



Spiritus Gladius

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

The Weekday Kalendar

Monday	Advent Feria MP 9:00 am HE 12:15 pm EP 5:30 pm
Tuesday	Advent Feria MP 9:00 am EP 5:30 pm HE/HS 6:00pm
Wednesday	Advent Feria (Ember Day) Lauds 6:45 am HE 7:00 am MP 9:00 am EP 5:30 pm
Thursday	Advent Feria MP 9:00 am HE 10:00 am EP 5:30 pm
St. Thomas	HE 6:00 pm
Friday	ST. THOMAS (Ember Day) Lauds 6:45 am HE 7:00 am MP 9:00 am

MP - Morning Prayer
HE - Holy Eucharist

HS - Healing Service
EP - Evening Prayer

The Third Sunday of Advent

December 16, 2018

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 (4 th 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
2nd and 4th Sundays of the Month

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The Propers

[Zephaniah 3:14-20](#)
[Canticle 9](#)
[Philippians 4:4-7](#)
[Luke 3:7-18](#)

Parish Office Hours: Monday thru Thursday
10 am - 1 pm / closed on Friday
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Reflections

Dear Sister and Brothers in Christ:

Amid Advent, it is good to take a moment to consider the cycle which we follow year in and year out as defined by the lectionary and the Liturgical Calendar. The first thing to bear in mind is that the "Liturgical Year" is an important component of the Church's liturgy. It reveals great versatility in the presentation of content. On the one hand it provides texts that reflect the purely historical. It does this in a manner that makes the events conveyed in scripture entirely current. At other times the actions called for by the worshiper pertain to the present entirely. The Liturgy and the dynamics of the calendar make us aware of our need to both petition for and proclaim God's grace. Furthermore, the liturgy, which is our communal spiritual work, is always infused with the vision of our future in Christ Jesus. So, in various ways the Liturgical Year keeps our sights lifted high, to the Parousia, to heaven and judgment, reminding us that for God the past, the present and the future are all one.

In each season liturgical themes leap directly from one area of reference to another, even within the same sentence. We may at times be left to wonder how we are to absorb and profitably employ the lively variation in perspective which the liturgy and the liturgical year give us. Ultimately, we might ask what Mother Church when it commends this variety in the liturgy expects of us. Does she wish us to recall the story of salvation? Is she offering us grace in the present? Or is she perhaps seeking to prepare us for the life to come? The short answer of course is that the Church expects the liturgy to convey all three at the same time. For us to profit from the rich nature of each Liturgical Year we must first grasp the dramatic nature of Catholic Worship and the fact that each new year is in conversation with our experiences from previous years. It is also incumbent on us to strive to make the insights of our worship part of our daily life.

This means that while the Liturgical Year and the liturgies associated with it reveal a great versatility our worship as a community should never be faddish. And while it is important that the entire action pertain to the present it should never become enslaved to the moment. Rather it should be an experience of heart, mind and body which opens to us the mysteries of God and our own human hearts. It should expose the longings of men, women and children of all kinds and invite us into the world of Godly desire. A world which cries for Syria and Afghanistan, shows its solidarity for the poor and the oppressed, rejoices in the vision of inventors and poets, and is moved by the music of Mozart and Palestrina.

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Parish News and Events

Music for this Sunday, December 16th

Hymns: 68, 640, 410, 66, 56

Antthem: Words and Music: German Carol *Maria durch ein Dornwald ging*
Maria walks amid the thorn, Kyrie eleison,
Maria walks amid the thorn, Which seven
years no leaf has born. Jesus and Maria. What
'neath her heart doth Mary bear? Kyrie
eleison, The little Child doth Mary bear, Be-
neath her heart He nestles there. Jesus and
Maria. And as the two are passing near, Kyrie
eleison, As the two are passing near, Lo! ros-
es on the thorns appear! Jesus and Maria.

