



# Spiritus Gladius

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

## The Weekday Kalendar

<b>Monday</b>	<b>St. Luke the Evangelist</b> MP 9:00 am HE 12:15 pm EP 5:30 pm
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Feria</b> MP 9:00 am EP 5:30 pm HE 6:00 pm
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Feria</b> <b>Lauds</b> 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>St. James or Jerusalem</b> <b>Lauds</b> 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 Twentieth Sunday After Pentecost

October 18, 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  
4<sup>th</sup> Sundays of the Month*

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Remember to Wash your Hands Regularly

The Propers  
[Isaiah 45:1-7](#)  
[Psalm 96:1-9, \(10-13\)](#)  
[1 Thessalonians 1:1-10](#)  
[Matthew 22:15-22](#)

Parish Office is open for phone calls Monday Through  
Thursday, 10am-12:00pm

No in-person visits are allowed at this time.

# Reflections

## A Pastoral Letter to the People of the Episcopal Diocese of Georgia October 4, 2020 – The Feast of St. Francis Assisi

“You do well if you really fulfil the royal law according to the scripture, ‘You shall love your neighbor as yourself.’” - James 2:8

Dear Followers of Jesus,

In less than a month, we will have all cast our votes for the next President of the United States. I write to call upon you to pray, to vote, and to show your love of God as found in Jesus Christ, through your words and actions, as you love your neighbor as yourselves. In these ways, we demonstrate our essential trust in the Holy Spirit as we take part in the political process. I have heard that the soul of our nation is at stake in this presidential election. I have heard that sentiment from across the entire political spectrum, from liberals to conservatives and everyone in between. I do believe that this election is momentous because the tensions that have accrued in this unusual year may tempt us to lose sight of the mark set by Jesus to love God and love our neighbors as we love ourselves. Everything, as Jesus clearly told us, hangs on these two commandments. This month I ask you join me in praying, voting, and loving:

### **Pray**

Daily prayer always matters as we offer those needs in our hearts and minds. The Apostle Paul writes in Romans that even when we do not know how to pray, the “Spirit intercedes with sighs too deep for words.” Forward Movement will offer a Novena, an ancient practice of nine successive days of prayer, in the week before through the day after the election. You can sign up for A Season of Prayer: For an Election online here. Whether you opt for praying the prayers offered by this Episcopal Church ministry of discipleship and evangelism or not, I hope you will join me in praying daily as we approach the election and, in the days, following.

### **Vote**

As we pray faithfully for God’s will, we are also called to act. We have a duty to our country to cast our ballots as our faith and prayers lead us to vote.

### **Love**

I so value that each of our congregations have people who disagree strongly on politics yet enjoy gathering to worship and serve God. Even though we cannot kneel alongside others at the altar rail right now, I know that those same connections remain strong. Following Jesus is not easy. Even as we hold strong convictions, we must do so without demonizing those who disagree with us. Our words and actions toward those whose political choices are opposed to ours, reveals our love of God and neighbor and is our witness to the world. Holding an election in a pandemic means we will also need to have patience as we await the results, continuing to pray as we wait. No matter which candidate is elected, we must not lose sight of love, even if we were to gain the whole world, we could lose our own souls. Each of the candidates is a flawed human being who will fall short of the glory of God, as do we all. Neither candidate will bring about the Kingdom of God on earth. But if we respond to the neighbor that we know with anger or hatred for their differing political views -- or for any reason -- we are unfaithful to Jesus’ call to love even our enemies. And it is that steadfast love that bears witness to Jesus and carries on Christ’s work of reconciliation in the world -- the responsibility of every Christian. No matter who is elected, scripture calls us to pray faithfully for that person once in office. Knowing the weight of responsibility, a President of the United States bears, everyone who serves in that role needs our steady prayers. And no election ends our call to remain active citizens, writing to those who represent us to advocate on behalf of causes our faith enlivens us to support. For no matter what happens, we know that long after we have voted, we will still need to pray and to love and so follow the way of Jesus.

