



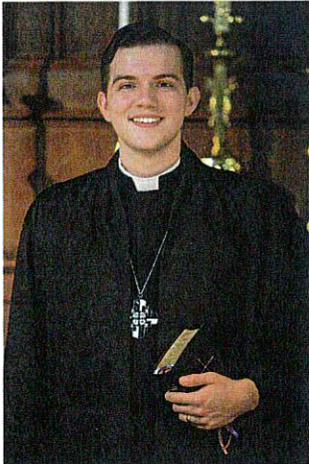
THE ALTON ANGELUS

March 2026

The Reverend Garron C. Daniels, Rector XXI

The Episcopal Parish of Alton
Rooted in Tradition. Growing in Grace.

From Fr. Garron Daniels+



Pray, Fast, Repent, Study, Give, and Reflect is all at the heart of this Lenten season.

While the life of the parish is as busy as ever, this season reminds us of the importance of slowing down and seeing how our connection with God is going and where He may be leading us next. The excitement and energy in the parish is contagious. Our calendars are filled with so many fun events, celebrations, and mission-oriented work. We have an exciting Lenten series that is happening, great progress on our St. Benedict Garden, fantastic success with our Capital Campaign, and many beautiful and somber services being prepared for Holy Week.

Yet, with all of this excitement and energy, we must take the time to stop and discern. That's what praying, fasting, repenting, studying, giving, and reflecting does for us!

All of it gets us to stop and see where God is in our midst and whether we feel our connection to Him is strong or in need of work. Sometimes this is a great opportunity to make sure the work we are doing really is the will of God and not our own will. It may sound silly to say that, but it can often be the case. We can get so energized by our ideas that sometimes we forget to bring God along the way.

My hope for you is that this Lenten season be a time of deep reflection. May this be a time where you know God more deeply and may in turn LOVE God and His people more deeply. May this season prepare you for the celebrations that are awaiting us at the end of these 40 days and all the mission work Christ has set before us after!

Yours in Christ,
Fr. Garron+
Rector XXI



From the Organ Loft

We are now beginning our reflective season of Lent. As I prepared our musical anthems for the coming five Sundays, I found myself trying to juggle my selections around the availability of our dedicated musicians to participate.

Especially in our bell choir, we need a certain number of ‘hands’ to ring the necessary bells to do justice to the music. Some notes just can’t be left out! The anthem for Lent V (March 22) that was planned required more musicians than we would have available that day. I needed another option. “Necessity is the mother of invention,” right? Time to arrange a different tune for the ringers available for this Sunday!

I have always had an interest in ‘Pentatonic’ (5-note scale) music, which has been used by many ancient/folk cultures. If one plays the five black notes of a keyboard in either ascending or descending order, you hear a very basic ‘Pentatonic’ sequence. It has that ‘Far East’ or mystical sound that is quite distinctive to the ear.

One very well-known hymn that uses the Pentatonic scale is the tune ‘New Britain.’ The ENTIRE tune is comprised of just five notes! This simple tune fit the bill for a new bell arrangement. You would recognize this as the tune to the hymn ‘Amazing Grace.’

The actual tune is believed to have origins in Scotland, and was brought to the Appalachian Mountain area as a folk tune from Scottish immigrants in the 1700s. Many of the bagpipe tunes with the characteristic ‘drone’ note sounding as the lowest tone were common. The final tune name of ‘New Britain’ is believed to have come from the Connecticut town of New Britain, near to where the tune was published in the 1800s.



The text for ‘Amazing Grace’ was penned by John Newton sometime in the late 1700s. Newton was a former English slave ship captain. Eventually, after an epiphany conversion to Christianity, (due to a perilously, wicked storm), Newton renounced slavery ties and entered the ministry, becoming an Anglican cleric. Another well-known hymn text by Newton is ‘Glorious Things of Thee are Spoken.’

I hope you will hear the imitation bagpipe ‘drone’ and listen for the simple five tones of the melody ‘New Britain’/aka ‘Amazing Grace’ as we offer this beloved tune as an anthem in March.

Humbly in service,

Gay Anderson, Organist

Major Feast Days of the Episcopal Church To Be Celebrated in March

Fr. Garron will be celebrating all Principal Feasts and Major Feasts of the liturgical calendar as noted below. These feasts will be celebrated at **Trinity Chapel** with a Mass and fellowship to follow, unless otherwise stated. You will notice that if the feast day is during the week, the Mass is held at 5:30 p.m. (unless otherwise noted). If it is on Saturday or a holiday, Mass will be held at Noon.

The Feast of the Annunciation- Wednesday, March 25th

The Annunciation is the announcement by the Archangel Gabriel to Mary that she would conceive and bear a son through a virgin birth and become the mother of Jesus Christ, the Son of God. In the Bible, the story of the Annunciation is recorded in Luke 1:26-38.

This Feast day service will be held at St. Paul's as part of the Lenten series.



Learning more about Benjamin Godfrey

The Episcopal Parish of Alton is celebrating its 190th birthday this year. A capital campaign along with many events and festivities commemorating our parish's birthday are planned throughout 2026. It seems a perfect time to submit an article on the history of the church and who built it.

