

Saint Thomas's Church

The Sunday Called Quinquagesima

Sunday, February 19, 2023
Evensong & Devotions at 5:00 pm



The construction of Noah's Ark, Jacopo da Ponte Bassano, 1575
The Museum of fine arts, Marseille, France

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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

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

*Those at the High Altar in memory of Bobby Hitchman
by her daughter Barbara, and family.*

and

Those on the Lady altar are in memory of Jean Paul Napier, given by friends.



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Officiant: Fr. Ipema
Interim Director of Music & Organist: Elizabeth Anderson
Guest Organist: David Simon

VOLUNTARY

Adagio in E, Frank Bridge (1879-1941)

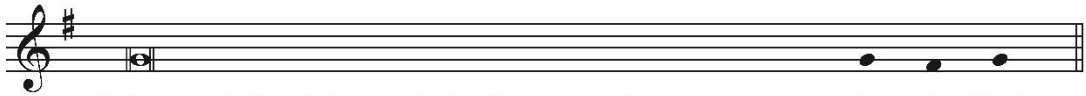
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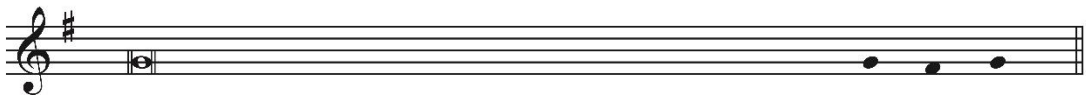
℣. O Lord, open thou our lips; ℞. And our mouth shall show forth thy praise.



℣. O God, make speed to save us; ℞. O Lord, make haste to help us.



℣. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Ho - ly Ghost.



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

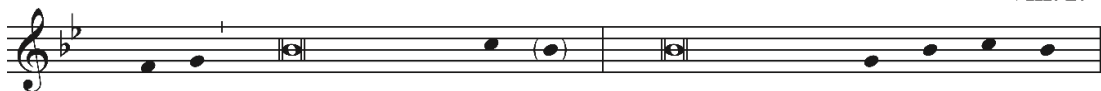


℣. Praise ye — the Lord; — ℞. The Lord's name — be prais - ed.

The People sit when the Choir sits.

PSALM 103. *Benedic, anima mea.*

VIII. 2.



- Cantor* 1 PRAISE THE Lord, O My **soul** :
People and all that is within me **praise** his ho-ly^Name.
- 2 Praise the Lord, O My **soul** : and forget not **all** his ben-e^fits;
- Cantor* 3 Who forgiveth all thy **sin** : and healeth all **thine** in-firm-i^ties;
- People* 4 Who saveth thy life from des-**truc**-tion : and crowneth thee with
mercy and **lov**-ing kind-ness;
- Cantor* 5 Who satisfieth thy mouth with **good** things : making thee young and
lusty **as** an ea-gle.
- People* 6 The Lord executeth righteousness and **judge**-ment : for all them that
are op-**press**-ed with wrong.
- Cantor* 7 He show-ed his ways unto **Mo**-ses : his works unto the chil-**dren** of
Is-ra^el.
- People* 8 The Lord is full of compassion and **gra**-cious : long-suffering, and **of**
great good-ness.
- Cantor* 9 He will not alway be **chi**-ding : neither keepeth he his an-**ger** for ev-er.
- People* 10 He hath not dealt with us after our **sins** : nor rewarded us according
to our **wick**-ed-ness-es.
- Cantor* 11 For look how high the heaven is in comparison of the **earth** : so
great is his mercy also toward **them** that fear him.
- People* 12 Look how wide also the east is from the **west** : so far hath he **set** our
sins from^us.
- Cantor* 13 Yea, like as a father pitieth his own **chil**-dren : even so is the Lord
merciful unto **them** that fear him.
- People* 14 For he knoweth whereof we are **made** : he remembereth that **we** are
but dust.
- Cantor* 15 The days of man are but as **grass** : for he flourisheth as a **flower** of
the field.
- People* 16 For as soon as the wind goeth over it, it is **gone** : and the place
thereof shall **know** it no more.

- Cantor* 17 But the merciful goodness of the Lord endureth for ever and ever upon them that **fear** him : and his righteousness unto **chil-dren's** chil-dren;
- People* 18 Even unto such as keep his **co-ve-nant** : and think upon his command-**ments** to do them.
- Cantor* 19 The Lord hath establish-ed his throne in **hea-ven** : and his kingdom **ru-leth** ov-er[^]all.
- People* 20 O praise the Lord, ye angels of his, ye that excel in **strength** : ye that fulfil his commandment, and hearken unto the **voice** of his word.
- Cantor* 21 O praise the Lord, all ye his **hosts** : ye servants of his that **do** his plea-sure.
- People* 22 O speak good of the Lord, all ye works of his, in all places of his do-**min**-ion : praise thou the **Lörd**, O my[^]soul.
- Cantor* Glory be to the Father, and to the **Son** : and **to** the Ho-ly[^]Ghost;
- People* As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever **shall** be : world with-**out** end. A-men.

