All Saints’ Day

at Historic

Saint Thomas’ Parish

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10:00 A.M. – FESTIVAL EUCHARIST [Rite Two] and SERMON

The Liturgy of the Word of God

Organ Voluntary -  Please use the time before the service for prayer and quiet reflection. Please SILENCE all Cell Phones and Pagers when entering the Church.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN 287, “For all the saints” [Stanzas 1 thru 4]  Sine Nomine
[ Hymns are printed on the final pages of this Service Booklet. ]

Opening Acclamation

Celebrant:  Blessed be God:  Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
People:    And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever.  Amen.

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid:  Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord.  Amen.

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS – “Glory to God” – Hymnal *S-280  Setting:  Robert Powell

Celebrant:  The Lord be with you.
People:    And also with you.
Celebrant:  Let us pray.

The Collect of the Day  (All Saint’s Day – Year A) – Said by the Celebrant alone

Almighty God, you have knit together your elect in one communion and fellowship in the mystical body of your Son Christ our Lord: Give us grace so to follow your blessed saints in all virtuous and godly living, that we may come to those ineffable joys that you have prepared for those who truly love you; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting.  Amen.
The Lesson: Revelation 7:9-17

A Reading from the Revelation to Saint John the Divine.

After this I, John, looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. They cried out in a loud voice, saying, “Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!” And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, singing, “Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen.” Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, “Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?” I said to him, “Sir, you are the one that knows.” Then he said to me, “These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. For this reason they are before the throne of God, and worship him day and night within his temple, and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them. They will hunger no more, and thirst no more; the sun will not strike them, nor any scorching heat; for the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of the water of life, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.”

Reader: The Word of the Lord.  

People: Thanks be to God.

The Psalter: Psalm 34:1-10, 22 – Said by ALL – Remaining SEATED

1  I will bless the LORD at all times;  *
    his praise shall ever be in my mouth.
2  I will glory in the LORD;  *
    let the humble hear and rejoice.
3  Proclaim with me the greatness of the LORD;  *
    let us exalt his Name together.
4  I sought the LORD, and he answered me  *
    and delivered me out of all my terror.
5  Look upon him and be radiant,  *
    and let not your faces be ashamed.
6  I called in my affliction and the LORD heard me  *
    and saved me from all my troubles.
7  The angel of the LORD encompasses those who fear him,  *
    and he will deliver them.
8  Taste and see that the LORD is good;  *
    happy are they who trust in him!
9 Fear the LORD, you that are his saints, *
   for those who fear him lack nothing.
10 The young lions lack and suffer hunger, *
   but those who seek the LORD lack nothing that is good.
22 The LORD ransoms the life of his servants, *
   and none will be punished who trust in him.

The Epistle: I Saint John 3:1-3

A Reading from the First Letter of Saint John.

See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. Beloved, we are God’s children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is. And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure.

**Reader:** The Word of the Lord.  
**People:** Thanks be to God.

SEQUENCE HYMN 293, “I sing a song of the saints of God”  
Grand Isle

[ During this Hymn, Children and their Leader exit to “Children’s Church”. ]
[ Hymns are printed on the final pages of this Service Booklet. ]

The Holy Gospel: Saint Matthew 5:1-12

The Congregation remains standing and faces the Deacon or Priest, who reads the Gospel.

**Gospeller:** The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Saint Matthew.

**People:** Glory to you, Lord Christ.

When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain; and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. Then he began to speak, and taught them, saying:

“Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
“Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.
“Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.
“Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.
“Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.
“Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.
“Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.
“Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness’ sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

“Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.”

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

The Sermon:  The Reverend F. Allan Weatherholt, Jr., Rector

The Nicene Creed – All now stand and join the Celebrant in saying

**We 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:  
by the power of the Holy Spirit  
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,  
and was made man.  
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. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.
He 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.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE – Form IV
[ Please respond as indicated, after each petition. ]

Leader: Lord, in your mercy . . . People: Hear our prayer.

SPECIAL COMMEMORATIVE PRAYERS for DEPARTED SAINTS of St. Thomas’ Parish

When all the Prayers have been completed, the Celebrant concludes with this Collect:

Almighty God, by your Holy Spirit you have made us one with your saints in heaven and on earth: Grant that in our earthly pilgrimage we may always be supported by this fellowship of love and prayer, and know ourselves to be surrounded by their witness to your power and mercy. We ask this for the sake of Jesus Christ, in whom all our intercessions are acceptable through the Spirit, and who lives and reigns for ever and ever. Amen.

The Peace – In the Name of our Lord, please VERBALLY greet those around you!

