



# ST. THOMAS' PARISH

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## Fourth Sunday in Lent – March 27, 2022

*Welcome to St. Thomas' Parish and to the season of Lent. Your presence amongst us overflows our joy. Together, we all tell the Good News of God's love in Christ. Sing and pray with us as you are comfortable. You are welcome to fully participate in every part of this service, including Holy Eucharist (aka Lord's Supper, Holy Communion, or Mass). If you would like to learn more about St. Thomas' Parish, the Episcopal Church, or deepening your faith with us please fill out a welcome card and hand it to an usher or clergy person.*

Prelude

Ukrainian Melody

Myroslav Skoryk

Opening Hymn 469

“There's a Wideness in God's Mercy”



1 There's a wide - ness in God's mer - cy like the wide - ness  
 2 There is no place where earth's sor - rows are more felt than  
 3 For the love of God is broad - er than the mea - sure



of the sea; there's a kind - ness in his jus -  
 up in heaven; there is no place where earth's fail -  
 of the mind; and the heart of the E - ter -



tice, which is more than lib - er - ty. There is wel - come  
 ings have such kind - ly judg - ment given. There is plen - ti -  
 nal is most won - der - ful - ly kind. If our love were



for the sin - ner, and more gra - ces for the good; there is mer - cy  
 ful re - demp - tion in the blood that has been shed; there is joy for  
 but more faith - ful, we should take him at his word; and our life would



with the Sa - vior; there is heal - ing in his blood.  
 all the mem - bers in the sor - rows of the Head.  
 be thanks - giv - ing for the good - ness of the Lord.



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## Opening Acclamation

Celebrant: Blessed be the God of our salvation.

People: Who bears our burdens and forgives our sins.

## Confession of Sins

Deacon Let us confess our sins to God.

*Silence may be kept.*

**G**OD OF ALL MERCY, we confess that we have sinned against you, opposing your will in our lives. We have denied your goodness in each other, in ourselves, and in the world you have created. We repent of the evil that enslaves us, the evil we have done, and the evil done on our behalf. Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ, that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. Amen.

## Absolution

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the grace of Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. Amen.

## Kyrie Eleison

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XI-XIII. s.

3. **K** Y-ri- e • e-lé- i-son. *ijj.* Christe e-lé- i-son. *ijj.* Ký-  
ri- e e-lé- i-son. *ij.* Ký-ri- e • e-lé- i-son.

## The Collect

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Gracious Father, whose blessed Son Jesus Christ came down from heaven to be the true bread which gives life to the world: Evermore give us this bread, that he may live in us, and we in him; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

## First Reading

## Joshua 5:9-12

The Lord said to Joshua, "Today I have rolled away from you the disgrace of Egypt." And so that place is called Gilgal to this day.

While the Israelites were camped in Gilgal they kept the passover in the evening on the fourteenth day of the month in the plains of Jericho. On the day after the passover, on that very day, they ate the produce of the land, unleavened cakes and parched grain. The manna ceased on the day they ate the produce of the land, and the Israelites no longer had manna; they ate the crops of the land of Canaan that year.

Lector:           The Word of the Lord           People:    Thanks be to God

Psalm 32   (read by all)

*Saint Helena Psalter*

- 1 Happy are they whose transgressions are forgiven \*  
and whose sin is put away!
- 2 Happy are they to whom God imputes no guilt \*  
and in whose spirit there is no guile!
- 3 While I held my tongue, my bones withered away, \*  
because of my groaning all day long.
- 4 For your hand was heavy upon me day and night; \*  
my moisture was dried up as in the heat of summer.
- 5 Then I acknowledged my sin to you \*  
and did not conceal my guilt.
- 6 I said, "I will confess my transgressions to God;" \*  
then you forgave me the guilt of my sin.
- 7 Therefore all the faithful will make their prayers to you in time of trouble; \*  
when the great waters overflow, they shall not reach them.
- 8 You are my hiding-place;  
you preserve me from trouble; \*  
you surround me with shouts of deliverance.
- 9 "I will instruct you and teach you in the way that you should go; \*  
I will guide you with my eye.
- 10 Do not be like horse or mule, which have no understanding, \*  
who must be fitted with bit and bridle,  
or else they will not stay near you."

