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## Unveiling the Fullness of God's Salvation

Dear Friends,

Years back I remember the Philadelphia acolytes referring to these upcoming Sundays as *Processiontide*. It was an apt title for both there and here as the liturgical season gradually unveils the fullness of God's salvation. June promises to be something of a 2019 highpoint, with its sequence of celebrations.

We begin Sunday June 9 with Pentecost: the gift of the Holy Ghost, and the birthday of the Church. This Spirit transforms a group of beleaguered, confused disciples into a worldwide movement that still thrives today. To me the question Pentecost poses is one of accountability: do we best use all that God gives? It challenges us individually and corporately: how do we each use this extraordinary gift of life and living? And not only the talents and skills that God gives to each of us, but also the more basic commodity of time. On a wider scale, it demands that each Church think carefully and prayerfully how it uses the gifts it receives - not only each and every dollar given in faith but also the "hidden" resources - our space, our buildings, our collective energy. Are we using all that we have been given wisely and well? For make no mistake about it: God expects us to achieve great things through His great gift of Pentecost.

Seven days later, June 16, comes Trinity Sunday, as we move from



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what God *does* to who God *is*. In three persons in one substance we glimpse a relationship of love and loving. Trinity Sunday is a celebration of society, community, and relationships: a reminder that we rely and depend on one another.

Sunday, June 23 we keep Corpus Christi: the Feast of the Body of Christ. On Maundy Thursday we celebrated the Institution of the Eucharist, but in the context of betrayal, suffering, confusion, and the looming shadow of Good Friday. Corpus Christi functions as something of an external solemnity of the same - but this time cloaked in glory and thanksgiving, as we give heartfelt thanks and praise to the God who comes near in this Most Blessed Sacrament.. We celebrate what is truly the very heart of the matter: all that we are and all that we do.

Later that same day Solemn Even-

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song & Benediction will continue our Corpus Christi celebrations. Our guest preacher will be The Rev'd Patricia Lyons, somebody I consider to be one of the Episcopal Church's true evangelists. Tricia picked this date to preach as - weather permitting - we hope to literally take Jesus out of the Sanctuary to the people and streets of our neighborhood who God loves so dearly, with an outdoor procession of the Blessed Sacrament.

The Sacrament is no amulet or superstition - it bursts and shines with the love of God; it transforms our hearts and souls; by a mystery too great for words the presence of Jesus floods from bread and wine, wrapping and enveloping us all around and deep within. And it is our symbol of unity: for we too are members incorporate of this same, one Body by virtue of our Baptism. As Augustine memorably put it: *Be what you see; receive what you are.*

Pentecost - Trinity - Corpus Christi... each, in some way, indicating the mystery of human togetherness - how we find our truest selves precisely by being in relationship, in community, in this society both divine and yet so human that we name the Church. From the days of the earliest church, through to St. Benedict, and on to the present moment we humans have found joy, struggle, and ultimately salvation precisely by worshipping not in isolation but in the company of others who seek and search for Jesus. Once again, it is commitment that truly converts. As we prepare to move into our summer Mass schedule I hope you will each enjoy the opportunity to worship alongside others who perhaps you see less often over the course of the year, and maybe see some acquaintances become friends. I look forward to seeing you at Mass.

This comes, as always, with my love and prayers,  
- Fr Richard



# Easter Flowers

Susan Granum, Billy Glass



The St. Paul's Flower Guild spends a lot of time in Lent planning for Easter. We first meet to assess everyone's time availability and to discuss possible design ideas. A few members of the Guild then go to Potomac Floral Wholesale and spend several hours placing the order with our sales representative. At that time all is put in place to be delivered in stages beginning with palms for the arrangement behind the crucifix over the High Altar for Palm Sunday.



We then go into high gear putting the Garden of Repose in place in the Angel Chapel in time for the Maundy Thursday Mass. During Holy Week arrangements for the nave columns and all other arrangements that can be done off site are prepared. Holy Saturday finds us placing the column arrangements and all others such as the High Altar, the font, the Lady Altar and Paschal candle stand which must be done onsite in the nave. All is readied for the moment the lights go up and the glorious sounds of the Easter bells and *Christus Vincit* begin.

