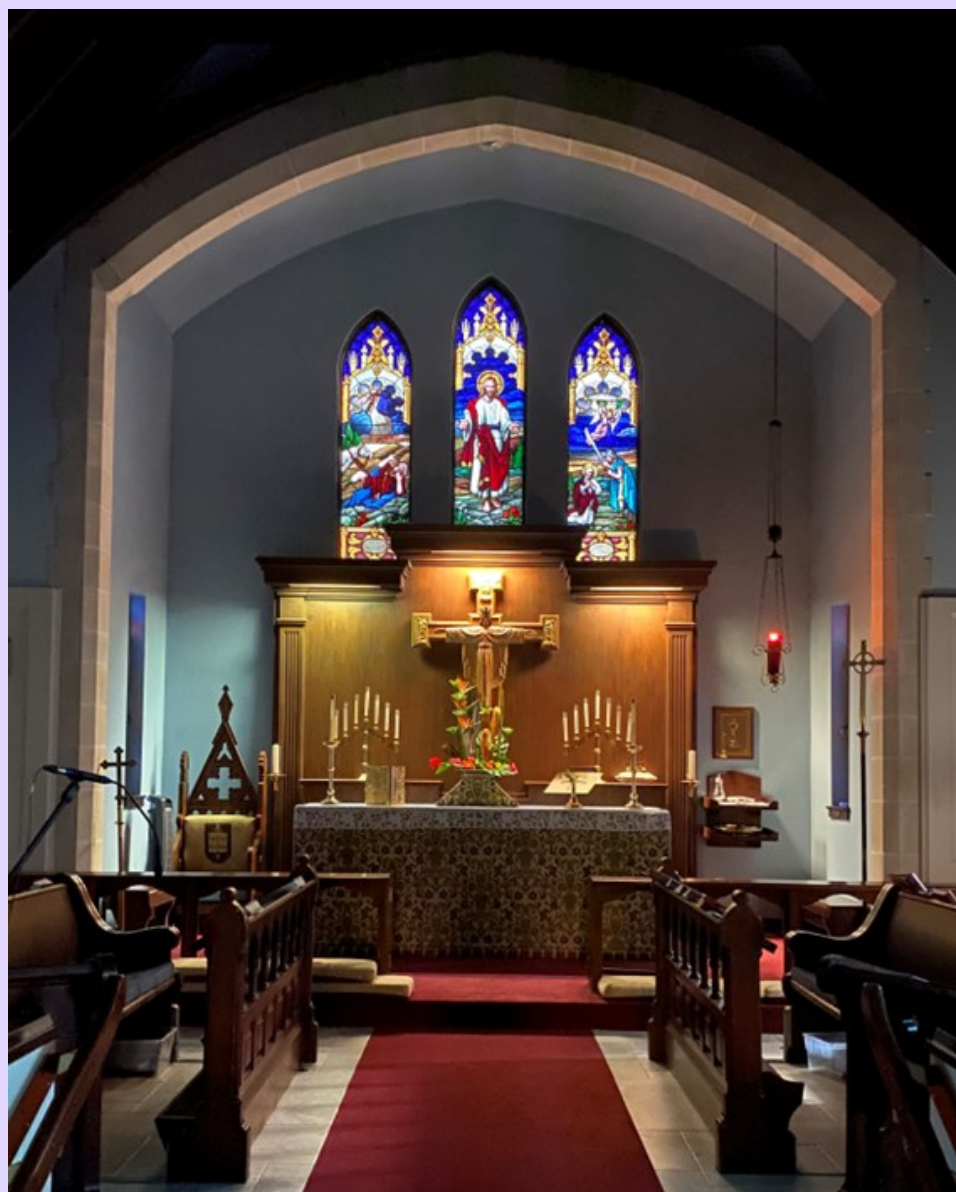


**ST. PAUL'S
EPISCOPAL
CHURCH**

St. Paul's Shield

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*St. Paul's Episcopal Church
Holy Eucharist Service is at 10:00am
every Sunday in person, or
live stream on Facebook.*

Tuesday Night BYOBBO

An event you won't want to miss ...

October 6 / Tuesday evening @ 6:00
in the Parish Hall ... we will have our very first BYOBBO

Instead of eating out at a local restaurant... please bring some BBQ from your favorite place. We will have a tasting and pick a winner. Brisket, Ribs, chicken, etc.

In lieu of meat, you can bring sides. I'll bring some buns as well for anyone wanting a sandwich.

Please let Kelly know what you are bringing and the place it was purchased. Homemade is always acceptable too.

It will be a fun night for sure. Please make plans to attend.

