

# The Fourth Sunday in Lent Solemn Mass

Sunday, March 27, 2022, 11:00 AM

The Church of Saint Mary the Virgin in the City of New York

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We are enormously grateful to all the members and friends of Saint Mary's from far and wide who have supported the parish during the extraordinary events of the past two years. Your gifts have encouraged us, and they have kept us going.

We hope that you will make a pledge to the parish for 2022 at this time. Pledge cards may be found on the ushers' table at the Forty-sixth Street entrance to the church. If you are able to make an additional donation to support the parish at this time, we would happily receive it. Donations may be made online via the Giving section of the parish website. You may also make arrangements for other forms of payment by contacting our parish administrator, Christopher Howatt, who would be happy to assist you. He may be reached at 212-869-5830 x 10.

If you have questions about pledging, please speak to a member of the clergy or to one of the members of the Stewardship Committee, MaryJane Boland, Steven Heffner, or Marie Rosseels.

We are grateful to you for your crucial support of Saint Mary's at this time.

# About the Fourth Sunday in Lent

Patrick Regan in his book *Advent to Pentecost* (2013) calls the Fourth Sunday in Lent the "turning point" of the season. Current research has shown that, before the fourth century, in Rome there was originally only a three-week season of preparation to celebrate baptism at Easter. Elsewhere a three-week period of preparation for baptism is not uncommon, whenever baptism is celebrated during the year. In the sixth and seventh centuries, this three-week period is expanded by monastics following the example of churches in the East which for several centuries had observed a forty-day post-baptismal fast.

Adolf Adam in *The Liturgical Year* (1981) notes that the traditions we associate with the Fourth Sunday in Lent—rose-colored vestments and the use of flowers and musical instruments—are unknown before the sixteenth century. Adam concludes that the customs arise from a local celebration in the city of Rome, dating back to the tenth century, that celebrates the arrival of spring. The traditional chants for the day are another avenue for understanding this tradition. The focus is joy as we look forward to the celebration of Easter.

Rejoice, O Jerusalem; and gather round, all you who love her; rejoice in gladness, after having been in sorrow; exult and be replenished with...consolation.

## About the Music

The setting of the Mass this morning is Missa Iste Confessor by Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina (c. 1525-1594). Palestrina is often regarded today more as a source and inspiration for many of the composers who followed him than as a practitioner of already established musical practice. However, it may be said that Palestrina stood on foundations largely laid by the Netherlandish composers Guillaume Dufay (c. 1397–1474) and Josquin des Prez (c. 1450–1521). He is responsible for setting the canons for Renaissance polyphony and the standards for Catholic liturgical music which pertain even in our time. Among his hundreds of compositions are over one hundred Masses, most of which were published in thirteen volumes between 1554 and 1601. The Missa Iste Confessor is from the fifth book of Masses published in 1590. It is based upon a plainsong melody for the eighthcentury hymn for the commemoration confessors, originally understood as those who had suffered persecution short of martyrdom for their faith. Eventually, the category of confessor came to include bishops and others who lived a holy life and died in peace and did not fit into other saintly classifications. The Mode 8 chant melody which Palestrina utilized in his four-voice Mass setting was found at 228 in The Hymnal 1940 with the text "Only begotten, Word of God eternal," intended for the Consecration of a Church. (That text appears in The Hymnal 1982 but with different music.) Palestrina's Mass is mostly for four voices. As is often the case in Masses of this time the Benedictus has reduced voicing and the final Agnus Dei calls for an additional voice.

Palestrina's works include more than three hundred motets. His setting of Ego sum panis vivus will be sung during the administration of Communion this morning. The text is from the Gospel according to Saint John, Chapter 6:48–51. This text has been chanted as a Eucharistic Song for Corpus Christi as well as a canticle antiphon for Lauds on Corpus Christi and for Ember Wednesdays. Palestrina's setting of this text for four voices is particularly suitable for Eucharistic devotion in Lent. —David Hurd

