



# Spiritus Gladius

Newsletter of the Collegiate Church of  
Saint Paul the Apostle

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## THE WEEKLY KALENDAR

December 5, 2022—December 9, 2022

### Monday

**Clement of Alexandria, Priest, CE 210**

MP 9:00 am  
AA 12:00 pm  
HE 12:15 pm  
EP 5:30 pm  
AA 5:30 pm

### Tuesday

**Nicholas, Bishop, CE 342**

MP 9:00 am  
EP 5:30 pm  
AA 5:30 pm  
HE 6:00 pm

### Wednesday

**Ambrose, Bishop, CE 397**

Lauds 6:45am  
HE 7:00am  
Breakfast (following Mass) Parish Hall  
MP 9:00 am  
EP 5:30 pm  
AA 5:30 pm

### Thursday

**Conception of the BVM**

MP 9:00 am  
HE 10:00am  
AA 12:00 pm  
EP 5:30 pm  
AA 6:00 pm  
HE 6:15pm Misa en Español

### Friday

**Advent Feria**

Lauds 6:45 am  
HE 7:00 am  
MP 9:00 am  
EP 5:30 pm

*HE (Holy Eucharist), MP (Morning Prayer), EP (Evening Prayer), AA*

## December 4, 2022

### The Second Sunday of ADVENT

*All Masses available in Person and Online*

**8:00 am. Said Mass**

**9:45 a.m. Morning Prayer**

**9:45 a.m. Children's Chapel-Sept-May**

**10:00 a.m. Solemn High Mass**

**12:15 p.m. Misa en Español**

**5:30 pm Evensong and Mass  
Benediction (4<sup>th</sup> Sunday)**

*Childcare is Available on the Second Floor  
for the 10am Mass Weekly*

*Covid Update: Currently Masking is Optional*

*St. Paul's Clergy also celebrate a 3pm Mass at*

*St. Bartholomew's, Chevis Road at Wild Heron Road on the 4th  
Sunday of the Month*

### The Propers

*Sunday Readings*

**Isaiah 11:1-10**

**Romans 15:4-13**

**Matthew 3:1-12**

**Psalm 72:1-7, 18-19**

### LIVESTREAM

**Sunday 10am and 5:30pm**

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

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**Mon-Fri 9am Morning Prayer, 5:30pm Evening Prayer  
(copy and paste):** <https://tinyurl.com/23yppjwr>

### Daily Mass

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

**Submissions for the bulletin are due by noon on  
Tuesdays.**

*Parish Office Hours: Monday thru Thursday 10 am-12 pm  
closed on Friday 912.232.0274 (Voice)*

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**The Very Revd. Dr. Wm Willoughby III, OStJ**  
**Rector & Dean of Savannah**

Advent is both a beginning and an ending. It includes both the end of the secular calendar year and the beginning of the Church's sacred cycle.

Change is in the air. Trees have lost their leaves; the lawns are turning brown and the cold hints at the end of time and the coming of the kingdom. The counted Sundays through which we have read one of the Gospels have come to an end and the readings direct us to the inevitability of death and the certainty of judgment.

Here also is a beginning. A new Gospel is opened, and the themes of hope and reunion with the community of saints gone before us, along with the "blessed hope" of the coming of the Christ whose reign is one of service, forgiveness, and true peace are at the heart of the season. As we light another candle on the advent wreath each week the admonition to keep watch is balanced by the directive to rejoice. The Christian community is put in mind of the light of Pascal glory even here amid winter gloom.

Expectation is the watch word of the season. The Latin root of Expectation suggests that we look out of ourselves and look beyond what we can see. Apprehended correctly Advent becomes a means by which we can live in expectation and not lose heart in the face of delay, or setbacks, apparent or real. It has the power to inoculate the Christian against a false view of worship which apprehends our liturgies as a "let's pretend" attempt to recapture someone or something past, instead of a means of entering the fullness of Christ.