UTO Ingathering, December 16th & 23rd

The United Thank Offering (UTO) is a ministry of The Episcopal Church for the mission of the whole church. Through UTO, individuals are invited to embrace and deepen a personal daily spiritual discipline of gratitude. UTO encourages people to notice the good things that happen each day, give thanks to God for those blessings and make an offering for each blessing using a UTO Blue Box. You may also contribute using the envelopes provided in the pews. UTO is entrusted to receive the offerings, and to distribute 100% of what is collected to support innovative mission and ministry throughout The Episcopal Church and Provinces of the Anglican Communion.

Decorations for Christmas will be made on Saturday, December 22 from 9-noon. No previous experience necessary. All are invited to help!

The Thomas Park Food Pantry is in need of socks for men, women, and children. Please place them in the box in the Parish Hall.

Parish Clean-Up Day for Christmas

PLEASE consider joining us on Saturday morning, December 15th, from 9am until noon to help get the church cleaned up and ready for the Christmas season.

BAKE SALE!!!

Fundraiser to support St. Paul's Youth Scholarship Fund on Sunday, December 16th following the 8am Mass and following the 10am Mass/before the 12:15 Mass. This is a wonderful time to get some special goodies for the holiday season.

Coffee Hour Sign-Up

We still have some slots open to host coffee hour after the 10:00am Mass. If you would like to host, please visit the sign-up genius link at: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080e4eaea62ca4ff2-novdec>

CHRISTMAS FLOWERS

We are now taking orders for our Christmas Flowers. Please complete the form below and place it in the alms basin or mail it to the parish office. The cost this year is \$16. Thank you

() In thanksgiving for many blessings

() In loving memory of

Given by _____

Lay Ministers

8am

David Saussy (LEM)
Harvey Ferrelle (Lector)

10am

Katie Willoughby
(Subdeacon)
Vicki Minor (Lector)

Acolytes

Craig Hopkins
Jackson Whalen
Palmer Walker
Sophia Breton
Quinn Scott

Head Usher

Ken Martin

Year-To-Date

Inflows September 2018

\$318,971.21

Outflows September.2018

\$366,042.19

Balance (- 47,070.98)

Budget needed each week

\$8,567.00

Offering

\$5,361.38

Restricted Offering

\$16.00

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The Episcopate

The Right Reverend Scott A. Benhase, D.D.

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The Most Rev. Michael B. Curry, D.D.

Primate, Episcopal Church, USA

The Most Rev & Rt Hon Justin Welby, D.D.

Archbishop of Canterbury

Honorary Assistant Clergy

Canon J. Robert Carter. PhD

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The Rev. John G Anderson

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The Very Rev. Dr. Wm Willoughby III, OStJ

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The Reverend Charles E. Todd, ECSB

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The Reverend Michael J. Chaney,

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The Reverend Susan E. Gahagan, ECSB

Deacon

The Reverend Sara Zevallos, Deacon

Robert M. Fogle Music Director

Joe Daniels, Sexton

Victor Moreno, Pastoral Assistant

Colleen Willoughby, Youth Minister

The Vestry

Beth Robinson, Senior Warden, '19

Mark Frissell, Junior Warden, '21

Sara Ward, Clerk, '19

August Breton '19, Jim Burch '20,

Heather Downs, '21

Kris Lee, '21, Erick Nowicki, '19,

Dan Porter, '20, Jerry Riley, '21

Cuffy Sullivan, '20

Lily Wong, '20,

Carl Pruetz Treasurer

Thanksgivings & Memorials

The Sanctuary Lamp

Is given in thanks-
giving for the
birthday of
Ashton Tjosvold
by Deacon Sue.

Birthdays

Justin Sullivan (17)

Anniversaries

Denise Rivera &
Junior Vega (21)

Departed

Arlean Douglas
Stewart (17)

Wilmer Stewart (17)

Harriette Barrett Pur-
vis (19)

Lorraine Sessoms
Griffin (22)