In the midst of all this, we always manage to have fun working and laughing together. We have several members who never do flower arranging but still play crucial roles such as ladder climbing, heavy lifting and general cleanup. We also depend on you, our parish family and your generous donations to fund it all as we receive no funding from the Parish budget. Thank you!

Whether it's Easter or Christmas (another super busy time for us) we can always use more hands, more of your generosity and your prayers!



# Meeting God with a Meal

Kahn Branch

Every Sunday, before the first Mass is celebrated at Saint Paul's K Street, a group of volunteers takes to the streets in Washington, DC. They assist with another holy meal shared in the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Grate Patrol, providing meals throughout the city to those in need, has a mix of beauty and sadness: ministering to the children of God in a way most important while also witnessing the hardships of human life experienced by the neighbors we are called to love. Grate Patrol lives out this commandment in the most active way, in checking in with those one may see and asking if a meal can be provided to them.

Participating in Grate Patrol is a deeply moving experience. Like assistance with other ministries at Saint Paul's, one kind of gets into it and isn't exactly sure how it happened or when. At some point, a parishioner might've mentioned it, so you teamed up with someone who knows the way things are. You connect with them, learn from them and share aspects of life and you end up being hooked into that routine, and thanks be to God for it.

Sometimes experiencing God can be a challenge, especially when one is on their own. Grate Patrol pushes parishioners into the streets to live out the Gospel of Jesus Christ in a radical and yet intimate way. Luckily, like all the ways that Saint Paul's offers us to meet Christ in doing good work to build up the Kingdom of Heaven, we are not left on our own to meet God in the amazing ways He presents himself to us. Like all the church ministries, we have support and guidance to live out the Gospel and prayerfully ask, "would you like some breakfast?"





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# Carpe Deum — A Year in Review

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Alex Duncan

My husband and I moved to DC in August, fresh out of college. One of the first groups that we found to be a part of in DC was Carpe Deum here at St. Paul's K Street. It has truly been a blessing to have a group of young professionals of all sorts to meet with once a week and build roots into the community.

Carpe Deum has been a place of growth for us. In the fall, we read *Surprised by Scripture*, a series of essays by Bishop N. T. Wright in which he discusses what the Bible has to say on contemporary issues like creationism vs. evolution, the role of women in the church, and the church's role in environmentalism. It was truly refreshing to be in a group that didn't agree on every topic or point but was still able to come together for healthy and friendly discussion at each meeting.

This spring, seminarian Rachel Harber has been leading us in an

overview of the prophets. These are books full of references to the law and the social and political events of the time, which can make them incredibly daunting to dive into as a lay reader. Over the last couple of months, we've touched on each of the major prophets to look at the context in which the book was written, the nature of the prophet's calling, and the major themes of justice, mercy, and the foreshadowing of Christ. The play between justice and mercy can be one of the most challenging ideas of our faith and we all benefitted in talking about how God has grown both ends of the spectrum throughout history.

In addition to our learning, Carpe Deum has been a wonderful place of worship, prayer, and community. At each group meeting, we close with Compline, taking time to reflect, pray, and praise in a corporate manner. Often, we bring snacks or meals to

share with the group and spend time before beginning the Bible study or after compline catching up and checking in with each other. We've also done group outings, such as the beautiful contemplative prayer hike we took in October to Scott's Run overlooking the Potomac. As we move into the summer, we will be transitioning to a more laid-back schedule: just meeting up at the church once a month or so to share a meal and hang out.

I am so thankful to have been a part of Carpe Deum this past year. This group has provided me with friendships, spiritual growth, and something fun to look forward to every Tuesday night. We are all thankful to Rachel for leading our book and Bible studies. She has done such a wonderful job of helping us to dive deeper into our understanding of scripture.



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## A Year as Seminarian at St. Paul's

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Doug Worthington



My first year as a seminarian at St. Paul's was both rich and reflective. I had attended St. Paul's quite frequently during my first year at VTS, so I thought I was familiar with

the parish, but like so many other places, it is an entirely different experience when you get to know it from the inside.