FIRST LESSON Genesis 6.5-end

The First Lesson is written in the book Genesis, in the sixth chapter, beginning at the fifth verse.

The Lord saw that the wickedness of humankind was great in the earth, and that every inclination of the thoughts of their hearts was only evil continually. And the Lord was sorry that he had made humankind on the earth, and it grieved him to his heart. So the Lord said, "I will blot out from the earth the human beings I have created - people together with animals and creeping things and birds of the air, for I am sorry that I have made them." But Noah found favour in the sight of the Lord.

These are the descendants of Noah. Noah was a righteous man, blameless in his generation; Noah walked with God. And Noah had three sons, Shem, Ham, and Japheth.

Now the earth was corrupt in God's sight, and the earth was filled with violence. And God saw that the earth was corrupt; for all flesh had corrupted its ways upon the earth. And God said to Noah, "I have determined to make an end of all flesh, for the earth is filled with violence because of them; now I am going to destroy

them along with the earth. Make yourself an ark of cypress wood; make rooms in the ark, and cover it inside and out with pitch. This is how you are to make it: the length of the ark three hundred cubits, its width fifty cubits, and its height thirty cubits. Make a roof for the ark, and finish it to a cubit above; and put the door of the ark in its side; make it with lower, second, and third decks. For my part, I am going to bring a flood of waters on the earth, to destroy from under heaven all flesh in which is the breath of life; everything that is on the earth shall die. But I will establish my covenant with you; and you shall come into the ark, you, your sons, your wife, and your sons' wives with you. And of every living thing, of all flesh, you shall bring two of every kind into the ark, to keep them alive with you; they shall be male and female. Of the birds according to their kinds, and of the animals according to their kinds, of every creeping thing of the ground according to its kind, two of every kind shall come in to you, to keep them alive. Also take with you every kind of food that is eaten, and store it up; and it shall serve as food for you and for them." Noah did this; he did all that God commanded him.

Here endeth the First Lesson.

THE MAGNIFICAT

Gloucester Service, Herbert Howells (1892-1983)

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 17.20-end

The Second Lesson is written in the Gospel according to Saint Luke, in the seventeenth chapter, beginning at the twentieth verse.

Once Jesus was asked by the Pharisees when the kingdom of God was coming, and he answered, “The kingdom of God is not coming with things that can be observed; nor will they say, ‘Look, here it is!’ or ‘There it is!’ For, in fact, the kingdom of God is among you.”

Then he said to the disciples, “The days are coming when you will long to see one of the days of the Son of Man, and you will not see it. They will say to you, ‘Look there!’ or ‘Look here!’ Do not go, do not set off in pursuit. For as the lightning flashes and lights up the sky from one side to the other, so will the Son of Man be in his day. But first he must endure much suffering and be rejected by this generation. Just as it was in the days of Noah, so too it will be in the days of the Son of Man. They were eating and drinking, and marrying and being given in marriage, until the day Noah entered the ark, and the flood came and destroyed all of them. Likewise, just as it was in the days of Lot: they were eating and drinking, buying and selling, planting and building, but on the day that Lot left Sodom, it rained fire and sulfur from heaven and destroyed all of them - it will be like that on the day that the Son of Man is revealed. On that day, anyone on the housetop who has belongings in the house must not come down to take them away; and likewise anyone in the field must not turn back. Remember Lot’s wife. Those who try to make their life secure will lose it, but those who lose their life will keep it. I tell you, on that night there will be two in one bed; one will be taken and the other left. There will be two women grinding meal together; one will be taken and the other left.” Then they asked him, “Where, Lord?” He said to them, “Where the corpse is, there the vultures will gather.”

Here endeth the Second Lesson.

NUNC DIMITTIS

Gloucester Service, Herbert Howells (1892-1983)

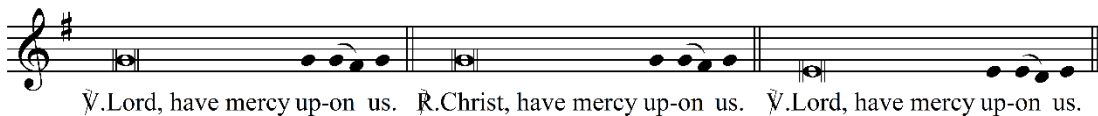
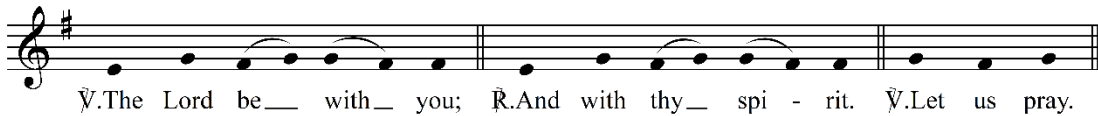
Lord, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace, / according to thy word.
For mine eyes have seen thy salvation, /
which thou hast prepared before the face of all people;
To be a light to lighten the Gentiles, / and to be the glory of thy people Israel.
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, / and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



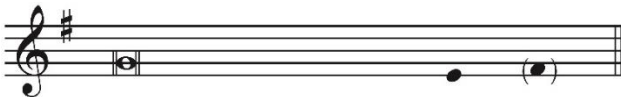
THE LORD'S PRAYER

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



♩. O Lord, show thy mercy up-on us;
♫. And grant us thy salva-tion.

