## IN CELEBRATION OF AND IN THANKSGIVING FOR THE LIFE OF

## GLENFORD OLIVER BROWN

BORN: FEBRUARY 27, 1965
ENTERED ETERNAL LIFE: SEPTEMBER 8, 2024



SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 2024 AT 3:00 O'CLOCK PM

ST. NICHOLAS OF TOLENTINE CHURCH

THE BRONX, NEW YORK CITY

## Glenford Oliver Brown, RN, DNP

Born: February 27, 1965 Jamaica Died: September 8, 2024 New York City

Glenford Oliver Brown was born in Kingston, Jamaica on February 27, 1965 and was the second child of John and Bernice Brown. Glen began primary education at the John Mills All Age School. He transferred to Alpha Primary for sixth grade and was accepted to St. George's College in September 1977, where he pursued courses in the sciences – Biology, Chemistry, Physics, Additional Mathematics, along with English Language, Literature, Mathematics, and Religion. He graduated from high school in 1982 and went on to Sixth Form for an additional two years of advanced studies.

In the 1980s he migrated to New York City to continue his studies at the City University of New York (CUNY) with the goal of becoming a medical doctor. Along the way, Glen worked as a high-level manager with various companies and eventually became a manager of several nursing units in major New York City hospitals and nursing homes, including the Bronx Center for Rehabilitation and Nursing, and the Eastchester Rehabilitation and Health Care Center. Glen eventually earned his DNP (Doctor of Nursing Practice) in July 2019. Through his work connections, Glen never passed up an opportunity to assist those seeking help with employment within the nursing field.

For 30 years, Glen was a devoted member of St. Nicholas of Tolentine Church in the Bronx, where he was the tenor section leader of the choir and a devoted supporter of the church. He sang many solos over the years and was the bedrock choir member every music director hopes to find.

Glen's hobbies and interests included working out in the gym, going to music concerts, watching his favorite cartoons, hanging out with friends (especially backyard BBQ grilling), and anything that involved helping others.

Glen was predeceased by his father (John), mother (Bernice), and sister (Sandra), and is survived by his nephew Jason, and many friends.

Glen's wonderfully fun personality, caring nature, unwavering friendship and support are all evident in the great magnitude and vast range of people fortunate to have had him for a friend.

## MINISTERS OF THE LITURGY

REVEREND LUIS VERA, O.S.A.

Pastor of St. Nicholas of Tolentine Church

Celebrant

REVEREND JOSEPH MURRAY, O.S.A.

Associate, St. Nicholas of Tolentine Church

Concelebrant e3 Homilist

**LECTORS** 

Janice Campbell

Fitzroy Williams

MUSICIANS

Daniel Kirk-Foster

Director of Music & Organist, St. Nicholas of Tolentine Church

Felisha Fabian

Cantor, St. Nicholas of Tolentine Church

Dionne Miller-Williams

Cantor, St. Nicholas of Tolentine Church

Christopher Creaghan

Organist

Nancy Wertsch

Composer & Conductor

#### THE MEN & WOMEN OF THE CHOIR

| SOPRANO             |
|---------------------|
| Ruth Chevalier      |
| Eileen Clark        |
| Yanick Delisca      |
| Edras Dyanna        |
| Lori Engle          |
| Felisha Fabian      |
| Manami Hattori      |
| Rachel Rosales      |
| Ellen Taylor Sisson |
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| TENOR          |
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| Luis Asencio   |
| Jack Cotterell |
| John Easterlin |
| Sean Fallen    |
| Eric Lamp      |
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| BASS             |
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| Roosevelt Credit |
| Mark George      |
| James Gregory    |
| Nicholas Hay     |
| Paul Holmes      |
| Mark Rehnstrom   |
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## THE ORDER OF MASS

