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The word **EPIPHANY** means “manifestation”, “appearing”, or “showing”. We celebrate the manifestation of God's glory in Christ, not only to Israel but also to the Gentiles (of whom the star-led Magi are the first-fruits) - that all sorts and conditions of men may worship him in the unity of his Body, which is the Church Catholic. The glory of Christ is manifest *to us*, that he may be manifest *in us*. "Arise, shine, for thy light is come, and the glory of the Lord is risen upon thee" (Isaiah 60:1).

## 8:00 A.M.—HOLY COMMUNION

COLLECTS, EPISTLE, and GOSPEL .....Prayer Book page 109 (107)

*A continental breakfast is available in Cranmer Hall following this service.*

9:30a.m. —12 Noon NURSERY (Cranmer Hall)

9:30 A.M.—ALL AGES CHRISTIAN EDUCATION (Chapel & Cranmer Hall)

10:30a.m. —Preschool continues—3 year olds through Kindergarten (Cranmer Hall)

## 10:30 A.M.—SOLEMN EUCHARIST, FESTIVAL OF LIGHTS, AND PROCESSION FOR THE FEAST OF THE EPIPHANY

FESTIVAL OF LIGHTS and PROCESSION

*The clergy and choir enter in silence, the congregation standing.*

*Priest:* The Lord be with you.

*People:* And with thy spirit.

*Priest:* Let us pray: *(The congregation remains standing)*

LIGHTEN thy people, O Lord, we beseech thee, and ever kindle their hearts with the radiance of thy grace; that the birth of the Saviour of the world, made manifest by the attendance of a star, may be revealed more and more to their minds, and there have increase, through the same thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who with thee and the Holy Spirit, liveth and reigneth in the Light unto which no man may approach. *Amen.*

The Gospel of the Epiphany: St. Matthew 2:1 *(Prayer Book p. 110)*

*Before the Gospel:* Glory be to thee, O Lord. *After the Gospel:* Praise be to thee, O Christ.

HYMN #51 *We Three Kings*..... Orient

During the singing of the hymn, the figures of the Wise Men will be placed at the crèche, and candles will be lighted throughout the church.

*Priest:* Arise, shine, for thy light is come.

*People:* And the glory of the Lord is risen upon thee.

*Priest:* The Gentiles shall come to thy light.

*People:* And kings to the brightness of thy rising.

*Deacon:* Let us go forth in peace.

*People:* In the Name of Christ. Amen.

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**STANDING NOTICES**

The occasional Sacraments of Baptism, Matrimony, Penance, Communion and Unction of the Sick, and the Office of Burial of the Dead are always available by appointment, at announced times, or as necessary.

**HOSPITAL VISITATIONS**

Please call the Church Office to inform the clergy if you or a loved one is in the hospital.

**ST. JOHN'S WEB SITE**

Parish Paper essays may be read on our web site: [www.stjohnssav.org](http://www.stjohnssav.org)

**VESTRY OFFERING CHAIRMEN**

8:00 Mr. Arthur D. Weed  
10:30 Mr. Floyd G. Whittington, Jr.

**USHER CHAIRMAN**

Mr. Robert Vinyard  
and Mr. William Willingham

The flowers at the altar are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Admiral Owen W. Siler and loved ones by Betty Siler and family.

A permanent memorial in memory of Miss Louise Strong Falligian by the Chancel Society.

The Epiphany Candle is given to the glory of God and in loving memory of J. Robert Logan, Jr., by Dr. and Mrs. J. Robert Logan.

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**ACOLYTES**

**8:00** Chris Dixon

*9:50 a.m. Practice for ALL Acolytes in the  
10:30 service. Please be Prompt!*

**10:30** Lawson Turner, Lindsay Pindar  
Charles Perrie, Hunt Wadsen  
Finn Repella, Philip Perrie  
Turner Stevens, Edwin Shepherd

**COFFEE HOUR CHAIRMAN**

Mrs. Stuart W. Soule

**9:30 A.M. SUNDAY YOUTH & ADULT EDUCATION**

- Dr. Bergstrom *Upper School*, Fellowship Hall
- Fr. Dunbar: *St. Mark*, Reading Room
- Dr. Noble: *Shakespeare's History plays* 3rd flr Cranmer

**WEEKDAY STUDY GROUPS**

- Monday Noon: **Women's Study** *Athanasius on the Incarnation*, Dr. Bergstrom (Reading Room)
- Tuesdays 7 a.m. **Men's Breakfast**, *Offices of Instruction*, Parish House Dining Room (enter by kitchen), with Fr O'Brien
- Thursdays 7 a.m. **Men's Bible Study**, on *Judges*, Reading Room (Fr Dunbar)
- Thursdays 9:15 a.m. **Women's Study**, on *The Imitation of Christ*, with Fr O'Brien

**Thursday at Noon: MEN'S FORUM**

*The current debate over Sex and Marriage in Biblical and Anglican perspective* (Fr Dunbar). Good food for body and soul. Donation requested, visitors welcome. Food served 11:50, Talk runs 12:10 to 12:50.