For St. Francis Day, October 4

A Reading from *The Brothers Karamazov* by Fyodor Dostoevsky

Love all God's creation, the whole and every grain of sand in it. Love every leaf, every ray of God's light. Love the animals, love the plants, love everything. If you love everything, you will perceive the divine mystery in things. Once you perceive it, you will begin to comprehend it better every day. And you will come at last to love the whole world with an all-embracing love. Love the animals: God has given them the rudiments of thought and joy untroubled. Do not trouble it, don't harass them, don't deprive them of their happiness, don't work against God's intent.

A Collect for Francis of Assisi, Friar and Deacon

Most high, omnipotent, good Lord, grant your people grace to renounce gladly the vanities of this world; that, following the way of blessed Francis, we may, for love of you, delight in your whole creation with perfectness of joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Thanks,

Meg+

Veteran's Day Service and Luncheon

St. Paul's will have a Veteran's service and luncheon in November
We will invite the City of Refuge and will have a luncheon after the 10:00am service.

A prayer attributed to St. Francis:

Lord, make me an instrument of your peace,
where there is hatred, let me sow love;
where there is injury, pardon;
where there is doubt, faith;
where there is despair, hope;
where there is darkness, light; and
where there is sadness, joy.
O, God, grant that I may not so much seek to
be consoled as to console;
to be understood as to understand;
to be loved as to love;
for it is in giving that we receive;
it is in pardoning that we are pardoned;
and it is in dying
that we are born to eternal life. Amen.



Breakfast Bunch

St. Paul's members would like to meet for breakfast every Tuesday at 9:00am. We will eat at IH 10 Diner. Everyone is welcome to come. If you have any questions, you can contact me at stpauls@stpaulsorangetx.com or 409-883-2969.



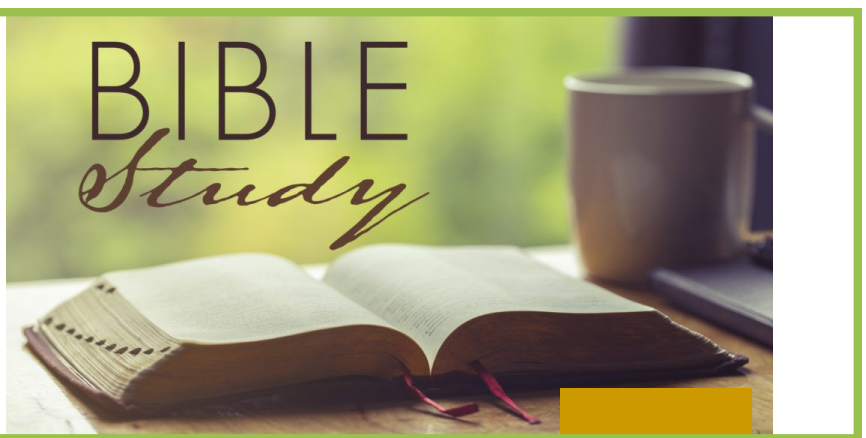
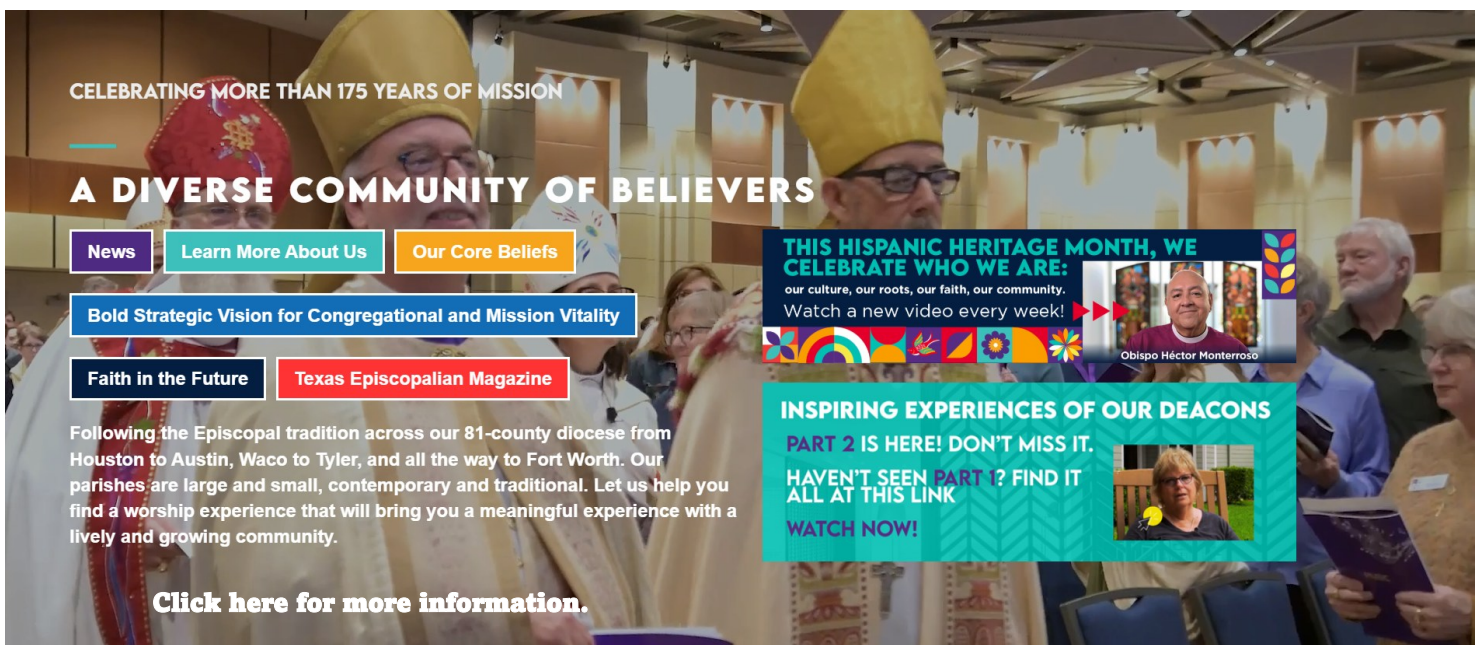
Shangri La Botanical Gardens Scarecrow FESTIVAL