In the classical parlance, the piety (or worship style) of my sending parish back in New Jersey is "broad," but "happily eclectic" may be more accurate: little bits of many traditions (from several denominations) blended together over the course of years of rectors' preferences and newcomers' suggestions that have yielded a one-of-kind liturgy. I remember processing into my first 9:15 Mass here this past September and thinking, "If the folks back home could see me now, a third of them would be ready to do this every Sunday; a third would be taking notes; and a third would be alarmed!"

Consistently serving as an acolyte this year has been meaningful to me because of this background. Being steeped in a grounded, intentional and very textured (but thoughtfully so) piety has taught me the liturgical, spiritual and community value that adopting a single style of worship and then executing it with great care and passion can bring to a parish. I've also come to know how deeply a parish relies upon and is indebted to the dedicated, hardworking and highly knowledgeable volunteers who comprise the altar guild, acolyte corps and flower guild!

But the value of worship at St. Paul's has resonated with me on an entirely different level, too. What started in my first year of seminary as a first tentative dip-of-a-toe into the

waters of classical Christian spirituality has become a full-on personal journey into ways of knowing, seeing, living and loving God in Three Persons that has deeply affected me and my faith. This is not the place to go into all the details of that (I'd be happy to talk to you if you're interested), but the conjunction of this blossoming of my inmost dwelling with God and this parish's powerful worship has been extraordinary for me. From solemn Mass to E&B to low Mass on Monday and Tuesday mornings, the true Allness of the Father, Giving-ness of Christ, and Loving-ness of the Spirit have just kept unfolding and catching me short. This, too, is a lesson I hope to carry into parish priesthood in a couple of years.

I have very much enjoyed my time outside the Sanctuary, too, of course: getting to know folks at coffee hours and CB's amazing weekday 'dos'; participating in clean-up days and the Easter 'flowering' of the church; teaching a session on Maundy Thursday as part of our Lenten lecture series; and working a bit with the mission visioning team. As I think ahead to next year, I have two things I'd like to focus on: one is teaching a bit more, and the other is bringing together a group of parishioners who will become 'ambassadors' between SPKS and the Bishop Walker School for Boys. I hope to start taking about that when I'm back in September.

In closing, I'd like to thank Fr. Richard for this opportunity; all the clergy for their guidance and patience; the acolytes who never tired of trying to teach this old dog new tricks; and most of all, my supportive and loving Discernment Committee: Allen Payne (chair), Laurel Malson, Charlene Mui and Ed Perlman. And thank you, too, to all of you for welcoming me so graciously and warmly! I'll look forward to seeing you all in September.



## On Matters of the Soul

Ed Loucks, Convener



Our thriving fellowship and spiritual growth group is tackling yet another small book to round out the season. *The Way of the Heart* by Fr. Henri J. M. Nouwen is one of his earliest books, published in 1981, while he was still a professor at Yale Divinity School. Fr. Nouwen wrote dozens of books since then, leading one wag to comment that Henri Nouwen never had an unpublished thought.

He gets our conversation going with these thought-provoking words: "Our society is not a community radiant with the love of Christ, but a dangerous network of domination and manipulation in which we can easily get entangled and lose our soul." (p 21)

"Why do we children of the light so easily become conspirators with the darkness? The answer is quite simple. Our identity, our sense of self, is at stake. Secularity is a way of being dependent on the responses of our milieu. The secular or false self is the self which is fabricated, as Thomas Merton says, by social compulsions. 'Compulsive' is indeed the best adjective for the false self. It points to the need for ongoing and increasing affirmation." (p. 22)

"The compulsion manifests itself in the lurking fear of failing and the steady urge to prevent this by gathering more of the same—more work, more money, more friends. . . . These very compulsions are at the basis of the two main enemies of the spiritual life: anger and greed." (p. 23)

Now, then, is there a better way to get a red hot discussion going than words such as these? There have been very few prolonged silences in our gatherings once we have read the opening psalm.