11 Great are the tribulations of the wicked, \*  
but mercy embraces those who trust in the Most High.

12 Be glad, you righteous, and rejoice in God; \*  
shout for joy, all who are true of heart.

Sequence Hymn WLP 827 “O Lord Hear my Prayer”  
From the Taizé Community

The musical score is written in 4/4 time with a key signature of one sharp (F#). It consists of three systems of music, each with a vocal line and a piano accompaniment line. The lyrics are: "O Lord hear my pray'r, O Lord hear my pray'r. When I call, an - swer me. O Lord hear my pray'r. O Lord hear my pray'r, Come and lis - ten to me. O". The piece ends with a fermata and the word "Fine".

The Holy Gospel Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32

Deacon: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.  
People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Now the tax collectors and sinners were all gathering around to hear Jesus. But the Pharisees and the teachers of the law muttered, “This man welcomes sinners and eats with them.”

So Jesus told them this parable:

Jesus continued: “There was a man who had two sons. The younger one said to his father, ‘Father, give me my share of the estate.’ So he divided his property between them.

“Not long after that, the younger son got together all he had, set off for a distant country and there squandered his wealth in wild living. After he had spent everything, there was a severe famine in that whole country, and he began to be in need. So he went and hired himself out to a citizen of that country, who sent him to his fields to feed pigs. He longed to fill his stomach with the pods that the pigs were eating, but no one gave him anything.

“When he came to his senses, he said, ‘How many of my father’s hired servants have food to spare, and here I am starving to death! I will set out and go back to my father and say to him: Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you. I am no longer worthy to be called your son; make me like one of your hired servants.’ So he got up and went to his father.

“But while he was still a long way off, his father saw him and was filled with compassion for him; he ran to his son, threw his arms around him and kissed him.

“The son said to him, ‘Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you. I am no longer worthy to be called your son.’

“But the father said to his servants, ‘Quick! Bring the best robe and put it on him. Put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet. Bring the fattened calf and kill it. Let’s have a feast and celebrate. For this son of mine was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found.’ So they began to celebrate.

“Meanwhile, the older son was in the field. When he came near the house, he heard music and dancing. So he called one of the servants and asked him what was going on. ‘Your brother has come,’ he replied, ‘and your father has killed the fattened calf because he has him back safe and sound.’

“The older brother became angry and refused to go in. So his father went out and pleaded with him. But he answered his father, ‘Look! All these years I’ve been serving you and never disobeyed your orders. Yet you never gave me even a young goat so I could celebrate with my friends. But when this son of yours who has squandered your property with prostitutes comes home, you kill the fattened calf for him!’

“‘My son,’ the father said, ‘you are always with me, and everything I have is yours. But we had to celebrate and be glad, because this brother of yours was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found.’”

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

**The Sermon**

The Rev. Lisa Ahuja

✠ *Please observe a moment of silence following the sermon*

## Nicene Creed

**W**E 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,  
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human.

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,  
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,  
who 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

## Prayers of the People

*(written by John Trumbo)*

Let us empty our hearts and minds, and make room for the movement of the Holy Spirit in our lives, saying, God of rebirth and renewal, hear our prayer.

During this holy season of Lent, Lord, help us dare to release those stones we carry in the tombs of our souls that weigh down our journey and separate us from the power of your redemptive Spirit.  
**God of rebirth and renewal, hear our prayer.**

On the night before he died for us, Jesus was at table with his friends. We thank you, Lord, for the love and fellowship of our families, friends, this congregation, and community.  
**God of rebirth and renewal, hear our prayer.**

Lord, we offer up our personal failings and the injustices of the world around us. Reveal to us that by serving and meeting those around us in their need we are in turn set free.  
**God of rebirth and renewal, hear our prayer.**

Lord, we pray for the lay and ordained leaders of our parish, asking that they may be moved to lead your people to the places and purposes that you would have us encounter.  
**God of rebirth and renewal, hear our prayer.**

Lord, we pray for the leaders of this city, this country, and this world. Quiet our differences and discord, and show each of us how to see you in everyone we meet.  
**God of rebirth and renewal, hear our prayer.**

Lord, we pray for healing for all and for any who suffer from every kind of affliction; for those imprisoned by walls, addiction, homelessness, trauma, and fear.