## THE INTRODUCTORY RITES

Prelude

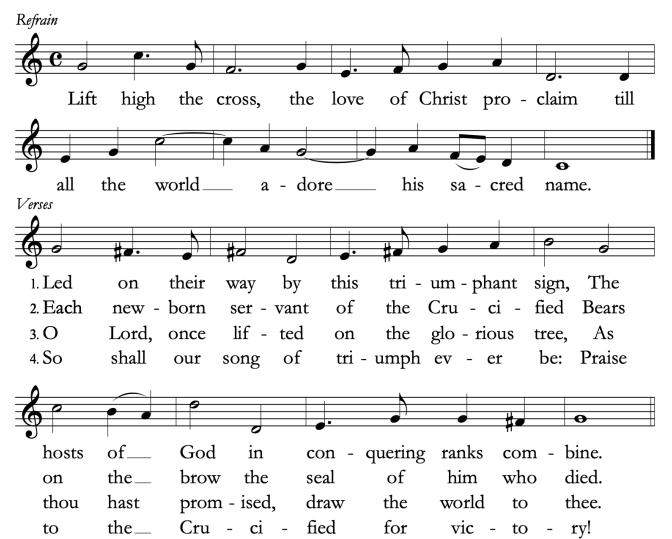
Choral No. 3 in A Minor César Franck (1822-1890)

Daniel Kirk-Foster, Organist

OPENING HYMN

CRUCIFER
Text: George Kitchen
Music: Sydney Nicholson

## Lift High The Cross



## THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading

Wisdom 3:1-9

Janice Campbell

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 30

Nancy Wertsch



SECOND READING

Revelation 21:1-5a, 6b-7

Fitzroy Williams

ACCLAMATION BEFORE THE GOSPEL

Jamaican Mass

Daniel Kirk-Foster



GOSPEL John 6: 37-40

HOMILY

GENERAL INTERCESSIONS

Response: Lord, hear our prayer.

# THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Preparation of the Gifts

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

"And I Saw a New Heaven" Edgar Bainton (1880-1956)

And I saw a new heaven and a new earth: for the first heaven and the first earth were passed away; and there was no more sea.

And I, John, saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down from God out of heaven, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband.

And I heard a great voice out of Heaven, saying, Behold, the tabernacle of God is with men, and he will dwell with them, and they shall be his people, and God himself shall be with them, and be their God.

And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes; and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow, nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain: for the former things are passed away.

THE MEN AND WOMEN OF THE CHOIR

Nancy Wertsch, Conductor Daniel Kirk-Foster, Organist

### Invitation to Prayer

Celebrant: Pray, brothers and sisters, that my sacrifice and yours

may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

Response: May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands

for the praise and glory of his name,

for our good and the good of all his holy Church.

#### Preface Dialogue

Celebrant: The Lord be with you. Response: **And with your spirit.** 

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

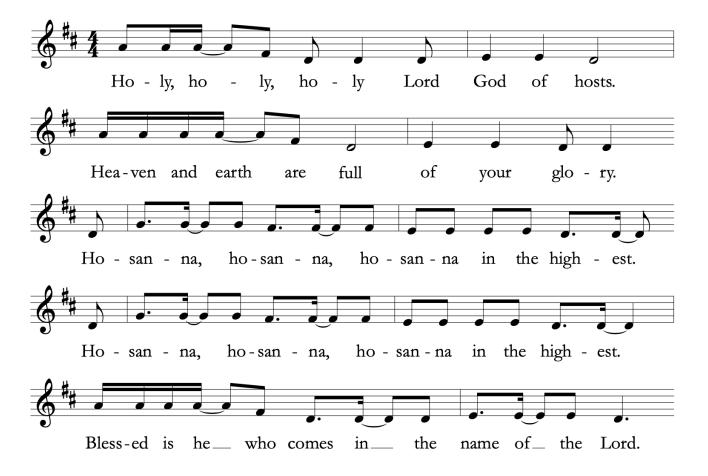
Response: We lift them up to the Lord.

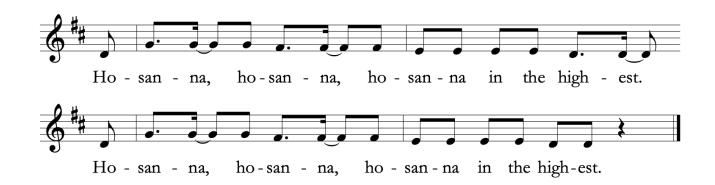
Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

Response: It is right and just.

