

# The St. Francis Bulletin

## **FR. AARON CAPPUCCI**

On May 1, 2023 - exactly one year after Fr. Len's retirement - the Vestry voted unanimously to call Fr. Aaron Cappucci as the next Rector of St. Francis Anglican Church.

Fr. Cappucci grew up in the church, and with his father serving as pastor, has always served in the church in some capacity. He sensed a call to pastoral ministry while in high school. While attending Bob Jones University in South Carolina, he and Pam met. After graduation and being married, they moved to Philadelphia where he attended Westminster Theological Seminary and received a Master of Divinity in 2017 and a Master of Theology - Apologetics in 2020 with a goal of pastoral ministry. They discovered the richness of Anglicanism at St. Mark's Reformed Episcopal Church in Rydal PA where they were confirmed. Fr. Cappucci became a Fellow at St. Mark's throughout his seminary years and was ordained to the diaconate in November in 2019 and to the presbyterate in June 2022.

In addition to his duties as Curate at St. Mark's Reformed Episcopal Church, he worked as the Senior Admission Manager at Westminster Theological Seminary, and as Admission Counselor the preceding four years.

After 11 years in the Philly area, Fr. Aaron was looking for employment opportunities in Texas, as Pam's family is in the Houston area. He found St. Francis by looking at a newsletter posted on our website and noticed we had an interim rector and was delighted to see that Fr. Andrew Brummett was associated with us. Having known Fr. Andrew while the Brummetts lived in the Philadelphia area, he gave Fr. Andrew a call to find out more about St. Francis. In a bit of astonishment at the timeliness of the call, Fr. Andrew put him in touch with Senior Warden, Doug Cooper. The members of the search committee were intrigued with Fr. Cappucci at the first Zoom meeting. After a couple of other Zoom meetings and personal meetings, the search committee unanimously voted to

recommend Fr. Cappucci to the Vestry as the next Rector. Of course, Bishop Reed was updated and provided his approval at each step on the way.

Fr. Cappucci and Pam have had four children, two of whom have preceded them into glory (Phinehas and Cecelia), while Francesca (4 years) and Elijah (10 months) continue to complete their joy. They are excited to begin planting roots in Austin and are eager to see how the Lord continues to expand his kingdom in and through St. Francis Anglican Church.

Fr. Cappucci and Pam will visit St. Francis on June 11 when Bishop Reed is here for confirmation and his annual Episcopal visit. Fr. Cappucci begins work as Rector on Monday, July 17 and will first preach and celebrate the Holy Communion on Sunday, July 23.

Thanks to all who included the rector search in their prayers that God's will be done. Kudos to the members of the search committee who spent many hours in Zoom meetings and phone calls on this topic in the past year: Praise to God that the whole process was completed with a calmness that shows God's hand in the deliberations.

## **BISHOP'S VISIT**

Bishop Ryan Reed is coming to St. Francis on June 11 for his annual visit. This year, Fr. Rogers has prepared four adults for confirmation. The Bishop will receive into this communion anyone who has been confirmed in another by a bishop in apostolic orders. If anyone would like to reaffirm their commitment in the Anglican Church, Bishop Reed will accept that reaffirmation. Please let Fr. Rogers know as soon as possible if you fit into one of these two categories: reception or reaffirmation.

The St. Clare's Guild is planning a reception after the 11:00 service to welcome the Bishop to St. Francis.

## THANKS TO SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS

May 21 was the last day of Sunday school for youth at St. Francis. Thanks to the teachers this year: Missy Bernard and Adrienne Kristo-Reinking for the younger children, Doug Cooper and Frank and Donna Hunt for the older youth. A special thanks to the youth who attended and the parents who brought their children to Sunday school. Classes will begin the Sunday after Labor Day, September 11, 2023.

## WALK FOR LIFE

**The Texas Alliance for Life (TAL) 29th Annual Walk for Life is June 17.** The **Anglicans Defending Life** Team is being formed and will be requesting pledges to benefit the pro-life activities of TA – which includes grants to organizations who promote compassionate alternatives to abortion. See Doug Cooper if you would like to join the team! See this website for more information: <https://www.texasallianceforlife.org/2023-walk-for-life/>, They will be collecting pledges soon.