St. Paul's Episcopal Parish, located at 10 E. 3rd Street in Alton, was first constructed in 1836 by Benjamin Godfrey. Captain Benjamin Godfrey came to the Alton area and saw it was a town that was destined to thrive. He also noted that the town didn't have a church. Using his own money, in 1834, he began construction of the building which we now know as our own Episcopal Parish of Alton. The building, which has undergone several renovations, additions and restorations over the years, was first used as a facility that allowed all organized Christian religious groups to meet for prayer and worship. He eventually sold the church building to the Episcopalians who started using the church exclusively for their worshippers. The property officially became St. Paul's property in 1845.

So, who was Benjamin Godfrey? Benjamin Godfrey was born on December 4, 1794, to Knowles and Mary Ryder Godfrey in Chatham, Massachusetts. At a very young age, both of Benjamin's parents died and he lived with his uncle before running away from home as an adolescent, hopping a ship to Ireland. He spent his youth and teen years working on ships. The breakout of the war of 1812 motivated him to move back to the United States where he once again took up residence with his uncle, who started giving him schooling in basic education including lessons in navigation. Toward the end of the war, he enlisted and served in the U.S. Navy.

At the completion of the war, Benjamin began serving on a merchant ship, working his way up the chain of command to serve as Captain of the ship. He established trade routes from Baltimore, Maryland, to New Orleans, Louisiana, and to the West Indies. After wrecking his ship in the 1820's he opened a shop in Matamoros, Tamaulipas in Mexico. The store made him a very wealthy man until the early 1830's when one of his ships leaving the country was completely looted, forcing him to shut down and leaving him broke. He returned to the United States settling down for a short time in New Orleans.

Benjamin's next move was north to Alton, Illinois, where he partnered with Winthrop Sargent Gilman establishing grocery shops and other commercial ventures.

In late 1837, his business partner, a staunch abolitionist, allowed one of their main warehouses to be used as a place to store and hide a new printing press and other abolitionist materials belonging to Elijah P. Lovejoy and his paper The Alton Observer. Later that year, the building was completely ransacked and burned to the ground by a pro-slavery mob. Lovejoy and another man were killed in the ransacking of the building. Benjamin then turned his focus to doing contract work in the railroad industry with little success and eventually lost much of his wealth and holdings.

During his lifetime, Godfrey did acquire thousands of acres of land. He was heavily involved with the Presbytery and established Monticello Seminary College, which is Lewis and Clark Community College today. The college's chapel, the Benjamin Godfrey Memorial Chapel, is named in his honor as is the town of Godfrey, Illinois. The Captain Benjamin Godfrey Mansion, at 6722 Monticello Road, was an estate he acquired in 1834 from Captain Calvin Riley, who built it. The estate was a small 2-bedroom house but upon buying it from Captain Riley, Godfrey renovated it into a grand mansion which still stands today. In 1934, the mansion was declared a historical site and in 1997, the building was purchased by the Lewis & Clark Community College Foundation.

Benjamin Godfrey married Harriet Cooper in 1817 and they had a total of 12 children. After the death of his wife Harriet in 1839, he married Rebecca E. Petit and had an additional three children. Captain Benjamin Godfrey died on August 13, 1862, and is buried in the Godfrey cemetery.

Sources: Madison Historical, Wikipedia, Findagrave.com, visitGodfrey.com, Historicalmarker Database.com, and Episcopalalton.org/History

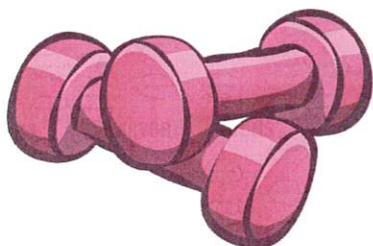
Chuck Drennan

190th Anniversary Celebration Weekend

Save the dates and spread the news about our 190th Anniversary celebration which will take place July 3rd-5th! We will have a special jazz concert, evensong, our official Bishop Homecoming, more food than you know what to do with, and so much more! You are NOT going to want to miss out on this weekend! Be sure to invite friends of the Parish, especially those who live far away. We want this to be a HUGE weekend of celebration!



Second Saturdays: Healthy Living for a Holy Life



The next Second Saturday class will meet on Saturday, March 14th at 10:00 a.m. By popular request, we will be doing another weights-focused class. If you have light dumbbells (1-5 lbs.) or two soup cans or two full water bottles to use as weights, please bring them! Standing and seated options will be provided. Please wear loose, comfortable clothing and supportive/athletic footwear.

For more information, please contact Nathalia at baumnathalia1@gmail.com.

The next date for the **Pet Food Pantry** is **March 1st**. The Pet Food Pantry is open one hour monthly, on the first Sunday of the month, from 12:30-1:30 p.m. People may enter St. Paul's through the Market Street entrance.

Baskets for donations of pet food are located near the entrance at both Trinity and St. Paul's. In February, 640 lbs. of dry food was given out to feed 182 animals: 49 dogs, 8 puppies, 106 cats, and 19 kittens.

