

# THE ANGELUS

A Publication of the Church of Our Saviour

## Ordinary Time

This issue will be published just before the Parish Anniversary and will cover the months of August and September. The church is still in Ordinary Time, which you remember from last month's issue does not mean that this season is ordinary or commonplace in any way, but rather the word "ordinary" comes from the word "ordinal" which means "counted time." Examples of ordinal

numbers are "first," "second," etc., so this season is the season of numbered Sundays.

The liturgical color is green, for growth, and the focus of the gospel readings continues to be Jesus' teachings and ministry. This is when we read the parables and explore what it means to live and grow our faith.

Special days during August and September include Transfiguration (August 6), the Feast of St. Mary the Virgin (August 15), and Holy Cross Day (September 14). Saints' days include Saint Bartholomew (August 24), Saint Matthew (September 21), and Saint Michael and all Angels (September 29).

Other important days are Labor Day (September 7) and Patriots' Day (September 11) when we pray for those affected by the 9/11 attack.

This year we will be celebrating our parish anniversary on July 26 though we won't be physically together for it, nor will we be enjoying one of our bountiful lunches as we usually do. Due to the social distancing that we're practicing this year, Father Chris has invited everyone to attend the Coffee Hour (11:30am–12:30pm) after the service that morning and we'll take a screenshot of everyone attending. It won't quite be the standard group photo, but it will be a very special one. **Remember to wear your COOS t-shirt!**

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### DEADLINE FOR THE NEXT ISSUE

The next issue of the *Angelus*, focusing on Kingdomtide, Stewardship and All Saints/All Souls, will be published on September 28. Deadline for articles is Wednesday, September 2.

# From the Rector's Desk

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JULY 9, 2020

Dear Faithful of the Church of Our Saviour,

Grace and peace to you from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ!

I want to update you on the latest discussions as it pertains to the re-opening of our beloved parish during this global pandemic.

At our last Vestry meeting, the Vestry and I reached an unanimous decision to protect the safety of our parishioners by forgoing a proposed Phase I re-opening plan offered by the Diocese.

Considering the rise of COVID-19 cases in Georgia and the restrictions and requirements necessary for a Phase I re-opening, it was a difficult but prayerful decision to remain closed at this time. While I am deeply saddened by our continued distance, I am hopeful that we can remain connected as a congregation via the graces in technology and ongoing outreach.

To that point, we continue to update our current live-streaming capabilities and I invite you to join virtually in the days ahead. We continue to offer numerous opportunities for spiritual growth, worship, and fellowship:

- ▶ **Morning Prayer:** Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday at 8:30 am
- ▶ **Compline:** Sunday–Thursday at 8:30 pm
- ▶ **Bible Study via Zoom:** Wednesdays at 7:30pm
- ▶ **Holy Rosary via Zoom:** Fridays at 1:30pm
- ▶ **Low Mass:** Sundays at 10:00 am
- ▶ **Virtual Coffee Hour via Zoom:** Following Mass on Sunday, beginning at 11:30am

Of note, if you are unable to view our live services, you can always watch them at your convenience and also share with friends and family, far and near!

With God's grace, we will be back together again soon. Until then, know that I love you, I pray for you, I am here for you, and above all God is faithful and God is with us, therefore keep the faith and set your selves, your souls, and your bodies towards Christ our Lord and our God.

Grace and Peace,

Fr. Chris Miller  
*Rector*



# Special Days this Season

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Following are collects (prayers) traditionally said on these days.

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## PARISH ANNIVERSARY – JULY 30

Almighty God, to whose glory we celebrate the dedication of this house of prayer: We give thee thanks for the fellowship of those who have worshiped in this place, and we pray that all who seek thee here may find thee, and be filled with thy joy and peace;

through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

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## TRANSFIGURATION – AUGUST 6

O God, who on the holy mount didst reveal to chosen witnesses thy well-beloved Son, wonderfully transfigured, in raiment white and glistening: Mercifully grant that we, being delivered from the disquietude of this world, may by faith behold the King in his beauty; who with thee, O Father, and thee, O Holy Ghost, liveth and reigneth, one God, world without end.

