THE ST. FRANCIS BULLETIN



The Institution and Induction of

Aaron T. Cappucci as Rector of St. Francis
Anglican Church - Austin will take place on
Saturday, Sept. 2 at 10 am at
3401 Oak Creek Drive, Austin, TX.
The Rt. Rev. Ryan S. Reed, Bishop of Fort
Worth will preside, and the Very Rev.
Jason S.S. Patterson, Rector of St. Mark's
Church in Rydal PA will be the preacher.

A reception by the St. Clare's Guild will follow the service.

All are invited to attend.

FROM THE RECTOR

Fr. Aaron Cappucci

It has been said that it only takes the gospel message for someone to become a Christian, but it takes the whole bible for the whole Christian. Our tradition, the Anglican tradition, is one whose essential framework has embraced this reality as it seeks to equip the church for every good work in Christ Jesus. Bringing the whole of the bible to the whole of the Christian is chiefly carried out in and through the use of our Prayer Book. The Prayer Book after all is more than a Holy Communion service. It is a book that was masterfully put together to shape the whole of the Christian life. From Lord's Day to Lord's Day, from dawn till dusk it seeks to cultivate a people who

are immersed in Holy Scripture and in turn are Christ-centered, Gospel-saturated, gratitude-filled, living sacrifices unto the Lord.

In other words, we are to do all to the glory of God, not as a means of earning our salvation or securing it, but out of gratitude because our salvation has been secured in the person and work of Christ. This is a hard task, not because we are enslaved to sin, for we have been set free once for all, but because the remnants of sin remain in the human heart.

Thomas Cranmer and our forefathers in the faith recognized this and sought to bring the daily worship of God from the monastery into the home through the daily reading and praying of Holy Scripture. They sought to bring structure to the Christian life in a way that would aid and increase worship, not detract or eliminate it. Therefore they put together Morning and Evening Prayer in order that the church might daily worship through the reading and praying of God's Word.

It is true that the culmination of our worship is both Word and Sacrament on the Lord's Day. But it is not the culmination of merely that hour, but of the entire six days leading up to it. If Holy Communion is the fence post, then the daily offices of Morning and Evening Prayer are the rails that bind them together. That is, our reading and praying of God's

Word is not reserved for the Lord's Day only, but ought to be a daily activity in our homes. Thus, when we gather together for worship in Holy Communion, we gather from worshiping in our homes throughout the week.

This was at the heart of the reformation, to bring the worship of God to the people of God. And this is what our Prayer Book does, it provides structure for the Christian life, it provides structure of our worship. It brings the Word of God to the people of God. Not only on Sundays, but every day in the Daily Offices of Morning and Evening Prayer. It provides common worship for common people. It provides the whole Bible for the whole Christian.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE PRAYER VIGIL

September 27 - Nov. 5

Where do we go from here now that Roe vs Wade has been overturned and Texas has outlawed abortion?

There is supply and demand. The supply of abortion has been outlawed and severely limited, but the demand has not been eliminated. To continue our mission of peacefully and prayerfully ending abortion and building a culture of life, we still need to be out in the community offering life-affirming options for women and families so that the abortion industry (which is still operating) doesn't convince or coerce them to go across state lines. There has also been a massive increase in abortion pills being sent through the mail (which is illegal, but very difficult to enforce the laws). We have a lot of work left to do to continue to build a culture of life.

Planned Parenthood, which has one abortion facility and 3 satellite facilities here in Austin, has stated that they are not going anywhere. They have essentially become a travel agent for abortions across state lines, so they are still taking clients and selling abortions.

God has been on the move as we work to build a culture of life. Our prayer presence and outreach continues in front of the local abortion-referral facilities to help women find life-affirming alternatives. From September 27-November 5th, we will unite with hundreds of cities across the world for a simultaneous 40-day prayer vigil. Here in Central Texas at least 300 women have changed their minds and chosen life! To claim your prayer hour for other resources) visit (and CentralTexasCoalition.com or call the Coalition for Life office at (512) 296-2071.

TROTTER HOUSE BENEFIT LUNCHEON

OCTOBER 6, 2023



The Trotter House Help Healing & Hope Annual Benefit Luncheon provides funds towards program services for babies, children and families seeking support when choosing life.

HOW YOU CAN HELP

Please join us as we help families in need by sponsoring Trotter House. Your generosity enables them to flourish and realize God's design for them. Your

support will influence a mother's choice, a developing child's life and a family's destiny. Trotterhouse.org.

St Francis' congregation has always supported Trotter House by sponsoring a table at this event. A table for 10 is \$500.00. Please consider buying or sponsoring a seat (\$50.00) for yourself or for another to attend. Checks can be made to Trotter House with the memo line "benefit luncheon". Contact Charlotte Ready for more details or if you have any questions.

2023 BENEFIT

KEYNOTE SPEAKER

Rebekah Hagan is one of today's youngest speakers on the issues of teenage pregnancy, abortion, and abortion pill reversal. Her life experiences have led her to become a strong advocate for abortion pill reversal.

ICE CREAM SOCIAL

The annual Ice Cream Social is planned for September 10 after the 11:00 service. Even though the heat will continue for several more weeks, we like to think the end is in sight after the Labor Day holiday. The members of the St. Polycarp's Men's Guild will make delicious, creamy ice cream and supply the fixings for all to enjoy.

