



# Spiritus Gladius

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

## The Weekday Kalendar

<b>Monday</b>	<b>Confession of St. Peter</b> MP 9:00 am <b>HE 12:15 pm</b> EP 5:30 pm
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Wulfstan, Bishop</b> MP 9:00 am EP 5:30 pm <b>HE 6:00 pm</b>
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Fabian, Bishop and Martyr</b> Lauds 6:45 am <b>HE 7:00 am</b> MP 9:00 am EP 5:30 pm
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Agnes, Martyr</b> MP 9:00 am <b>HE 10:00 am</b> EP 5:30pm
<b>Friday</b>	<b>Vincent, Deacon &amp; Martyr</b> Lauds 6:45am <b>HE 7:00am</b> MP 9:00 am EP 5:30 pm

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

## The Second Sunday After The EPIPHANY

January 17 , 2021

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 (*online*)

5:30 p.m. Evening Prayer/Mass

(*On the Church Lawn*)

Benediction (4<sup>th</sup> Sunday)

\*\*\*\*\*

*There is a 3 pm Mass at St. Bartholomew's,  
Chevis Road at Wild Heron Road on the  
4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the Month*

\*\*\*\*\*

### The Propers

[1 Samuel 3:1-10\(11-20\)](#)

[1 Corinthians 6:12-20](#)

[John 1:43-51](#)

[Psalm 139:1-5, 12-17](#)

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

**No in-person visits are allowed at this time.**

# Reflections

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ:

Most of us have come across the famous Chinese Curse – may you live in interesting times. In various ways the implications of this saying have come home to me in the past year, months, and weeks. I have become increasingly disturbed by how loosely sectors of our society engage issues of truth, virtue, and integrity. Like most people I have known in my life, I have had moments when I have indulged in behaviors which belie a strict adherence to these qualities. I see the struggle to contend with forces interior and exterior which undermine the integrity of our lives, as signs not only of our humanity, but real opportunities to learn from the summons to take the right course of action or to support the truth. There is something soul bracing to having to face our failings and rectify the wrongs we have done. It may not eliminate the factors of fear, self-preservation and illusion which prompted our participation in a lie or dishonest behavior. Confession, repentance and seeking reconciliation with our sisters and brothers provides the opportunity to recalibrate and I believe make us stronger.

Its time we apply this centuries old understanding to our society for the health of the republic and the future of democracy. We have been gifted with each other and are beloved of God. This should be our starting place and not some list of recriminations. I have found that real conversation allows truth to prevail and that if we spend more time listening than planning our next verbal come back God, the Holy Spirit, can use our desires and intentions to move all of us into a place of reconciling love. Now this is hard work, and it involves a willingness to be honest with ourselves, open to other people's stories and insights, and relies on the cultivation of an awareness of our limitations.

We must engage in these exchanges within the context of Hope. The Sunday's after Epiphany are an excellent time to plumb the depths of hope available to us in Christ Jesus. As a season, Epiphany reminds us that God's gift of God's self in Jesus is for everyone. As ambassadors of that truth, we must never forget that our pilgrimage is never solo but a journey alongside each other. For that pilgrimage to be fruitful we must do all in our power to put aside suspicion or mistrust, and turn towards seeking the face of God, not in the abstract but in each other. The cultivation of trust and peace is an art. The present moment is desperately in need of the truth that it is God's desire and intention that we all become coheirs, members of each other, and copartners in the promise of love manifest in God's outpouring of Love, both in Creation and in the person of Christ Jesus.

Epiphany reminds us of our need to answer the call to open our hearts, to be present to each other's pain, and to recognize the image of God in each of us. This a fundamental mission of all Christians. By our actions and attitudes, we are called to consecrate the world to God. In this way, and not by shouting or recrimination in public or social media will we be part of God's plan to bring unity to all. Thereby living into God's reconnecting Love which is capable as nothing else to instill Hope amid anxiety and doubt. **WWIII**

# Parish News and Events

## Epiphany II



### **The Calling of the Apostles**

Maestà altarpiece, Cathedral, Siena, Italy  
Duccio di Buoninsegna (ca. 1260–1319)

### **In-Person Inside Church Attendance Suspended**

As COVID-19 rates of infection are sharply rising, we have entered into a high daily rate of infection and the Bishop has established new directives which require us to suspend in-person worship within the Sanctuary at this time. Indoor services will remain closed through January and we will monitor the rates of infection and hospital occupancies. We will re-evaluate the community health conditions at the beginning of February and determine if it is appropriate to reopen the Sanctuary for in-person worship based on the guidance from the Bishop. Your prayers for those affected, caregivers, and for our community are encouraged. We will be on the other side of this with God's help. We will continue to have evening

worship on the lawn on Sundays starting with Evening Prayer at 5:30pm along with livestream 10am and daily mass services online through Facebook. Please join us! Sarah Ward, Senior Warden Fr. Wm Willoughby, Dean .

**To make a reservation for 5:30pm Evening Prayer/Mass, 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](#)

### **Parish Annual Meeting**

Due to the pandemic and safety concerns with large gatherings, the Vestry voted to suspend the by-laws which require the annual meeting to be held in a church building. Committee reports and the 2021 Budget will be distributed electronically to the members of the parish in January. Voting for new vestry members will occur by mail and digital survey. If you did not receive your ballot, call the church office.

### **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.

## This Week at St. Paul's

### Sunday Lay Minister

Erick Nowicki

### Sunday Lector

Billy Wooten

### Mass Schedule

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

[https://facebook.com/](https://facebook.com/stpaultheapostlesavannah/)

[stpaultheapostlesavannah/](https://facebook.com/stpaultheapostlesavannah/)

**Holy Communion is available at the Main Door after the 10am**

**Mass until 11:15 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
- 3) send your check in the Mail

### Year-To-Date

Inflows November 2020

\$328,295.71

Outflows November 2020

\$388,508.17

Balance (-\$60,212.46)

Budget needed each week

\$8,567.00

### Offering 01-10-2021

By Mail: \$9,467.31

Online (Realm): \$3,140.00

### Restricted 01-10-2021

\$725.00

## St Paul's Collegiate Church

1802 Abercorn Street - Savannah, GA 31401

34th & Abercorn Streets

1.912.232.0274

### 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

Parochial Vicar

The Rev'd Susan E. Gahagan, ECSB

Deacon

The Rev'd Victor Moreno, Deacon

Robert McDowell Fogle III

Organist/Choirmaster & 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

Lorna Smith, '22

**Remember to Wash your Hands  
Regularly**

### High Altar Flowers

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

### Queen of Peace Altar Flowers

### Walsingham Shrine Flowers

### 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

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

## Jan 17-Jan 23, 2021

### Birthdays

Roy Morris (17)

Marion Paquin (18)

Tony Joiner (19)

Janet McKay (20)

Mary Ann Scott (21)

### Departed

Lonnie Vickers Morrison (17)

Shannon Nichole Joiner (17)

Sara Julia Stephens Carlyle

(19)