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## THE FEAST OF ST. MARY THE VIRGIN – AUGUST 15

O God, who hast taken to thyself the blessed Virgin Mary, mother of thy incarnate Son: Grant that we, who have been redeemed by his blood, may share with her the glory of thine eternal kingdom; through the same thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

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## SAINT BARTHOLOMEW – AUGUST 24

O Almighty and everlasting God, who didst give to thine apostle Bartholomew grace truly to believe and to preach thy Word; Grant, we beseech thee, unto thy Church to love what he believed and to preach what he taught; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

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## LABOR DAY – SEPTEMBER 7

Almighty God, you have so linked our lives one with another that all we do affects, for good or ill, all other lives: So guide us in the work we do, that we may do it not for self alone, but for the common good; and, as we seek a proper return for our own labor, make us mindful of the rightful aspirations of other workers, and arouse our concern for those who are out of work; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

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## FOR PATRIOTS DAY – SEPTEMBER 11

Almighty God, who hast given us this good land for our heritage: We humbly beseech thee that we may always prove ourselves a people mindful of thy favor and glad to do thy will. Bless our land with honorable industry, sound learning, and pure manners. Save us from violence, discord, and confusion; from pride and arrogance, and from every evil way. Defend our liberties, and fashion into one united people the multitudes brought hither out of many kindreds and tongues. Endue with the spirit of wisdom those to whom in thy Name we entrust the authority of government, that there may be justice and peace at

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home, and that, through obedience to thy law, we may show forth thy praise among the nations of the earth. In the time of prosperity, fill our hearts with thankfulness, and in the day of trouble, suffer not our trust in thee to fail; all which we ask through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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### **HOLY CROSS DAY – SEPTEMBER 14**

Almighty God, whose Son our Savior Jesus Christ was lifted high upon the cross that he might draw the whole world unto himself: Mercifully grant that we, who glory in the mystery of our redemption, may have grace to take up our cross and follow him; who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, in glory everlasting. Amen.

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### **SAINT MATTHEW – SEPTEMBER 21**

We thank thee, heavenly Father, for the witness of thine apostle and evangelist Matthew to the Gospel of thy Son our Savior; and we pray that, after his example, we may with ready wills and hearts obey the calling of our Lord to follow him; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

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### **SAINT MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS – SEPTEMBER 29**

O Everlasting God, who hast ordained and constituted the ministries of angels and men in a wonderful order: Mercifully grant that, as thy holy angels always serve and worship thee in heaven, so by thy appointment they may help and defend us on earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

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### **BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS SERVICE**

This year October 4, the feast day of St. Francis, patron saint of animals, falls on a Sunday. As we expect to still be practicing social distancing then, we are planning on a drive-by/walk-up Blessing of the Animals on the upper courtyard and on North Highland Ave. between 12:30 and 2pm. You'll be able to bring your pet(s) and either stay in your car, or if you live in the neighborhood, you are encouraged to walk over, and Father Chris will give your pets a blessing from a 6-foot distance. We'll also have St. Francis medals for your pets. *Remember to have everyone in your family wear their masks!*

As the date gets closer more details will be shared in the weekly e-blasts and in Father Chris' Sunday announcements. Stay tuned!



*Photos from our 2019 Blessing of the Animals service*

# Matthew, a Man and a Gospel

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By ORETA HINAMON CAMPBELL

During the months of August and September, our gospel readings come from the Gospel of Saint Matthew, and his feast day is on September 21, so it seems appropriate to reflect a bit on Saint Matthew and his gospel.

What do we know about Saint Matthew? Scripturally, not much: Matthew is listed as a disciple in the list of disciples in Matthew 10: 2-4, Mark 3: 13-19, Luke 6: 12-16, and Acts 1:12-13. Individually,

he is mentioned in Matthew 9: 9-13. Mark and Luke also mention him under a different name, Levi (Mark 2:14-17 and Luke 5:27-32). The description of Matthew's calling, the feast he puts on for Jesus, the Pharisee's reactions and Jesus' reply are almost identical, so it is almost certainly the same person. It is possible that Levi was his original name and that he changed it to Matthew when he became a disciple. Having more than one name was not uncommon in that time period.

