



# Spiritus Gladius

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

## The Weekday Kalendar

<b>Monday</b>	<b>Gregory the Illuminator</b> MP 9:00 am HE 12:15 pm EP 5:30 pm
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Oscar Romero &amp; the Martyrs of El Salvador</b> MP 9:00 am EP 5:30 pm HE 6:00 pm
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Annunciation</b> Lauds 6:45 am HE 7:00 am, MP 9:00 am EP 5:30 pm
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Feria</b> MP 9:00 am HE 10:00am EP 5:30 pm
<b>Friday</b>	<b>Charles Brent, Bishop</b> 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 Fourth Sunday in Lent March 22, 2020

10:00 a.m. Solemn Mass  
12:15 p.m. Misa en Español  
5:30 p.m. Evensong (weekly)  
& Benediction (4<sup>th</sup> Sunday)

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*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

[1 Samuel 16:1-13](#)  
[Psalm 23](#)  
[Ephesians 5:8-14](#)  
[John 9:1-41](#)

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Parish Office Hours: Monday thru Thursday  
10 am - 12 pm / closed on Friday  
912.232.0274 (Voice)  
912.232.0337 (Fax)

# REFLECTIONS

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

Governor Brian Kemp asked all faith-based organizations in Georgia to suspend public worship and events for the next 14 days. Our Bishop, Scott Benhase has requested that all the Congregations in the Diocese of Georgia comply. This means we will not have public Sunday masses, or public weekday masses until March 28. We may need to be prepared for an extension of this ban, because things are changing daily.

As a Medievalist I researched various Diocesan documents written in the face of plague and insurrection. Never did I expect to have to celebrate Mass behind locked doors in our day and age. Daily public worship, especially the celebration of the Holy Eucharist is the incarnate source that feeds our ability to respond to the call of Christ Jesus, to make the love of God real and any time away is painful. This is now part of our Lenten journey. We will be livestreaming Mass from our Facebook Group Page – The Collegiate Church of St. Paul the Apostle (Episcopal) at 10 a.m. on Sunday and the regular weekday times. Fr. Leonel will also livestream the Sunday, Spanish language Mass at 12:15 on La Iglesia Colegial de San Pablo. Apostol (Episcopal). Your participation in this resource has been very encouraging. It is good to know that I have so many of the faithful joining your clergy in prayer and spiritual communion.

Even Though we may never have imagined a time when loving one another meant not worshipping together, the next two weeks or more will be that time. The COVID-19 pandemic is causing unprecedented upheavals in our way of life. “Social distancing” is the recommended response to slow the rate of the spread of infection. If we respond collectively at this time, we may save lives and extraordinary stress on our limited hospital capacity and medical providers.

While we may not be able to gather face to face, we need to stay in touch with one another online and over the phone. Please keep reaching out to one another and monitoring our email and social media communications. A member of the Vestry will be attempting to get in touch with you. If you have not heard from anyone in the next couple of days please call me at 912.441.4278 or leave a message at the Church Office, 912.232.0274

We take these steps now in the hope of a glorious Easter together. While we will not be gathering for worship we do want to hear from you if there is any need for assistance with shopping, to help care for children who are home from school or just to hear another adult voice and visit. You are also free to come to church and make your devotions and say your prayers on your own, but we are not allowed to have public services.

This decision will impact us financially. Please continue your generosity by giving online: <https://onrealm.org/StPaulApostleEp/Give/QUVLRPGLYV>, or Create a Realm Profile: <https://onrealm.org/StPaulApostleEp/Account/Register>, or mail your contribution to the church or drop it by the Parish Office.

The Church is called to be with God’s people—on the front lines. We do that Week in and Week out with Backpack Buddies and the Thomas Park Food Pantry. If this pandemic continues to swell, we will do just that. We will find creative ways to pray together and we will learn the beauty and power of spiritual communion. If you are ill and need home communion, I will bring it.

In a way that only God knows, this will bring us together and help us move deeper into the mystery of Jesus Christ. This is indeed a test for us, but the Holy Spirit has been preparing us from the day of our baptism. To paraphrase our Patron, Paul: Nothing will separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus; not disaster, nor pandemic, nor fear—nothing will separate us from the Lord of Life.

With great affection and the pledge of my fidelity I am and shall remain, yours faithfully, **WWIII**

# Parish News and Events

## Fourth Sunday in Lent

### Hymns:

Great Litany

\*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 to visitors from March 14-27 due to the Public Health Emergency

### Adult Forum Book Discussion:

#### *God Be In My Head*

You are invited to attend the Adult Christian Education forum on Sundays at 9:15am Live Streamed from the Parish Hall, led by Fr. Willoughby. Consideration 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.

### Food Pantry

St. Paul's Food Pantry will remain open during this period. The pantry will donate food this Tuesday, March 24th.

### Coffee Hour Hosts

The sign-up for Coffee Hour Hosts for March 28th 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

Is Cancelled until the week after March 28th  
Please continue to read the daily offerings from the book *A Spring in the Desert* by Bishop Elect Frank Logue and his wife Victoria Books are available for a donation of \$10.00

## Stations of the Cross

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

### Lenten Fish Frys

**The March 27th Fish Fry is CANCELLED!**

Join us for the next Fish Fry on **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

### 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 of the Gallery between the Sanctuary and Bishop Brady Hall.

### Easter Flowers

This Easter St. Paul's encourages you to donate flowers in memory of or in honor of a loved one. Deadline for donations is April 8<sup>th</sup>. Cost of the donation is \$16.00. Please mail your donation and your information to the church office.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

In Memory/Honor of: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Cell # \_\_\_\_\_

### Easter Breakfast

As of publication, the St. Paul's Men's Club is planning to sponsor a breakfast on Easter Sunday, April 12<sup>th</sup> 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).

**Lay Ministers 03-15-2020**

**8 am**

**10am**

**Acolytes**

**Head Usher**

**Year-To-Date**

Inflows February 2020  
\$62,030.92  
Outflows February 2020  
\$67,655.54  
Balance (-\$5,624.62)

Budget needed each week  
\$8,567.00

**Offering 03-15-2020**  
\$7,577.21

**Restricted 03-15-2020**  
\$550.00

**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'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**

Steven (Bo) Bangs (22)  
Desmond Chaney (25)  
Ronan Chaney (25)

**Anniversaries**

Elsie and Ronnie Clark (22)

**Expectant Mothers**

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

**Departed**

Fred Stephens (24)  
Catherine M. Hoagland (27)  
Endslow Hoagland (27)  
Wm Willoughby II (27)  
George Stone Saussy (28)