



## The Second Sunday after Pentecost June 7, 2026

### PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

***The Reverend Eric Biddy, Rector of Saint Paul's, is on sabbatical through June.*** Saint Paul's is grateful to all the clergy and lay leaders making our worship possible this week.

***First Sunday Offering—*** Your generous non-pledged offerings (cash and designated checks to Fr. Biddy's discretionary and Mtr. Kimberly's Discretionary) on the first Sunday each month support our clergy's Discretionary Accounts. These funds are used to meet urgent needs within our community, to further the ministries of the church when other funds are not available, and to support community programs and institutions that serve those in need.

***Today, we will recognize three individuals who are graduating from the EfM (Education for Ministry) program.*** Curious about EfM or interested in beginning the EfM program this fall? Talk with some of these alumni! The Education for Ministry program is more than a Bible study. EfM takes a fresh look at life events in the light of church tradition and 21st century culture. Participants study, worship, and engage in theological reflection together in a relaxed and supportive atmosphere. More details in Friday's *Weekly Postings* or contact Tom Smyth at [tom.smyth@icloud.com](mailto:tom.smyth@icloud.com).

***Common Ground Fellowship will gather Wednesday, June 10, 7:00 PM in the Youth Room for a faith discussion and sharing led by Mtr. Kimberly.*** For more information, contact the parish office at [mailbox@saintpauls.org](mailto:mailbox@saintpauls.org). This group is our "common ground" for adults in their 20's to 40's to gather in fellowship, service, and deepening faith, whether single or partnered. (Note: these events do not include childcare.)

***Dish and serve ice cream and cookies at our quarterly Veteran's Social June 14, 2:30-3:30 PM.*** We'll meet at the GA War Veterans' Nursing Home located at 1101 15<sup>th</sup> Street to share a dessert and then spend much-appreciated time visiting. All ages are welcome to participate. Contact Gene Helmich for more information at [ehelmich21@comcast.net](mailto:ehelmich21@comcast.net).

***Juneteenth Eucharist*** —Join us at St. Mary's Church, 1114 12<sup>th</sup> St., Augusta, for the Augusta Convocation Juneteenth Eucharist on Friday, June 19 at 6:00 PM. A potluck dinner follows the service.

***Caring Prayer (Thursday, June 25, 3:30 PM) is for anyone who wants to pray and needs support.*** The group is for caregivers, anyone who is mourning, lives with chronic illness, has suffered loss of a job, or faces any kind of challenge that might be helped by love and prayer. Contact Mtr. Kimberly at [kdunn@saintpauls.org](mailto:kdunn@saintpauls.org).

***The Episcopal Church at Augusta Pride, June 27, at the Augusta Exchange Club Fairgrounds.*** This year, we are again joining several other local Episcopal churches in a shared booth at Augusta Pride to spread the word that Saint Paul's is a safe community for LGBTQ Community. There are slots available throughout the weekend to staff the booth and spread the gospel message of God's love. Sign up on our website (a direct link is available in Friday's *Weekly Postings*). For more information, contact Mtr. Kimberly ([kdunn@saintpauls.org](mailto:kdunn@saintpauls.org)).

**Saint Paul's Church will celebrate the annual Independence Day observance on July 5th with guest soloists, brass quintet, and percussionists.** The cost of the music is made possible by gifts given in memory of thanksgiving. Many of the gifts are in honor of veterans and/or those presently serving in the military. Gifts can be made in any amount from \$100 and up using the QR code to the right or using a paper forms available in the Narthex. Please email Keith Shafer, [kshafer@saintpauls.org](mailto:kshafer@saintpauls.org) for more information.



**Our kneeler altar rail project is nearly completed.** With the help of many, the needlepoint tops and boxings are all completed but one. Our next step is to create the upholstered cushions. We need \$5,000 for this very specific job to be done by a reputable firm in Tucker, Georgia. Please consider making a donation to this project to help us accomplish our goal. Gifts can be made by check with a note for Altar Rail Cushions or on our website, [saintpauls.org/giving/](http://saintpauls.org/giving/). Choose the fund Altar Rail Cushions. For more information, contact Laurie Montgomery at [Lauriefm628@gmail.com](mailto:Lauriefm628@gmail.com).

**Open Sundays for Altar Flowers: August 16 and 30, September 6, 13 and 20.** If you would like to sponsor a Sunday in honor or memory of someone, please contact the Parish Office at [mailbox@saintpauls.org](mailto:mailbox@saintpauls.org). The normal charge is \$125.

**Parents, as we continue to grow and plan meaningful and impactful programming for our children and youth, we need your input.** Please take a few minutes and share your thoughts about this past year. A direct link to the survey is available in Friday's *Weekly Postings*. Thank you!

**Name tags allow us to get to know each other and be a welcoming community to all.** If you need a name tag or have just misplaced yours, drop by the greeters table to complete a yellow form. We'll make the tag and you'll find it at the table next week.

**More information about these announcements and other events** is available in Friday's *Weekly Postings*, including registration and contact information. A copy is available in the Narthex and on our website; or join our email list by signing up on the website or contacting the parish administrator, at [mailbox@saintpauls.org](mailto:mailbox@saintpauls.org).

**Make a gift**—"All that we are and all that we have comes" from God. In gratitude, we honor him by giving of ourselves and our gifts to care for his world." Gifts can be made using the QR Code to the right, on-line at [saintpauls.org/giving/](http://saintpauls.org/giving/), or by mail to Saint Paul's Church, 605 Reynolds St., Augusta, GA 30901. Thank you for your generosity.