The scriptures tell us that Matthew was a tax collector, or publican. This means that he was a Roman collaborator, and assumed to be wealthy and corrupt. Let me explain. There was no IRS during this time period, instead the ruler decided how much he wanted to collect, and appointed underlings to do so, who appointed subordinates, who appointed subordinates, etc., to do the actual collecting. So the subordinates collected as much as they could, kept a lot of it themselves and passed on a sum to their bosses – who then kept a portion for themselves, and passed on the remainder to their bosses, etc. If this sounds a little more like the Mafia than a branch of the government, well there is a reason.

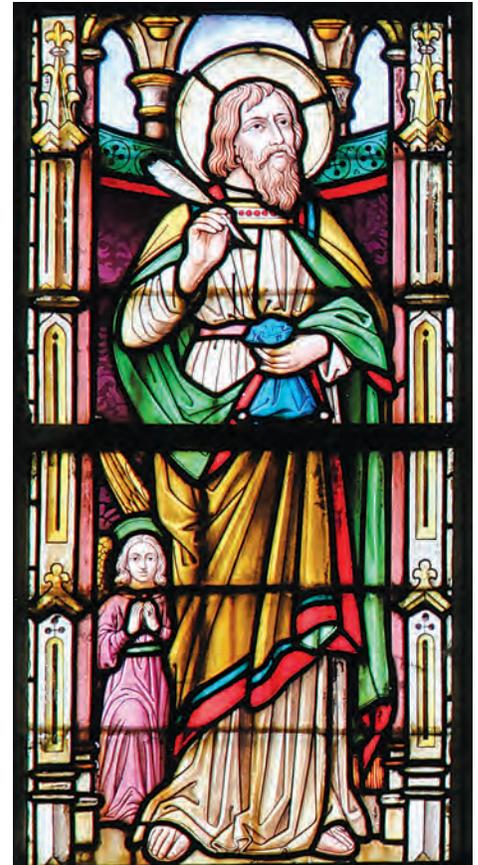
Furthermore, since tax collectors were appointed by the Roman conquerors, they were considered to be collaborators. (This makes the IRS look nice in comparison.)

Matthew's conversion is a simple story. He was sitting at his booth; Jesus walked by and said to him, "Follow me." Matthew got up and followed Jesus.

Later, possibly that evening, Matthew held a feast for Jesus and his disciples. He was joined by other tax collectors and other sinners as the gospels say. The Pharisees were greatly upset – good people do not associate with crooks – and Jesus replied, "It is not the healthy who need a doctor, but the sick. But go and learn what this means: 'I desire mercy, not sacrifice.' For I have not come to call the righteous, but sinners."

The book of Acts tells us that Matthew was with the other disciples when they chose a successor to Judas Iscariot, and at Jesus' ascension and Pentecost.

Annoyingly, this is all that the scriptures tell us. Alas, the scriptures tell us what we *need* to know, but not always what we *want* to know. Like other writings of their era, the authors did not set out to write everything about someone, but only what they considered important. Thus, the other details of Matthew's life are not "important." What is important is that Matthew, a sinner, nevertheless heard Jesus'



call and followed him. He reformed his life, for if he had not, he would not have been allowed to stay with the disciples. Thus he, like the stories attributed to Mary Magdalene, is an archetype of *metanoia*, a word usually translated as “repentance.” The difference between the two words is that repentance usually means that you regret your actions, you are sorry. *Metanoia* is a stronger term, it means to turn around, to change your life so that you no longer perform those actions of which you repented. Matthew turned his life around. By his example we know that if we make mistakes, if we do wrong, we too can repent, and turn our lives around.

For the rest of Matthew’s life, and the gospel named after, and possibly authored by him, we turn to tradition and early church writings. Early Christian writers such as Irenaeus (c. 102 – c. 202), Clement of Alexandria (c 150 – c. 215) and Eusebius c.260 – c.339) claim that Matthew preached the Gospel to the Jewish community in Judea, before going to other countries, although they do not agree on which countries Matthew went to. Many writers say that Matthew died a martyr, but others disagree.

