



CHURCH OF THE INCARNATION

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THE FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

May 3, 2026

Holy Eucharist at 11:00 a.m.

Our worship is according to *The Book of Common Prayer*. The 11:00 a.m. service is a celebration of Holy Eucharist on the first, third and fifth Sundays of the month, as well as major feast days. The second and fourth Sundays generally offer a service of Morning Prayer. Both Holy Eucharist and Morning Prayer follow “Rite I” in *The Book of Common Prayer*.

This leaflet contains everything you will need to participate actively. Hymn numbers refer to *The Hymnal 1982* and *Lift Every Voice and Sing (LEVAS)*, found in your pew, and those preceded with **S** are pieces of service music located at the front of *The Hymnal 1982*.

PRELUDE Chant de Mai, op. 53 no. 1 Jongen

RECTOR’S GREETINGS The Rev. Adrian Dannhauser

INTROIT O Salutaris Hosita Elgar

O salutaris Hostia
Quae caeli pandis ostium;
Bella premunt hostilia,
Da robur, fer auxilium.
Uni trinoque Domino
Sit sempiterna gloria,
Qui vitam sine termino
Nobis donet in patria.
Amen.

O saving Victim, opening wide
The gate of Heaven to man below;
Our foes press hard on every side;
Thine aid supply; thy strength bestow.
To thy great name be endless praise,
Immortal Godhead, One in Three.
Oh, grant us endless length of days,
In our true native land with thee.
Amen.

HYMN 194 *All stand.* St. Albinus

THE WORD OF GOD

Celebrant Alleluia! Christ is risen!
People **The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

Celebrant Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are 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.**

Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ saith: Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and

with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it: Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets.

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS *sung by all*

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Glory be to God on high, and on 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, Jesus Christ;
 O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
 that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.
 Thou that takest away the sins 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.

COLLECT FOR THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People **And with thy Spirit.**
Celebrant Let us pray.

O Almighty God, whom truly to know is everlasting life: Grant us so perfectly to know thy Son Jesus Christ to be the way, the truth, and the life, that we may steadfastly follow his steps in the way that leadeth to eternal life; through the same thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

FIRST LESSON *All sit.*

Acts 7:55-60

At the reading of the first lesson, children ages 3 to 9 (pre-K through 4th grade) are invited to gather at the entrance of the church to meet their teacher for Sunday School in the Parish House. Parents of children attending for the first time are asked to accompany them. The children will return before the end of worship.

Filled with the Holy Spirit, Stephen gazed into heaven and saw the glory of God and Jesus standing at the right hand of God. "Look," he said, "I see the heavens opened and the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God!" But they covered their ears, and with a loud shout all rushed together against him. Then they dragged him out of the city and began to stone him; and the witnesses laid their coats at the feet of a young man named Saul. While they were stoning Stephen, he prayed, "Lord Jesus, receive my spirit." Then he knelt down and cried out in a loud voice, "Lord, do not hold this sin against them." When he had said this, he died.

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

PSALM 31:1-5, 15-16 *sung by the choir*

Turle

1 In you, O Lord, have I taken refuge; let me never be put to shame; deliver me in your righteousness.
 2 Incline your ear to me; make haste to deliver me.
 3 Be my strong rock, a castle to keep me safe, for you are my crag and my stronghold; for the sake of your Name, lead me and guide me.
 4 Take me out of the net that they have secretly set for me, for you are my tower of strength.
 5 Into your hands I commend my spirit, for you have redeemed me, O Lord, O God of truth.

15 My times are in your hand; rescue me from the hand of my enemies, and from those who persecute me.
 16 Make your face to shine upon your servant, and in your loving-kindness save me.

SECOND LESSON

1 Peter 2:2-10

Like newborn infants, long for the pure, spiritual milk, so that by it you may grow into salvation— if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good. Come to him, a living stone, though rejected by mortals yet chosen and precious in God’s sight, and like living stones, let yourselves be built into a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. For it stands in scripture: “See, I am laying in Zion a stone, a cornerstone chosen and precious; and whoever believes in him will not be put to shame.”

To you then who believe, he is precious; but for those who do not believe, “The stone that the builders rejected has become the very head of the corner”, and “A stone that makes them stumble, and a rock that makes them fall.” They stumble because they disobey the word, as they were destined to do.

But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God’s own people, in order that you may proclaim the mighty acts of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light. Once you were not a people, but now you are God’s people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

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

HYMN 241 *All stand.*

Laus Deo

HOLY GOSPEL

John 14:1-14

Asst. Priest The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Saint John.
People **Glory be to thee, O Lord.**

Jesus said, “Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father’s house there are many dwelling places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also. And you know the way to the place where I am going.” Thomas said to him, “Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?” Jesus said to him, “I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. If you know me, you will know my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him.”