## JUNE ANNIVERSARIES

9 Mike and Charlotte Ready  
14 Pete and Judy Reinhart  
29 Lavanna and Jimmy Martin

## JUNE BIRTHDAYS

9 Fielder Dowding  
13 Lonnie Griffin  
15 Charlotte Ready  
18 Nancy Jones  
RobinRuth Alexander

## JULY ANNIVERSARIES

2 Kevin and Patricia Burnette  
5 Peter and Loretta Nwachuku  
17 David and Kimberly Norris  
24 Ethan and Elizabeth Hoyt  
30 Jonathan and Allison Meckel

## JULY BIRTHDAYS

2 Chaille Claude Bernard  
7 Roy Jones  
8 Sue Orr  
9 Madeleine Hatley  
12 Christina Hatley  
14 Susan Rambin  
27 Harriet Bernard  
30 Claire Ducker

## AUGUST ANNIVERSARIES

5 Jim and Amy Crandell  
22 Bill and Marilyn Palmer  
25 Randy and Sandy Scheer  
28 John and Eileen Goodrich

## AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

9 Susan Jones  
10 Tibet Pollard  
15 Judy Reinhart  
18 Phoebe Hughes  
19 Pete Reinhart  
24 Franklin Hunt  
Fr. Rogers Meredith  
27 Tessa Arce  
28 Keith Harrell  
31 Pamela Hiriart

## READINGS FOR JUNE

### 6/4 Trinity Sunday ([Link to Readings](#))

Genesis 1:1-2:3  
Psalm 150  
2 Corinthians 13:5-14  
Matthew 28:16-20

### 6/11 1 after Trinity ([Link to Readings](#))

Hosea 5:15-6:6  
Romans 4:13-18  
Matthew 9:9-13  
Psalm 50:7-15

### 6/18 2 after Trinity ([Link to Readings](#))

Exodus 19:2-8a  
Psalm 100  
Romans 5:6-11  
Matthew 9:35-10:8

### 6/25 3 after Trinity ([Link to Readings](#))

Jeremiah 20:7-13  
Psalm 69:1-18  
Romans 5:15b-19  
Matthew 10:24-33

## READINGS FOR JULY

### 7/2 4 after Trinity ([Link to Readings](#))

Isaiah 2:10-17  
Psalm 89:1-4, 16-19  
Romans 6:3-11  
Matthew 10:34-42

### 7/9 5 after Trinity ([Link to Readings](#))

Zechariah 9:9-12  
Psalm 145:8-14  
Romans 7:21-8:6  
Matthew 11:25-30

### 7/16 6 after Trinity ([Link to Readings](#))

Isaiah 55:1-5, 10-13  
Psalm 65:9-14  
Romans 8:9-17  
Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23

### 7/23 7 after Trinity ([Link to Readings](#))

Wisdom 12:13, 16-19  
Psalm 86:11-17  
Romans 8:18-25  
Matthew 13:24-30,36-43

### **7/30 8 after Trinity (Link to Readings)**

1 Kings 3:5-12  
Psalm 119:129-136  
Romans 8:26-34  
Matthew 13:31-33, 44-49a

## **READINGS FOR AUGUST**

### **8/6 Transfiguration (Link to Readings)**

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

### **8/13 10 after Trinity (Link to Readings)**

Jonah 2:1-9  
Psalm 29  
Romans 9:1-5  
Matthew 14:22-33

### **8/20 11 after Trinity (Link to Readings)**

Isaiah 56:1-7  
Psalm 67  
Romans 11:13-15, 29-32  
Matthew 15:21-28

### **8/27 12 after Trinity (Link to Readings)**

Isaiah 51:1-6  
Psalm 138  
Romans 11:33-36  
Matthew 16:13-20

#### *Notes on the readings:*

- St. Francis follows the [1979 BCP Lectionary](#) for the lessons. We are in Year A.
- The text read at the service is from the Revised Standard Version of the Bible.
- Each of the listed Sunday readings is linked to the corresponding page on [LectionaryPage.net](#).
- The Sunday collects and text of the psalms are generally from the 1928 Book of Common Prayer.
- On the 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month, the psalm is chanted during the 11:00 service. The pointing is from the St. Francis Psalter, found at <http://stfrancisaustin.org/psalter>, which is based on the Cathedral Psalter.

## **WEEKLY CALENDAR**

### **Sundays**

9:15 a.m. Nursery is provided.  
9:30 a.m. Holy Communion in person, live streamed and recorded. Healing prayers at the altar rail follow the service  
9:30 a.m. Sunday School for youth  
10:00 a.m. Choir Practice  
11:00 a.m. Holy Communion in person with healing prayers after the service.

### **Tuesdays**

7:00 - 8:30 p.m. Bible Study online via Zoom

### **Wednesdays**

7:00 - 7:30 p.m. Catechism class via Zoom

### **Thursdays**

7:00 p.m. Evening Prayer in person in the church and via Zoom.