Matthew is considered to be the patron saint of accountants, bankers, bookkeepers and tax collectors. His symbol is that of a winged man and his heraldic symbol is three moneybags. His tomb is said to be located in the crypt of Salerno Cathedral in southern Italy.

When was the Gospel of St. Matthew written? Did Matthew write the Gospel of Matthew? Opinions differ. Older works state that Matthew’s Gospel was written first, but nearly all authorities now agree that the Gospel of Mark was written first. Certainly Matthew’s gospel was widely used by the early church.

As to the authorship of the gospel, well, that is confusing. According to the historian Eusebius, an early Christian bishop named Papias of Heirapolis (260-340) stated that Matthew collected sayings of or about Jesus in the Hebrew language. Polycarp (69 – 156) also says that Matthew wrote down the sayings of Jesus. However, the current consensus, as near as I can tell, seems to be that, from textual clues, the Gospel of Saint Matthew was written in Greek, not in Hebrew or Aramaic. Therefore it was probably not written by Matthew. It is suggested that Matthew did write down a collection of sayings (the work referred to by Papias and others) and that after Matthew’s death, other writer(s) used his source material to put together the Gospel we read today.

We can see traces of Matthew the Publican (tax collector, accountant) in this gospel, just as we see Luke, a physician, mentioning illnesses and miraculous healings. Matthew’s gospel certainly reads like it was written by a moneyman—it mentions money more than any of the other synoptic gospels—there are 44 references to money in Matthew, 22 in Luke and only 6 in Mark. Two parables that are found only in Matthew’s gospel are the Parable of the Unmerciful Servant (Matthew 18: 21-35.) and the Parable of the Vineyard Workers (Matthew 20: 1-6). Matthew is the only gospel that mentions the temple tax (Matthew 17: 24-27), and exactly how much Judas was paid (Matthew 26:15). It is in Matthew alone that we read that the authorities paid the soldiers who guarded Jesus’ tomb hush money (Matthew 28: 12).

Matthew contains the largest collection of Jesus’ sayings. Both Luke and Matthew record the Sermon on the Mount, but Luke only includes four of the Beatitudes and Matthew includes eight (or nine, depending on how you count them).

Matthew’s gospel was written in a time when Christianity had begun to spread beyond Judaism and to include Gentiles. He wrote for both groups—reminding Jewish Christians that Jesus was a Jew, beginning his gospel with a genealogy of Jesus. Then he includes the story of the three Magi—the only gospel to include this story—to remind his readers that Jesus is not just for Jews, but also for Gentiles. In Matthew’s gospel, Jesus’ final words to his disciples is what is sometimes called the Great Commission

“Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you.” And then he finishes, with these words of great comfort to us, “And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age” (Matthew 28:19-20).

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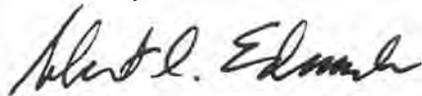
It's hard to say "**Thank You!**" enough.

A contribution was received from your parish to support the Good Friday Offering a few weeks ago. I thank God for you and your congregation for your faithful support.

In the face of all which is before us, I want you to know that from the visits I have made, as recently as January and February of this year, throughout the Province of Jerusalem and the Middle East, whether in Jerusalem or Cyprus, Lebanon or the UAE, I can assure you that gratitude runs deep, appreciation is genuine, our solidarity as Christians in the Anglican tradition is recognized and perhaps most important of all – institutions of healing, education and peace-building are supported in the name of Christ in a region which aches for peace and good news.

Thank you and may God bless you, your family and your people.

Faithfully,



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# Stewardship Donation

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Have you heard the radio jingle advertising the charity, Kars4Kids, and soliciting donations of used cars? The words (and sung numerals) are catchy—“1-877-Kars 4 Kids. K-A-R-S, Kars for Kids. ...”—and end with an appeal to “donate your car today.” Sung by children, the ad is cute on the first or second hearing (though, as it has been playing nationally since the mid-2000s, its attractiveness has arguably diminished).