The whole mystery of God made known in Christ Jesus is the object and the means of our existence. One of the primary means of participating in that mystery is the liturgies of the Church's sacred cycle. No seasonal liturgy can be planned or celebrated in isolation. Advent cannot be entered into apart from Christmas. Nor can Christmas, with its stories of acceptance and rejection, danger and deliverance, marvels and martyrs, be separated from the paschal (Easter) mystery, which is most intensely focused in the Triduum. Remembering to keep the broad view enables us to enter an ever-deepening familiarity with the beauty and the power that is offered here and now.

Advent is not part of a recurring cycle of ritual and nostalgia. Rather it sets salvation history before us as an invitation to become enfolded in the mystery of Christ, that allows us to be shaped after the pattern of Christ. A pattern which includes "watchfulness". As we wait the day of the Lord and pay attention to the Promise of the Kingdom, the mission of the Baptist is fulfilled, and Mary's expectation is fully manifest, then our hearts are "filled with wonder and praise." Use this season to go beyond what is apparent and open your heart to the richness of God's blessing. Ask how you might bring brightness, warmth and life to others; so that others might know something of the evergreen love of God in Christ Jesus through the unique gift of God which is You.

**\*\*CALLING ALL VOLUNTEERS!\*\***

Our Christmas Refresh Day is fast approaching, won't you help? Let's make our church sparkle for the holidays. Join us on Saturday, December 10th at 9am in the church. No experience necessary!

**\*\*GIFT SHOP/BOOKSTORE VOLUNTEER NEEDED\*\***

Would you like to participate more deeply in the life of St. Paul's and have a background or expertise in retail or business?

We are looking for a creative, organized, committed individual to run the St. Paul's Gift Shop & Bookstore.

If you are interested, please contact Simona Perry, [communitypower.slp@gmail.com](mailto:communitypower.slp@gmail.com) or 240-599-6655.

**\*\*CHILDREN'S CHAPEL & THE PRACTICE OF BOWING\*\***

Children's Chapel will meet this Sunday, December 4, at 10 a.m., to lift up the practice of beginning again in the season of Advent. We will hear the Word of God, respond to the Word of through art and prayer, and enter the Communion of Christ. We will gather in the Read Room, just off the Parish Hall. Children are welcome to arrive anytime between 9:45 a.m. and 10 a.m. They will return to their families in time for the Peace. —*Mother Lauren Byrd*

**\*\*ADVENT CLASS BEGINS WITH LOOKING\*\***

Join us this Wednesday night, from 6 to 7:30 pm in the parish hall, to explore what might be called the Custody of our Eyes. Across four evenings in Advent, we'll engage several things: a recent book by Andy Crouch called, The Life We're

Looking For: Reclaiming Relationship in a Technological World, along with an Advent devotional prepared by Bishop Frank and Victoria Logue and, also, gifts from the Christian Tradition that speak to the "life we are looking for." Though there will be books available, prior reading is not required. What is required is the simple gift of your presence. Please consider joining us. Our meeting schedule will be this: November 30, December 7, 14, and 21, from 6-7:30 p.m.

**\*\*MAYBE THIS YEAR YOU, TOO, HAVE A PART TO PLAY!\*\***

Are you interested in participating in the Christmas Pageant this year? It's a worthy question, and one without any particular "target audience" in mind. No matter how old you are, you are never too old to wear the dress of Christmas. So, if you last put on the mantle or Mary at the age of six or wrapped your hand around a shepherd's crook at the age of ten, I challenge you this year to extend the incarnational play of Christmas into your golden years. What if this Christmas, the older generations of our parish were to put on the pageant for the children, or at least join in what is traditionally theirs to play? Truly, Christmas comes to all of us, because truly we all have need of its joy. If you have an interest in this playful turn, please call or text Mother Lauren, 912-398-9847, or call the Church Office.