The Celebration of the Holy Communion

OFFERTORY ANTHEM: “O Thou, Whose All-Redeeming Might”
arr. David Blackwell

PRESENTATION HYMN 362 [Stanza 2 ONLY]  
Nicaea

Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore thee, 
Casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea; 
Cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee, 
Which wert, and art, and evermore shalt be.
THE GREAT THANKSGIVING – Form A

All standing, the Celebrant begins

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 him thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord; who on the first day of the week overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life.

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:

SANCTUS – “Holy, holy, holy Lord” – Hymnal S-129

Setting: Robert Powell

The Celebrant and People sing

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.

The People kneel (as able) and the Celebrant continues

Holy and gracious Father: 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:

*The Celebrant and People sing:*

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

Setting: *Mass of Creation*

*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 the ever-Blessed Virgin Mary, Saint Thomas, Saint Mark, Saint Andrew, Saint John, Saint Peter, Saint Paul, Saint Patrick and 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 are yours, Almighty Father, now and forever.

*The Great “AMEN” – Sung by ALL (Sixfold)*

Music: *Mass of Creation*
Celebrant: And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say

Clergy & People: 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 those who trespass against us.  
And lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,  
for ever and ever. Amen.

The Celebrant breaks the Consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept. Then is said

Celebrant: Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People: Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!

As the Celebrant prepares to administer Holy Communion, a Fraction Anthem is sung.

FRACTION ANTHEM: “Be known to us, Lord Jesus”  
Setting: Gary James
The COMMUNION of the PEOPLE

Facing the People, the Celebrant says the Invitation to Holy Communion.

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.

On behalf of those viewing the service via Livestream, the Prayer of St. Alphonsus de Liguori (1696-1787) is said by ALL.

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You, dear Lord Christ. Amen.

ALL Baptized Christians are invited to receive Holy Communion in The Episcopal Church! Because of COVID-19 precautions, we are currently receiving only the Bread. Please use the social distancing markings on the center aisle as you come forward. Remove your mask as you wait. Cup your hands to receive the Consecrated Bread. Remember that receiving Communion in one form IS considered Full Communion!

Baptism, the ancient service though which one joins Christ’s Church, may be arranged. We warmly invite you to contact the Clergy about scheduling your Baptism.

The Postcommunion Prayer – Said by ALL

Father of all, we give you thanks and praise that, when we were still far off, you met us in your Son and brought us home. Dying, and living, he declared your love, gave us grace, and opened the gates of glory. May we who share Christ’s Body live his risen life; we who drink his Cup bring life to others; we whom the Spirit lights give light to the world. Keep us firm in the hope you have set before us, so we and all your children shall be free, and the whole Earth live to praise your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.
The Priestly Blessing

The God of Peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, the great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant: Make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is well-pleasing in his sight; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father [✘], the Son [✘],and the Holy Spirit [✘],be upon you and remain with you always. Amen.

RECESSIONAL HYMN 618, “Ye watchers and ye holy ones” Lasst uns erfreuen

[Hymns are printed on the final pages of this Service Booklet.]

Silent Prayer – All are invited to kneel for a moment of silent prayer before the Dismissal.

The Dismissal

Deacon or Celebrant: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord! Alleluia! Alleluia!

People: Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

Organ Postlude
1 For all the saints, who from their labors rest, who
2 Thou wast their rock, their fortress, and their might:
3 O may thy soldiers, faithful, true, and bold,
4 O blest communion, fellowship divine!

thee by faith before the world confessed, thy
thou, Lord, their Captain in the well-fought fight;
fight as the saints who nobly fought of old, and
We see thy struggle, they in glory shine; yet

Name, O Jesus, be for ever blessed.
thou, in the darkness drear, the one true Light.
win, with them, the victor’s crown of gold.
al are one in thee, for all are thine.

Alleluia, alleluia!
SEQUENCE HYMN 293, “I sing a song of the saints of God”  
Grand Isle

1 I sing a song of the saints of God,
   patient and brave and true,
   lived and died for the Lord they loved and knew. And
   one was a doctor, and one was a queen, and one was a shepherd; they were all of them saints of God—
   and I mean, God helping, to be one too.

2 They loved their Lord so dear, so dear, and
   his love made them strong;
   the whole of their good lives long. And
   one was a soldier, and one was a priest, and one was slain
   no, not the least, why I shouldn't be one too.