Philip said to him, “Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied.” Jesus said to him, “Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, ‘Show us the Father’? Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own; but the Father who dwells in me does his works. Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; but if you do not, then believe me because of the works themselves. Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it.”

Asst. Priest The Gospel of the Lord.
People **Praise be to thee, O Christ.**

SERMON

The Rev. Adrian Dannhauser

NICENE CREED *All stand and face the high altar.*

All **I believe in one God, 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 him all things were made; who for us 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, and Giver of Life, who proceedeth from the Father and the Son; who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified; who spake by the Prophets.

And I believe in 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.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE *All sit or kneel.*

Asst. Priest In joy and hope let us pray to the Lord.

Leader Lord Jesus, you are the light of the world, evermore risen and never going down: Fill us with the joy of your glorious and life-giving resurrection. Jesus, Lord of life,

People **Hear our prayer.**

Leader Lord Jesus, you are the true vine and we are the branches: Help us to be mindful of the connections we have with all the people of the earth, that as we abide in your love, your kingdom of peace and justice might be known on earth as it is enjoyed in heaven. Jesus, Lord of life,

People **Hear our prayer.**

Leader Lord Jesus, you are the bread of life come down from heaven: Give bread to those who hunger, a hunger for justice to those who have bread, and make us all hunger and thirst after righteousness. Jesus, Lord of life,

People **Hear our prayer**

Leader Lord Jesus, you are the Good Shepherd who gave your life for the sheep: Recover the straggler, bind up the injured, strengthen the sick and lead the healthy and strong to new pastures. We pray especially for victims of war, those forced to flee their native countries because of persecution and violence, those on our parish prayer list, and those we name now in silence or aloud.

The people may add their own names in silence or aloud.

Leader Jesus, Lord of life,

People **Hear our prayer.**

Leader Lord Jesus, you are the resurrection and life: We commend to your never-failing care all those who have died and pray that they may be raised on the last day. Jesus, Lord of life,

People **Hear our prayer.**

Leader Lord Jesus, you are our way, our truth, our life: Be with us and all who follow you in the Way. Give us the gift of your Spirit that we may embody your grace, mercy and peace in all we say and do as witnesses of your resurrection. Jesus, Lord of life,

People **Hear our prayer.**

Celebrant Lord Jesus Christ, you said to your apostles, "Peace I give to you; my own peace I leave with you." Regard not our sins, but the faith of your Church, and give to us the peace and unity of that heavenly

City, where with the Father and the Holy Spirit you live and reign, now and for ever. **Amen.**

CONFESSION OF SIN

Celebrant Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

A period of silent reflection is kept.

All Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against thee in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved thee with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of thy Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in thy will, and walk in thy ways, to the Glory of thy Name. Amen.

Celebrant Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all those who 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.

Hear the Word of God to all who truly turn to him. God so loved the world, that he gave his only-begotten Son, to the end that all that believe in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.

THE PEACE *All stand.*

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And with thy spirit.**

All greet one another in the name of the Lord and then are seated.

THE HOLY EUCHARIST

OFFERTORY SENTENCES

The Ushers receive the collection from the congregation. We invite your offering for the support of the Church's mission in the world, and in thanksgiving for all that God has provided. To make a one-time or recurring gift online, please visit churchoftheincarnation.org/donate, text "Madison209" to 73256, or scan the QR code below. Thank you for your generosity.



ANTHEM

A Song of Resurrection

Martin

When the faint new presence of light
Nudges the night into leaving,
When the green shoot breaks through the crust
And turns, as it must, into blooming,
When the raindrop quenches the thirst
And raises the cursed and the grieving,
When the old somber ways are destroyed
And what stays is the joy that is human,
This is the meaning of hallelujah!
Rise, come forth, and sing hallelujah!

When the infant takes breath to sustain
The requisite pain of his glory,
When the mother can smile in relief
Expressing belief in this blooming,
And the ancient rolls away age
To turn a new page in the story,
The old sombre ways are destroyed,
What remains is the joy that is human,
This is the meaning of hallelujah!
Rise, come forth, and sing hallelujah!

DOXOLOGY WITH ALLELUIAS sung by all, standing

Lasst uns erfreuen

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
People **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

AGNUS DEI *sung by all*

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

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

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.