Several decades ago, I was blessed to be in a group of about 30 people who were led in a weekend retreat by Fr. Nouwen. The theme of the retreat was "the return of the prodigal son." He was in the process of writing a book by that title which was published in 1992, a few years before his death, and subtitled, "A Meditation on Fathers, Brothers and Sons." For a rich taste of Henri Nouwen at his best, you could hardly choose a better work.

He had gone to the Hermitage in St. Petersburg and spent some days seated before the painting of *The Return of the Prodigal Son* by Rembrandt. His contemplation led him to reflect on the themes of homecoming, affirmation, forgiveness, and reconciliation. It will richly reward those of us who have known loneliness, jealousy, anger, or lack of sufficient affirmation.

In *The Return if the Prodigal Son*, Fr. Nouwen writes, "For a long time I sought safety and security among the wise and clever, hardly aware that the things of the kingdom were revealed to 'little children'; that God has chosen 'those who by human standards are fools to shame the wise.' But when I experienced the warm, unpretentious reception of those who have nothing to boast about, and experienced a loving embrace from people who didn't ask any questions, I began to discover that a true spiritual homecoming means a return to the poor in spirit to whom the kingdom of heaven belongs."

Fr. Nouwen spent his last years as pastor and caregiver at L'Arche Daybreak community in Toronto, a home for mentally handicapped people—a far cry from his early years at Yale Divinity School.



# Reflections of an Organ Scholar: A Moment in Time

Nick Quardokus



Music Gala 2018: Nick Quardokus, Kris Brown Coleman, Dr. Jeffrey Smith

I can vividly remember the first time I heard of St. Paul's, K Street. I was in a sacred music class in the first year or two of undergrad. Our professor was making a comparison between low and high church. "On one side," he said, "is St. Paul's, K Street. There they even chant the Epistle!" At that moment, little did I know that in six years' time St. Paul's would become a musical and spiritual home.

To be an Organ Scholar at St. Paul's has been nothing short of a world-class education, a year I truly would not trade for anything. I received practical instruction in not just music, but also in liturgy and theology, among other subjects. The first person I must thank for this education is Jeffrey Smith. He has been an exceptional mentor, inspiring musician,

and will remain a close colleague. Not many realize the sheer amount of skill and time Jeffrey has offered me over the past year, for which I am extremely grateful.

This year has included a variety of "firsts" – first time out of school since kindergarten, first Anglo-Catholic church job, first Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament, first liturgical Requiem Mass. However, even with all of the memorable "firsts" and the mountaintop services of the year, the depth of this experience transcends an individual day or moment in time. The real beauty has been encountering the St. Paul's that not everyone sees, beyond the plumes of incense, beyond innumerable verses of chant, beyond sung Epistles. The treasure has been seeing a chorister grow, saying hello at coffee hour, sharing breakfast after weekday morning Mass. (I could keep going!)

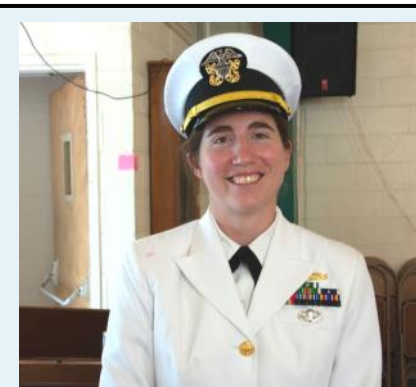
I can vividly remember another day, this one in the not-so-distant past. It was August 5, 2018 – for many, a forgettable Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost. It was my first time attending a service at St. Paul's. Though I was not entrusted to play any music, I was nervously breathing down Jeffrey's neck, scrupulously jotting down liturgical notes in my Mass booklet. Among many things, I remember a few aspects that particularly floored me: the most robust congregational

singing, the accompanied proper alleluia chant, and the sung Creed. I understood that these were unremarkable moments for any parishioner. But for me, in that instant, they were sublime.

During my year, I have learned how easily the sublime can become routine. At St. Paul's, there are extraordinary things happening every day that I take for granted. There are extraordinary moments every Sunday that I pass through without noticing. Now, as I come to the last few weeks of my time here, I yearn to approach each Sunday with that same freshness as I did in August – searching for more of those sublime, yet seemingly ordinary moments that made me fall in love with this place and its people. These are moments I will carry with me my life long.



