fears.
- 5 O look unto him and be lightened; /
and your faces shall not be ashamed.
- 6 This poor man cried, and the Lord heard him; /
yea, and saved him out of all his troubles.
- 7 The angel of the Lord tarrieth round about them that fear him, /
and delivereth them.
- 8 O taste and see how gracious the Lord is: /
blessed is the man that trusteth in him.
- 9 O fear the Lord, ye that are his saints; /
for they that fear him lack nothing.
- 10 The lions do lack, and suffer hunger; /
but they who seek the Lord shall want no manner of thing that is good.

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.

I will always give thanks unto the LORD; / his praise shall ever be in my mouth.

Please kneel

COLLECT FOR PURITY

Almighty God, unto whom all hearts be 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.**

The cantor sings

KYRIE ELEISON

Kyrie Eleison : Lord, have mercy upon us.
Christe Eleison : Christ, have mercy upon us.
Kyrie Eleison : Lord, have mercy upon us.

Please stand

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS DEO

Celebrant: Glory be to God on high,

People: **and in 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, Jesu Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us. Thou that takest away the sin 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 Lord be with you.

R / **And with thy spirit.**

Please remain standing for the Collect

COLLECT OF THE DAY

O Almighty and everlasting God, who crownest the year with thy goodness, and hast given unto us the fruits of the earth in their season: Give us grateful hearts, that we may unfeignedly thank thee for all thy loving-kindness, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end. **Amen.**

COLLECT FOR TRINITY XIX

O God, forasmuch as without thee we are not able to please thee: Mercifully grant, that thy Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Please be seated

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: Joel 2.21-27

The First Lesson is written in the second chapter of the book of the prophet Joel, beginning at the twenty-first verse.

“Fear not, O land; be glad and rejoice, for the LORD has done great things! Fear not, you beasts of the field, for the pastures of the wilderness are green; the tree bears its fruit, the fig tree and vine give their full yield. “Be glad, O sons of Zion, and rejoice in the LORD, your God; for he has given the early rain for your vindication, he has poured down for you abundant rain, the early and the latter rain, as before. “The threshing floors shall be full of grain, the vats shall overflow with wine and oil. I will restore to you the years which the swarming locust has eaten, the hopper, the destroyer, and the cutter, my great army, which I sent among you. “You shall eat in plenty and be satisfied, and praise the name of the LORD your God, who has dealt wondrously with you. And my people shall never again be put to shame. You shall know that I am in the midst of Israel, and that I, the LORD, am your God and there is none else. And my people shall never again be put to shame.”

The word of the Lord
R/ Thanks be to God

PSALM 126 – *In convertendo; Tone VI,6*

- 1 When the Lord restored the fortunes of Sion, /
then were we like unto them that dream.
- 2 Then was our mouth filled with laughter, / and our tongue with joy.
- 3 Then said they among the nations, / ‘The Lord hath done great things for them.’
- 4 Yea, the Lord hath done great things for us already; / whereof we rejoice.
- 5 Restore our fortunes, O Lord, / as the rivers in the South.
- 6 They that sow in tears / shall reap in joy.
- 7 He that now goeth on his way weeping, and beareth forth his seed, /
shall doubtless come again with joy, and bring his sheaves with him.

THE EPISTLE: 1 Timothy 6.6-10

The Epistle is written in the sixth chapter of St Paul’s first epistle to Timothy, beginning at the sixth verse.

There is great gain in godliness with contentment; for we brought nothing into the world, and we cannot take anything out of the world; but if we have food and clothing, with these we shall be content. But those who desire to be rich fall into temptation, into a snare, into many senseless and hurtful desires that plunge men into ruin and destruction. For the love of money is the root of all evils; it is through this craving that some have wandered away from the faith and pierced their hearts with many pangs.

The word of the Lord
R/ Thanks be to God

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia. Alleluia. They that sow in tears shall reap in joy. Alleluia.

HOLY GOSPEL: Matthew 6.25-33

R / Glory be to thee O Lord

The Holy Gospel is written in the 6th chapter of the Gospel according to Saint Matthew, beginning at the 25th verse.

Jesus taught them saying, "Therefore I tell you, do not be anxious about your life, what you shall eat or what you shall drink, nor about your body, what you shall put on. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothing? Look at the birds of the air: they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they? And which of you by being anxious can add one cubit to his span of life? And why are you anxious about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow; they neither toil nor spin; yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these. But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which today is alive and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will he not much more clothe you, O men of little faith? Therefore do not be anxious, saying, 'What shall we eat?' or 'What shall we drink?' or 'What shall we wear?' For the Gentiles seek all these things; and your heavenly Father knows that you need them all. But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things shall be yours as well.