3 They lived not only in ages past, there are hundreds of thousands still,
   and they followed the right, for
   or in shops, or at tea, for the saints of God are just folk like me, and I mean to be one too.
   the world is bright with the
   You can

Saints’ Days; All Saints’ Day (November 1).
Words: Lesbia Scott (b. 1898), alt.
Music: Grand Isle, John Henry Hopkins (1861-1945)
RECESSIONAL HYMN 618, "Ye watchers and ye holy ones"  Lasst uns erfreuen

Unison

1 Ye watch-ers and ye holy ones, bright ser-aphs, cher-u-
2 O higher than the cher-u-bim, more glo-ri-ous than the
3 Re-spond, ye souls in end-less rest, ye pa-tri-archs and
4 O friends, in glad-ness let us sing, su-per-nal an-thems

Harmony

bim, and thrones, raise the glad strain, Al-le-lu-ia! Cry
ser-a-phim, lead their prais-es, Al-le-lu-ia! Thou
pro-phets blest, Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia! Ye
ech-o-ing, Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia! To

Unison

out, do-min-ions, prince-doms, pow-ers, vir-tues, arch-an-gels, an-gels’
bear-er of the ter-nal Word, most gra-cious, mag-ni-fy the
ho-ly twelve, ye mar-tyrs strong, all saints tri-umpha raise the
God the Fa-ther, God the Son, and God the Spi-rit, Three in

Harmony

choirs, Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-
Lord, Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-
song, Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-
One, Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-

Unison

lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia!
lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia!
lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia!
lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia!

Words: John Athelstan Laurie Riley (1858-1945)
Music: Last uns erfreuen, melody from Auserlebene Katholische Geistliche Kirchengesang. 1673;
  adapt. and harm. Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958)

88, 44, 88 with Refrain
St. Thomas’ Parish Prayer List: November 1 – 7, 2020


Military Service – Dakota Ritz, Andrew Shaw, Aaron Hull, Nicholas Robeson, Taylor Robeson, Susie Hoopengardner, Spencer Hose, Chris Krause, Vince Biggs, Cody Hovermale, Lucas Trunkle, Philip Corbett, Cameron Meadows, Matt Lacy, Jake Michael, Allen Foshee, Taylor Shafer, Josh Stotler, Justin Johnson.

ONGOING: All Doctors, Nurses, Pharmacists and Other Medical Personnel, All Military, Law Enforcement and Fire & Rescue Personnel, Correctional Officers, All Teachers and Other Workers in our Schools, Colleges and Universities, Truck Drivers, Warehouse Workers, Grocery Store Personnel

We pray for healing for all suffering from the corona virus. We pray for development of a safe, effective vaccine against the virus.


Shut-ins – Sally Fost, Don Reed, Ralph & Della Wachter, Frances Younker, Mary Ann Mortzfeldt, Beverly Hershberger, Ernie Truax, Pat McKinley, Catherine Durst, Barbara Smith, Janice Trail, Edna Younker, The Rev. Charles McGinley.

Recently Departed – Clayton Fisher [ Nephew of Junior Warden Theron Reed ]

We pray for all those who have died from the corona virus, and we ask God’s help and comfort for their loved ones.

JOIN US FOR OUR ELECTION EVE EUCHARIST, also marking All Souls’ Day, tomorrow evening at 7:30 P.M. here in the Church. This will be a simple, 30-minute said service when we will again pray for departed loved ones and also ask God’s guidance for Tuesday’s Election. Please join us! And, if you have not yet voted, we urge you to do so on Tuesday! Vote prayerfully for the candidates of your choice, but PLEASE VOTE!

‘OUR BAPTISMAL COVENANT’ continues as the focus of our Adult Education Class this Fall. Fr. Allan, with assistance from Deacon Kirk, is leading us in discussing the promises we make in Holy Baptism. Wear your mask and join us in the Lower Parish Hall!

OTHER REMINDERS: Our big Annual Christmas Bazaar is next Saturday and Sunday, November 7 & 8. Wonderful Christmas crafts and take-out food! Come by and see us! . . . Please plan to fill an Operation Christmas Child shoebox for a needy child overseas. Boxes are at the Baptistery, and Pam has printed labels for you to attach to your boxes . . . Bishop Sutton will be here two weeks from today, Sunday, November 15. Please be here to help us welcome him!

LITURGICAL MINISTERS THIS WEEK:

**Lectors:**
- 7:30 A.M.  Julie Unger, Dudley Obrecht
- 10:00 A.M.  Pam Mann

**Children’s Church Today:**  Ginny Reed

**Altar Guild This Month:**  Josephine Spade, Julie Unger

**Acolytes:**  Aiden Dowe, Ivan Hogbin, Molli Hogbin, Phoebe Hogbin, Noah Hoopengardner, Nyla Spielman, Jackson Walter, Ruthann Walter, Michael McCarthy, Jr.

**Acolytes’ Master:**  Phoebe Hogbin

**Ushers/Greeters:**  7:30 A.M.  David Creek, Tim Smith  
- 10:00 A.M.  Bob Hoopengardner, David Yost