



Spiritus Gladius

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

The Weekday Kalendar

Monday **Chad, Bishop**
MP 9:00 am
HE 12:15 pm
EP 5:30 pm

Tuesday **John and Charles
Wesley**
MP 9:00 am
EP 5:30 pm
HE 6:00 pm

Wednesday **Ember Day**
Lauds 6:45 am
HE 7:00 am,
MP 9:00 am
EP 5:30 pm

Thursday **Feria**
MP 9:00 am
HE 10:00am
EP 5:30 pm

Friday **Ember Day**
Lauds 6:45am
HE 7:00am
MP 9:00 am
EP 5:30 pm
Stations 6:00 pm

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

The First Sunday in Lent March 1, 2020

8:00 a.m. Early Mass
8:30 a.m. Choir Rehearsal (*upstairs*)
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
2nd and 4th Sundays of the Month*

The Propers

[Genesis 2:15-17; 3:1-7](#)
[Romans 5:12-19](#)
[Matthew 4:1-11](#)
[Psalm 32](#)

Parish Office Hours: Monday thru Thursday
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REFLECTIONS

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ:

As we stand at the beginning of Lent, if you are like me it arrived before I expected it. Fortunately for us, the seasons of the Church year do not depend on whether we are ready or feel like entering the opportunity they provide for walking more fully in the pilgrimage which is ours in Jesus Christ. Rather they hold up to every one of us the opportunity to enter the vision which is ours as inheritors of the Kingdom. Baptism has made us part of the rich heritage of God working in the Church in union with the person of Jesus Christ through the power of the Holy Spirit. As we cycle through each year engaging at various levels the ebb and flow of the Christian life there is always the possibility that we will become more fully what God intends us to be – daughters and sons who desire God and wish to live fully in the reality of God's love, enthusiastically sharing that love with all who are sent our way.

As a season, Lent is our opportunity to strip our daily routines bare; so that we might become more open to the vision which is ours in the Christian life. One of the reasons we take the brass and art out and cover up the beauty of St. Paul's during Lent is to remind us that the bare necessities should be our mode of operation during this season. Ultimately Lent can be a season of empowerment. The implicit challenge of the season is one of making choices - asking ourselves to consider what it is that we believe and what will we do to enable those beliefs to flourish. This is why the Church has made recommendations about meatless days, and not attending parties or gala events. She also recommends a measure of abstinence in all areas of life to encourage the exercise of disciplined acts of devotion as well as focused charity and alms giving.

The fast pace of life with its attendant stresses and strains can easily rob us of our determination to live an intentional Christian life. Lent is a time when we can recapture something of the joy which results from "living in the world but not of the world." In addition to the normal pattern of devotions, which I hope each of us practices daily (all of which should be directed toward the enhancement of our relationship with God and our neighbor), may I suggest that each of us set one evening aside with a special meal that includes devotions and readings from scripture. A handy framework is provided in the Book of Common Prayer in the section devoted to Daily Devotions for Individuals and Families beginning of page 136. May I also remind everyone of the many opportunities which are ours at St. Paul's for the increase of devotion - Daily Morning and Evening Prayer, Daily Mass, Thursday Morning Bible Study and my class on the Jesus Prayer each Sunday at 9:15AM (the nursery is open at 8:00AM), regular times for the Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession), and during Lent the Wednesday Lenten Series -A Spring in the Desert, with the addition of Stations of the Cross on Friday.

With purpose let us continue to dedicate ourselves to the observance of a holy Lent that the joy of Easter may be more abundant in our lives. **WWIII**

Parish News and Events



JUAN DE FLANDES: *The Temptation of Christ*
c. 1500, National Gallery of Art, Washington DC

First Sunday in Lent

Hymns:

Great Litany, 142, 147, 339, 152

Anthem

Lord For Thy Tender Mercies Sake

Music: Richard Farrant 1530-1580

Text: from J. Bull's *Christian Prayers and Holie Meditations*

Lord, for thy tender mercy's sake, lay not our sins to our charge. But forgive that is past, and give us grace to amend our sinful lives. To decline from sin, and incline to virtue, that we may walk in a perfect heart, before thee now and evermore. Amen.

