



Saint Thomas the Apostle
Parish

November 1, 2020 All Saints Day

Saturday Mass Intention: 5:00 pm All Parishioners

Sunday Mass Intentions: 7:30 am All Parishioners

9:00 am All Parishioners

11:00 am All Parishioners

Gathering Hymn – We Shall Rise Again

Refrain: We shall rise again on the last day with the faithful, rich and poor. Coming to the house of Lord Jesus, we will find an open door there, we will find an open door.

† At the door there to greet us, martyrs, angels, and saints, and our fam'ly and loved ones, ev'ryone freed from their chains. We shall feel their acceptance, and the joy of new life.

We shall join in the gathering, reunited in God's love!

Text: Matthew 11:29-30, Psalm 23, John 11, 2 Timothy 2; Jeremy Young, b.1948, © 1987, GIA Publications, Inc.

Reading 1 – Revelation 7:2-4, 9-14

I, John, saw another angel come up from the East, holding the seal of the living God. He cried out in a loud voice to the four angels who were given power to damage the land and the sea, "Do not damage the land or the sea or the trees until we put the seal on the foreheads of the servants of our God." I heard the number of those who had been marked with the seal, one hundred and forty-four thousand marked from every tribe of the children of Israel. After this I had a vision of a great multitude, which no one could count, from every nation, race, people, and tongue. They stood before the throne and before the Lamb, wearing white robes and holding palm branches in their hands. They cried out in a loud voice: "Salvation comes from our God, who is seated on the throne, and from the Lamb." All the angels stood around

the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures. They prostrated themselves before the throne, worshiped God, and exclaimed: "Amen. Blessing and glory, wisdom and thanksgiving, honor, power, and might be to our God forever and ever. Amen." Then one of the elders spoke up and said to me, "Who are these wearing white robes, and where did they come from?" I said to him, "My lord, you are the one who knows." He said to me, "These are the ones who have survived the time of great distress; they have washed their robes and made them white in the Blood of the Lamb."

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 24

O God, this is the people that longs to see your face. O God, this is the people that longs to see your face.

† All the earth is yours, O God, the world and those who dwell on it. You have founded it upon the seas and established it upon the rivers.

† Who can ascend your mountain, God? Or who may stand in this holy place? Those whose hands are sinless, hearts are clean, and desire not the vanity of earth.

† They shall receive your blessing, God, their Savior shall reward them. Such is the face that seeks for you, that seeks your face, O God of Jacob.

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Reading 2 – 1 John 3:1-3

Beloved: See what love the Father has bestowed on us that we may be called the children of God. Yet so 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 shall be has not yet been revealed. We do know that when it is revealed we shall be like him, for we shall see him as he is. Everyone who has this hope based on him makes himself pure, as he is pure.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel – Matthew 5:1-12

When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain, and after he had sat down, his disciples came to him. He began to teach them, saying: “Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the Kingdom of heaven. Blessed are they who mourn, for they will be comforted. Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the land. Blessed are they who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be satisfied. Blessed are the merciful, for they will be shown mercy. Blessed are the clean of heart, for they will see God. Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God. Blessed are they who are persecuted for the sake of righteousness, for theirs is the Kingdom of heaven. Blessed are you when they insult you and persecute you and utter every kind of evil against you falsely because of me. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward will be great in heaven.”

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Preparation of the Gifts – We Shall Rise Again

Refrain: We shall rise again on the last day with the faithful, rich and poor. Coming to the house of Lord Jesus, we will find an open door there, we will find an open door.

† Come to me, all you weary, with your burdens and pain. Take my yoke on your shoulders and learn from me: I am gentle and humble, and your soul will find rest for my yoke is easy and my burden is light.

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Communion Hymn – Blest Are They

Refrain: Rejoice and be glad! Blessed are you, holy are you! Rejoice and be glad! Yours is the kingdom of God!

† Blest are they, the poor in spirit; theirs is the kingdom of God. Blest are they, full of sorrow; they shall be consoled.

† Blest are they, the lowly ones; they shall inherit the earth. Blest are they who hunger and thirst; they shall have their fill.

† Blest are they who show mercy; mercy shall be theirs. Blest are they, the pure of heart; they shall see God.

† Blest are they who seek peace; they are the children of God. Blest are they who suffer in faith; the glory of God is theirs.

† Blest are you who suffer hate, all because of me. Rejoice and be glad, yours is the kingdom; shine for all to see.

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Communion Hymn – Now We Remain

Refrain: We hold the death of the Lord deep in our hearts. Living, now we remain with Jesus, the Christ.

† Once we were people afraid, lost in the night. Then by your cross we were saved – Dead became living, life from your giving.

† Something which we have known, something we've touched, what we have seen with our eyes; this we have heard: life giving Word.

† He chose to give of himself, became our bread: broken that we might live – Love beyond love, pain for our pain.

† We are the presence of God; this is our call: now to become bread and wine – Food for the hungry, life for the weary. For to live with the Lord we must die with the Lord.

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Dismissal – For All the Saints (instrumental)

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