We are grateful for six local businesses who keep a donation jar on their counter. Please support these businesses and thank them for helping us provide pet food for families in need:

- Farm Fresh, Roxana;
- Daniel-Randall Veterinary Clinic, Godfrey;
- Great Rivers Animal Hospital;
- St. Peter's Hardware, Alton;
- Mississippi Mud Pottery, Alton; and
- The Bethalto Animal Clinic



Evangelism and Outreach Commission

Episcopal Church Women Notes

All women of the parish are welcome to attend our next meeting on Sunday, March 15th, at 12:15 p.m. in the downstairs Recovery meeting room. Look forward to seeing you all!

At our February meeting, we discussed Spring plans that include the preparation of our Lenten meal on Wednesday, March 25th, as well as upcoming planning for this year's Puzzle Palooza fundraising event. Fliers were handed out for those interested in a women's retreat to be held at Todd Hall, March 20-21.

Irene McLaughlin

Episcopal Church Men Activities

The ECM hosted the Super Bowl on Sunday, February 8th, raising \$210 to be donated to the Crisis Food Center. Followed closely by the Shrove Tuesday pancake and Sausage Supper, \$400 was raised to be donated to a charity yet to be determined.

Men of the parish are all welcome to join us on Saturday, March 7th, at 7:00 p.m. at Johnson's Corner for our meeting where we will make final preparations for the Fish Fry on Friday, March 13th.

Chuck Drennan

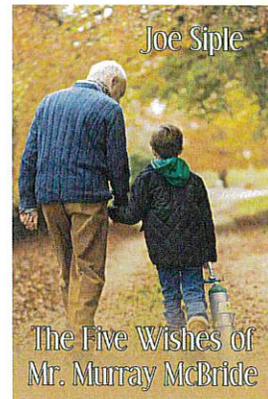


Book Club News

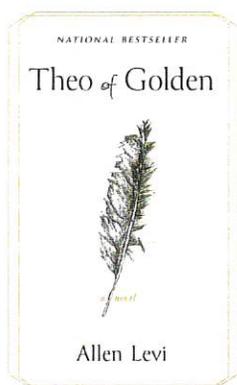
The Book Club will meet on Wednesday, March 25th, at 9:30 a.m. at Trinity Chapel. We will be discussing *The Five Wishes of Mr. Murray McBride* by Joe Siple with fellowship and refreshments!

With all his family and friends gone, one-hundred-year-old Murray McBride is looking for a reason to live. He finds it in Jason Cashman, a ten-year-old boy with a terminal heart defect and a list of five things he wants to do before he dies. Together, they race against the limited time each has left, ticking off wishes one by one. Along the way, Murray remembers what it's like to be young, and Jason fights for the opportunity to grow old. But when tragedy strikes, their worlds are turned upside down, and an unexpected gift is the only thing that can make Jason's final wish come true.

About the author: Long before *The Five Wishes of Mr. Murray McBride* began winning awards and hitting Amazon bestseller lists, Joe Siple could be found at his computer, developing his voice as a writer. It took seventeen long years from the day he started his first fiction manuscript until Murray, Jason, and Tiegan propelled him to bestseller status. Seventeen years of failure, rejection...and growth. Now, Siple's stories are known around the world.



The April book selection is *Theo of Golden* by Allen Levi. We're looking forward to meeting for our discussion on Wednesday, April 22nd, at 9:30 a.m. at Trinity Chapel.



Questions linger about Theo, a pleasant but mysterious stranger, after his arrival in the southern city of Golden.

Who is he, and why is he here?

He arrives early one spring and by chance - or is it? - he visits a coffee shop where 92 framed pencil portraits are on display. Inspired, Theo sets out on a mission of purchasing all the portraits one at a time and quietly bestowing them on their 'rightful owners.'

Stories are told; friendships are born; and lives are changed.

Theo of Golden is a beautifully crafted story about the power of creative generosity, the importance of wonder to a purposeful life, and the far-reaching possibilities of anonymous kindness.

The scheduled books for 2026 are:

May – *Broken Country* by Clare Leslie Hall

June – *Museum of Lost Quilts* by Jennifer Chiaverini

Mimi Almonroeder

Confirmation Classes continue in March

Confirmation classes, which began in February, continue for those who discern that they would like to officially become members of our Church! Classes, unless otherwise decided, will occur on Sundays at 12:15 p.m. in the St. Paul's conference room. Reading is required with the use of *Walk in Love: Episcopal Beliefs & Practices* as our main text. Books will be free for those seeking to be confirmed or received!

Fr. Garron+

Capital Campaign Launch Follow-Up

The Capital Campaign is off to a great success after only launching a few weeks ago. We are already almost at the halfway mark of \$250,000. If you were not able to attend the launch day with Marcus White, you will be receiving a packet in the mail detailing the campaign and how you can support it! We are hopeful that we will not only reach our goal, but far surpass it.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to reach out to Fr. Garron or Meg Dorris, Capital Campaign Chair, for more details.



Brotherhood of St. Andrew Chapter

Join the Brotherhood of St. Andrew for their **monthly meeting at Trinity Chapel on Friday, March 6th, at 7:00 p.m.** The meeting is open to all men of the Parish. Bring snacks to share and your Bible as we dig in with some theological & scriptural discussion!