*MUSIC NOTE: In Lent the playing of the organ and other musical instruments is allowed only in order to support the singing, hence there are no organ volunteers at the beginning or the end of mass.

Food Collection This Sunday!

On the first Sunday of the month, the St. Thomas Food Pantry asks for donations of food. Please bring your canned goods to the church on Sunday. Collection baskets are located in the Narthex.

Children's Sunday School This Sunday

The Temptation of Jesus: A desert Story of Obedience. Upstairs from 11:45 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. with

Grace Downs & Mother Lauren Byrd.

Coffee Hour Hosts

The sign-up for Coffee Hour Hosts for **February and March** is now available on Sign-up Genius (*Copy and paste this link to sign up*): <https://tinyurl.com/w2e2qxa>

Thank you for your support of this important ministry.

Book Discussion Group on Wednesdays

Join your fellow parishioners as we meet for a light supper and discussion of the book *A Spring in the Desert* by Bishop Designate Frank Logue and his wife Victoria on Wednesdays in the Parish Hall at 6pm. Books are available for a donation of \$8.00

Stations of the Cross

Join your fellow parishioners as we pray the Stations of the Cross, every Friday during Lent at 6:00pm in the church.

Lenten Fish Frys

It is the season for Fish Frys! Join us on **March 6th, March 27th and April 3rd** in the Parish Hall at 6:30 pm (immediately following Stations of the Cross at 6pm). Cost is \$10 Adults, \$5 12 and under. Menu: Fried fish, hush puppies, sides and a drink. Beer and wine will be available at an additional \$2 charge

Time Change Sunday!

Daylight Saving Time begins on *Sunday*, March 8, 2020 at 2:00 A.M. On Saturday night, set your clocks forward one hour (i.e., losing one hour) to "spring ahead."

Sign Up for the Quiet Day

Make time in your calendar for St. Paul's Quiet Day, **Saturday, March 7th**, from 8:30am-1:00pm. A Quiet Day is a retreat designed with periods of teaching and prayerful reflection. At this St. Paul's Quiet Day, facilitator The Rev. Mother Lauren Byrd will present the topic: *The Angelus: A Prayer & Pattern for Faithful Living*. To RSVP, please sign up on the bulletin board or online at: shorturl.at/oxBKV

Lay Ministers 03-01-2020

8 am

Ed Minor (LEM)
Harvey Ferrelle (Lector)

10am

Jim Weathers (Sub Deacon)
Elizabeth Wells (Lector)

Acolytes

Craig Hopkins
Jackson Whalen
Palmer Walker
Quinn Scott

Head Usher

Larry Robinson

Year-To-Date

Inflows January 2020
\$27,837.17
Outflows January 2020
\$31,987.97
Balance (-\$4,150.80)

Budget needed each week
\$8,567.00

Offering 02-23-2020

\$6,076.19

Restricted 02-23-2020

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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'd 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
Judy Naylor-Johnson '23, Erick Nowicki '23
Adriana Ramirez '23, Simona Perry '23,
Kris Lee, '21, Jerry Riley, '21
Ana Carter, '22, John Ely, '22
Lorna Smith, '22
Carl Pruetz Treasurer

Thanksgivings & Memorials

**During the season of Lent, floral decoration of the altars and the shrine is discouraged, so that we may anticipate the full joy of the resurrection at Easter.*

Virgin Altar Lamp

Is given to the greater glory of God and in thanksgiving for many blessings by the parish.

Sanctuary Altar Lamp

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Birthdays

Junior Vega (1)
Nellie Pittard (4)
Ian Eckmann (6)

Expectant Mothers

Jill Jenkins
Ashley Kennedy
Stefanie Morris
Grace Rafield

Departed

Emily Ware Westerfield (3)
Eula Nellie Bracey (3)
Margret Short (4)
Colonel Rai Denard (5)
Lee Grooms (5)
Amy Kathryn Porter (5)
James Joseph Crane III (7)