You are invited to name your prayers aloud or in the silence of your heart.

*(silence)*

**God of rebirth and renewal, hear our prayer.**

Lord, we pray for the repose of the souls of those who have left this life on earth, and for their loved ones who grieve their passing, especially...

*[The congregation is invited to name those aloud...]*

**God of rebirth and renewal, hear our prayer.**

During this holy season of Lent, Lord, remind us that your hand is at work in all that is well, and proper, and obedient, and pure. Help us grasp the task that you have given each of us to carry out in your name, and empower us to be and do more than we could possibly imagine on our own.

**God of rebirth and renewal, hear our prayer.**

### **LITANY OF TRANSITION FOR DEACON LINDA MAHLER**

*Rector:* Deacon Linda, you have assisted us in worship and set God's holy table for us.

*All:* **Go with our blessing to feed and enliven the worship in another place.**

*Lay Leader:* Deacon Linda, you have brought Christ's presence to us and helped us deepen our relationship with God in prayer.

*All:* **Go with our blessing to guide another new flock to living water.**

*Lay Leader:* Deacon Linda, you have met with us and eaten with us and taken opportunities for us to laugh and celebrate as a parish family.

*All:* **Go with our blessing to bring your gifts of hospitality to a new flock.**

*Rector:* Deacon Linda, you have loved this congregation and invited them to love you. Because God is love, and God's love always adds and multiplies, it is never divided or taken away.

*All:* **We release you with our blessing to new ministries, confident that you will hold your love for us in your heart, as we will hold our love for you in ours.**

*Words of Appreciation are shared.*

*Rector:* The time has come to release your active role in the ministry of this congregation. Do you now surrender your tasks and ministry to others, trusting in God's provision for this congregation as you focus on discerning your next ministry?

*Deacon Linda:* Yes. Be the saints of God I know you to be, to give and receive love with grace.

*Rector:* What has been done has been done. What has not been done has not been done. Let it be. In Christ's name we pray.

*All:* **Amen.**

## The Peace

Celebrant: The Peace of Christ be always with you.

All: And also with you.

✠ *The people greet one another with a sign of God's peace.*

## Welcome and Announcements

### *Birthday Prayer: (said by all)*

Watch over your children, O Lord, as their days increase; bless and guide them wherever they may be. Strengthen them when they stand; comfort them when discouraged or sorrowful; raise them up when they fall; and in their hearts may your peace which passes understanding abide all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

### *Anniversary Prayer: (said by all)*

Eternal God, creator and preserver of all life, author of salvation, and giver of all grace: Look with favor upon the world you have made, for which your Son gave his life, and surround this couple with your love. Grant that their wills may be so knit together in your will, and their spirits in your Spirit, that they may grow in love and peace with you and one another all the days of their lives, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

## Prayer of Thanksgiving for the Marriage of Barbara Hays and Colleen Dermody

### Offertory

“The God who gave us life gave us liberty”

Randall Thompson (1899-1984)

The God who gave us life gave us liberty at the same time;  
the hand of force may destroy but cannot disjoin them. — text by Thomas Jefferson

*Let us with gladness present the offerings and oblations of our life and labor to the Lord.*

*The ushers will collect a financial offering during the Offertory. If you'd prefer to give electronically to our operating funds, please text STTHOMASDC (\$) to 73256 or follow the QR Code.*

When you scan this QR Code with your phone's camera, it will take you directly to St. Thomas' Giving Page.



# The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer A

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 God thanks and praise.**

*The Celebrant continues*

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. You bid your faithful people cleanse their hearts, and prepare with joy for the Paschal feast; that, fervent in prayer and in works of mercy, and renewed by your Word and Sacraments, they may come to the fullness of grace which you have prepared for those who love you.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

## Hymn WLP 785 “Santo, Santo, Santo”

*Sung first in Spanish, and then in English.*

San - to, san - to, san - to, mi cor - a - zon te a - do - ra! Mi  
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, my heart, my heart a - dores you! My

cor - a - zon te sa - be de - cir: san - to e - res Se - ñor.  
heart is glad to say the words: you are ho - ly, Lord.