As we pause our Lenten journey for refreshment today, I invite you to use this morning's voluntaries by Jean Langlais for contemplation of the season and of today's lessons. Despite his blindness, Langlais (1907–1991) was a formidable performer and prolific composer. His more than 300 organ works explore a full range of styles and themes, bridging the musical eras his lifetime spanned. The prelude, from Neuf pièces pour Grand Orgue ("Nine Pieces for Grand Organ"), he calls simply "Song of Sorrow" (Chant de peine). An extended flute solo sounds slowly over a sequence of dissonant, polymodal chords. Without a time signature, the work meanders seemingly without structure. The focus is deeply inward. The postlude, by contrast, looks outward, to "amazing grace." Langlais used folk music in several of his works, and this piece comes from a collection of six American "folk-hymns" he published in 1986. He reportedly chose "Amazing Grace" after hearing Joan Baez sing it at Notre-Dame in Paris. Around a deceptively simple setting of the tune, written in 1835 by American composer William Walker, Langlais weaves a series of short interludes, each one a thought on or reference to the respective verses of the text. Some are quiet, some more impassioned. They lead to a concluding reiteration of the melody, to a peace in response to grace. —Clark Anderson

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#### The Prelude

"Chant de peine" from Neuf pièces pour Grand Orgue (1945) Jean Langlais (1907–1991)

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# The service this morning is played by Mr. Clark Anderson

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## THE HOLY EUCHARIST

## THE WORD OF GOD

#### The Entrance Song

All stand at the signal of the bell. The ministers of the assembly enter as the appointed Introit is sung.

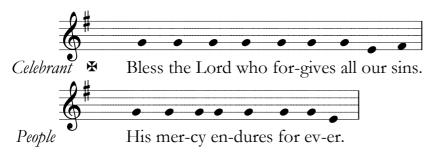
Laetare Ierusalem: et conventum facite omnes qui diligitis eam: gaudete cum laetitia, qui in tristitia fuistis: ut exsultetis, et satiemini ab uberibus consolationis vestrae. Gloria Patri, et Filio, et Spiritui Sancto. Sicut erat in principio, et nunc, et semper, et in saecula saeculorum. Amen.

Rejoice, O Jerusalem; and come together, all you who love her; rejoice with joy, all you who have been sorrowful, that you may exult and he filled from the breasts of your consolation.

Glory to the Father, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever.

Amen.

#### The Opening Acclamation



#### The Song of Praise

The Choir sings Kyrie eleison. The setting of the Kyrie is from Missa Iste Confessor by Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina (c. 1525–1594).

Kyrie eleison.Lord, have mercy.Kyrie eleison.Lord, have mercy.Kyrie eleison.Lord, have mercy.

Christe eleison. Christ, have mercy.
Christe eleison. Christ, have mercy.
Christe eleison. Christ, have mercy.

Kyrie eleison.Lord, have mercy.Kyrie eleison.Lord, have mercy.Kyrie eleison.Lord, have mercy.

#### The Collect of the Day

The Celebrant sings

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.

All AMEN.

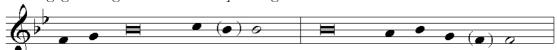
#### The Lessons

All are seated for the Lessons. The first Lesson, Joshua 5:9–12, is now read. After the Lesson, the Reader says

The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

The Congregation sings Psalm 34:1–8 to plainsong tone 8.1.



- Cantor 1 I will bless the LORD at all / times; \*
  All his praise shall ev-/er be in my mouth.
  - 2 I will glory in the / LORD; \* let the humble / hear and rejoice.
  - 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!

The second Lesson, 2 Corinthians 5:16–21, is now read. After the Lesson, the Reader says

The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

#### The Tract: Psalm 122

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All stand. The Choir and the Congregation sing the appointed tract to plainsong tone 8.2 as the ministers of the assembly prepare for the proclamation of the Gospel.



- Cantor All
- I was glad when they said to / me, \*
  "Let us go to the / house of the LORD."
- Now our feet are / standing \* within your gates, / O Jerusalem.
- 3 Jerusalem is built as a / city \* that is at u-/nity with itself;
- To which the tribes go up, the tribes of the / LORD, \* the assembly of Israel, to praise the / Name of the LORD.
- 5 For there are the thrones of / judgment, \* the thrones of the / house of David.
- 6 Pray for the peace of Je-/rusalem: \* "May they pros-/per who love you.
- 7 Peace be within your / walls \* and quietness with-/in your towers.
- 8 For my brethren and com-/panions' sake, \* I pray for / your prosperity.
- 9 Because of the house of the LORD our / God, \* I will / seek to do you good."

#### The Holy Gospel

A Minister proclaims the Gospel, first singing

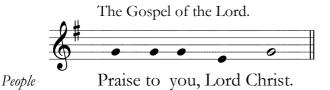
The Lord be with you. And also with you.