Tim Thrush, Director

The Episcopal Community

An invitation for women of the Parish: Join us on **Thursday, March 5th, at 6:30 p.m. at St. Paul's**, as we continue our discussion on living a Benedictine life in a busy world. This month we will focus on prayer and journaling, and how to recognize God's grace and the Holy Spirit's guidance within our lives.

If you want to know more about The Episcopal Community, please reach out to Tiffany or Nathalia for more information. You can also go to theepiscopalcommunity.org to learn more about the organization, and go to stbenedictstoolbox.org to learn about the book used during the process of joining The Episcopal Community.



*Remember to move your clock forward
one hour on Sunday, March 8th!*

Priory of St. Louis the Crusader Convent and Investiture

You are cordially invited to join the Priory of St. Louis the Crusader (SMOTJ) for the Convent and Investiture service on Saturday, March 21st, at 1:30 p.m. at St. Paul's. It's during this service that new members will be welcomed into the Order, a change of command (officers) will take place, and a service of Holy Eucharist will be celebrated. Anyone and everyone is welcome to attend to celebrate and see what the Order is all about. After the service, an optional dinner catered by Chef Bob will be served. The cost of the dinner is \$40 per person and if you would like to attend, please let Fr. Garron know no later than March 6th. The main service is, of course, free!

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Bible Study continues every Tuesday

Our weekly Bible Study group meets each Tuesday at 10:00 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. in the St. Paul's conference room. We are currently studying the *Gospel of Luke* and both morning and evening sessions study the same sections.

All you need to bring is your Bible (any translation will do!). We will also be using an additional resource that is not required to join the study, but may be helpful as we dive deeper into Luke - *Luke for Everyone: 20th Anniversary Edition with Study Guide (The New Testament for Everyone)* by N.T. Wright. Copies are available in the Parish Bookstore for purchase.



Bible Study

Education Commission



Not only in the community, but for our community Collection baskets remain in the Narthex at St. Paul's and Trinity for us to contribute to the ongoing needs. Monetary donations are very much appreciated as well.

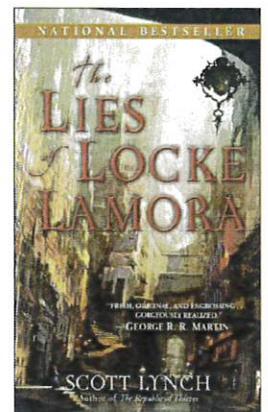
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Twilight Tome Society meets for March Fantasy

EPA's fantasy book club, The Twilight Tome Society, will continue its reading adventures with *The Lies of Locke Lamora* by Scott Lynch. March will focus on Chapter 9 through the end of the book.

Follow the orphan-turned-master-thief, Locke Lamora, and his crew of con artists in the city of Camorr as they pull elaborate heists on the nobility, only to become entangled in a deadly underworld conflict.

Join us on Monday, March 30th, at 6:30 p.m. in the conference room at St. Paul's! Feel free to bring any food and drink to share and get ready for some lively discussion! Please contact Nathalia or Tiffany with any questions at baumnathalia1@gmail.com or temcalister@gmail.com.



Nathalia Baum and Tiffany Thrush

Saturday Café—In Service with our Neighbors

The following 2026 dates are scheduled for our parishioners to join with others to serve lunches through the Saturday Café program held at First Presbyterian Church. They are: May 2, July 18, August 15, and November 21.

We generally meet in the kitchen at First Presbyterian Church at 10:00 a.m., begin serving those in need at 11:30 a.m. and are done by 12:30 p.m., but you are welcome to come for a shorter time if you wish.



Evangelism and Outreach Commission

Bearing Fruit **FINANCIAL REPORT** As of January 31, 2026:

*All givers matter and
every gift
makes a difference.*

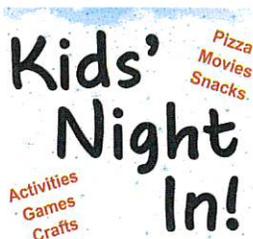
Y-T-D Total Revenue to Budget
Y-T-D Revenue: \$25,763
Budgeted Revenue: \$16,572

Y-T-D Total Expenses to Budget
Y-T-D Expenses: \$18,049
Budgeted Expenses: \$21,311



“Kids’ Night In” Evening set for March

“Kids’ Night In” will be held on Saturday, March 21st, from 5-8 p.m. at 1st Presbyterian Church, E. 4th St. and Alby St., for all children ages 5-14. Join us for an evening packed full of activities including cooking, movies and crafts. Hosted in partnership with our friends at the 1st Presbyterian Church, this is a time for our community’s youth to come together to build friendships, foster fellowship and have fun! Detectives from S.P.I. that are joining us for Kids’ Night In will be escorted to 1st Presbyterian, so please be sure they bring a warm coat! For more information, please contact Tiffany Thrush or the office at 618-465-9149.



From the Altar Guild...