## Preface Acclamation

Jamaican Mass





## MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

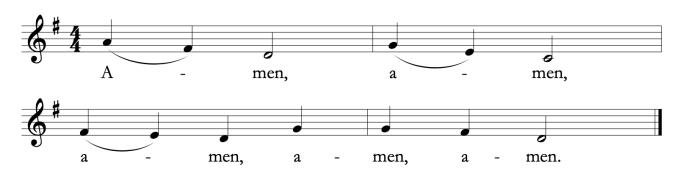
Jamaican Mass



Celebrant: Through him, and with him, and in him, O God, almighty Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor is yours, for ever and ever.



Jamaican Mass



## THE COMMUNION RITE

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

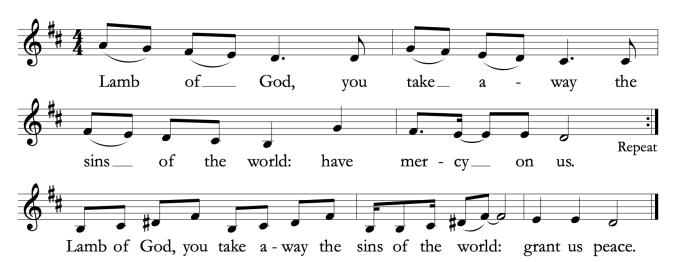
## SIGN OF PEACE

Celebrant: The Peace of the Lord be with you always.

Response: And with your spirit.

## Lamb of God

Jamaican Mass



Celebrant: Behold the Lamb of God,

behold him who takes away the sins of the world.

Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.

Response: Lord, I am not worthy

that you should enter under my roof,

but only say the word

and my soul shall be healed.

COMMUNION MEDITATION

Organ Symphony No. 9 "Gothique" Op. 70

Charles-Marie Widor

(1844-1937)

II. Andante sostenuto Christopher Creaghan, Organist

### COMMUNION ANTHEM

Ein Deutsches Requiem
Johannes Brahms
(1833-1897)

Wie lieblich sind deine Wohnungen, Herr Zebaoth!
Meine seele verlanget und sehnet sich
nach den Vorhöfen des Herrn;
mein Leib und Seele freuen sich in dem lebendigen Gott.
Wohl denen, die in deinem Hause wohnen,
die loben dich immerdar.

How lovely is Thy dwelling place, O Lord of Hosts! For my soul, it longeth and fainteth for the courts of the Lord. My soul and body crieth out, yea for the living God. Blest are they that dwell within Thy house; they praise Thy name evermore.

THE MEN AND WOMEN OF THE CHOIR

Daniel Kirk-Foster, Conductor

Christopher Creaghan, Pianist

## Post-Communion Anthem

"The Lord is My Light and My Salvation" Noel Dexter

The Lord is my light and my salvation.
Whom then shall I fear? The Lord is my light and my salvation.
The Lord is the strength of my life. Of whom then shall I be afraid?
The Lord is my light and my salvation. Of whom then shall I be afraid.

Though an host of men were laid against me. Yet my heart shall never be afraid. Though they rose up war against me, yet my trust shall always be in Thee, O Lord.

For in the time of trouble He shall hide me. He shall set my feet upon a rock. The Lord is my light and my salvation. Of whom then shall I fear?

THE MEN AND WOMEN OF THE CHOIR Daniel Kirk-Foster, Pianist & Conductor

### Prayer after Communion

#### TRIBUTES AND REMEMBRANCES

Jason Hong, Nephew
Christopher Creaghan, Friend
Dionne Miller-Williams, Friend
Mark George, Friend

## FINAL COMMENDATION

Choir: Saints of God, come to his aid!

Hasten to meet him, angels of the Lord!

#### Response:



Re-ceive his soul and pre-sent him to God, to God the Most High.

Choir: May Christ, who called you, take you to himself;

may angels lead you to the bosom of Abraham.

## Response:



Re-ceive his soul and pre-sent him to God, to God the Most High.

Choir: Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord,

and let light perpetual shine upon him.

#### Response:



Re-ceive his soul and pre-sent him to God, to God the Most High.

THAXTED
Text: Michael Perry
Music: Gustav Holst

## O God Beyond All Praising



We extend our gratitude to all who helped care for Glen, who visited, called, and prayed for him and with him. Special thanks to the staff of the Hebrew Home at Riverdale for their compassionate and professional care. Finally, thank you to all of you, who through your efforts and presence, made today's celebration a beautiful and fitting tribute to our beloved Glen.