*Then the Celebrant continues*

Holy and gracious God: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

*Celebrant and People*

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

*The Celebrant continues*

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him.

Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and forever. **AMEN**

### **The Lord's Prayer**

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

**OUR FATHER IN HEAVEN,  
hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come,  
your will be done, on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins  
as we forgive those who sin against us.  
Save us from the time of trial  
and deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power,  
and the glory are yours  
now and forever. Amen.**

**PADRE NUESTRO, que estás en el cielo.  
Santificado sea tu nombre.  
Venga tu reino. Hágase tu voluntad  
en la tierra como en el cielo.  
Danos hoy nuestro pan de cada día.  
Perdona nuestras ofensas,  
como también nosotros perdonamos  
a los que nos ofenden.  
No nos dejes caer en tentación y líbranos  
del mal.  
Porque tuyo es el reino, el poder, y la gloria  
Por los siglos de los siglos. Amén**

## The Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant: Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People: Therefore let us keep the feast.

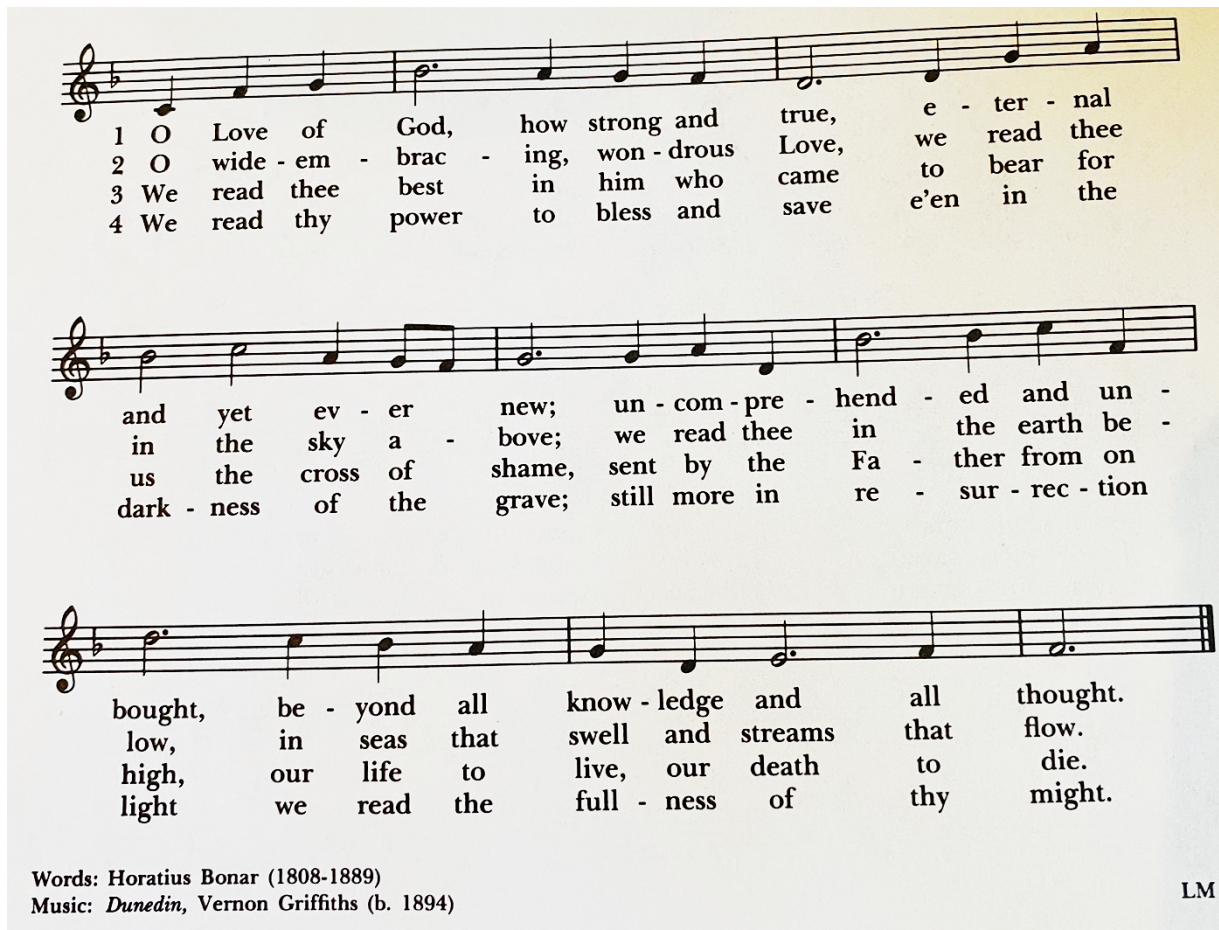
Celebrant: The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you,  
and feed on him in your hearts, by faith with thanksgiving.

