



# Spiritus Gladius

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

## The Weekday Kalendar

<b>Monday</b>	<b>Feria</b> MP 9:00 am HE 12:15 pm EP 5:30 pm
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Anselm</b> MP 9:00 am EP 5:30 pm HE 6:00 pm
<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>Feria</b> MP 9:00 am HE 10:00 am EP 5:30 pm
<b>Friday</b>	<b>Feria</b> Lauds 6:45 am HE 7:00 am MP 9:00 am EP 5:30 pm

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

## The Second Sunday of Easter

April 19, 2020

Via Livestream on Facebook [https://  
facebook.com/stpaultheapostlesavannah/](https://facebook.com/stpaultheapostlesavannah/)

9:45 a.m. Morning Prayer  
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

[Acts 2:14a,22-32](#)  
[1 Peter 1:3-9](#)  
[John 20:19-31](#)  
[Psalm 16](#)

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

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ:

What does it mean to say that Jesus is the Messiah, the Christ? Messiah from Hebrew and Christ from Greek means different things to different groups. As Christians we have come to believe and claim that Jesus is the Messiah, the Christ. Over time that proclamation has developed into the custom of referring to the use of Christ as a second name, Jesus Christ, instead of a title. Unfortunately, this has led to a tendency of too many to assume that the meaning which our witness has developed regarding the meaning of Messiah/Christ is the Scriptural and cultural meaning of the term at the time of Jesus.

The Hebrew word which translates Messiah, is a noun meaning Anointed One. Literally speaking it refers to a person smeared with oil – usually olive oil. This of course is the basis for our ritual anointings at Baptism, Confirmation, and Ordination. Scripture witnesses to the anointing of Israelite Kings, and Aaronic Priests. These leaders were often referred to as God's anointed. Hebrew culture is not the only to employ this ritual setting apart with consecrated oil as a means of designating the sacred leadership of the nation. But for us as Christians it is the root of all anointings in the life of the Church, for it signifies a reality which the whole of witness points to – that Jesus is the Anointed One and that by virtue of our Baptism we share in His priesthood, exercising that office particularly when we proclaim Jesus Lord.

Nathan, one of the early prophets during the reign of King David promised that the throne of David would “stand firm forever” (2 Samuel 7:16). As often the case with prophetic utterance there was a caveat, if David's descendants served God. David's dynasty ended with the Babylonian conquest of 586 BCE. Jew were to experience the yoke of foreign rule except for a brief respite under the Maccabees up to the time of Jesus. During the two centuries prior to the birth of Jesus hope developed among the Jews for the reestablishment of rule by a descendent of David – a Messiah. This expectation, however, was not uniform. Some put emphasis on the spiritual implications, while others put their hopes on the overthrow of foreign domination.

According to the Gospels Jesus was ambivalent about the title, Messiah. On the one hand he could accept it because He was God's agent, establishing the reign of God. On the other hand, he refused to accept popular expectations which included the overthrow of Roman rule. As often was the case with Jesus, He redefined the meaning of Messiah with regular reference to the “Suffering Servant” images from Isaiah ( 52:13-53:12) For the Early Church not only did the teachings of Jesus clarify what it meant for Him to be called Messiah but His death and Resurrection define to this day what we mean when say Jesus is the Anointed One of God.

The Greek word for anointed, Christos, which gives us Christ in English, supplants the most common title for Jesus in the New Testament, Son of Man. The Early Church made the connection between Jesus use of Son of Man to identify with humanity and the Desire of God's reign that we all may be anointed to establish unity through the proclamation of the resurrection and the indwelling of the Holy Spirit. So, whether we say Christ Jesus, Jesus Christ, or Jesus the Messiah we should always bear in mind that as the Body of Christ we too are anointed and are called to usher in the new age of God's reign by our deeds, words and prayers. **WWIII**

# Parish News and Events



*Doubting Thomas, Caravaggio (1573-1610),  
Potsdam, Germany*

## **Second Sunday of Easter**

*Too access the readings for this Sunday, go to:  
[www.lectionarypage.net](http://www.lectionarypage.net)*

## **Study Questions on the Sunday Readings**

### **Acts 2:14a, 22-32**

Think about a time when something you never understood became perfectly clear in an instant. What was your first response to that “eureka” moment? Did you tell anyone about what you had discovered?

### **Psalm 16**

Think of a time when your life has been completely shaken. It could be a death, a financial disaster, or a serious health concern. What about this psalm might help someone who finds themselves in these “faith-jarring” moments?

Verse 8 says that God “is at my right hand.” What does it mean to have God at your right hand?

### **1 Peter 1:3-9**

How do we as Christians demonstrate a living hope in Jesus Christ, especially when encountering struggles and the daily toils of this world?

### **John 20:19-31**

Jesus’ body bears the scars of his crucifixion. But it is also a “different” body, in that it is a

restored body. We all bear scars of both physical and emotional trauma. How can these scars be “resurrected” and used to demonstrate that God forgives sins, and that we too must be a people centered around reconciliation?

*These study questions were written by John L. Blackburn, a student of the Iona Collaborative.*

## **Easter Flower Donations**

*Millie Dimock in Memory of  
R. Edwin Pierson and  
Ruby W & Reese Hervey*

*Mary & Fr. Wm Willoughby in Memory of  
Crane & W. Houghby Family and in Memory  
of Fr. George Maxwell & Bishop Shipp*

*Fr. Robert and Mrs. Jan Carter in Memory of  
Jim & Jane, James & Laura Gertrude*

*Deacon Sue Gahagan in Memory of Oscar &  
Nedra Welde and L. Powell Gahagan, Jr.*

*Kathleen Waite in Memory of  
John and Rosemary Towers*

*Craig and Dorie Hopkins in  
Thanksgiving for Many Blessings*

*Marjory Stephens in Thanksgiving for the  
1st Birthday of her great-granddaughter  
Addison McCrea*

*Wendy Delano in Thanksgiving for  
Many Blessings*

*Elsie and Ronnie Clark in Memory of  
Loved Ones*

## **Office Closed**

The Church office will be closed to visitors until further notice, due to the Public Health Emergency

## This Week at St. Paul's

### Mass Schedule

As of this writing we will be closed for Public Worship until the end of April please join us daily for Livestreaming on our Facebook Page

<https://facebook.com/stpaultheapostlesavannah/>

### Keeping St. Paul's going

Three ways to make your financial contribution. The vitality of St. Paul's depends on all of us

- 1) Join Realm
- 2) use your Banks' Bill Pay
- 3) send your check in the Mail

### 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 04-12-2020

\$3,795.00

### Restricted 04-12-2020

\$32.00

## 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

Robert McDowell Fogle III

Music Director & Administrator

Nathan P. Wilson, Asst. to the Dean

Joe Daniels, Sexton

Victor Moreno, Pastoral Assistant

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

### High Altar Flowers

*See inside page*

### Virgin Altar Flowers

are given to the greater glory of God and in honor of Rachel Robinson's Birthday

### Walsingham Shrine Flowers

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### Sanctuary Altar Lamp

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

### Virgin Altar Lamp

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### Birthdays

Rachel Robinson (19)

John Scott (24)

Dr. Tom Dunn (25)

### Expectant Mothers

Julia Burt

Cazenove Boulus

Jill Jenkins

Ashley Kennedy

Stefanie Morris

Grace Rafield

### Departed

Andrew Joseph Ryan, Jr. (19)

Eleanor Reese Ryan (19)

Mrs. R.E. Witt (21)

Alice Elizabeth Hillis (24)

Beryl Timberlake (24)