Don’t you just love it when everything has that fresh sparkle in Spring? Come help restore that luster to our brass pieces when we get together for **brass polishing in Heneghan Hall on Thursday, March 26th, at 10:00 a.m.** Many hands really do make light of the work!!

Nancy Weiss-Hayes

Ecumenical Youth Group Upcoming Gatherings

All middle school and high school students are welcome to join us for discussions about the faith, mission outreach, and enjoy plenty of food! Currently the group is meeting on the 1st and 3rd Sundays of each month and switch between two locations. Below are our upcoming meetings:

Sunday, March 1st @ 6 p.m.
St. Paul's Episcopal Church (10 E 3rd St.)

Sunday, March 15th @ 6 p.m.
Main Street United Methodist Church (1400 Main St.)

Fr. Garron+

S.P.I. Investigators Have a New Case: The Case of the Spring Sabotage



Spring is right around the corner and we are hard at work prepping seedlings and planning for St. Benedict's Garden, but our plans and planting schedule have vanished! We need the S.P.I. Investigators to find who stole them and help us get ready for Spring! Four suspects have been identified. Join the investigation, question the suspects, and solve the case on Saturday, **March 21st, from 3-5 p.m. at 1st Presbyterian.**

- Who?:** All youth ages 9-14
- What?:** The Case of the Spring Sabotage Case Number SPI005
- When?:** Saturday, March 21st, 3-5 p.m.
- Where?:** 1st Presbyterian Church, 4th and Alby St., Alton, IL 62002

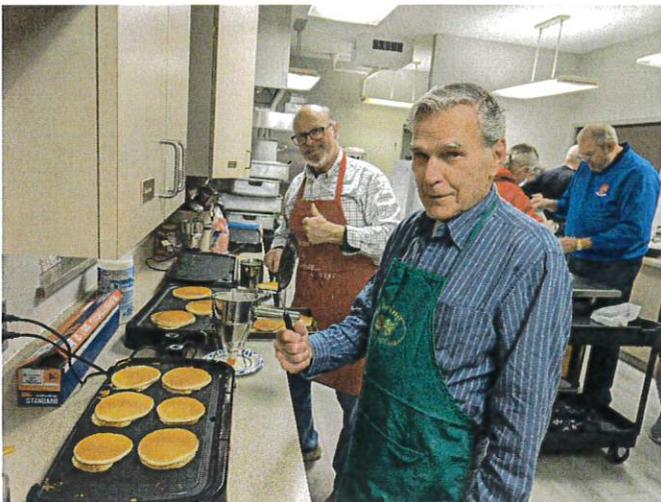
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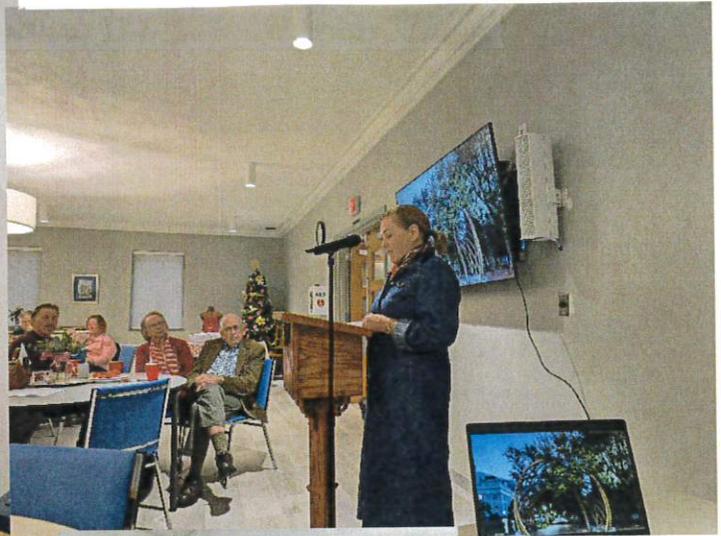
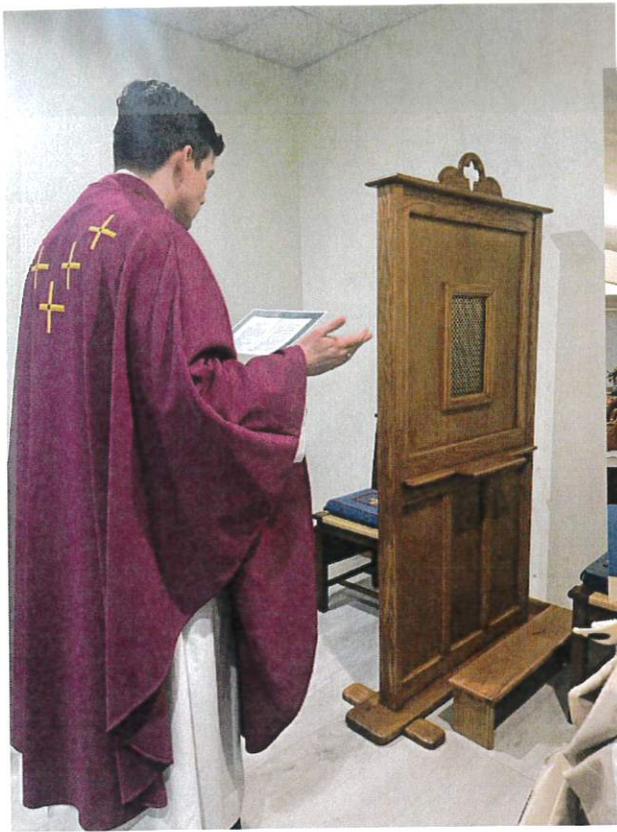
Detective Gear: New investigators will be sworn in and receive their official S.P.I. badges and detective notebooks upon arrival.