## Distribution of Holy Communion

All are welcome to receive holy communion here at St. Thomas' Parish. At this time, we are distributing bread only. An usher will invite the congregation to come forward row by row to receive. When you come forward, there are three stations to receive bread. The middle station has gluten-free wafers. If you prefer a blessing, please go to the middle station.

## Communion Hymn H82 455 "O Love of God"



1 O Love of God, how strong and true, e - ter - nal  
2 O wide - em - brac - ing, won - drous Love, we read thee  
3 We read thee best in him who came to bear for  
4 We read thy power to bless and save e'en in the

and yet ev - er new; un - com - pre - hend - ed and un -  
in the sky a - bove; we read thee in the earth be -  
us the cross of shame, sent by the Fa - ther from on  
dark - ness of the grave; still more in re - sur - rec - tion

bought, be - yond all know - ledge and all thought.  
low, in seas that swell and streams that flow.  
high, our life to live, our death to die.  
light we read the full - ness of thy might.

Words: Horatius Bonar (1808-1889)  
Music: *Dunedin*, Vernon Griffiths (b. 1894)

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## Prayer after Communion *(prayed by all)*

Loving God, we give you thanks for restoring us in your image and nourishing us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood. Now send us forth a people, forgiven, healed, renewed; that we may proclaim your love to the world and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen

## Blessing

Celebrant: Go forth into the world in peace. Be of good courage. Hold fast that which is good. Render to no one evil for evil. Strengthen the faint-hearted; support the weak; help the afflicted; honor all people. And the blessing of the God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always.

People: Amen

## Closing Hymn LEVAS 189 "Great is thy faithfulness"

1. Great is thy faith - ful - ness, O God my Fa - ther,  
2. Sum - mer and win - ter, and spring - time and har - vest,  
3. Par - don for sin and a peace that en - dur - eth,

1. There is no shad - ow of turn - ing with thee;  
2. Sun, moon and stars in their cours - es a - bove,  
3. Thine own dear pres - ence to cheer and to guide;

1. Thou chang - est not, thy com - pas - sions, they fail not,  
2. Join with all na - ture in man - i - fold wit - ness,  
3. Strength for to - day and bright hope for to - mor - row,

1. Thou chang - est not, thy com - pas - sions, they fail not,  
 2. Join with all na - ture in man - i - fold wit - ness,  
 3. Strength for to - day and bright hope for to - mor - row,

Great is thy faith - ful - ness! Great is thy faith - ful - ness!

Morn - ing by morn - ing new mer - cies I see;

All I have need - ed thy hand hath pro - vid - ed,

Great is Thy faith - ful - ness, Lord un - to me!

**Dismissal**

Celebrant: Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People: Thanks be to God.

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Announcements for March 27, 2022

Dear Friends,

As we journey with Christ through the season of Lent, I hope you will join us in deepening our faith through worship, service, study, and fellowship. Please read through these announcements, and join us as you are able. All are welcome!

If you are newer to our parish, please join us today for our Welcome Sunday. Following our service, we will have a special coffee hour followed by a tour and conversation about our ministry and mission. This is a great opportunity to learn more and get to know other members of the parish.