Parishioner Dee Hottinger, having heard that same commercial over the years, came up with a better idea than giving her used vehicle to a charity based in New Jersey. She contacted the Rector to offer the generous gift of a Toyota Rav4. The multi-purpose utility vehicle was a 2003 model in good running condition with about 250,000 miles and was well maintained. It came with her hope that the parish would be able to identify someone in search of dependable transportation, as well as to benefit from the sale proceeds.

The Vestry received this gift and assessed options for disposition, including selling to CarMax. We advertised the car to the parish, as well as on the neighborhood bulletin board, NextDoor. Within a few days, we received several offers, including from several people for whom a reliable car would fit a need. The buyer was a laborer, for whom having dependable transportation will create a large measure of independence.

With creativity (and a radio jingle in the background), Mrs. Hottinger found a new and generous way to give—one that not only provided cash proceeds for the parish but that kept a vehicle in service, provided an opportunity for the parish to connect with the neighborhood (in advertising its availability), and to connect a resource with someone who had a need for reliable transportation.



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# Transition to Emailed Giving Statements

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Beginning in July, quarterly giving statements will be emailed to most parishioners rather than sent by postal mail. Distributing our statements digitally instead of in the more traditional postal format will allow us to save on mailing expense and to deliver this important information to you more promptly. We are aiming to have all electronic statements sent out by July 20.

If you want to ensure we have your current email address or you would prefer that we continue sending your giving statement by postal mail, please contact the treasurer, Brian Mullaney, at [treasurer@coosat.org](mailto:treasurer@coosat.org).

# My Grandmothers' Cooking

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Neither of them was classically trained. Neither would have known what a bain-marie was or how to make a chiffonade, but they could still turn out the vittles. My maternal grandmother made the best blackberry cobbler and a coconut cake that is unparalleled by any I have sampled in the years since she passed (and I have sampled plenty in those years). She also prepared wonderful field peas with snaps and okra, seasoned with the old, ubiquitous, Southern condiment—bacon grease. My paternal grandmother did not make too many desserts, but she specialized in a roast beef that was out of this world and a hearty bowl of Brunswick stew that warmed her little chaps (the term she called her grandkids) on a cold winter's day.

My mouth is salivating right now for a taste of those delicious treats from yesteryear, partly because they were just that good but more importantly because of the link they have with people I miss terribly. Unfortunately, I fear those culinary treats are “gone with the wind” and will survive only in memory. No one thought to corner these ladies long enough to get their recipes before they were taken up to their heavenly rewards.

As the marketing committee was meeting recently on the Zoom platform, the idea of COOS compiling a recipe book of favorites from the parish (recipes along with stories associated with the recipes) was born. A few recipes that I have enjoyed in my few short years have jumped immediately to mind: Bill Gatlin's chicken salad and Hugh Brownlee's banana pudding! YUM! The marketing committee thought that this would be a great project for us to work on for our 100th anniversary coming up in the next few years. It would be great for us to share those recipes with each other, but imagine how fun it would be for parishioners 100 years from now to be able to recreate a meal of OUR favorites as they celebrate 200 years of COOS. We can help them do that by compiling those recipes and stories now.

As an example, I am going to share with you a TRUE story from my childhood. Some of you may have heard it. Boy, we were country! Here goes!

Mrs. Ott, my first-grade teacher, called Mama and asked her to come to a parent-teacher conference with her. She had something she wanted to talk to Mother about in person. Mama asked me about it before the conference, threatening me that if I had been bad at school, I was “in for it” when she got back home. I really had been a good kid (at school). I had no idea what this ominous conference could have been about.

When Mama got to school, Mrs. Ott pulled out some schoolwork that we had completed a few days earlier. On the page were outline pictures of different fruits and vegetables. Our assignment was to color them the correct color. There was an orange, which I colored orange. Then followed a green bean—duh—it got colored green. There was an apple—red; the banana was yellow. Then came this thing. It looked kind of like a small bush—but not really. It had a thicker base and kind of a flower-looking top. I had no idea what to color it. I looked at what I had already colored. I had used green, red, yellow, orange. I liked purple. I had colored nothing purple. So, this last item on the page I chose to be purple.