Concert May 10: Nick with CB Wooldridge



## Congratulations Hannah!!

A reception was held at St. Paul's to mark Hannah Ceen's graduation from Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences, Bethesda, MD on May 18, 2019. Congratulations and best wishes for her new assignment in Norfolk, VA.





# Thank You Clean-Up Day Helpers!

Jennifer Johnston



It was a typical English Summer day – overcast but not raining yet, the sun trying to peep out of the clouds, and no humidity; so weeds were easily

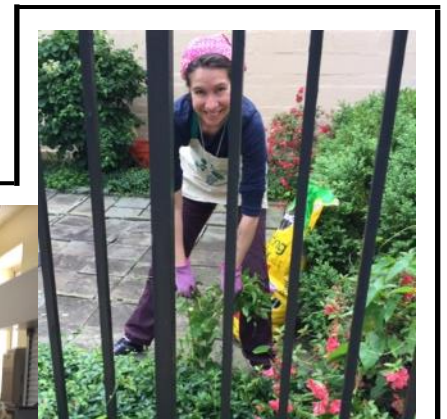
pulled from the rain soaked ground, and people were not tempted to sit out and enjoy the sun, but come to help with the clean up.

Linda Wilkinson's 'to do' list was done! Candle wax removed from pews which were then polished with lemon wax, kitchen cabinets and stove cleaned, 'not needed on voyage' items in Boiler Room and Shed were thrown out, the Genie moved to the Boiler Room, window wells were cleaned of their debris by an intrepid downward climber, shrubs in Front and Side Garden and Columbarium were pruned within an inch of their lives! (although there is still a bit of work to be done in Columbarium), some weeding was accomplished, and a few

plants planted in the Front Garden, butts and branches were picked up, and sidewalks swept.

And since it was Foggy Bottom's Clean –Up Day (aided by the Mayor's Office of the Clean City) we were able to get rid four car loads of 'junk'.

We accomplished a great deal thanks to Brent, CB who provided lunch, Charles, Chris, Dick, Gwyneth, Hallerin, Hannah, Jennifer, Katherine, Kitty, Linda, Scott, Sybil, and Tina.



# 2019 Vestry Candidates

## Jerry Cassidy



Attended St. Paul's since 2008. Received into the Episcopal Church 2012. Education: Columbia University, Georgetown University Law Center Occupation: *Attorney, Regional Director/Chief Administrative Judge*

**Present St. Paul's activities:** *St. Paul's representative and President, Board of Directors, Georgetown Ministry Center (GMC) (since 1/18); St. Paul's Winter Shelter Coordinator (since 2013); Grate Patrol (since 2009).*

**Past St. Paul's activities:** *Vice President, GMC (2016-2018); St. Paul's Commission on Mission (CoM) (2012-2018); Epistle Contributor, articles for CoM and Stewardship Committee.*

**Other activities, personal/family information:**

I grew up in Larchmont, NY, a suburb of New York City. I am married to Andrea, and I have two sons (Noah and Matthew). In my spare time, I enjoy tennis, running, reading, theater/movies, spending time with my family and friends.

### Candidate Statement of Interest

I have a strong interest in our mission ministries and social justice issues. I would like to help broaden our volunteer networks both within the parish and in the outside community so that we can sustain these minis-

tries, which I believe are essential to our core identity as a parish that engages in "Christ-like living" and seeks to make such living visible and accessible for both the local community and the world at large. By working to sustain and perpetuate the parish, I am ensuring that in the days to come others will have the same chance that I had to find both Christ and commu-

## Kris Brown Coleman



Member of St. Paul's since 2006 Education: Bachelor of Science in Engineering, Virginia Tech Occupation: *NASA Deputy Associate Administrator for STEM Engagement*

**Present St. Paul's activities:** *Member of the Parish Choir (2008- present)*

**Past St. Paul's activities:** *St. Paul's Music Gala Chairperson (2018, 2017, 2013); St. Paul's Music Wine Tasting Chairperson (2018); Chairperson, Music Task Force (May 2016); Vestry Member (2011-2014); Facilitator, Focus Groups (2014-15); St. Paul's Choir Parent (2001-2012)*

**Other activities, personal/family information:**

Married to Jonathan Coleman. Mother of Ben Coleman and Alistair Coleman, who both grew up singing at St. Paul's.