The Gospel of Christ

R / Praise be to thee, O Christ

SERMON

THE NICENE CREED

Celebrant: I believe in one God

People: the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, And of all things visible and invisible:

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, Begotten of the Father before all worlds; God, of God; Light, of Light; Very God, of very God; Begotten, not made; Being of one substance with the Father; Through whom all things were made: Who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven, And was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary, And was made man, And was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried, And the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures, And ascended into heaven, And sitteth on the right hand of the Father. And he shall come again with glory to judge both the quick and the dead: Whose kingdom shall have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Ghost, The Lord, The Giver of Life, Who proceedeth from the Father and the Son, Who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified, Who spake by the Prophets. And I believe One, Holy, Catholic, and Apostolic Church. I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins. And I look for the Resurrection of the dead, And the Life of the world to come. Amen.

OFFERTORY

Hymn during the Offertory, sung by the Cantor only

OFFERTORY HYMN 307 – Come, ye thankful people, come

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| 1 Come, ye thankful people, come,
Raise the song of harvest-home!
All is safely gathered in,
Ere the winter storms begin:
God our Maker, doth provide
For our wants to be supplied:
Come to God's own temple, come,
Raise the song of harvest-home! | 3 For the Lord our God shall come,
And shall take his harvest home;
From his field shall in that day
All offences purge away;
Give angels charge at last
In the fire the tares to cast;
But the fruitful ears to store
In his garner evermore. |
| 2 All the world is God's own field,
Fruit unto his praise to yield;
Wheat and tares together sown,
Unto joy or sorrow grown;
First the blade, and then the ear,
Then the full corn shall appear;
Lord of harvest, grant that we
Wholesome grain and pure may be. | 4 Even so, Lord, quickly come,
To thy final harvest-home!
Gather thou thy people in,
Free from sorrow, free from sin;
There forever purified,
In thy presence to abide:
Come, with all thine angels, come,
Raise the glorious harvest-home. |

*ST GEORGE
Sir G.J. Elvey, 1858*

Dean Henry Alford, 1844

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

Blessed be thou, Lord God of Israel, for ever and ever. All that is in the heaven and in the earth is thine. All things come of thee, and of thine own have we given thee. **Amen.**

Please kneel

INTERCESSIONS

Celebrant: Dear friends in Christ, let us pray for the church and for the world.

silence

Lord, in your mercy,
R / Hear our prayer.

Intercessor: I bid your prayers for the church universal throughout the world; for Andrew our bishop, and for all who serve and minister to God's people.

silence

Lord, in your mercy,
R / Hear our prayer.

Intercessor: I bid your prayers for the Queen and for all in authority in our nation, province, and city. We give thanks this day for the bounty of the harvest and the fruits of the Earth, and we pray for wisdom and discernment to help us protect that which God has given so that future generations may prosper and share in richness of this world.

silence

Lord, in your mercy,
R / Hear our prayer.

Intercessor: I bid your prayers for all those in need, for the sick_____, and all those suffering from the coronavirus, for elders in isolation, for prisoners, for refugees and migrants, for the oppressed, for those who mourn, and for all for whom our prayers are asked_____. We pray especially for all those who hunger, those without shelter, and those who are alone, may God comfort and provide for them and may our hearts turn with compassion to those who are in need.

silence

Lord, in your mercy,
R / Hear our prayer.

Intercessor: I bid your prayers for the souls of the departed, especially_____ who have died in recent days, and on their year's mind for_____, that they may share with the Blessed Virgin Mary, and all the saints in God's eternal kingdom.

silence

Lord, in your mercy,
R / Hear our prayer.

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

INVITATION, CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Ye that do truly and earnestly repent you of your sins, and are in love and charity with your neighbours, and intend to lead the new life, following the commandments of God, and walking from henceforth in his holy ways: Draw near with faith, and take this holy Sacrament to your comfort; and make your humble confession to Almighty God, meekly kneeling upon your knees.

Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, Maker of all things, Judge of all men: We acknowledge and confess our manifold sins and wickedness, Which we from time to time most grievously have committed, By thought, word, and deed, Against thy Divine Majesty. We do earnestly repent, And are heartily sorry for these our misdoings. Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; For thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, Forgive us all that is past; And grant that we may ever hereafter Serve and please thee In newness of life, To the honour and glory of thy Name; Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all them that with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him: Have mercy upon you; pardon and deliver you from all your sins; confirm and strengthen you in all goodness; and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

V / The Lord be with you; R / **And with thy spirit.**

V / Lift up your hearts; R / **We lift them up unto the Lord.**

V / Let us give thanks unto our Lord God; R / **It is meet and right so to do.**

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, Creator and Preserver of all things. Who by water and the Holy Spirit hast made us a holy people in Jesus Christ our Lord; thou dost renew that mystery in bread and wine to nourish us, to show forth thy glory in all the world.

Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee and saying:

The Cantor sings:

Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God of hosts, heaven and earth are full of thy glory.

Glory be to thee, O Lord most High.

Blessed is he that cometh in the Name of the Lord:

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessing and glory and thanksgiving be unto thee Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of thy tender mercy didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to take our nature upon him, and to suffer death upon the Cross for our redemption; who made there, by his one oblation of himself once offered, a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction, for the sins of the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memorial of that his precious death, until his coming again.

Hear us, O merciful Father, we most humbly beseech thee; and grant that we receiving these thy creatures of bread and wine, according to thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed Body and Blood; who, in the same night that he was betrayed, took Bread; and, when he had given thanks, he brake it; and gave it to his disciples, saying, Take, eat; this is my Body which is given for you: Do this in remembrance of me.

Likewise after supper he took the Cup; and, when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, Drink ye all, of this; for this is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the remission of sins: Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me.

Wherefore, O Father, Lord of heaven and earth, we thy humble servants, with all thy holy Church, remembering the precious death of thy beloved Son, his mighty resurrection, and glorious ascension, and looking for his coming again in glory, do make before thee, in this sacrament of the holy Bread of eternal life and the Cup of everlasting salvation, the memorial which he hath commanded; And we entirely desire thy fatherly goodness mercifully to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, most humbly beseeching thee to grant, that by the merits and death of thy Son Jesus Christ, and through faith in his blood, we and all thy whole Church may obtain remission of our sins, and all other benefits of his passion; And we pray that by the power of thy Holy Spirit, all we who are partakers of this holy Communion may be fulfilled with thy grace and heavenly benediction; through Jesus Christ our Lord, by whom and with whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. **Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER, FRACTION AND PEACE

Celebrant: As our Saviour Christ hath commanded and taught us we are bold to say:

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. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, For ever and ever. Amen.

The consecrated Bread is broken.

V / The peace of the Lord be always with you;
R / **And with thy spirit.**

HOLY COMMUNION

All who intend to receive Holy Communion pray together:

Celebrant: We do not presume

to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, Trusting in our own righteousness, But in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy So much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord, Whose property is always to have mercy: Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, So to eat the Flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, And to drink his Blood, That our sinful bodies may be made clean by his Body, And our souls washed through his most precious Blood, And that we may evermore dwell in him, And he in us. Amen.

AGNUS DEI

The Cantor sings:

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.
O Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.
O Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, grant us thy peace.

MOTET

'Sicut cervus desiderat,' Palestrina

Like as the hart desireth the water-brooks, so longeth my soul after thee, O God. (Ps 42.1)

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Heavenly Father, nourished in these holy mysteries, the source of all thy blessings, may we, with our lives, give thee continual thanks and praise, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*

BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

The peace of God, which passeth 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 Ghost, be amongst you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

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

The Cantor alone sings:

CONCLUDING HYMN 305 – Now thank we all our God

- 1 Now thank we all our God,
With heart and hands and voices,
Who wondrous things hath done,
In whom his world rejoices;
Who from our mother's arms
Hath blessed us on our way
With countless gifts of love,
And still is ours to-day.
- 2 O may this bounteous God
Through all our life be near us,
With ever joyful hearts
And blessed peace to cheer us;
And keep us in his grace,
And guide us when perplexed,
And free us from all ills
In this world and the next.
- 3 All praise and thanks to God
The Father now be given,
The Son, and Holy Ghost,
Supreme in highest heaven,
The One eternal God,
Whom earth and heaven adore,
For thus it was, is now,
And shall be evermore.

NUN DANKET
J. Crüger, 1647

Tr from the German of Rev M. Rinkart (1636)
by Catherine Winkworth

POSTLUDE: Nun danket alle Gott, *Sigfrid Karg-Elert*