Pax et Bonum,  
The Rt. Rev. Frank S. Logue  
Bishop of Georgia

# Parish News and Events

## Invitation for In-Person Worship 10am Mass and the 5:30pm Evening Prayer/Mass

Join us for in-person worship at St. Paul's this Sunday with a Solemn High Mass at 10am, a Misa en Espanol at 12:15pm and Evening Prayer/Mass outside on the church grounds at 5:30pm

**Reservations are required** for attendance at the 10am Mass and the 5:30pm Evening Prayer/Mass (*reservations are not required for the Misa en Espanol, however you are asked to contact Adriana Ramirez at (912) 257-7163 or email her at adriana-nav@gmail.com*)

Both the 10am mass and the 5:30pm Evening Prayer/Mass are each limited to a maximum attendance of 50 people.

To make a reservation, click on the link listed below: (*If you do not choose to use the online reservations system, you may call the church office at (912) 232-0274.*)

[Make a Reservation on Realm](#)

The reservations system is made live for registering noon Monday through noon Friday prior to each Sunday. *Please make your reservations no later than Friday at 12:00pm.* You will receive an email reminder to register with a link each Monday at noon.

*If for any reason you are unable to keep your reservation – or know that a member or members of your “party” will be unable to attend – please notify the parish, so that we*

*can offer seating to those on our waitlist. Again, as we move forward with in-person worship, preference will be given to those who have been waitlisted in prior weeks.*

For those who are unable to join us for Sunday Worship in person, the Masses will continue to be live-streamed at their respective service times.

*NOTE: the 5:30pm Evening Prayer/Mass is held outside on the church lawn. Feel free to bring your pet(s) and a lawn chair. In the event that weather won't permit an outside service, it will be moved indoors in the Parish Hall.*

Our prayers of support are extended to the family and friends of St. Paul parishioner John Wesley Ely who died suddenly on October 7, 2020. Eternal rest, grant unto him O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon him. May he rest in peace. Amen. May his soul and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

## Join Us for Thursday Bible Study

Bible Study is held weekly on Thursday mornings via zoom following 10:00am mass (live-streamed through Facebook). This is a regular weekly event and you are invited to attend! Please contact Kate Zeh at [katezeh@mac.com](mailto:katezeh@mac.com) to be added to the email invitation and receive the link.

## Suggested Prayer For Putting On A Mask

We bless you and praise you, Lord Christ, for commanding us to love one another. Let this mask be a sign of your love, and let my behavior be filled with love for my neighbor. Amen

## This Week at St. Paul's

### Mass Schedule

As of this writing, we are opening the church to limited in-person worship (phase one of the Diocesan plan). Please join us daily for Livestreaming on our Facebook Page

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

**Holy Communion is available at the Main Door after the 10am Mass until 11:35 am**

### 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

### Year-To-Date

Inflows July 2020

\$209,527.11

Outflows July 2020

\$245,464.44

Balance (-\$35,937.33)

Budget needed each week

\$8,567.00

### Offering 10-11-2020

By Mail: \$3,296.00

Online (Realm): \$930.00

### Restricted 10-11-2020

\$100.00

## 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

Associate

The Rev'd Susan E. Gahagan, ECSB

Deacon

The Rev'd Victor Moreno, Deacon

Robert McDowell Fogle III

Music Director & Administrator

Joe Daniels, Sexton

Grace Downs, Children's Ministries

& Communications

### 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

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## Thanksgivings and Memorials

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

### Our Lady Queen of Peace

#### Altar Flowers

### Walsingham Shrine

### High Altar Sanctuary Lamp

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## October 18-24

### Birthdays

Mary Willoughby (18)

Fr. William Willoughby III (19)

Claire Hammond (22)

Mimi Ferrelle (23)

August Winfred Breton (24)

### Expectant Mothers

Katherine Posse de Voest

### Deported

John Wesley Ely III (Oct 7)

Leona Simkins Bryson (23)

The Rt. Rev.

J. W. Montgomery (23)