### Candidate Statement of Interest

Over the past several years in my work at NASA, I have led efforts to transform and overhaul several critical functions, including most recently NASA's Office of Education that funds and sponsors all NASA programs for students, educators and educational institutions. Previously, I led the effort to transform NASA's approach to strategic communications and public engagement. Also, I have led several strategic planning and future-focused development efforts. I also have multiple experiences as a volunteer board member in non-profit organizations, including my previous service as a Vestry member at St. Paul's.

My hope is to provide my leadership experience and expertise in strategic planning and development gained from my work at NASA and on non-profit Boards to bear in helping to lead St. Paul's toward growth.

I envision providing guidance and support to our upcoming strategic planning effort, continuing to lead efforts including the gala to leverage St. Paul's music program in providing fundraising, evangelization and educational opportunities – all toward enabling growth at St. Paul's.

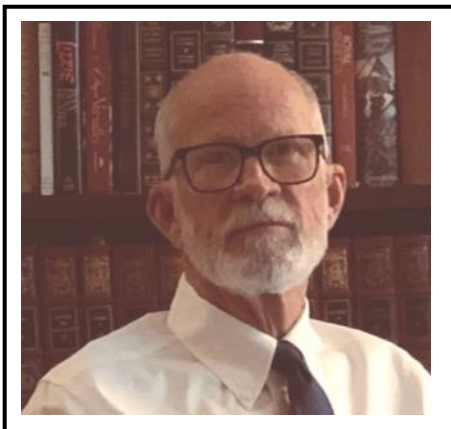
Also, I would like to assist in growing other ministries in the Parish, including children and youth programs, educational opportunities and additional ministries that will attract new people to our Parish.

Finally, I would like to be a force in providing more opportunities for us all to be in joyful fellowship with one another through more broad and diverse set of social and spiritual experiences.

I hope to serve our Parish in these ways.



## Jon Doster



Member of St. Paul's since 1993  
Education: B.A., English Literature and History  
Occupation: *Director, U.S. Department of Agriculture, Foreign Sales, Retired February 2019*

**Present St. Paul's activities:** *Usher*

**Past St. Paul's activities:** *Education for Ministry (EFM), 1995-1997; Grate Patrol, 1997-1999; Pilgrims in Christ, Instructor 2005*

**Other activities, personal/family information:**

I was raised a Southern Baptist but found my spiritual home at St. Paul's.

I served on my condo board for ten years, and as a director and president of the board for 5 years. I have now retired from the condo board.

### Candidate Statement of Interest

Since I am now retired, I feel that with my experience on my condo board I can help St. Paul's as it moves forward in the upcoming years. As we all know, the parish faces challenges in a number of areas which will require both time and experience, which I can now provide.

## Doug Wood



Member of St. Paul's since 2001  
Education: B.A., Yale College, 1996, Economics and Philosophy; J.D., Boston College Law School, 2000  
Occupation: *Attorney, full-time dad*

**Present St. Paul's activities:**

*Assistant Parish Administrator*

**Past St. Paul's activities:** *Pilgrims in Christ (participant, teaching team); Acolyte; Lector.*

**Other activities, personal/family information:**

Doug married fellow parishioner (and former vestry member) Rebecca at St. Paul's in July 2002. Doug is currently a full-time Dad to Caroline (age 10) and Benjamin (age 7), both baptized at St. Paul's. Previously he has been a Navy judge advocate, Director of Government Relations at A.E.I, and in private law practice.

### Candidate Statement of Interest

I feel called to serve on the vestry because over the last decade, I have seen the parish face increasing challenges in the size of its budget and the number of its congregants. At the same time, the experience of being a father has impressed upon me the paramount importance of passing on the faith to my children, particularly the richness of the Anglo Catholic worship at St. Paul's. I believe that a vestry committed to a disciplined strategic plan will play a vital role in preserving our heritage for the future.

