

# Spiritus Gladius

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

## The Weekday Kalendar

Monday Alban

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 Nativity of John the

Baptist

**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

Third Sunday of Pentecost

June 21, 2020

Via Livestream on Facebook <a href="https://">https://</a> 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)

The Propers

<u>Jeremiah 20:7-13</u> <u>Psalm 69: 8-11, (12-17), 18-20</u> <u>Romans 6:1b-11</u> <u>Matthew 10:24-39</u>

**MP** - Morning Prayer **HE** - Holy Eucharist

**HS** - Healing Service **EP** - Evening Prayer

Parish Office is closed until further notice. For updates on church openings, visit our Web Site at www.StPaulSavannah.org

## REFLECTIONS

The Book of Common Prayer is the standard by which I measure my work and ministry as a priest of the Church called to service in the Episcopal Church, a constituent member of the Anglican Communion. In the Service for the Ordination of a Priest the Bishop asks the ordinand during the examination: "Will you persevere in prayer, both in public and in private, asking God's grace, both for yourself and for others, offering all your labors to God, through the mediation of Jesus Christ, and in the sanctification of the Holy Spirit?" The assumption of the Prayer Book is that the priest will be a prayerful person. In fact the whole of the ordination service and the spirit of the Prayer Book assumes that the ordained ministry of the Church will model a prayerful pattern of life that the Church, which is the family of God, the body of Christ, and the temple of the Holy Spirit, might be enabled in its baptismal ministry.

Because the task of a Priest is to proclaim by word and deed the Gospel of Jesus Christ, and to fashion one's life in accordance with its precepts, attention needs to be focused on those things which the Prayer Book holds up as conducive to the inculcation of the gospel in a Priests' life. Practically speaking the Prayer Book assumes a rule of life for all the baptized, while the ordination service assumes that the priest will model this rule of life; so that members will be encouraged to live into the rule. Simply put the Priest rule includes: the dedication of oneself to the daily recitation of Morning and Evening Prayer, the celebration of the mysteries of the Holy Eucharist as the principal act of Christian worship on the Lord's Day and other major Feasts. As well as the cultivation of personal penitence and the regular use of the sacrament of reconciliation that the power of God's forgiveness might be made known in the immediate life of the church and the penitent, and the performance of various assistances with no regard to age, station, or influence. So that this course of life does not descend into mere form and become a dry formula, the Priest must be willing to diligently seek the knowledge of such things as may make him or her stronger and more able to minister Christ to all kinds and conditions of men, women and children, beginning with the reading and study of Holy Scripture, the eternal wellspring for a definitive relationship with God. The Priest should also engage an effective form of spiritual direction in his or her life which encourages self-examination, renewal, meditation, private prayer and devotional reading.

Regarding pastoral work certain priorities should be noticeable in a priest's pastoral vision. The first and most important thing that a parish priest can do is pray for the flock. These prayers should not only be included in the intercessions of the Divine Office and the celebration of the Eucharist but in a regular scheme of mental prayer where the priest makes a spiritual visitation to those on whom they will call in their rounds of pastoral visitation or through their phone ministry. Knowledge gained of the flock by personal visitation of the whole parish and not only the sick is an important aspect of a pastoral ministry which responds to the admonition of St. John "the good shepherd knows his own sheep by name." As far as is humanly possible and taking care to be a good steward of ones limited resources, the priest should be accessible to the flock, by providing for regular office hours and cultivating a demeanor which encourages approach from all members of the parish. (to be continued) WWIII

## Parish News and Events

### **Parish News**

#### **Celebration of Marriage**

St. Paul's congratulates Arend Jan de Voest Jr. and Katherine Posse de Voest on the celebration of their marriage.

#### **Many Thanks**

The parish would like to thank Marjory Stephens, long time parishioner, for the many years of dedicated service to God and to her church. Marjory has moved to Florida to be near her daughter. For many years Marjory has volunteered weekly in assisting in the office and at the altar. St. Paul's will miss her joie de vive and her spirit of generosity.

#### **Death of Parishioner**

It is with profound sadness we announce the death of parishioner Beverly Brown Hern. Funeral arrangements are incomplete.

"May her soul and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace." Amen



**Digital Vacation Bible School** 

VBS will begin on Monday, June 22 and end on Friday, June 26. Each day we will begin with an opening session, facilitated by the Rev. Canon Joshua Varner, Canon for Children and Youth.

## How can my family participate?

We're asking each child to register for the week You may register at the link found here. You will find each day's activities and schedule below. Feel free to follow along at the assigned times or come back to it later! The videos will live here and on our Facebook page for you to visit when it works for your family's schedule.

We're having so much fun! How can we share that with you? We'd love to see how your family is participating in VBS! If you'd like to share your photos or videos of your family singing songs, making art, or enjoying the activities, we'd love to share them on our social media channels. To send us your content, you may upload it <a href="here">here</a>.

## What if we can't participate every day? Can we skip around?

Yes! We know that life is very different right now, so join in when you can.

#### Is there a theme?

This year's theme is *Who is My Neighbor?*Structured around themes of loving one another, we'll spend our time together learning different stories from the Bible that tell of neighborly interactions, even when being a good neighbor wasn't always the "cool" thing to do. Each day's story will have an accompanying art activity, song time, and worship.

## **How do I find out more information?**

If you'd like to know more, follow us on social media and look in your email inbox for the next edition of our weekly e-newsletter, From the Field. For additional questions, contact the Rev. Canon Joshua Varner at jvarner@gaepiscopal.org.

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## 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 April 2020 \$129,023.75 Outflows February 2020 \$147,512.17 Balance (-\$18,488.42)

Budget needed each week \$8,567.00

### Offering 06-14--2020

By Mail: \$8,115.00 Online (Realm): \$1460.00

Restricted 06-14--2020 \$650.00

## St Paul's Collegiate Church

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#### The Episcopate

The Right Reverend Frank S. Logue Bishop of Georgia The Most Rev'd Michael B. Curry D.D. Primate, Episcopal Church, USA The Most Rev'd & 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'd Dr. Wm Willoughby III, OStJ Rector & Dean of Savannah

> The Rev'd Leonel Polanco Latino Missioner

The Rev'd Lauren Flowers Byrd **Assisting Priest** 

The Rev'd Susan E. Gahagan, ECSB Deacon

The Rev'd Victor Moreno. Deacon Robert McDowell Fogle III Music Director & Administrator Fr. Nathan P. Wilson, Asst. to the Dean Joe Daniels, Sexton 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 and Memorials

#### **High Altar Flowers**

are given to the greater glory of God and in honor of Father's Day by Deacon Victor Moreno.

#### Our Lady Queen of Peace Altar **Flowers**

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#### **Walsingham Shrine Flowers**

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#### High Altar Sanctuary Lamp

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

## Our Lady Queen of Peace

Altar Lamp

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#### **Birthdays**

Erick Nowicki (21) Ken Martin (21) Cathy Joiner (22) Elsie Clark (23) Demetri Nevels (24) Lamar Ballard (26)

#### **Expectant Mothers**

Stefanie Morris Grace Rafield Katherine Posse de Voest

#### **Anniversaries**

Nichole and August Breton (21) Heather and Jamie Downs (25)

#### **Departed**

Carl Ray O'Dell (21) Caroline McIver (21) Florence Porter (23) Willard E. Brewer (24) George Hampton (27)