October 6-24, 2026
 Sip & Stroll - October 15
 Autumn Fair - October 24

Shangri La Botanical Gardens & Nature Center
shangrilagardens.org

Bible Study

Come join us every Sunday for a Bible Study at 9:00am in the Guild room. Fix yourself a cup of coffee and enjoy exploring the bible.

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THIS HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH, WE CELEBRATE WHO WE ARE:
 our culture, our roots, our faith, our community.
 Watch a new video every week!



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INSPIRING EXPERIENCES OF OUR DEACONS
PART 2 IS HERE! DON'T MISS IT.
HAVEN'T SEEN PART 1? FIND IT ALL AT THIS LINK
WATCH NOW!



St. Simon & St. Jude Feast Day

On October 28 we commemorate Saint Simon and Saint Jude, whose names appear in the New Testament on every list of the twelve apostles.

Simon was called “the Zealot,” which suggests that he once belonged to a Jewish resistance movement. Animated by religious fervour, the Zealots used any means, even terror, to overthrow Roman rule and revive Jewish independence. Simon originally may have followed Jesus in hopes that he would “restore the kingdom to Israel.”

Jude “the son of James” was also called Thaddeus. One of the Letters included in the New Testament is ascribed to him; and we hear his voice in Saint John’s account of the Last Supper, where he is distinguished as “the other Judas, not Iscariot.” Judas Iscariot was the disciple who betrayed Jesus, and the fact that Jude shared the traitor’s name made Christians reluctant to ask for his prayers. For this reason Jude is considered the patron saint of what is shunned by the world, especially lost causes and those who suffer from incurable diseases.

The western Church remembers Simon and Jude together because, in the seventh or eighth century, the church of Rome acquired some relics of both apostles and placed them in a single shrine. October twenty-eighth is probably the anniversary of the dedication of this shrine. <https://www.vancouver.anglican.ca/blog/st-simon-and-st-jude>

Vigil of All Saint’s Feast day—October 31

You’ve probably heard of All Saints’ Day, and you know about Halloween, of course. But what about All Souls’ Day, and All Hallows’ Eve, and All Faithful Departed? What’s the difference?

Well, November 1 is All Saints’ Day, one of the principal feasts of the Episcopal Church, when the church remembers the saints, known and unknown. It is also one of the four holy days denoted as especially appropriate for baptisms. (The others are the First Sunday after Epiphany, the Easter Vigil, and Pentecost.)

The origins of All Saints’ Day aren’t completely clear. A feast for all martyrs was observed as early as the fourth century on May 13. And Pope Gregory III dedicated a chapel in Rome to all saints on November 1, while Pope Gregory IV officially declared its general observance in 837.

In medieval England this feast was known as All Hallows (hallow was an old English term for saint), and the day before was All Hallows’ Eve, or Halloween. It is believed that the traditions we associate with Halloween originate with Celtic harvest festivals, in particular the festival of Samhain, which celebrated the harvest and when the dead were said to return to their homes because the veil between the physical and spiritual worlds was thought to be thinnest at that time. Bonfires were lit to frighten away evil spirits.

