

Spiritus Gladius

The Weekly News Letter of the Collegiate Church of Saint Paul the Apostle, Savannah

The Weekday Kalendar

Monday Our Lady of Mt.

Carmel

MP 9:00 am HE 12:15 pm EP 5:30 pm

Tuesday +William White

MP 9:00 am EP 5:30 pm HE/HS 6:00pm

Wednesday Feria

Lauds 6:45 am **HE** 7:00 am **MP** 9:00 am **EP** 5:30 pm

Thursday Macrina

MP 9:00 am HE/HS 10:00 am EP 5:30 pm

Friday Elizabeth Cady Stanton, Amelia Bloomer, Sojourner Truth, Harriet Ross Tubman

Lauds 6:45 am **HE** 7:00 am **MP** 9:00 am **EP** 5:30 pm

MP - Morning Prayer HE - Holy Eucharist HS - Healing Service EP - Evening Prayer

The Eighth Sunday after Pentecost July 15, 2018

Proper 10

8:00 a.m. Low Mass

9:15 a.m. Christian Education

9:45 a.m. Morning Prayer

10:00 a.m. Solemn High Mass

12:15 p.m. Misa en Español

5:30 p.m. Evensong (weekly)

& Benediction (4th Sunday)

6:30 p.m. Evening Mass

There is a 3 pm Mass at St. Bartholomew's, Chevis Road at Wild Heron Road on the 2^{nd} and 4^{th} Sundays of the Month

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The Propers
Track 2

Amos 7:7-15 Psalm 85:8-13 Ephesians 1:3-14 Mark 6:14-29

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Reflections

Dear brothers and sisters,

Today, July 11th, is the commemoration of St. Benedict of Nursia, founder of the Benedictine Order and father of Western Monasticism. Around the year 540 Benedict composed a "simple" Rule of Life for his monks which became the inspiration for countless religious orders thereafter. But Benedict also has had an important impact on Anglican Spirituality – this is the part that continues to affect you and me. In the year 596, Pope Gregory the Great, sent the prior of his own Benedictine monastery on the Coelian Hill in Rome to revitalize Christianity among the Anglo-Saxons. So Augustine of Canterbury and a group of monks went to Britain. In this way, the pattern of Benedictine spirituality became imprinted upon the life of the Church there. To this day the essence of the spiritual practices of the Anglican Communion and the Episcopal Church is, at heart, Benedictine. The gems that one discovers in meditating on the Rule of St. Benedict are too many to discuss here, but I would like to try to share a few things that I believe speak to our current social climate.

The first is that he invites us "to prefer nothing to Christ." In our modern world there are so many things which vie for our attention and allegiance, but if we stop and think about what it means to be a Christian we can easily understand that our life should be completely oriented to following in the way of Jesus. It does us all good to stop from time to time and make sure that we have our priorities in order; that as Christians we have ordered our lives in such a way that Christ is our primary influence and the pattern of our life. A second thing that is helpful is to remember the need for a balance between prayer and work, or "ora et labora", as it is said. We all need to pursue balance in many aspects of our lives, but we also know all too well how easily the demands of work or other activities eat up our time and get our lives out of balance. Yet at the heart of the Christian life is an encounter with and a living relationship with Christ, and we do that through the Eucharist, through the Daily Office and personal devotion. You can't really have a relationship with someone you never speak to or spend time with.

Another thing which I find important for us today is the teaching that "all are to be received as Christ". In our current social climate, I find this a most challenging concept. In the Rule, this teaching is directed primarily to the doorkeeper and speaks of how hospitality is to be shown. I find that many times here at Church when the doorbell rings it is helpful for me to cross myself as I go to the door and be reminded that "all are to be received as Christ." How would it impact our relationships today if we were to cross ourselves and be reminded to look for "Christ in them" as we engage with those who with those who challenge us? A fourth thing that I believe is much needed today is to develop a greater awareness of how we deal with "things" and "material goods". We live in such a throw-away world (and we even treat other people in that manner), what would happen if we learned to handle all things in our lives with the same profound reverence with which we treat the things of the altar such as chalices, patens, etc.? What would happen if we learned to treat one another with that same profound reverence?

