



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	Feria
	MP 9:00 am
	EP 5:30 pm
	HE 6:00 pm
Wednesday	Feria
	Lauds 6:45 am
	HE 7:00 am,
	MP 9:00 am
	EP 5:30 pm
Thursday	Feria
	MP 9:00 am
	HE 10:00 am
	EP 5:30 pm
Friday	Feria
	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 Fifth Sunday of Easter

May 10, 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 (4th Sunday)

*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

[Acts 7:55-60](#)

[1 Peter 2:2-10](#)

[John 14:1-14](#)

[Psalm 31:1-5, 15-16](#)

Parish Office Hours: Monday thru Thursday

10 am - 12 pm / closed on Friday

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REFLECTIONS

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ:

While we are in a place of reflective consideration, I thought it might be nice to consider some of the aspects of our work and witness so far this Century. It goes without saying that at the top of the list is the Thomas Park Food Pantry, which has been serving our neighbors near and far for more than 45 years. Many of you may not know that we are a founding agency of the Savannah Food Bank-now Second Harvest Food Bank. For many years member of this parish has served as Board Members, Volunteers and Fund Raisers for the Bank.

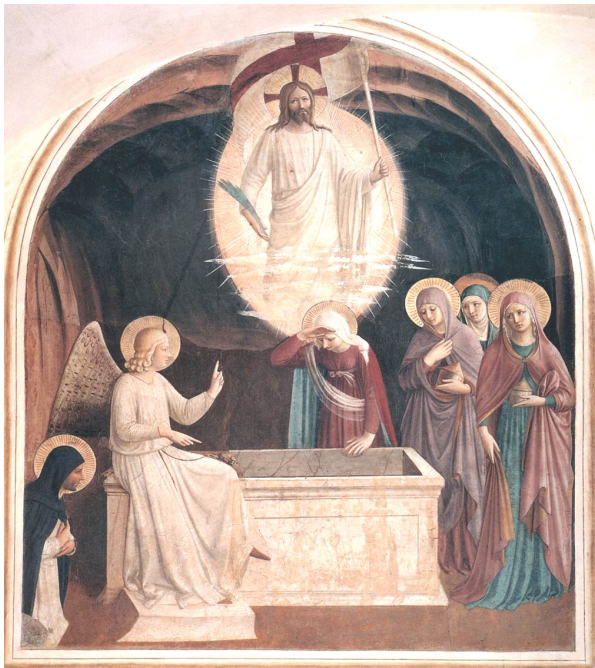
In recent years, under the leadership of Deacon Sue Gahagan, we have become a supporter of Backpack Buddies. A program which sends children home with food for the week end that the School Social Workers identify. Much like the Food pantry this work has involved people outside the congregation, thus helping strengthen ties with the greater community. Many of you have been the heart and soul of this work over the years and I know that our neighbors greatly appreciate the joy and dedication you bring to this corporate act of mercy. It speaks volumes about our response to our Lord's invitation, "When did you see me hungry and feed me, thirsty and give me a drink..." I am not only proud of the volunteers who ensure the work is carried out, but those you who support this outreach by your gifts and your encouragement of others who make sure this work continues.

Musically we have been home to several performance groups these past Twenty years. For many years we hosted concerts given by I Cantori, lead by Dr. Robert Harris. Dr. Harris also sponsored many concerts given by his Armstrong Students over the years. In addition, we have been home to the work of the Goliard's, led by John Hillenbrand. This group practices a pure form of musical love and appreciation. They often work for months at a time on a set of works focused on a folio, period or type, bringing them to life as only live performance can. We are both honored and grateful to call them our Artists in Residence. This puts me in mind of the work of an all-female vocal group which called St. Paul's home, Con Spiritu. They gave many a delightful concert before their guiding spirit moved to New Zealand.

Of course, many a child in Savannah owes their appreciation and love of music to the organization and development of the Savannah Children's Choir. Born out of a coffee hour conversation in Bishop Brady Hall, for Ten Years we were home and source of many milestones in their expansion until they outgrew our facilities, moving on like many groups we have nurtured or given birth to in our 168 years of serving Savannah and the Episcopal Diocese of Georgia. Our newest foray into raising up the next generation of musicians in Savannah has greatly benefited the Parish Choir. Our Choral scholars have added depth and texture to our ability to engage the great corpus of liturgical music. I for one have enjoyed the challenges which they have taken on and that have moved me to up my game. I am most grateful for the leadership of our Director of Music, Mac Fogle in this essential work.

Our common work in food supplementation and music empowerment feed body and soul. They play an important role in defining and shaping our community. (more to come) **WWIII**

Parish News and Events



The Resurrection, Fra Angelico, Florence

Fifth Sunday of Easter

*Too access the readings for this Sunday,
go to: www.lectionarypage.net*

Study Questions on the Sunday Readings

Acts 7:55-60

In the midst of his suffering and persecution, Stephen was filled with the Holy Spirit, and he saw the glory of God. To make room for the Holy Spirit, he had to let go of his need for control - or the need to cling to his own life.

Where do you see the glory of God? Where do you find beauty, joy, and peace?

What helps you make room for the Holy Spirit in your life?

What aids you to let go of your need for control - the need to plan your life in accordance with your own ideas, comfort, and preferences?

Psalms 31:1-5, 15-16

This psalm is a declaration to God in time of trou-

ble. When the psalmist asks God, “Deliver me in your righteousness,” there are two possible ways to interpret this. One is that God’s sense of justice will find us worthy of deliverance. This is a tall order for any of us. The second interpretation comes from the rendering of the word “righteousness” as friendship with God. In light of this translation, the psalmist is asking that his friendship with God become the vehicle of his deliverance.

God wants to be your friend. That’s a powerful idea. What feelings or thoughts come to mind when you ponder that God wants to have a friendship or a personal relationship with you?

1 Peter 2:2-10

In this scripture, Peter reminds us that the soul needs to be fed. The great spiritual writers tell us about junk food for the soul: wealth, pleasure, honor, and power. That junk food will not satisfy the soul - just as our body cannot live on Twinkies and milkshakes.

Where do you find spiritual nourishment? What feeds your soul?

What is your go-to “junk food”? What spiritual practices help you to fast or abstain from spiritual junk food?

John 14:1-14

This gospel is about the signs and deeds of Jesus and how they evoke belief, conversion, and transformation. In chapter fourteen, Jesus told his disciples, “Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God, believe also in me” (John 14:1). The disciples had reason to be troubled. The signs and deeds they had witnessed were confusing. Yet Jesus told them to not let their hearts be troubled. Not quite, “Do not be afraid.” Rather, “Do not let your fears overwhelm you.”

What brings you peace when you are afraid? What helps you to put your trust in God?

This Bible study was written by Santi Rodriguez, a seminarian at Seminary of the Southwest from the Diocese of Virginia.

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 05-03-2020

\$8725.00

Restricted 05-03-2020

\$885.00

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The Episcopate

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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

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The Rev. John G Anderson

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The Reverend Susan E. Gahagan, ECSB

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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

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

Virgin Altar Flowers

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Walsingham Shrine Flowers

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Sanctuary Altar Lamp

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Birthdays

Ella Marie Hoskins (10)

Ronnie Clark (13)

Jessie Downs (14)

Armando Vega (15)

Palmer Walker (16)

Anniversaries

Diana and Bill Gladden (12)

Expectant Mothers

Julia Burt

Cazenove Boulus

Jill Jenkins

Ashley Kennedy

Stefanie Morris

Grace Rafield