Fuel for the Case: "Brain Food" (snacks and drinks) will be provided to keep our investigators sharp.

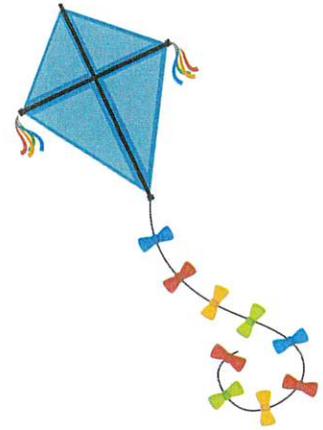
RSVP REQUIRED: Please report your availability to episcopalalton@gmail.com or call 618-465-9149!

Highlighting Faith and Fellowship at the EPA





March Calendar



Sunday, March 1st *Second Sunday in Lent*
Open Offering supports Rector's Discretionary Fund
8:15 a.m. Holy Eucharist at Trinity Chapel
10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist at St. Paul's
12:30-1:30 p.m. Pet Food Pantry
6:00 p.m. Ecumenical Youth Group at St. Paul's

Tuesday, March 3rd
9:00 a.m. Morning Prayer at St. Paul's
10:00 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. Bible study at St. Paul's
6:30 p.m. Education commission meeting at St. Paul's conference room

Wednesday, March 4th
5:30 p.m. Lenten Series – prayer service followed by soup supper and presentation at St. Paul's

Thursday, March 5th
11:00 a.m. Publicity/Public Relations commission meeting at St. Paul's
4:00 p.m. Bell choir; 5:00 p.m. Choir rehearsal at St. Paul's
6:30 p.m. The Episcopal Community meeting at St. Paul's for women of the parish

Friday, February 6th 7:00 p.m. Brotherhood of St. Andrew meeting at Trinity Chapel

Saturday, March 7th 7:00 p.m. ECM meeting at Johnson's Corner

Sunday, March 8th *Third Sunday in Lent*
8:15 a.m. Holy Eucharist at Trinity Chapel
10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist at St. Paul's
12:15 p.m. Confirmation Class presentation in St. Paul's conference room
1:00-6:00 p.m. Vestry Retreat at St. Paul's



Tuesday, March 10th
9:00 a.m. Morning Prayer at St. Paul's
10:00 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. Bible Study at St. Paul's

Wednesday, March 11th
5:30 p.m. Lenten Series – prayer service followed by soup supper and presentation at St. Paul's

Thursday, March 12th
10:00 a.m. Finance meeting at St. Paul's
4:00 p.m. Bell choir; 5:00 p.m. Choir rehearsal at St. Paul's





Friday, March 13th 6:00 p.m. ECM Fish Fry at St. Paul's

Saturday, March 14th

10:00 a.m. Second Saturdays for Healthy Living at St. Paul's Heneghan Hall

3:00 p.m. Performance of Pergolesi's STABAT MATER at St. Paul's

Sunday, March 15th *Fourth Sunday in Lent*

8:15 a.m. Holy Eucharist at Trinity Chapel

10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist at St. Paul's

12:15 p.m. Confirmation Class in St. Paul's conference room

12:15 p.m. ECW meeting in St. Paul's Recovery meeting room (downstairs)

6:00 p.m. Ecumenical Youth Group at Main St. Methodist Church

Tuesday, March 17th

9:00 a.m. Morning Prayer at St. Paul's

10:00 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. Bible Study at St. Paul's

6:30 p.m. Vestry meeting at St. Paul's



Wednesday, March 18th

11:00 a.m. Evangelism and Outreach commission meeting-St. Paul's

5:30 p.m. Lenten Series – prayer service followed by soup supper and presentation at St. Paul's

Thursday, March 19th 4:00 p.m. Bell choir; 5:00 p.m. Choir rehearsal at St. Paul's

Saturday, March 21st

1:30 p.m. Priory of St. Louis the Crusader Convent and Investiture at St. Paul's

3:00-5:00 p.m. S.P.I. Investigators at 1st Presbyterian Church

5:00-8:00 p.m. Kids' Night In at 1st Presbyterian Church

Sunday, March 22nd *Fifth Sunday in Lent*

8:15 a.m. Holy Eucharist at Trinity Chapel

10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist at St. Paul's

12:15 p.m. Confirmation Class in St. Paul's conference room

Tuesday, March 24th

9:00 a.m. Morning Prayer at St. Paul's

10:00 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. Bible Study at St. Paul's

Wednesday, March 25th

9:30 a.m. Book Club at Trinity Chapel

5:30 p.m. *The Feast of the Annunciation* at St. Paul's followed by
Lenten Soup Supper and Presentation