♩. O Lord, save **the** King,
♫. And mercifully hear us when we call up-on thee.

♩. Endue thy ministers with righ-teous-ness.
♫. And make thy chosen people joy-ful.

♩. O Lord, save thy peo-ple.
♫. And bless thine inhe-ri-tance.

♩. Give peace in our time, **O** Lord;
♫. And evermore mightily defend **us**.

Ÿ. O God, make clean our hearts with-**in** us;
R. And take not thy Holy Spirit **from** us.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

O Lord, who hast taught us that all our doings without charity are nothing worth: Send thy Holy Spirit, and pour into our hearts that most excellent gift of charity, the very bond of peace and of all virtues, without which whosoever liveth is counted dead before thee. Grant this for thine only Son Jesus Christ's sake, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end. **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 'Laß dich nur nichts nicht dauern,' Johannes Brahms (1833-1897)

Laß dich nur nichts nicht dauern mit Trauern, Sei stille! Wie Gott es fügt,
So sei vergnügt Mein Wille. Was willst du heute sorgen auf morgen? Der Eine
steht allem für; Der gibt auch dir das Deine. Sei nur in allem Handel ohn'
Wandel, Steh' feste! Was Gott beschleußt, das ist und heißt das Beste. Amen.

Let nothing ever grieve thee, distress thee, nor fret thee; heed God's good will, my soul, be still, compose thee. Why brood all day in sorrow? Tomorrow will bring thee God's help benign and grace sublime in mercy. Be true in all endeavour and ever ply bravely; what God decrees brings joy and peace, he'll stay thee. Amen.

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 104 – O Holy Spirit, whom our Master sent

- 1 O Holy Spirit, whom our Master sent
Rich with all treasures from the throne above,
We pray thee for thy gift most excellent,
Thy greatest, thine unfailing gift of love.
- 2 Thy grace abounds; the written word is ours;
And Satan trembles at the might of prayer;
The shield of faith can quell the evil powers,
And hope's bright helmet save us from despair.
- 3 These yet abide; but we would covet still
One gift, exalted faith and hope above:
Grant us the new commandment to fulfil,
And even as Jesus loved us, so to love.
- 4 Grant us to follow his long-suffering path,
Joying in truth, yet helping them that fall,
To think no evil, give no place to wrath,
But bear, believe, endure, and hope for all.
- 5 So when at length we know as we are known,
And all the shadows are for ever past,
He who is Love may see in us his own,
And all in him be perfect love at last.

SONG 4
Orlando Gibbons, 1623

Rev. John Ellerton, 1890

The People kneel at the sound of the Sanctus bells.

DEVOTIONS

O Salutaris Hostia (Hymn 237, Part 2)

HEREFORD

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

‘Ubi caritas et amor,’ Maurice Duruflé (1902-1986)

Ubi caritas et amor, Deus ibi est. Congregavit nos in unum Christi amor.
Exsulemus, et in ipso jucundemur. Timeamus, et amemus Deum vivum.
Et ex corde diligamus nos sincero. Ubi caritas et amor, Deus ibi est. Amen.

Where charity and love are, there is God. The love of Christ has gathered us
together. Let us rejoice in Him and be glad. Let us fear and love the living God.
And let us love one another with a sincere heart. Amen.

(Antiphon for The Washing of Feet, Maundy, Maundy Thursday)

Tantum Ergo Sacramentum (Hymn 234, Part 2)

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 hea-ven;
Containing in itself all sweet-ness.

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.**

PSALM 117—Laudate Dominum; *Tone VI*

Antiphon:

Cantor

People



Tone VI



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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DAILY OFFICE SCHEDULE

*Morning Prayer and Evening Prayer services generally last 15-25 minutes
and are a great way to begin and/or end the day!*

MORNING PRAYER

8:30 AM, MONDAY-FRIDAY

9:30 AM, SATURDAY

7:30 AM, SUNDAY

EVENING PRAYER

5:00 PM, MONDAY-FRIDAY

5:00 PM SUNDAY (CHORAL EVENSONG)

Choral Evensong on Sundays is followed by Eucharistic devotions.

DAILY MASS SCHEDULE

SUNDAY

LOW MASS 8:00 AM

SUNG MASS 9:30 AM

HIGH MASS 11:00 AM

WEEKDAY LOW MASS

12:15 PM, MONDAY, WEDNESDAY, FRIDAY

5:30 PM TUESDAY, THURSDAY

10:00 AM SATURDAY

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