## **JUNE CALENDAR**

### **June 3 - 1st Saturday**

10:00 - 11:30 a.m. Prayers for the Nation in person in the fellowship hall

### **June 4 - 1st Sunday**

12:45 - 2:00 p.m. Lectionary Bible Study - upstairs at the church

### **June 9 - 2nd Friday**

7:30 - 9:00 p.m. Lectionary Bible Study in person at the McCown's house

### **June 11 - Bishop Reed's Visitation**

### **June 12 - 2nd Monday**

6:00 p.m. Vestry Meeting via Zoom

### **June 16 - 3rd Friday**

NOON to 1:00 p.m. Mother's Prayer Group in person in the fellowship hall

### **June 19 - 3rd Monday**

7:00 - 8:30 p.m. Readers of First Things group online meeting. Contact Karl Stephan at [kdstephan@txstate.edu](mailto:kdstephan@txstate.edu) to join the online meeting via Zoom or come in person to the fellowship hall

### **June 23 - 4th Friday**

4:30 p.m. Mobile Loaves and Fishes Make Ready Team  
5:30 p.m. Mobile Loaves and Fishes Truck Run  
7:30 - 9:00 p.m. Lectionary Bible Study in person at the McCown's house

### **June 25 - 4th Sunday**

12:45 - 2:00 p.m. Lectionary Bible Study - upstairs at the church

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## **JULY CALENDAR**

### **July 1 - 1st Saturday**

10:00 - 11:30 a.m. Prayers for the Nation in person in the fellowship hall

### **July 9 - 2nd Sunday**

12:45 - 2:00 p.m. Lectionary Bible Study - upstairs at the church

### **July 10 - 2nd Monday**

6:00 p.m. Vestry Meeting via Zoom

### **July 14 - 2nd Friday**

7:30 - 9:00 p.m. Lectionary Bible Study in person at the McCown's house

### **July 17 - 3rd Monday**

7:00 - 8:30 p.m. Readers of First Things group online meeting. Contact Karl Stephan at [kdstephan@txstate.edu](mailto:kdstephan@txstate.edu) to join the online meeting via Zoom or come in person to the fellowship hall

### **July 21 - 3rd Friday**

NOON to 1:00 p.m. Mother's Prayer Group in person in the fellowship hall

### **July 23 - 4th Sunday**

12:45 - 2:00 p.m. Lectionary Bible Study - upstairs at the church

### **July 28 - 4th Friday**

4:30 p.m. Mobile Loaves and Fishes Make Ready Team

**July 28 - 4th Friday (cont.)**

5:30 p.m. Mobile Loaves and Fishes Truck Run

7:30 - 9:00 p.m. Lectionary Bible Study in person at the McCown's house

**AUGUST CALENDAR**

**Aug 5 - 1st Saturday**

10:00 - 11:30 a.m. Prayers for the Nation in person in the fellowship hall

**Aug 11 - 2nd Friday**

7:30 - 9:00 p.m. Lectionary Bible Study in person at the McCown's house

**Aug 13 - 2nd Sunday**

12:45 - 2:00 p.m. Lectionary Bible Study - upstairs at the church

**Aug 14 - 2nd Monday**

6:00 p.m. Vestry Meeting via Zoom

**Aug 18 - 3rd Friday**

NOON to 1:00 p.m. Mother's Prayer Group in person in the fellowship hall

**Aug 21 - 3rd Monday**

7:00 - 8:30 p.m. Readers of First Things group online meeting. Contact Karl Stephan at [kdstephan@txstate.edu](mailto:kdstephan@txstate.edu) to join the online meeting via Zoom or come in person to the fellowship hall

**Aug 25 - 4th Friday**

4:30 p.m. Mobile Loaves and Fishes Make Ready Team

5:30 p.m. Mobile Loaves and Fishes Truck Run

7:30 - 9:00 p.m. Lectionary Bible Study in person at the McCown's house

**Aug 27 - 4th Sunday**

12:45 - 2:00 p.m. Lectionary Bible Study - upstairs at the church

**Note on the calendar:**

- To join any of the meetings or services held via Zoom, email [info@stfrancisaustin.org](mailto:info@stfrancisaustin.org)

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**Parish Administrator:** Mark Rambin  
**Treasurer:** Grady Collins

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 Secretary - Dinah Arce

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**ST. FRANCIS' MISSION STATEMENT**

- We are a community of believers in the Gospel of Jesus Christ whose mission it is to spread that Gospel in what we preach and in the way we live.
- We are called to know the Word of God, to act on it in our lives and to share it with our brothers and sisters in the world.
- We are determined to uphold the ancient faith of our ancestors in the Anglican tradition, to offer traditional Christian values based on the Holy Word of God and to be faithful witnesses to the person of Jesus in the Austin Community.
- St. Francis parish is dedicated to the presence of Christ in the lives of the poor, the needy, the sick, to each other and to all those to whom Jesus comes to minister in his life on earth.
- As a community of believers, we intend to entrust our growth in love, in faith and in resources to the generosity of God.