A fifth important idea is the notion of "sufficiency". In his Rule, Benedict provides for all the needs of his monks and he does so in a way that doesn't mean everyone only gets the same amount. Rather, each is given according to his need. Benedict is saying essentially that everyone is entitled to have what they need to live, but what is left over is to be shared so that no one goes without. How would our lives change if we practiced "sufficiency", giving out of our excess so that no one goes without?

Lastly I want to share an important reminder for those of us who feel frustrated with so many things in our world today: God is God – and you're not! The gracious and loving Creator of the universe is in control. When life feels too much to bear, when your frustrations are getting the better of you, step back, take a deep breath and remember that God is in control.

Fr. Charles

Parish News and Events

Hymns for this Sunday, July 15

436, 495, 372, 686, 615

Solo (Jillian Durant, Cathedral Interim Director of Music)

Laudate Dominum (Mozart)

Laudate Dominum omnes gentes Laudate eum, omnes populi Quoniam confirmata est Super nos misericordia eius, Et veritas Domini manet in aeternum.

Gloria Patri et Filio et Spiritui Sancto. Sicut erat in principio, et nunc, et semper. Et in saecula saeculorum. Amen.

Praise the Lord, all nations;
Praise Him, all people.
For He has bestowed
His mercy upon us,
And the truth of the Lord endures forever.

Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit, as it was in the beginning, is now and for ever. World without end. Amen.

Year-To-Date Statements

Year-to-Date Statements are available in the Narthex.

Name Tags

Thank you to everyone who has submitted information and payment for the purchase of a name-tag. We have received an extremely positive response. We will extend the deadline for ordering for one more week. Name-tags will be ordered the week of July 16th. If you did not receive a letter explaining the name-tag ini

tiative, additional copies are available in the narthex. If you have any questions, please talk to a member of Vestry. Thank you in advance for your support.

Your Living Compass Activities

Care of the Body: Walking Group, Saturday, July 14 at 8:00am. Meet on south end of Forsyth Park at center sidewalk. Call Fr. Charles if you can't find us: 912-441-9027.

Rest & Play: Overnight Trip to St. Augustine Friday, July 27th—Saturday, July 28th. We will board the coach at the Church on Friday after work and return on Saturday evening. Registration deadline is Friday, July 13th!

Spirituality: Bored Again Catholic: How the Mass can save your life. Join us for burgers, beer and books at the Rectory on Thursday, July 19 at 6:30pm. Please read the book prior to the event. Bring a side dish to share if you would like.

Save the Dates

On Saturday, August 11th Deacon Leeann Culbreath will hold a workshop at St. Paul's on "Faith and Immigration". The workshop is open to everyone from across the Convocation. More details to follow.

On Thursday, August 16th the Men's Club will host a class on "Prayer in the Jewish Tradition" led by Rabbi Robert Haas from Temple Mikve Israel at 6:00pm. Appetizers will be provided. Everyone is invited.

Correction to the Bulletin from July 08

The offering for the week of July 01 should have read: \$9236.00 The Restricted Offering should have read: \$295.00

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Lay Ministers

8am

Ed Minor (LEM) Richelle Southwick (Lector)

10am

Alan Boulton (Subdeacon) James Weaver (Lector)

Acolytes

Abbey Shoemake Garrett Shoemake Colin Parker Sofia Breton

Head Usher Frank Hodges

Year-To-Date

Inflows 5.2018 \$164,649.17 Outflows 5.2018 \$188,038.45 Balance (-\$23,389.28)

Budget needed each week \$8,567.00 Offering this week \$3075.00 Restricted Offering \$3190.00

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Thanksgivings & Memorials

High Altar Flowers

Virgin Altar Flowers

Birthdays

Sofia Breton (19) Maddox Chaney (20)

Departed

Frank W. Manning, Grace Stephens Dunn, Allie Mae (Tootie) Edwards Wright, Lois Webb, Walter Webb
