



# Spiritus Gladius

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

## The Weekday Kalendar

<b>Monday</b>	<b>St. Simon and Jude</b>
MP	9:00 am
HE	12:15 pm
EP	5:30 pm
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>James Hannington</b>
MP	9:00 am
EP	5:30 pm
HE/HS	6:00pm
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Feria</b>
Lauds	6:45 am
HE	7:00 am
MP	9:00 am
EP	5:30 pm
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>All Saints Eve</b>
MP	9:00 am
HE/HS	10:00am
EP	5:30 pm
HE	6:00 pm
<b>Friday</b>	<b>All Saints/All Souls Eve</b>
Lauds	6:45am
HE	7:00am
MP	9:00 am
EP	5:30 pm
HE	6:00 pm

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

## The Twentieth Sunday After Pentecost October 27, 2019

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 <sup>th</sup> 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<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays of the Month*

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### The Propers

[Sirach 35:12-17](#)  
or [Jeremiah 14:7-10,19-22](#)  
[Psalm 84:1-6](#)  
[2 Timothy 4:6-8,16-18](#)  
[Luke 18:9-14](#)

Parish Office Hours: Monday thru Thursday  
10 am - 12 pm / closed on Friday  
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# REFLECTIONS

## October light

In just under two weeks, we'll all roll our clocks back an hour in order to *save* daylight. (Heaven forbid we let go of anything, right.) In the meantime, though, we lean into the diminishing light of October and find ourselves eating supper by candlelight. It is lovely.

The great British rocker Richard Thompson wrote a love song about coming home to his beloved at the close of day. It's called *The Dimming of the Day*, and like so many love songs, I hear in it something of my own need for the light of Christ. Mind you: it wasn't Mr. Thompson's intention, but offer a song about love, and your intentions will have to make room for those of your audience.

In the words of the song, "When all my will is gone, you hold me sway. I need you at the dimming of the day. You pull me like the moon pulls on the tide. You know just where I keep my better side. What days have come to keep us far apart? A broken promise or a broken heart. Now all the bonny birds have wheeled away. I need you at the dimming of the day."

In the closing five weeks of Ordinary Time, as the bonny birds take flight, the Church Calendar makes gracious room for the light of Christ to hallow the dimming of our days. In the risen life of Christ, we'll soon remember all faithful departed – the lives of the saints and the lives of all souls – and in our prayers with and for them, we'll remember our own mortality. Children, too, will soon take to the streets bearing flashlights in the dark of Halloween festooned with jack-o-lanterns, ghosts, and scarecrows.

A Native American teacher once told me, "The Second Half of Life is about learning how to hallow our diminishment." I would expand his wisdom to say the Christian life is also about learning how to hallow our diminishment, about learning how to trust the eternal light of Christ in all places and at all times. At the Incarnation, God became Man – it was a holy diminishment.

Hallowing our own diminishment – i.e., naming it a holy gift – involves surrendering our ideas about self-sufficiency. It's the same principle St. Paul has in mind when he bids us become fools for Christ and reminds us that "God's foolishness is wiser than human wisdom, and God's weakness is stronger than human strength."

In his words, I hear the Spirit whisper to me, "Be weak for Christ and give up whatever ideas you have about holding on to your own strength and power."

In the present season of stewardship – a sacrificial season – our parish invites us to freely offer our lives, our gifts, our prayers, trusting God has hallowed all of it through the sacrificial folly of his Son. Admittedly, offering anything can feel like loss: give something away, and of necessity you give it up.

But here's the truth: what we have, is God's, and we offer what God gives to his glory with thanksgiving for his Son and for the life of our parish. That "diminishment" fosters the communal life of Christ made known to us here at St. Paul's. Here, God pulls us together like the tide and knows just where we keep our better side.

Mother Lauren Flowers Byrd

# Parish News and Events

## Hymns & Music 20<sup>th</sup> Sunday After Pentecost

Hymns: 596, 517, 571, Doxology, 680

### Coffee Hour:

The sign-up for Coffee Hour Hosts for **October and November** is now available on Sign-up Genius (Copy and paste this link to sign up):

<https://tinyurl.com/y2zkdka>

Thank you for your support of this important ministry.

### Sunday Brunch After The 10am Mass

The Latino community at St. Paul's will host a brunch on Sunday, October 27th after the 10:00 am mass. The cost is \$10.00 and all proceeds will benefit St. Paul's outreach to the Latino community.

### Youth Sunday School

All children in the parish are invited to come to the Godly Play room on the 2nd floor at 11:30 am, joining Mother Lauren and together exploring our faith through story, art, and fellowship.

### Vestry Meeting

The Vestry will meet on Monday, October 28<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm in the conference room on the 2nd floor.

### Wonderful Wednesday's This Week

On Wednesday, you are invited to join fellow parishioners for a meal and a discussion of the book "Walk in Love" at 6pm, in the Parish Hall.