People Minister

**▼** The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.



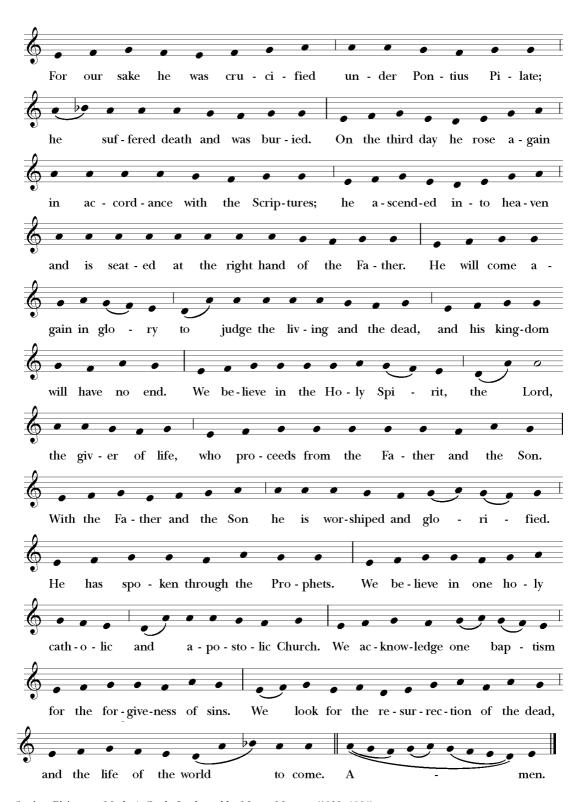
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The Sermon

The Reverend Sammy Wood

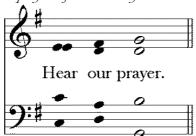




Setting: Plainsong, Mode 4; Credo I; adapted by Mason Martens (1933-1991)

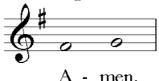
#### The Prayers of the People

A Minister bids the prayers of the assembly. At the end of each petition the People sing or say



Setting: David Hurd (b. 1950)

The Celebrant adds a concluding collect. The People respond



#### The Confession of Sin

The Celebrant says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence is kept. Then the Celebrant says

Most merciful God,

All

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

The Celebrant says

Almighty God have mercy on you, \( \mathbb{F} \) forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.

People AMEN.

#### The Peace

The Celebrant sings

The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

Then the Ministers and People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

## THE HOLY COMMUNION

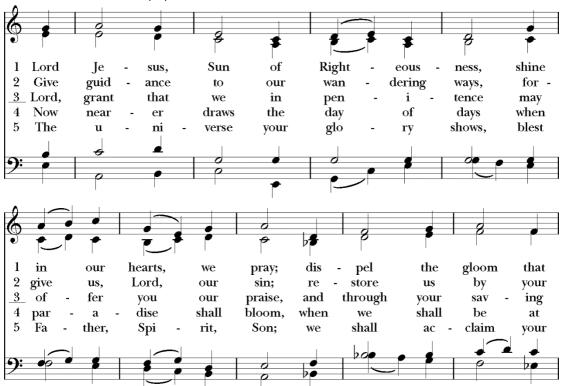
#### The Preparation of the Gifts

All are seated as the appointed antiphon is sung.

Illumina oculos meos, nequando obdormiam in morte: nequando dicat inimicus meus: Praevalui adversus eum. Give light to my eyes, lest I sleep in death; lest my enemy say: "I have prevailed over him."

#### Hymn: Lord Jesus, Sun of Righteousness

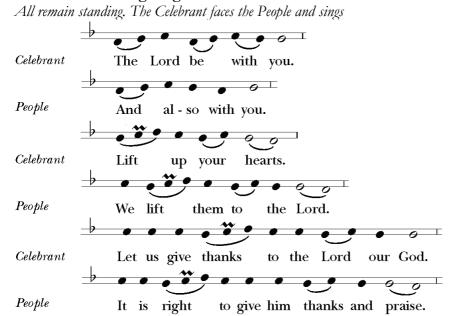
The Congregation stands and sings the hymn while the ushers bring forward the People's gifts of bread and wine, and the Altar is prepared.





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#### The Great Thanksgiving



Celebrant

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:

The Choir sings Sanctus and Benedictus. The setting of is by Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina.

Sanctus, Sanctus, Sanctus, Dominus Deus Sabaoth.
Pleni sunt coeli et terra gloria tua.
Hosanna in excelsis.
Benedictus qui venit in nomine Domini.
Hosanna in excelsis.