## March Vestry



### Ed Britton

The Vestry held a regular meeting on March 26.

The Rector reported that the parish programs for Lent, including the Via Dolorosa course, had been well attended. He also reported that the Bishop of Washington, Bishop Marianne Budde, would preside and preach at the Maundy Thursday liturgy and that Bishop James Shand, retired Bishop of Easton, would preside and preach at the Easter Vigil and celebrate the Easter Sunday services.

The Rector also reported that Hallerin Hill, the new parish administrator, had started on March 18. Vestry members commented on how pleased they were to have Hallerin as a member of the parish staff.

Katherine Britton, Treasurer, reported that newly received pledges put the results of the 2019 pledge campaign modestly beyond projections. She also reported that the parish's endowment funds, all of which are invested in the Diocesan Investment Fund, continue to perform in line with the market.

The Vestry discussed strategic planning initiatives that Bishop Budde is asking all parishes to undertake. The Diocese is already engaged in a strategic planning exercise with the Unstuck Church Group. The Vestry discussed the advisability of hiring an outside consultant to assist St. Paul's planning in general, and specifically of hiring a consultant from the Unstuck Church Group. The Executive Committee will develop recommendations for consideration by the Vestry.

The space needs of Acton Academy as they grow were discussed.

# Catechesis of the Good Shepherd, 2018-2019

Janet Wamsley

We have had a wonderful year in Catechesis of the Good Shepherd. Many thanks to everyone who helped, especially John Hermann with wonderful carpentry, Rachel Harber with beautiful art work for our publicity material, Cassie Connley for serving as an occasional classroom assistant, and Linda Wilkinson for encouragement with the All Saints' children's procession and with the loan of a Christmas tree for the children to decorate to adorn the upstairs atrium at Christmas time.

We have shared wonderful moments with the children as they have worked at their own pace to deepen their relationship with God through Scripture, prayer and beautiful handmade materials. Children have worked with the model altar, and become more familiar with the altar where we worship as a congregation. We have talked about the set up for the altar, as well as the gestures of epiclesis and offering, the preparation of the chalice and the washing of hands at the lavabo. Some children have set up the model altar and brought a Bible to its lectern, reflecting the connection between how we meet God in Holy Scripture, and how we meet him in the Mass.

Children have learned about the

Good Shepherd, and how he takes care of his sheep, even searching high and low if a sheep becomes lost. Some children have also worked with the material for the Presentation of Christ in the temple, the Last Supper in the Upper Room, and the appearance of Christ to the women at the tomb. In these presentations, they hear the Scripture, and have materials to work with so they can connect with the message in a concrete way. We've also presented the parables of the mustard seed, and the parable of the wheat seed falls to the ground and dies, and produces many times more seeds. These parables show how Jesus explained the Kingdom of God to people when he was with us on earth.

We've also celebrated the seasons of the liturgical year at the prayer table where we talk the themes that are the focus of the church's worship. At Advent, we read Messianic prophecies and talked about Jesus as the light who appeared to a people waiting in darkness. We celebrated Epiphany with a presentation of the Wise Men and reflected on the gifts they brought to Jesus. After Candlemas, we blessed candles together and talked about how excited Anna and Simeon were to see Jesus brought to the temple by Mary and Joseph. During Lent, we made silence together at the prayer table as we thought about Lent as a time

of waiting, and after Easter, we enjoyed a time of ringing bells to celebrate the Lord's resurrection. To end the atrium year, we came to the Angel Chapel to celebrate the gifts Jesus gave us when He sent the Holy Spirit.

We have also had some crafts to help us prepare for special times with our families. On the first Sunday in Advent, some of our parish friends joined us as we prepared decorations for our tables. Before Ash Wednesday, we gathered together to make prayer chains. These had verses and thoughts relating to Lent to help us count down from Ash Wednesday to Easter. On Mother's Day, we made flower arrangements to share. We've also been blessed to share the life of the atrium with the congregation in the All Saints children's procession, the Christmas Eve children's service, and the Liturgy of the Light and Easter egg hunt.