THE FEAST OF **EASTER** falls on April 20th, 2014; *Septuagesima* (the 9th Sunday before Easter) on February 18th; *Ash Wednesday* on **March 5<sup>th</sup>**.

PLEASE REMEMBER YOUR CHURCH IN YOUR WILL

### **NOTE TO PARENTS – THIS SUNDAY**

Children in Pre-Kindergarten and Kindergarten are encouraged to attend Church during the procession, and to follow the Crucifer to the Church School at the hymn before the Sermon.

### **EPIPHANY KINGS**

*Sam Forkner  
Jackson McClelland  
William Taylor*

### **OYSTER ROASTING AT BETHESDA**

One of St. John's favourite times of fellowship has been the annual Oyster Roast at Derst Park, organized by the Men of St. John's. This year, with the gracious support of the Dersts, the Men have decided to hold it at Bethesda Academy, and to devote the proceeds to the Academy. Don't worry, we shall return to Derst Park for other events! But the Men believe this is an opportunity to link fellowship with outreach.

Founded by George Whitefield in 1740, Bethesda has in recent years refocused its mission as a private boarding and day school for young men in grades six through twelve. Through enterprise ventures that include organic farming, cattle operation, video production and wildlife management, its aim is to provide them a transformative second chance at success by instilling "a love of God, a love of learning, and a strong work ethic".

To judge from the statistics, it is succeeding in its mission. In Savannah-Chatham County public schools, only 29% of African American males, and only 43% of Caucasian males, graduate from high school on time. At Bethesda, 95% of the students finish high school on time – and about 68% of Bethesda's student body is African American. Since their first graduating class in May 2005, 88% of its graduates have enrolled in college, with 8% going into the military,

and 4% going into the workforce. Of the 88% that go on to college, 91% of this group is the first in their family to attend college. These are impressive numbers, that bring hope to these young men, their families, and the community in which they will live. GGD

### **MEN'S CLUB ANNUAL OYSTER ROAST AND BARBEQUE Saturday, January 25<sup>th</sup>**

**Noon – 3:00 at Bethesda Academy**  
*(note new location)*

Tickets are on sale in Cranmer Hall after the 8am service, during Coffee Hour and in the Church Office. **Advance tickets:** Adults - \$20, Children 6 to 12 - \$7, 5 and under – No Charge. **At the gate** Adults-\$25, Children 6 to 12-\$10. *Proceeds to benefit Bethesda Academy.*

### **PARISH KALENDAR**

**Monday to Friday: Daily Prayer**  
8:15am & 5:30pm

**In addition, on Wednesday:**  
*Litany 9:45 am Sung Eucharist 10am*

### **SENIORS LUNCHEON**

All Ladies 70 and older are invited to join the Women of St. John's on Wednesday, January 15<sup>th</sup>, at 11:30 a.m. for a luncheon in their honor. Call the Church Office to make your reservation or if you need transportation.

### **THE ANNUAL RUMMAGE SALE**

**Saturday February 8th**

If you are cleaning out your closets, please keep this Sale in mind! Donations received Monday February 3rd to Friday February 7<sup>th</sup>.

### **OFFERING ENVELOPES**

Envelopes have been mailed to those who requested them. If you did not receive envelopes and you would like to have them, please call the church office 232-1251.

**PROCESSION**

HYMN: #30 *The First Nowell* ..... First Nowell  
 As the Procession returns to the Sanctuary, a student will present the Sunday School's Advent and Christmas offering at the chancel steps.

**ANTE-COMMUNION**

Collect for Purity ..... Prayer Book, page 67  
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*Children 3 years old through Kindergarten and those in Jr. Choir (through Grade 4) may exit following the Cross.*  
 ADDRESS ..... Fr. Dunbar

**OFFERTORY**

Sentences

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Presentation of Alms, Doxology #139

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Thanksgiving (*said with the congregation*) ..... 83

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS (Hymnal #739) ..... Old Scottish Chant

The Blessing (*Kneeling*) ..... 84

HYMN # 49 *From the Eastern Mountains* ..... Valour

ORGAN: *All Glory Be to God on High* ..... Johann Sebastian Bach

***Poinsettias in the Church may be removed AFTER the Noon service.***

*Poinsettias in the foyers on each side may be taken away after the 10:30 service.*

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*Everyone is invited to attend the Coffee Hour in the Parish House immediately after the 10:30 service.*

*If you are a guest and visiting our Parish, please make yourself known.*

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**12 Noon — HOLY COMMUNION (Church, as 8 a.m.)**