Mrs. Ott pointed out this last item on the page to Mother and told her that she thought that I might be color blind. She wanted to know if my mother was aware of that. Mama was happy that Mrs. Ott was being so thorough in her attention to her students, but she assured Mrs. Ott that I was not color blind.

Indeed, I am not color blind. Mama explained to Mrs. Ott that I simply had never had broccoli. It was something that we never ate at our home. Beans, peas, corn, squash, tomatoes, eggplants, cucumbers—I would know their colors. We just didn't eat broccoli. It was foreign to the Spears's household since it did not grow well here. Most of the veggies we ate we had grown. We were "farm to table" before "farm to table" was a thing.

Mama did feel bad though. She felt she had failed a little as a mother by not introducing us to other foods. SOOOOOOO, she decided it was time to start buying some "different" foods every so often to introduce us to. I remember going with her to the Piggly Wiggly. (We loved going to the grocery store back then. It was one of the few places with air conditioning!) We went to the produce aisle. Mama pointed out the broccoli and took some over to the produce guy. (Remember when the man worked there in the department, weighed your produce and put the price tag on it for you then, before you went to the check out? Different world!)

Mama decided to cook the broccoli for us that night. Now, keep in mind that she was just as country as the four boys she was raising. She had never cooked broccoli either. She didn't know what to do with it. She thought for a minute about how to deal with this new addition to her culinary repertoire. These were the years long before internet. She reasoned broccoli was green. Usually greens (turnips, collards) she would put in the pressure cooker for a spell with some good fat back. So, that is what happened to that bundle of broccoli. It got a good pressure cooking with some pig fat. I will let you know that I would still have got the broccoli colored the wrong color on that worksheet. What came out of that pressure cooker was nothing near any shade of green. It was a sallow, brownish-grey having disintegrated into mush. Together we decided that there was a reason that we didn't eat much of that in the country.

I was in college before I had raw broccoli. Who knew?

Now...here would be a good place for a great broccoli salad recipe. See how it works! ☺ So, what do you say? Let's work on getting that cookbook/storybook written.

*Write your stories. Compile your recipes. Send them to me at [alphusspears@comcast.net](mailto:alphusspears@comcast.net). I will do my best to curate them into something we could cherish for a lifetime: a book for our 100th anniversary and for parishioners 100 years from now.*



# Looking Back and Forward

As Georgia moved into phase II of re-opening the economy, COOS began to open up in small ways here and there. Father Miller celebrated our first mass in the Nave on May 3. It was glorious to see on Facebook Live even if the congregation could not be present. And on Pentecost Sunday, May 31, our organist, Sam Polk, joined Father Chris. Since then we have had wonderful live music during our Sunday services.

For the first part of Ordinary Time, the Wednesday night Bible study group was studying Philippians, as Father Miller felt its message was appropriate for the times we are in. After completing Philippians, the group decided to study an Old Testament book, and Ezekiel was chosen by the group. This has been the subject of their studies since mid-June.

Beginning on June 7, after our Sunday service, we started holding virtual coffee hours that begin around 11:30am and continue until 12:30 or even 1pm on some Sundays. Everyone attending has had a delightful time catching up with each other. Since we are now having only one Sunday service, our coffee hours have been a delightful mix of early and late service people. And we keep having the chance to see who has been getting out for haircuts and who hasn't!



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## A CHANGE OF (MAILING) ADDRESS

If you mail or use your financial institution's billpay to send a pledge payment or other contribution to the Church of Our Saviour, first and foremost: thank you! We are grateful for each and every gift.

The Treasurer asks, however, that you kindly make a change to the mailing address, if you haven't already, and use the secure mailing address at 985 Los Angeles Avenue, NE, Atlanta, GA 30306. The Los Angeles side is a locked mailbox that is regularly checked, while the N. Highland address is a mail slot (that can gather rain and from time to time has had mail go missing). Many thanks for your help to ensure we receive and credit every gift that is given.