EVENT TIME

Thu, October 05, 2023, 11:30 AM - 1:00 PM CT

LOCATION

Junior League of Austin Community Impact Center 5330 Bluffstone Ln Austin, TX 78759

ALTAR FLOWERS

If you wish to make a remembrance, memorial or thank offering, consider donating for the altar flowers. Use an envelope from the bookcase at the back of the Nave to enclose your donation. Fill the envelope front out as appropriate and place it in the wooden box.

MAILING ADDRESS

St. Francis has a new mailing address due numerous break-in attempts of the mailbox that used to be at the church. Our new mailing address is: St. Francis Anglican Church, PO Box 201881, Austin, TX 78720.

ONGOING COLLECTIONS

We are still collecting items for the Trotter House (a pregnancy resource center) and for Mobile Loaves and Fishes. Place your donations in the box in the fellowship area.

Trotter House accepts:

- Diapers, bottles, teethers, new or gently used clothing and toys
- Monetary donations can be made at: https://www.betterunite.com/TrotterHousealwayson
- For more information go to: https://www.trotterhouse.org/

Mobile Loaves and Fishes accepts:

- Toiletries (soap, toothpaste, toothbrushes, almost any hygiene item
- New or gently used clothing for adults and children
- Monetary donations can be made at: Donate at MLF.org
- For more information, go to Mobile Loaves & Fishes.

NEWSLETTER DELIVERY OPTIONS

- Receive the newsletter via e-mail with a printable version attached
- Pick up a printed copy on the table at the entrance to the church
- Have a copy mailed to your physical mail box
- View newsletters on our website.

To change how you receive the newsletter, email info@stfrancisaustin.org

NURSERY NEWS

Nursery is staffed from 9:15 to 12:30 each Sunday with professional sitters from the Jovie agency. Please be sure to pick up your children by 12:30. Missy is the point of contact for any nursery needs or questions.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Sunday School begins September 10th! We are excited to see your children! Missy Bernard teaches the younger class and Doug Cooper teaches the older class. Both classes begin by attending 9:30 service for the readings, and then heading upstairs to the classrooms during the announcements. The younger class meets in the nursery.

This fall, Missy will begin with Genesis and work through some key stories in the Old Testament. Doug frequently uses the weekly lectionary readings as a jumping off point for lessons.

Our Operation Christmas Child shoebox gift collection will begin in mid-October, with packing day scheduled for November 12th. This is St. Francis's 22nd year of participation! Stay tuned for more information later in the fall.

NAMETAGS

Everyone should have a nametag on the table in the Narthex. Please wear it. Although Fr. Cappucci will learn everyone's names quickly, some of the rest of us will continue to need name reminders. Please let Angie McCown or Amy Crandell know if you need a nametag.

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

- 3 Tara Montalvo
 - Ruth Ann Stillman
- 4 Judith Bernard
- 7 Eileen Cole
- 9 Margery Lindsey
- 15 Michelle Collins
- 16 Loretta Nwachuku
- 18 Curran Peter Hatley
- 20 Kimberly Norris, Adriane Kristo-Reinking
- 21 David Kristo-Reinking, John Armstrong
- 23 Eileen Goodrich
- 24 Stephen Jon Moss
- 25 Cesiah Cooper

SEPTEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

- 2 James and Jane Cox
- 5 Mark and Susan Rambin
- 6 Steve and Angie McCown
- 10 Franklin and Donna Hunt

READINGS FOR SEPTEMBER

9/3 - 13 after Trinity (Link to Readings) P17

Jeremiah 15:15-21

Psalm 26

Romans 12:1-8

Matthew 16:21-27

9/10 - 14 after Trinity (Link to Readings) P18

Ezekiel 33:1-11

Psalm 119:33-40

Romans 12:9-21

Matthew 18:15-20

9/17 - 15 after Trinity (Link to Readings) P19

Ecclesiasticus 27:30-28:7

Psalm 103:8-13

Romans 14:5-12

Matthew 18:21-35

9/24 - 16 after Trinity (Link to Readings) P20

Jonah 3:10-4:11

Psalm 145:1-8

Philippians 1:21-27

Matthew 20:1-16

NOTES ON THE READINGS:

- St. Francis follows the <u>1979 BCP Lectionary</u> 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. Said Holy Communion. Healing prayers at the altar rail follow the service

9:30 a.m. Sunday School for youth

10:00 a.m. Choir Practice

<u>11:00 a.m.</u> Choral Holy Communion. 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.

SEPTEMBER CALENDAR

Sept 2 - Saturday

10:00 a.m. Installation of Fr. Aaron Cappucci

Sept 8 - 2nd & 4th Friday

<u>7:30 - 9:00 p.m.</u> Home group at the McCown's house

Sept 10 - 2nd Sunday

<u>12:45 - 2:00 p.m.</u> Spiritual Formation Group - upstairs at the church

Sept 11 - 2nd Monday

6:00 p.m. Vestry Meeting via Zoom

Sept 15 - 3rd Friday

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

Sept 18 - 3rd Monday

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

Sept 22 - 4th Friday

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

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

Note on the calendar._

To join any of the meetings or services held via Zoom, email info@stfrancisaustin.org





St. Francis Anglican Church of Austin

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Parish Administrator: Mark Rambin

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Senior WardenDoug Cooper
Jim Crandell

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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.