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 stand or kneel. Then 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."



Celebrant There - fore we pro-claim the mys-ter - y of faith:



All Christ has died. Christ is \_\_\_ ri - sen. Christ will come a-again.

Celebrant

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 for ever.

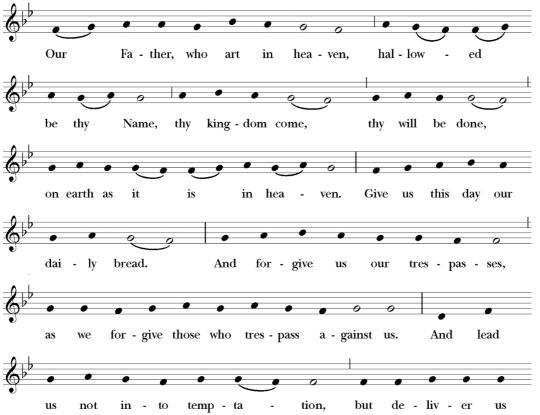


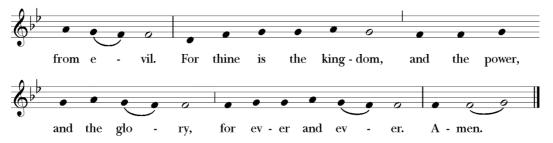
Memorial Acclamation: Ambrosian Chant adapted by Mason Martens (1933-1991)

Celebrant And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

Then all sing the Lord's Prayer.

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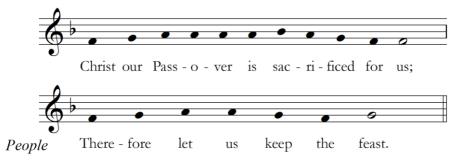


Setting: Plainsong; adapted by Charles Winfred Douglas (1867-1944)

#### The Breaking of the Bread

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.

A period of silence is kept. Then the Celebrant sings



Music: Memorial Acclamation & Fraction Anthem, Ambrosian Chant, adapted by Mason Martens (1933-1991)

The Choir sings Agnus Dei. The setting is by Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina.

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi; miserere nobis.

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi; miserere nobis.

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi; dona nobis pacem. Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world; have mercy on us.

Lamb of God,
you take away the sins of the world;
have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world; grant us peace.

#### The Invitation

The Celebrant invites the People to receive the Holy Communion.

#### We are all invited to the Lord's Table

In the Episcopal Church all baptized persons are invited to receive the Holy Communion. Members of other Christian churches who are baptized are invited to receive the Body of Christ.

If you wish to receive Communion, please proceed down the center aisle maintaining social-distancing.

The ushers will gladly answer any questions and will provide directions.

The Bread is carefully placed in the hand of each Communicant.

Please return to your seat via the side aisles.

The Celebrant will be happy to offer a blessing to those who do not wish to receive Communion.



#### The Communion Song & Motet

As the ministration of Communion begins, the appointed antiphon is sung.

Oportet te fili gaudere, qua frater tuus mortuus fuerat, et revixit; perierat, et inventus est. My son, you should rejoice; for your brother who was dead has come back to life; he was lost and he has been found.

Then the motet, Ego sum panis vivus, is sung. The setting is by Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina.

Ego sum panis vivus. Patres vestri manducaverunt manna in deserto et mortui sunt. Hic est panis de caelo descendens: si quis ex ipso manducaverit non morietur.

Text: John 6:48-51

I am the living bread. Your fathers ate manna in the wilderness and have died. This is the bread which comes down from heaven: if anyone eats this bread he shall live for ever.

#### Hymn: Just as I am without one plea

The Congregation stands and sings the hymn.



Words: Charlotte Elliott (1789–1871)

Music: Saffron Walden, A. H. Brown (1830–1926)

#### The Postcommunion Prayer

The Celebrant says

Let us pray.

Celebrant Almighty and everliving God,

All we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food

of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries

that we are living members of the Body of your Son,

and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out

to do the work you have given us to do,

to love and serve you

as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,

be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

#### The Solemn Prayer over the People

A Minister gives the invitation, saying

Let us bow our heads and pray for God's blessing.

The Celebrant extends his hands and sings

Look down in mercy, Lord, on your people who bow before you; and grant that those whom you have nourished by your Word and Sacraments may bring forth fruit worthy of repentance; through Christ our Lord.