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## CHURCH OF OUR SAVIOIUR BIOGRAPHIES

The marketing committee of the Church of Our Saviour is an outgrowth of the CAT survey that the parish took last spring. One of the goals of the committee is the collection of biographical sketches of COOS parishioners to be published as a book for the 100th anniversary of the church in July 2023. The project is intended to celebrate the depth and breadth of diversity in the parish, and to help each of us know our fellow congregants a little better. We also envision the collection of these narratives as a way to introduce ourselves to visitors and to new parishioners.

We are aware that such a project may raise concerns about the dissemination of personal information on social media: specifically, how much do we want to say about ourselves and our families, not knowing who might have access to it? The only thing we can say is that you are in charge of what information you give, and you can control where and how it is to be used. We will ask your permission before using or publishing your story in any form.

If you would like to participate in this project, we would love to hear from you. At the outset, we are collecting short biographies (200-300 words); later, we hope to connect readers to longer, personal stories that will be published on Facebook or Instagram. We have two people willing to write or edit your bios; if you are interested, please contact Eliza Ellison at [eliza.ellison@gmail.com](mailto:eliza.ellison@gmail.com) (678-644-6266) or Alphas Spears at [alphusspears@comcast.net](mailto:alphusspears@comcast.net) (678-754-8427).

Thanks for your help with this project. We look forward to getting to know everyone a bit better!

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## AIDS WALK CANCELLED

We had hoped to have a robust involvement with this year's AIDS Walk, but the organizers have already announced that it is cancelled for 2020. However, we are planning on being involved with the 2021 event. As soon as we have details for how COOS can be involved, we will let the congregation know!

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## ART FROM THE HEART

What a difficult time this is! As we each struggle to recreate our daily lives in ways that keep us safe and connected, we begin to move forward with hope, optimism and plans for the future. The St. Bede's and Church of Our Saviour Art from the Heart Committee is currently planning to, or perhaps we should say hope to, host the 3rd annual Art from the Heart festival this fall.

After reviewing the post-event surveys the artists sent back after last year's event, we decided to schedule this year's festival a little later in the year. Our current plan is to hold Art from the Heart on Friday and Saturday, Nov. 13 and 14. If all goes according to plan we will host the Opening Party on Thursday, Nov. 12, from 6 to 8pm. In these uncertain times we know that there is no guarantee that we will be able to get together in November, but as we move through the next few months, things will become clearer.

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## CHALLENGE TO THE CONGREGATION

Please send in to the *Angelus* a story about a memorable event at COOS. We would like to start collecting these for our 100th anniversary celebration. It doesn't have to be a grand story, just a little blurb about an event you remember and is special to you. Email them to Oreta at [ohtaylor@gmail.com](mailto:ohtaylor@gmail.com).

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## QUESTION FOR THE DAY

We don't have much space for highlighting recent Questions for the Day, but here's one that had some interesting answers. The question was "Who is your favorite biblical character (other than Jesus, God or the Virgin Mary) and why?"

- ▶ Carole Maddux – Mary Magdalene and her overwhelming love for Jesus.
- ▶ Alphus Christopher Spears – Has to be David... what a guy! Renaissance Man par excellence... handsome, musician, shepherd, poet, smart, nimble, fighter, worker, friend. What's not to like about this guy?
- ▶ Hugh Brownlee – I agree!
- ▶ Jane Overton – The woman at the well.
- ▶ Caroline Herndon – Honestly, I love how Jael in the book of Judges won the battle by getting the enemy captain to come into her tent, and once he was drunk and asleep she put a tent peg through his head. Not a role model maybe but a fantastic story.

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## READINGS, AUGUST 2–SEPTEMBER 29, 2020