Thursday, March 26th

10:00 a.m. Brass Polishing at St. Paul's Heneghan Hall

4:00 p.m. Bell choir; 5:00 p.m. Choir rehearsal at St. Paul's

Sunday, March 29th *Palm Sunday*

8:15 a.m. Holy Eucharist at Trinity Chapel

10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist at St. Paul's

12:15 p.m. Confirmation Class in St. Paul's conference room



Monday, March 30th (*Confession may be arranged at other times by appointment*)

8:00 – 9:00 a.m. Confessions – St. Elizabeth's Chapel at St. Paul's

4:00 – 5:00 p.m. Confessions – St. Elizabeth's Chapel at St. Paul's

6:30 p.m. Twilight Tome Society (fantasy book club) at St. Paul's conference room



Fr. Garron will lead Morning Prayer in St. Elizabeth's Chapel at St. Paul's Monday-Thursday at 9:00 a.m. and Evening Prayer at 5:00 p.m.

A Reminder: A new locking system has been installed on the Garden Door. There is a new code to use for entry – the old code no longer works. The code is not being widely publicized, but we are happy to provide the code if you contact the church office.





March Birthdays

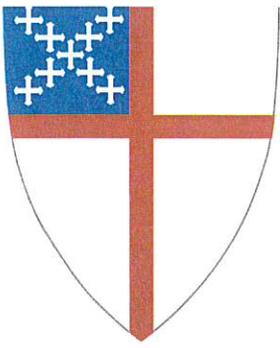
02 Charlie Drennan
05 Collin Downey
15 Nancy Simpson
19 Gay Anderson
26 William Johnson
26 Brendan Drennan
31 Donovan Stone



April Birthdays

12 Dave Elson
15 Rosie Elkins
19 Marie Drennan
21 Tim Eagleton
29 Jeanette Phillips





Vestry

Fr. Garron Daniels+—Rector XXI

Robbie Cupp—Senior Warden

Chuck Drennan—Junior Warden

Judy Jones—Treasurer

Linda Dunnagan—Clerk of the Vestry

Tony Springman – People’s Warden Emeritus

Vestry Commissions:

Education: *John Pearson, Robbie Cupp, Ann Bromaghim, Jean Downey,
Tiffany McAlister, Mimi Almonroeder, Tom Wrausman

Evangelism & Outreach: *Mary Molloy, Marti LoRusso, April Drennan, Steve Davis,
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Holy Week Schedule

March 29th: Palm Sunday

8:15 a.m.-Trinity Chapel
10:30 a.m.-St. Paul's



March 30th: Confessions

8:00 a.m.-9:00 a.m.-St. Elizabeth's Chapel
4:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m.-St. Elizabeth's Chapel
Also may be arranged at other times by Appointment

April 1st: Stations of the Cross

6:00 p.m.-St. Paul's

April 2nd: Maundy Thursday

7:00 p.m.-St. Paul's
8:00 p.m.-8:30 p.m.-Altar of Repose

April 3rd: Good Friday

Noon-Trinity Chapel
7:00 p.m.- St. Paul's

April 4th: Holy Saturday

10:00 a.m.-St. Paul's

April 4th: Easter Vigil

6:30 p.m.-St. Paul's

April 5th: Easter Sunday

8:15 a.m.-Trinity Chapel
10:00 a.m.-Flowering of the Cross
10:30 a.m.-St. Paul's





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- 02/25 Mental Wellness 101
- 03/04 Substance Use
- 03/11 QPR: Suicide Prevention
- 03/18 Narcan Training
- 03/25 Sacred Spaces of CARE presentation



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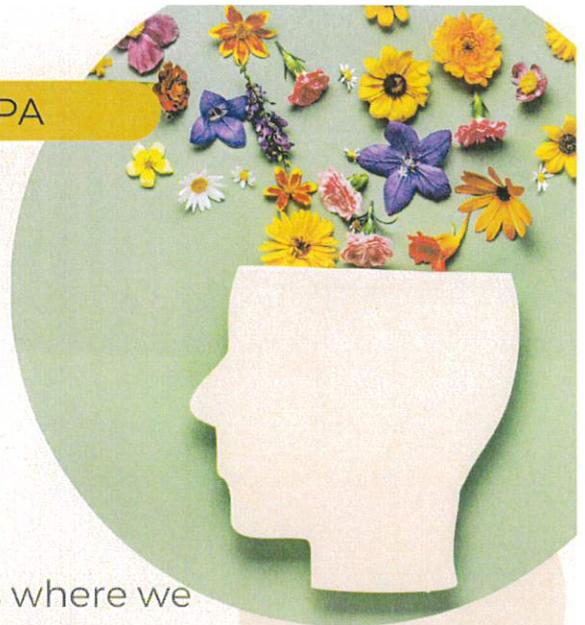
Wednesdays
5:30pm Prayer
Service
6:10pm Meal &
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Who Should Attend?

- Parishioners
- Local & Downtown Leaders
- Recovery Ministry Leaders & Supporters
- Anyone who desires to learn more!