The Holy Eucharist is the meal that has traditionally nourished the baptized in their life of faith. You may take the bread in your hands and then take a sip of wine from the chalice, guiding the chalice bearer's hand to bring the chalice to your lips. Or you may intinct (dip the wafer into the wine). If you wish to receive a blessing instead of Communion, simply fold your arms across your chest. If you would like a gluten-free wafer, fold your hands downward.

ANTHEM

Sicut Cervus

Palestrina

<p>Sicut cervus desiderat ad fontes aquarum, ita desiderat anima mea ad te, Deus. Sitivit anima mea ad Deum fortem vivum: quando veniam et apparebo ante faciem Dei? Fuerunt mihi lacrymae meae panes die ac nocte, dum dicitur mihi quotidie: Ubi est Deus tuus?</p>	<p>As the hart longs for the water springs, so longs my soul for thee, O God. My soul has thirsted for the living God: when shall I come and appear before the face of my God? My tears have been my bread by day and by night, while it is said to me daily: Where is your God?</p>
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POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Celebrant Let us pray.

All **Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us in these holy mysteries with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.**

BLESSING

Celebrant The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, the great Shepherd of the sheep, 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 among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

HYMN 518 *All stand.*

Westminster Abbey

THE DISMISSAL

Asst. Priest Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia, alleluia!
People **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!**

POSTLUDE

Fanfare

Lemmens

Please join us for Coffee Hour in the Parish House following the postlude. Visitors are invited to pick up a welcome bag at the back of the church.

The Rev. Adrian Dannhauser, *Rector*
The Ven. Denise LaVetty, *Archdeacon*
The Rev. Canon George W. Brandt, *Honorary Assistant Priest*
The Rev. J. Gregory Morgan, *Honorary Assistant Priest*
Dr. Thomas M. Reefer, *Director of Music*
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Dr. Uche Akwuba II, *Master of Ceremonies*
Oseloka Chira, *Head Usher*
John Robert Motato, *Sexton*
Robert Chipantiza and Emil Ramirez, *Assistant Sextons*

The Rev. Robert Pfeiffer, *Associate Priest at St. Vedast-alias-Foster in London*

Linda Gossett, *Altar Guild*
Christopher Strome and Sondra Carter, *Ushers*
Judy Veneroso and Susan Ridgeway, *Lay Readers*
Susan Ridgeway, *Chalice Bearer*
Amanda Bell, *Sunday School Teacher*
Maria Ju, *Door Greeter at the Parish House*
Michael Wang, *Coffee Hour Host*

If you would like to donate Altar Flowers in memory of a loved one or in thanksgiving for a special occasion, email the Rev. Adrian Dannhauser at adannhauser@churchoftheincarnation.org. The following upcoming Sundays are available: May 24 and 31. The requested contribution is \$100.

Your prayers are requested for members and friends of the parish who are sick, sorrowful, or in any kind of trouble: Tom, Leonor, Harris, Veronica, Steven, Stacey, Ryan, Joan, Nadia, Padmini, Juliana, Jennifer, Marcey, Marika, Susan, Ruth, Stephanie, Lorelei, Brian, Bryce, Jaquelyn, Jane, Joseph, Josephine, the Shagdar Family, Ann, Julie, Jeanne, Patrick, Dianne, Dawn, Bartley, Mary, Natalia, Megan, Eduardo, Mike, Maria, Edwin, Henry, Gilberto, William, Peter, Granville, Andrew, Tom, Dee, Pamela, Corinne, Bill, Annette, Kathy, Carmela, Savannah Rose, Alair, Wendy, Deirdre, Donovan, Ellen, Jane, Lillian, Bruno, Tim, Augie, Ana, Sixto, Sandy, Lee, Sue, Mary, Michael, Danielle, Doris, Michell, Susan, Pam, Heidi, Monica, Luis, James, Robert, Rick, Allen, Barbara, Leslie, Treasure, Marisa, Tom, Ana, John, Emily, Jake, Sam, Cooper, Laurie, Larry, Julian, Barbara, Butch, the Russo/Maxwell Families, Santos, John and Katie. To add a name to the prayer list, call the church or email the Rev. Adrian Dannhauser at adannhauser@churchoftheincarnation.org.

The Church of the Incarnation, grounded in living faith and inspired by the beauty of our landmark building, seeks to engage the community through vibrant and varied worship, loving and practical service to others, and intellectual exploration, with a warm and open Christian welcome in the heart of New York City.

If you wish to learn more about our parish community and/or receive our weekly e-minder with spiritual reflections, upcoming events, and church news, please fill out the yellow "Connect Card" in your pew and place it in the offering plate or give it to an usher. Thank you for worshipping with us today.

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