For me, this year has been a tremendous blessing as I've watched children enjoy meeting God in the atrium, and as I've taken catechist training myself. The training has been transformative, as it's pointed me toward simple, yet profound truths about the Good Shepherd and his love for us. I'm looking forward to next fall, when I can continue training and working with children in the atrium here at St. Paul's.



# JUNE ON K STREET

## UPCOMING BIRTHDAYS AT ST. PAUL'S PARISH

3   Rex Granum	23   Jack Ramsay Donald Reinecker
7   Rhoda Geasland	24   Allison Winter
8   Remington Gregg Dominic Murton Charlotte Simmons	25   Scott Spaulding
11   Charles Barrientos	26   June Barnes Jeffrey Gasta
12   Cathy Downes	29   Alexander Baumgarten Charlene Mui
14   Vita Pierzchala	30   Laurel Malson
15   Phyllis Altrogge	
20   John Herrmann	
22   Octavia Johnson Allen Payne Randy Summerfield	

HaPpY  
BiRtHdAY



**The Day of Pentecost: Whitsunday  
Sunday, June 9, 2019**  
7:30 a.m.: Morning Prayer  
7:45 a.m.: Low Mass  
10:00 a.m.: Procession and Solemn  
Mass  
4:00 p.m.: Solemn Evensong &  
Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament

**The Feast of the Most Holy and  
Undivided Trinity  
Sunday, June 16, 2019**  
7:30 a.m.: Morning Prayer  
7:45 a.m.: Low Mass  
10:00 a.m.: Procession and Solemn  
Mass  
4:00 p.m.: Solemn Evensong &  
Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament

**The Solemnity of Corpus Christi  
Sunday, June 23, 2019**  
7:30 a.m.: Morning Prayer  
7:45 a.m.: Low Mass  
10:00 a.m.: Procession and Solemn  
Mass  
4:00 p.m.: Solemn Evensong &  
Procession and Benediction of the  
Blessed Sacrament

**The Feast of St. Peter and St. Paul  
Sunday, June 30, 2019**  
7:30 a.m.: Morning Prayer  
7:45 a.m.: Low Mass  
10:00 a.m.: Procession and Solemn  
Mass

## Notice of St. Paul's Annual Meeting

St. Paul's Annual Meeting  
Saturday, June 15, 2019  
10:30 a.m., Church  
*Childcare will be available*

### Schedule

10:00 a.m.: Registration opens  
10:30 a.m.: Annual Meeting begins –  
Church

### Agenda

1. Opening Prayer
2. Establishment of a Quorum
3. Appointment of Secretary and Tellers
4. Introduction of Nominees and First  
Ballot (Subsequent balloting to be con-  
ducted if necessary)
5. Approval of Minutes from 2018 Annual  
Meeting
6. Rector's Remarks
7. Finance Report
8. Closing Prayer and Blessing

### 2019 Vestry Nominees (4 Vacancies)/3 Year Terms

Jerry Cassidy  
Kris Brown Coleman  
Jon Doster  
Doug Wood

### Continuing Vestry Members

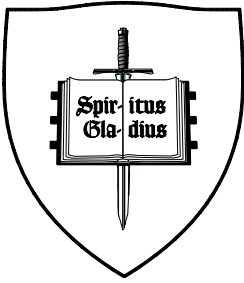
#### Term Ending 2020

Ed Britton  
Pat Byrd  
Matt Leddicotte  
David Schnorrenberg

#### Term Ending 2021

Mary Beth Bakke  
Drew Peterson  
Lindsay Raffetto  
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## Remember to mark your Calendar:

**Sunday, June 9: Pentecost**

**Saturday, June 15: Parish Annual Meeting at 10:30 a.m.**

**Sunday, June 16: Trinity Sunday**

**Sunday, June 23: Corpus Christi**

**Sunday, June 30: Feast of Sts. Peter and Paul**

**NOTE: Summer Sunday schedule begins June 2!**



*Jean II Restout, 1732*