There is an Episcopal service for All Hallows’ Eve that includes prayers and readings such as “[The Witch of Endor](#),” which it may surprise you to learn is a story from the Bible (1 Samuel 28: 3-25), not Tolkien. November 2 is the commemoration of All Faithful Departed, sometimes called All Souls’ Day. It is a day when faithful Christians who have died are remembered.

While in the New Testament “saints” refers to the entire Christian community, it has come to mean people of “heroic sanctity” whose holy deeds are remembered by Christians. Beginning in the tenth century, the church began to remember all departed Christians on November 2. Many remember their loved ones who have died on this day.

Together these three days are sometimes called Allhallowtide. <https://trinitychurchnyc.org/>

Happy Birthday

Light, Margaret	10/03
Jarmon, Lillian	10/03
Guillot, Kelly	10/10
Miller, Joyce	10/10
Hurst, Rosie	10/16
Reeves, Eric	10/19
Houseman, Mallory	10/26
Denosowicz, Mr. Paul	10/27
McCorquodale, Ann	10/28
Quebodeux, Colby	10/28
Hall, Joyce	10/29
Stutes, Mrs. Donna (Peterson)	10/30
Hall, Miles Joseph	10/31

Daughters of the King
DOK will meet on the
the second Monday of the month.
We will meet on October 12 at 10:30am
in the parish hall.

Shield Information is due October 15.
Vestry Meeting is October 18 after the
10:00am service.

**Watercolor Class is every Wednesday at 9:30am
in the parish hall.**

**The Game Group meets every Thursday at
10:00am.**

**If you have any questions, contact me at
stpauls@stpaulsorangetx.com or 409-883-2969.**

Happy Anniversary

Price, Stephen & Julie	10/02
Hollier, Robert & Amber	10/20
Allen, Fred & Sabine Lamar	10/21
Maglothlin, Joseph & Allison	10/27
Darby, Craig & Heather	10/29

If you would like to place some information in the
Shield. Please email me at
stpauls@stpaulsorange.com.

Prayer list

The prayer list changes every beginning of the month.
Please send in the people you would like to have on the Oc-
tober prayer list, so I can place them in the Shield and bulle-
tin. There is a sign up sheet in the Narthex or you can email
me at stpauls@stpaulsorangetx.com.
or call 409-883-2969.

**On the 1st Sunday of each month
St. Paul's loose plate offering will
be for Outreach.
If you make out a check please make a note in
the Memo line. If you have any questions,
please contact me at
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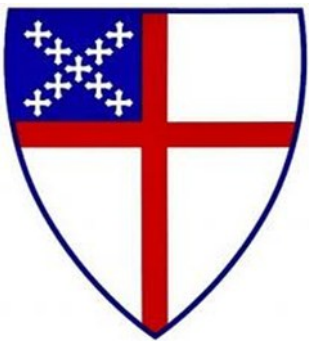
St. Paul's Family & Friends Prayer List

Jay Todd Cleaver,
Haley & Dennis
& baby Ezra
Betty & Don Ball, Sr.
Don Ball, Jr.
Greg Ball
Susie Bromley
Destiny Thomas, Jared &
baby Zara
Paula Burton
Hal Bean,
Anne Breitenstein,
Doris Byrd,
Robert Cheek
Kayla Cheek,
Sharon Debes,
Brian Debes
Dena
John & Teri Duos,
Elizabeth
Maggie Farrington,
Tim Fading,
Tom & Marsha,
Ben Garcia
Rev. Canon Mark R.
Wood
Rosemary Schoolfield

Carolyn
Debbie Petty
Dottie Eubanks
Chris Gayle
Patsy,
Carolyn Hessong
Mimi Hollier,
Delmos Hooker,
Rosie Hurst,
Yolanda Jackson,
Allen Jones,
Jerry & Sherlon Jones,
John & Marie
Kaitlyn Hogg
Peggy Lane,
Peggy Johnson,
Lori,
Ruby
Madeline,
Ken & Debra
Kenric & Andrew
Justin Morvant,
Mackenzie & baby
Walter Rotsch
David Silk,
Easton Smith & family
Ron & Margaret Sonnier,

Pete & Delores Sterling,
Nicole & Family
Lynn
Paul
Ken Slaughter,
Hui Si
Judy Taylor
Kendal Thomas,
Nancy Walker,
Alyssa Wilson
Kady Michaelis,
Lynette, Tom, Grace & Kate
Sandy Bell
Reilly Shaw
Van Vandervoort
Jerry & Wilma Collins
Bruce & Roxanne McGraw
Cindy Robertson
Vivian DeJohn
Susan Skelton
Trevino Family
Jerry McInnis
Linda Schwartz
Kyle Overstreet
Crystal Criddy

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**Liturgy of the Word 8:00am
Holy Eucharist 10:00am
In person or Live Stream Service
on Facebook every Sunday at 10:00am.**