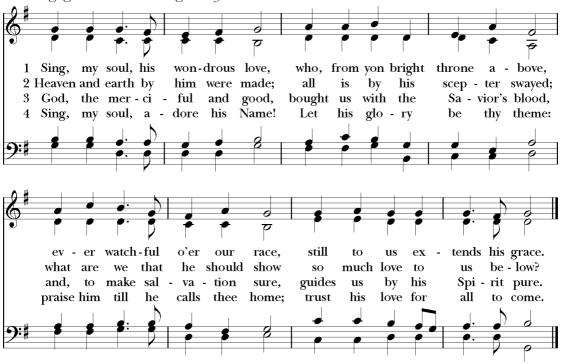
People AMEN.

#### Welcome and Announcements

All are seated for the announcements.

#### Hymn: Sing, my soul, his wondrous love

The Congregation stands and sings the hymn.



Words: Anonymous, 1800, alt.

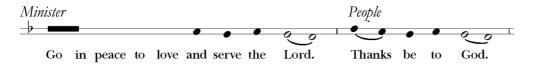
Music: Saint Bees, John Bacchus Dykes (1823-1876)

#### The Dismissal

People

A Minister dismisses the assembly, first singing

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.





#### The Postlude

"Amazing Grace" from American Folk-Hymn Settings for Organ (1986)

Jean Langlais

THE FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR AND IN THE CHURCH ARE GIVEN TO THE GLORY OF GOD AND IN LOVING MEMORY OF CORINNE MACK HEFFERNAN.

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Please join us in Saint Joseph's Hall following Mass for refreshments.

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## Holy Week & Easter Day at Saint Mary's

April 10

Sunday of the Passion: Palm Sunday

Liturgy of the Palms, Procession in the Church & Solemn Mass 11:00 AM
Evening Prayer 5:00 PM

April 11–13 Mass 12:10 PM Evening Prayer 5:00 PM

April 14

### Maundy Thursday

The Maundy Thursday Liturgy 6:00 PM
The Watch before the Blessed Sacrament 7:30 PM-12:00 AM

April 15

#### Good Friday

The Good Friday Liturgy 12:30 PM Confessions will be heard by the parish clergy after the Good Friday liturgy.

Saturday, April 16

#### Holy Saturday

The Holy Saturday Liturgy 9:00 AM

Easter Eve

The Great Vigil of Easter 7:00 PM

Sunday, April 17

The Sunday of the Resurrection: Easter Day

Said Mass with Hymns 9:00 AM Solemn Mass 11:00 AM

# Neighbors in Need

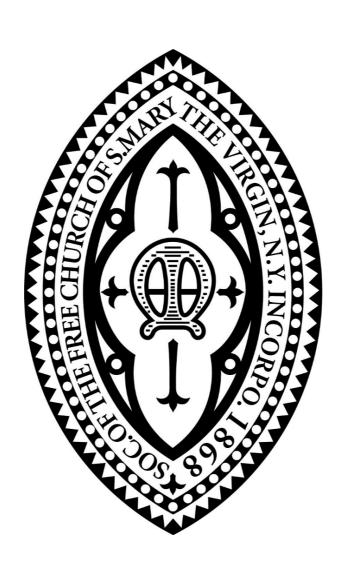
Saint Mary's outreach program to those in need in the Times Square Neighborhood

At our monthly Drop-by Days—and when we receive emergency requests—we distribute clothing, toiletry and hygiene items, and Metro Cards when they are available, to those in need in the Times Square neighborhood.

With the arrival of warmer weather, we are now eager to receive donations of lighter clothes such as shirts, blouses, T-shirts, slacks, shorts. Jeans, socks, and athletic shoes remain popular items all year round. However, if you are cleaning out your winter closets, we will gladly accept your unwanted coats, clothes, and shoes to keep in reserve for next winter. Thank you to all who have supported this important ministry.

Our Drop-by Days usually take place on the third Friday of every month. Volunteers work from 1:30 PM until 3:30 PM. Our guests are invited into the church around 2:00 PM, and we close our doors at 3:00 PM. We need six (6) volunteers for each Drop-by. If you would like to volunteer, please contact Marie Rosseels, MaryJane Boland, or Father Jay Smith. You may reach them by calling the Parish Office at 212-869-5830.

We've learned, not surprisingly, that those we serve, some of whom are unsheltered, some of whom are not, are quite individual, each with different needs. They have become our neighbors. We try to take Saint Benedict's advice and to see Christ in them. It is our hope that they sometimes see Christ in us.



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