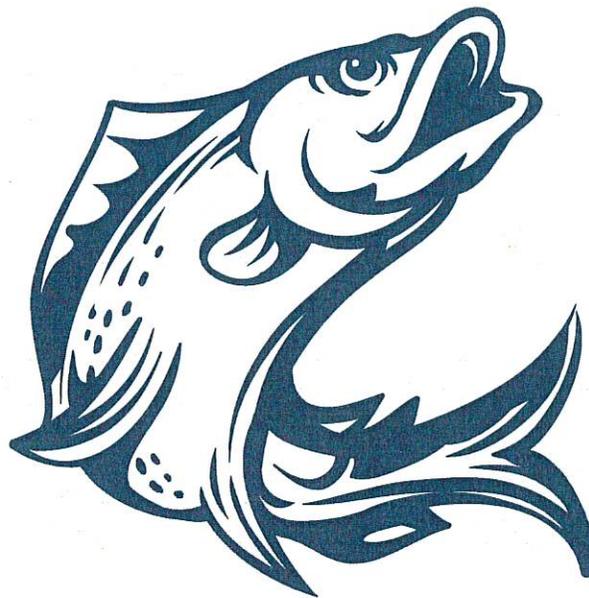


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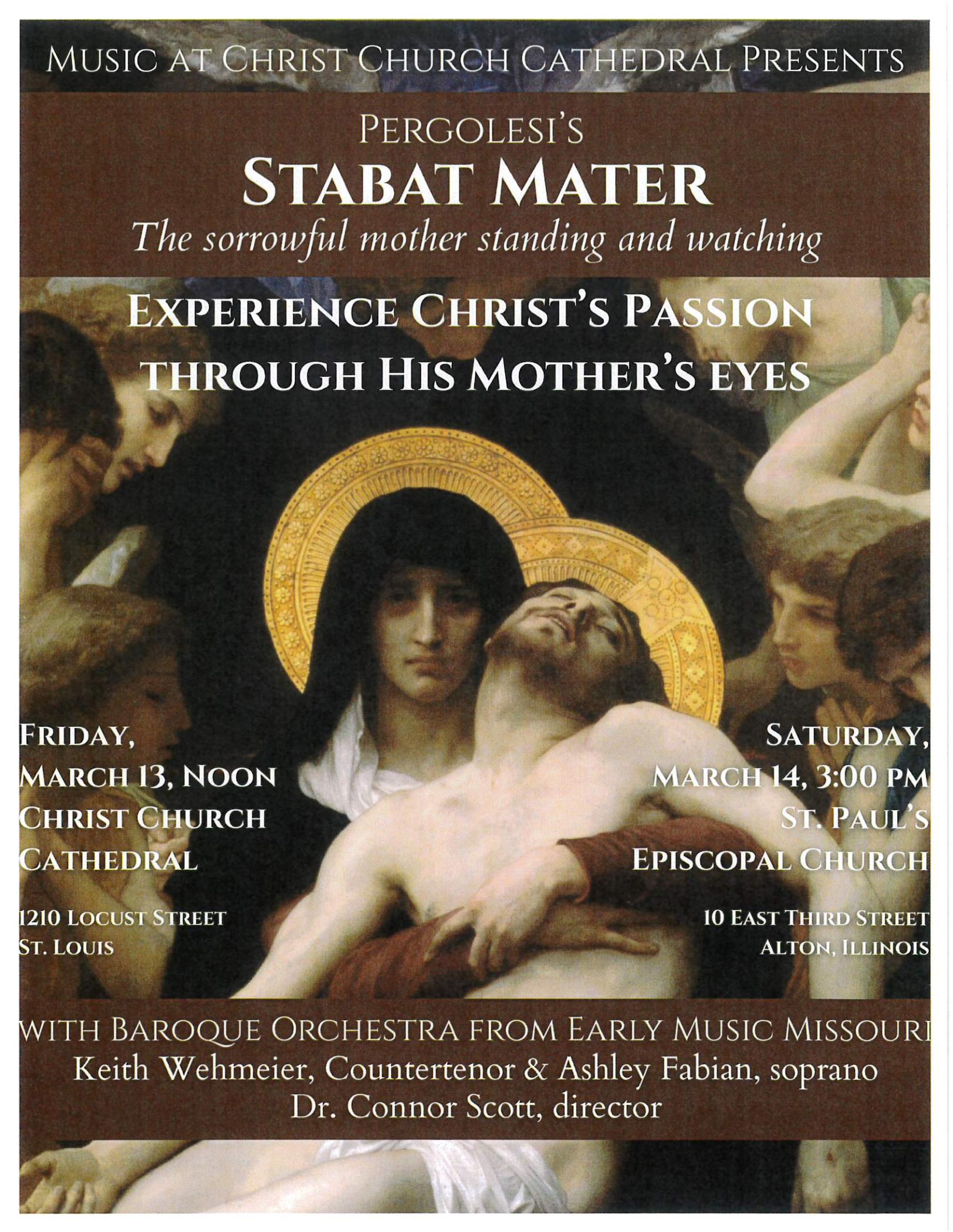
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