Lenten blessings,

Lisa+



**Here is our Parish Schedule for this coming week.**

**Sunday, March 27:**

**LENT 4**

9:15 am Choir Rehearsal  
9:30 am Nursery 4<sup>th</sup> floor  
10:30 am Worship in-person and streamed to Facebook  
11:30 am Welcome Sunday Coffee Hour  
12:00 pm Welcome Sunday Tour and Talk  
12:00 – 2:00 pm Sorting of donations for the refugees

**Wednesday, March 30:**

6:30 pm Evening Worship on Zoom  
7:00 pm Lenten Program- Bollywood Fun

**Sunday, April 3:**

**LENT 5**

9:15 am Choir Rehearsal  
9:30 am Nursery 4<sup>th</sup> floor  
10:30 am Worship in-person and streamed to Facebook  
12:00 – 2:00 pm Sorting of donations for the refugees

**Zoom Code for worship and parish meetings and Wednesday evening worship:**

Meeting ID: 947 6442 4718      Password: 151718th

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://zoom.us/j/94764424718?pwd=WFhJM0M5N2VxT2dVbVpaelljaVQ2UT09>

Dial by your location      +1 929 205 6099 US (New York)

**Save the Date**

Jane Saari is turning 80! We will celebrate her at a festive Coffee Hour after church on April 3, 2022.

**Wednesdays Together in Lent March 16- April 3**

Let's build relationship with one another this Lent.

6:30 pm Evening Prayer in the Chapel

7:00 Fun and Food (Vegetarian) on the 4th Floor

March 30: Bollywood Fun

April 6: Curious Questions over Dinner

### **Tee-Shirt Contest**

Do you have a great idea for St. Thomas' next tee-shirt?

Submit your slogan or graphics or ideas to <https://forms.gle/zPG2SrDYJTURPyu9A>. Parishioners will be able to vote the best idea. We will make the new tee-shirt available for purchase in the summer.

### **Worship with St. Thomas'**

#### **Baptism**

At baptism we are sealed with the Holy Spirit and marked as one of Christ's own forever. If you seek baptism, or would like for a child to be baptized, please be in touch with Rev. Lisa. Our upcoming dates for baptism at St. Thomas' Parish are:

- Easter Vigil: Saturday, April 16 at 8:00 pm
- Pentecost: Sunday, June 5 at 10:30 am.

#### **Confirmation, Reception, and Reaffirmation of Baptismal Vows**

Confirmation, Reception, and Reaffirmation will be held at Washington National Cathedral on Saturday, May 14 at 10:00 a.m. Please be in touch with Rev. Lisa Ahuja ([lahuja@stthomasdc.org](mailto:lahuja@stthomasdc.org)) if you would like to prepare for this next step in your faith journey.

#### **Holy Week Worship Schedule**

Sunday, April 10 at 10:30 AM	Palm Sunday with Procession Outdoor Stations of the Cross to follow the service
Thursday, April 14 at 6:30 PM	Maundy Thursday with Stripping of the Altar and Vigil
Friday, April 15 at 12 pm	Good Friday Service
Saturday, April 16 at 8 pm	Easter Vigil Service
Sunday, April 17 at 10:30 am	Easter Day Service

### **Take Action with St. Thomas'**

#### **Volunteer With Samaritan Ministry!**

We are urgently looking for a Food Pantry & Closet Coordinator

Our food pantries and clothing closets hold essential items for our participants; this position is very important and impactful.

Location: 1516 Hamilton St NW, DC 20011

Hours: 2-4 hours per week between 10am - 4pm (Monday – Friday)

#### **Food Pantry**

- Maintain a clean and organized pantry
- Write expiration dates on food items
- Sort and stock food items onto shelves by food type and expiration date
- Check expiration dates and discard expired items
- Prepare food bags and food supplies for other Samaritan Ministry Offices
- Ability to stand for length of time and lift up to 30 pounds

#### **Clothing Closet**

- Maintain and organize clothing closets
- Sort clothing
- Fold and hang items
- Maintain clothing shelves and racks

If interested in either position, Contact: Sy Jones, Volunteer Manager at [sjones@samaritanministry.org](mailto:sjones@samaritanministry.org)

### **Donations for Afghan Refugees:**

St. Thomas' Parish is responding to Afghan refugee needs in the DMV by providing much-needed items for people resettling in our area. The Parish has ample space to use as a central repository for collecting and packing all donations. So please be generous! For more information, contact David Swanson at [dswansondc@gmail.com](mailto:dswansondc@gmail.com) To volunteer, go to <http://tinyurl.com/signup3rdfloorsorting>

Drop Off Donations at church on Sundays from 12:00-2:00 pm.