**\*\*CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS\*\***

If you would like to donate a poinsettia in memory or in honor of someone, please fill out the donation form, located on the piano or copy and paste this link: <https://tinyurl.com/bdz73ddx>

## Lay Minister Schedule

**8:00 AM**

**Lay Minister: Jim Weathers**  
**Lector: Ellen Hammond**  
**Coffee Hour: Kathleen Waite and Mimi Ferrelle**

**10:00 AM**

**Lay Minister: Erick Nowicki**  
**Lector: Jo Hannah Burch**  
**Cantor: Brenna Dudley**  
**Choir**  
**Trumpet: Scott McKee**  
**Usher: Stewart Ford**

### Altar Guild

**Lu Riley and Kay Tucker**

*If any parishioners are interested in serving at mass, please talk to Fr. Willoughby*

### Gifts

#### Year-To-Date

*Inflows Through October*

*2022*

**\$327,832.21**

*Outflows Through October*

*2022*

**\$388,298.57**

**(\$60,466.36)**

*Budget needed each week*

**\$8,567.00**

#### Offering 11-27-2022

*By Mail and Mass Offertory*

**\$2,048.31**

*(Restricted):*

**\$ 1,031.00**

*Online (Realm):*

**\$ 1,110.00**

### St Paul's Collegiate Church

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#### The Episcopate

The Right Reverend Frank S. Logue  
Bishop of Georgia  
The Most Revd. Michael B. Curry D.D.  
Primate, Episcopal Church, USA  
The Most Revd. & Rt Hon  
Justin Welby D.D.  
Archbishop of Canterbury

#### Honorary Assistant Clergy

Canon J. Robert Carter, PhD  
Fr. John M. Palmer III, CSTJ  
The Rev. John G Anderson  
Lutheran Pastor in Residence

#### Staff

The Very Revd. Dr. Wm Willoughby  
III, OstJ Rector & Dean of Savannah  
The Revd. Leonel Polanco  
Latino Missioner  
The Revd. Lauren Flowers Byrd  
Parochial Vicar  
The Revd. Susan E. Gahagan, ECSB  
Deacon  
The Revd. Victor Moreno, Assistant  
Latino Missioner  
McDowell Fogle, Organist/  
Choirmaster &  
Administrator  
Joe Daniels, Sexton

#### The Vestry

Simona Perry, Senior Warden, '23  
Mark Frissell, Junior Warden, '24  
Lorna Smith, Clerk, '25,  
Judy Naylor-Johnson '23,  
Erick Nowicki '23,  
Adriana Ramirez '23,  
Roger Gregory '25, Kris Lee, '24,  
Alan Boulton, '25,  
Charles McMillan, '24,  
Laura Walker, '24, Ana Carter, '25

### High Altar Sanctuary Candle

#### and Our Lady, Queen of Peace Altar Candle

To the Greater Glory of God and  
in Celebration of the Anniversary  
of the Marriage of  
John Barrett and Thomas White

*Donations of altar lamps or flowers or food  
pantry funds (flowers outside of Lent and  
Advent) may be made in memory or in  
honor of someone, COPY AND PASTE  
this link in your search engine:*

<https://tinyurl.com/5n7mx9ft>

#### Those Who Have Asked for Our Prayers and Petitions:

Charlie & Nancy, Shirley, Deanna, Lauren, Sam, Alan, Donna, Elizabeth, Kay, Linda, Rebecca, Roger, Bill, Austin, Tom, Ana, Chris, Caroline, Erick, Peter, Mary, Darrell, Randy, Myron, Howard, Bob +, Jerry, Jim, Paul, Frank, Rob+, Ann, Baker, Diana

#### Anniversaries

Bill and Shirley Weaver

#### Birthdays

Jewel Lang, Dorie Hopkins,  
Bill Gladden, Bill Weaver,  
Catherine Wexler,  
Patsy Hodge, Justin Sullivan

#### Departed

Francis Edward Heidt Sr.,  
Carrie Lee Chancey