



Spiritus Gladius

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

The Weekday Kalendar

Monday	Feria MP 9:00 am HE 12:15 pm EP 5:30 pm
Tuesday	Patrick, Bishop MP 9:00 am EP 5:30 pm HE 6:00 pm
Wednesday	Cyril, Jerusalem Lauds 6:45 am HE 7:00 am, MP 9:00 am EP 5:30 pm
Thursday	St. Joseph MP 9:00 am HE 10:00am EP 5:30 pm
Friday	Cuthbert, Bishop 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 Third Sunday in Lent March 15, 2020

8:00 a.m.	Early Mass
8:30 a.m.	Choir Rehearsal (<i>upstairs</i>)
9:15 a.m.	Christian Education
9:45 a.m.	Morning Prayer
10:00 a.m.	Solemn High Mass
11:45 a.m.	Godly Play
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*

The Propers

[Exodus 17:1-7](#)
[Romans 5:1-11](#)
[John 4:5-42](#)
[Psalm 95](#)

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

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ:

We live in a world full of noise. It assaults us wherever we go. It is so much a part of daily life that when we are exposed to silence most of us become nervous in less than one minutes time. From its earliest days Christianity has believed that in silence we are given the opportunity to meet the sacred. Among other things silence reminds us that no words can adequately express the mystery of God or fully express the mind of God. In fact, everything we try to say falls short of the reality that the Word became flesh and dwelt among us.

Quiet has a special place in God's design. It can be the place where we sense God's presence at the deepest levels of the heart. At designated times in the Mass quiet is encouraged - look closely at the rubrics in the Book of Common Prayer. We are called by the rubrics to fall silent before we offer prayers, to reflect on Scripture and to thank God for the Eucharist. The most important time of silence however is kept before the start of Mass. It is not only commendable, but it is fitting that silence be observed throughout the church.

Silence can be the means by which we transition from the corporeal realities of this life and move into the world of Eucharistic celebration - a place where our time and concerns meet the time and vision of God. Through the Eucharist God not only makes us present to "Jesus' once and for all sacrifice on the cross" but the Holy Spirit brings us into the very presence of eternity itself. Silence is the space in the Eucharist which encourages us to receive anew the benefits of our Lord's "blessed passion, precious death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension."

Only when we take some time to dwell in silence is space cleared in our lives and hearts to render hearty thanks for the innumerable gifts and benefits which are ours from the creator. Silence keeps us aware that worship is not entertainment but that which we owe God. It prepares us to take our rightful place in the Liturgy, as engaged concelebrants with the gathered children of God. The songs we will sing, the prayers we will offer, the scriptures we will hear, along with the sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving we will make, initiated by silence moves us from an attitude of memory to that of Re-Member-ing.

Furthermore, the presence of Jesus Christ, who comes to us in the sacrament of His Body and Blood to nourish us at each Mass, can make our silences pregnant with expectation. Ultimately, God's holiness renders us speechless and in quiet we can sense the presence of God more deeply than in sound. It is in silence that expectation learns to desire the fulfillment of God's Kingdom. It is through quiet contemplation that we become familiar with the grammar of a Kingdom which will be accomplished only when we open ourselves fully to the service of our neighbor.

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Parish News and Events

Third Sunday in Lent

Hymns:

Great Litany, 692, 458, 152, 690

*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 voluntaries at the beginning or at the end of mass. Also, traditionally Gregorian chant was sung unaccompanied; we continue this tradition at St. Paul's Church.*

Office Closed

The church office will be closed for St. Patrick's Day on Tuesday, March 17th.

Adult Forum Book Discussion: God Be In My Head

You are invited to attend the Adult Christian Education forum on Sundays at 9:15am in the Parish Hall, led by Fr. Willoughby. Discussion of the book *God Be In My Head, Sarum Prayer* by Ken Wilson, offers a step-by-step introduction to this ancient prayer with forty short meditations, drawing the reader into the different aspects of the prayer each day and serves as an easy access Lenten guide.

Children's Sunday School This Sunday

Jesus Meets A Woman at the Well,". All children are invited to attend. We meet upstairs on the 2nd floor from 11:45 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. Sunday school is led by 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 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

AED Donation

St. Paul's thanks parishioners Heather and Jamie Downs for their gift of an AED (automated external defibrillator) which is used to help those experiencing sudden cardiac arrest. It is located on the wall outside of the parish hall.

Easter Flowers

This Easter St. Paul's encourages you to donate flowers in memory of or in honor of a loved one. Forms are available in the Narthex or the Parish Hall. Deadline for donations is April 8th. Cost of the donation is \$16.00

Easter Breakfast

The St. Paul's Men's Club is sponsoring a breakfast on Easter Sunday, April 12th at 8:00am. For your donation of \$8 (adults) or \$5 (children), you will help support our youth who wish to attend camp at Honey Creek (the Diocesan retreat center).

Spring Plant Sale

Do you have any plants that need to be divided or are no longer wanted? Please consider donating your plants to the Spring Plant Sale, held on Saturday, April 25th. Parishioner and plant-whisperer Lily Wong will take your plants, divide them and repot them for the sale. Contact Lily at 912-355-3397. She needs time to prep the plants, so call today!

Lay Ministers 03-15-2020

8 am

Br. Nicholas (LEM)
Lorna Smith (Lector)

10am

Katie Easterlin (Sub Deacon)
Bill Weaver (Lector)

Acolytes

Craig Hopkins
Jackson Whalen
Olive Ward
Wyeth Ward

Head Usher

Audrey Lang

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 03-08-2020

\$4,712.00

Restricted 03-08-2020

\$225.00

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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

Colleen Willoughby (15)
William Willoughby IV (19)
Judy Naylor-Johnson (20)

Expectant Mothers

Julia Burt
Cazenove Boulus
Jill Jenkins
Ashley Kennedy
Stefanie Morris
Grace Rafield

Departed

Virginia Norburg Miller (15)