Household items: Pots and pans, vacuums, pressure cookers, trash cans, dutch ovens, laundry baskets, blenders, new bed sheets & pillows, bowls, new shower curtains & hooks, thermoses, bath mats, tea pots & electric kettles Children's Items: Strollers, Items for newborns, baby swings.

**Clothing donations are no longer needed**

### **Sidewalk Series**

We are excited for this spring Sidewalk Series! Please consider joining us, inviting friends, and committing to one Friday afternoon as a parish host, helping people find bathrooms and water and giving tours as needed. Please see Michael Lodico with questions, and sign up on the bulletin board to help (or by emailing [administrator@stthomasdc.org](mailto:administrator@stthomasdc.org) with your preferred Friday.)



**SIDEWALK  
CONCERT  
SERIES**

**ST. THOMAS'  
PARISH  
FRIDAYS 5-6PM**

**1517 18TH ST. NW  
NEAR DUPONT METRO**

Noah Getz, Series Director  
Michael Lodico, Director of Music  
Rev. Lisa Ahuja, Rector

**4/1 - Deepak Ram - Indian Classical  
Flute**  
**4/8 - Michael Lodico - Works by  
Ludovico Einaudi**  
**4/22 - Off on Four - Saxophone  
Quartet**  
**4/29 - Bobby Muncy - Jazz Combo**  
**5/6 - Simone Baron - The World Music  
Collective**  
**5/13 - Kimia Hesabi - Yasna Iranian  
Folk Ensemble**  
**5/20 - Taisha Estrada - Singer-  
Songwriter**  
**5/27 - Whistling Hens - Clarinet &  
Voice**

  
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## Celebrating Our March Birthdays

Juan Núñez (March 9)  
Andrew Rutledge (March 11)  
Willis Tatterson (March 12)  
Nate Vaagen (March 15)  
Douglas Evans (March 15)  
Herschel Wade (March 16)  
Michael Lodico (March 17)  
Murray Scheel (March 19)  
Lynn Moluf (March 20)  
Reggie Greer (March 21)  
Brian Crane (March 27)  
Richard Ramponi (March 31)

*If your birthday or anniversary is not listed here, please let us know at [administrator@stthomasdc.org](mailto:administrator@stthomasdc.org).*

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### Parish Prayer List

Shaune Bazner  
John Bisco  
Peggyann Cohen  
Kevin Costigan  
Craig Evertt  
Carol Goldman  
Pam Greer  
Susan Hannan  
Jan Harrison

Betsy Hollingsworth  
James & Esther Insinga  
Kristin Jones  
Mike Knapp  
Dave Kucharski  
Hugo Llanos  
Joe Rivas  
Rich Manhardt  
Jane Saari

Mary Jane Smith  
Harvey Snyder  
Chris Spangler  
Chester Thompson

You may submit a name for the list by sending an e-mail to: [administrator@stthomasdc.org](mailto:administrator@stthomasdc.org)



# ST. THOMAS' PARISH

EPISCOPAL CHURCH • DUPONT CIRCLE

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*"As St. Thomas' Parish we are followers of Jesus, striving to see Christ in each person, and to be Christ in our community, our city, and our world."*

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## Vestry

Gregory Zitterkob, Senior Warden  
Karen Garlick, Junior Warden  
Clay Dursthoff, Treasurer  
Jocko Fajardo, Secretary  
Knight Champion, Brian Crane, Reggie Greer, Jennifer Mahle,  
Noel Miller, Brett Snyder, John Trumbo

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Tyrone Moore	Sexton	
Brittany Thomas	Sexton	
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