### AUGUST 2 (PROPER 13)

Isaiah 55:1-5  
Psalm 145: 8-9, 15-22  
Romans 9:1-5  
Matthew 14:13-21

### AUGUST 6 (TRANSFIGURATION)

Exodus 34:29-35  
2 Peter 1:13-21  
Luke 9:28-36  
Psalm 99

### AUGUST 9 (PROPER 14)

1 Kings 19:9-18  
Psalm 85:8-13  
Romans 10:5-15  
Matthew 14:22-33

### AUGUST 15 (SAINT MARY THE VIRGIN)

Isaiah 61:10-11  
Galatians 4:4-7  
Luke 1:46-55  
Psalm 34 or 34:1-9

### AUGUST 16 (PROPER 15)

Isaiah 56:1, 6-8  
Psalm 67  
Romans 11:1-2a, 29-32  
Matthew 15: (10-20), 21-28

### AUGUST 23 (PROPER 16)

Isaiah 51:1-6  
Psalm 138  
Romans 12:1-8  
Matthew 16:13-20

### AUGUST 24 (SAINT BARTHOLOMEW)

Deuteronomy 18:15-18  
1 Corinthians 4:9-15  
Luke 22:24-30  
Psalm 91

### AUGUST 30 (PROPER 17)

Jeremiah 15:15-21  
Psalm 26:1-8  
Romans 12:9-21  
Matthew 16:21-28

### SEPTEMBER 6 (PROPER 18)

Ezekiel 33:7-11  
Psalm 119:33-40  
Romans 13:8-14  
Matthew 18:15-20

### SEPTEMBER 7 (LABOR DAY)

Sirach (Ecclesiasticus) 38:27-32  
1 Corinthians 3:10-14  
Matthew 6:19-24  
Psalm 107:1-9  
or Psalm 90:1-2, 16-17

### SEPTEMBER 13 (PROPER 19)

Genesis 50:15-21  
Psalm 103: 1-13  
Romans 14:1-12  
Matthew 18:21-35

### SEPTEMBER 14 (HOLY CROSS DAY)

Numbers 4b-9  
Psalm 98 1-5  
1 Corinthians 1: 18-24  
John 3:13-17

### SEPTEMBER 20 (PROPER 20)

Jonah 3:10-4:11  
Psalm 145:1-8  
Philippians 1:21-30  
Matthew 20:1-16

SEPTEMBER 21  
(SAINT MATTHEW)  
Proverbs 3:1-6  
2 Timothy 3:14-17  
Matthew 9:9-13  
Psalm 119:33-40

SEPTEMBER 27 (PROPER 21)  
Ezekiel 18:1-4,25-32  
Psalm 25:1-8  
Philippians 2:1-13  
Matthew 21:23-32

SEPTEMBER 29 (SAINT  
MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS)  
Genesis 28:10-17  
Revelation 12:7-12  
John 1:47-51  
Psalm 103

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## BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

### *Birthdays in August*

1 Annwynn Stabler  
5 Kenneth Molinelli  
6 Chris Bailey  
8 Braxton Rush Cooksey  
12 Mary Hallenberg  
14 John Witte, Jr.  
18 Michael Miller  
19 Julie Roberts  
Megan Bernard  
21 Larry Bailey  
23 Sean McGlynn, Jr.

26 Robert Rosenzweig  
29 John Sommers

### *Anniversaries in August*

1 Eric Strange  
& Jennifer Hoosier  
6 Fr. Christopher Miller  
& Jennifer Gander  
11 Roger & Debbie Press  
21 Jim & Kathie Spotts  
22 Terry & Janet Strange  
27 Kenneth Molinelli  
& Mary George

30 David & Laura Stabler  
Sean & Jennifer McGlynn

### *Birthdays in September*

13 Mary (Soapie) Sharitz  
Ann Hutcherson  
18 Leonard O'Brien  
19 Fr. Zack Thompson  
27 Michael Lilly  
28 Fr. Warren Tanghe  
29 Eliza Ellison

### *Anniversaries in September*

12 Dowman Wilson  
& Katharine Suttell

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Alphus Spears, *Christian Formation*

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Dowman Wilson, *Mission & Outreach*

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## The Glory of the Garden

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BY RUDYARD KIPLING

Then seek your job with thankfulness and work till  
further orders,  
If it's only netting strawberries or killing slugs on borders;  
And when your back stops aching and your hands begin  
to harden,  
You will find yourself a partner in the Glory of the Garden.  
Oh, Adam was a gardener, and God who made him sees  
That half a proper gardener's work is done upon his knees,  
So when your work is finished, you can wash your hands  
and pray  
For the Glory of the Garden, that it may not pass away!  
And the Glory of the Garden it shall never pass away!