### Transitional Deaconate Ordination Nov 1st

All are invited to attend the Transitional Deaconate Ordination of Kevin Veitinger, Missioner for the Community of St. Joseph and Nathan Wilson, Intern at St. Michael's Church and Assistant to the Dean, on Friday, November 1st at 2pm in Reynolds Square. Bishop Benhase will officiate.

## All Saints / All Souls

Masses for All Saints and All Souls will be as follows: Thursday, October 31<sup>st</sup> 6:00 pm Sung Mass (All Saints Eve). On Friday, November 1<sup>st</sup>, at 7:00am, Said Mass (All Saints). At 6:00 pm, Said Mass (All Souls). There are forms in the Narthex and the Parish Hall for your Dearly Departed to be remembered by name, or you may write the name on the mass booklet insert. \*\*\*Please note, the list is being made new this year and names will not be carried forward. If you want names placed on the list, please fill out a form and return it to the Parish Office no later than Wednesday, October 30<sup>th</sup>.

### Time Change November 3rd: Fall Back!

Just a friendly reminder, next Sunday, November 3rd, Daylight Saving Time ends at 2am, set your clocks BACK one hour. Enjoy an extra hour of sleep before your Sunday Mass.

### United Thank Offering Collection November 3<sup>rd</sup>

The United Thank Offering (UTO) collection will be on Sunday, November 3<sup>rd</sup>. You may bring your UTO box to church or put your check in the envelopes found in the pews. UTO is entrusted to receive the offerings, and to distribute the 100% of what is collected to support innovative mission and ministry throughout The Episcopal Church and Provinces of the Anglican Communion.

### Fall Festival—November 23rd

St. Paul's largest fundraiser needs your help!

**Do you have old jewelry or small gift items that are just sitting around—consider giving them for the Collectables Booth.** 100% of the proceeds from our fundraiser support the various outreach ministries of St. Paul's Church. For more information, please contact: Fr. Willoughby at [frwwiii@gmail.com](mailto:frwwiii@gmail.com)

**Lay Ministers 10-27-2019**

**8 am**

Jim Weathers (LEM)  
Lorna Smith (Lector)

**10am**

Katie Easterlin (Sub Deacon)  
Omelia Donahoo (Lector)

**Acolytes**

Roy Morris  
Zachary Morris  
Collin Parker  
Garrett Shoemake  
Olive Ward  
Wyeth Ward

**Head Usher**

Daniel Porter

**Year-To-Date**

Inflows August, 2019  
\$284,528.20  
Outflows August, 2019  
\$288,455.21  
Balance (-\$3,927.01)

Budget needed each week  
\$8,567.00

**Offering 10-20-2019**  
\$8,547.00

**Restricted 10-20-2019**  
\$20.00

*Third quarter statements are  
in the narthex*

**St Paul's Collegiate Church**

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**The Episcopate**

The Right Reverend Scott A. Benhase D.D.  
Bishop of Georgia

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  
Fr. George B Salley, Jr  
The Rev. John G Anderson  
Lutheran Pastor in Residence

**Staff**

The Very Rev. Dr. Wm Willoughby III, OStJ  
Rector & Dean of Savannah

The Reverend Leonel Polanco  
Latino Missioner

The Rev. Lauren Flowers Byrd  
Assisting Priest

The Reverend Susan E. Gahagan, ECSB  
Deacon

The Reverend Sara Zevallos, Deacon  
Robert McDowell Fogle III  
Music Director & Administrator  
Nathan P. Wilson, Asst. to the Dean  
Joe Daniels, Sexton

Victor Moreno, Pastoral Assistant  
Colleen Willoughby  
Convo Coordinator

Grace Downs, Children's Ministries  
& Children's Choir

**The Vestry**

Sarah Ward, Senior Warden, '22  
Mark Frissell, Junior Warden, '21  
Heather Downs, Clerk, '21  
Jim Burch '20, Cuffy Sullivan, '20  
Marsha Tolbert, '20, Dan Porter, '20,  
Kris Lee, '21, Jerry Riley, '21  
Ana Carter, '22, John Ely, '22  
Lorna Smith, '22  
Carl Pruetz Treasurer

**Thanksgivings & Memorials**

**High Altar Flowers**

are given to the greater glory  
of God by the Parish

**Walsingham Shrine  
Flowers**

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**Our Lady Queen of Peace  
Altar Lamp**

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**Sanctuary Lamp**

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*If you wish to give flowers or  
candles in honor or in memory  
of a loved one, please sign up  
on the forms located on the  
bulletin board in the parish  
hall.*

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**Birthdays**

Irene Feddern (29)  
Kristin Lee (30)

**Expectant Mothers**

Karen Lorelli

**Departed**

Capt. Grace Dismuke (27),  
Eugene Wence Weith (28)  
Estelle Robinson (29),  
Aline Boudreau Biggs (30)  
James Mason Heidt, Sr. (31)