



THE CANTICLE

From The Dean . . .

Epiphany dawns in that quiet moment when darkness finally loosens its grip and light does not ask permission to enter. It is the season when the Church insists, gently but clearly, that God has already spoken, already shown himself, already stepped into the world in Jesus. The Magi follow a light they do not control and barely understand, and in doing so they discover that revelation is rarely comfortable and never static. Epiphany also meets us right at the edge of a new calendar year, when resolutions are fragile and hope feels tentative. Some years the flame of faith feels steady and strong, other years it flickers, threatened by fatigue, grief, or the weight of the world. Most of the time, it lives somewhere in between. And that, too, is holy ground.

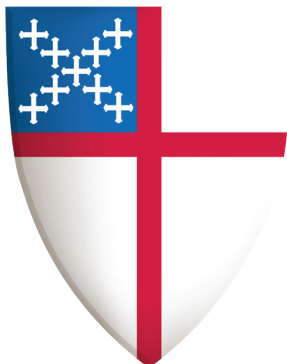
The question Epiphany asks is not whether God is revealing himself. He already is. The question is whether we are willing to move — away from what is familiar, away from what feels safe, and toward what love demands. The light of Christ does not exist for admiration alone; it exists to guide, to unsettle, and to send. As this season unfolds, we are invited to listen more closely for the still, small voice of Immanuel within us and to trust that following that light will always lead us deeper into mercy, truth, and the costly joy of love.

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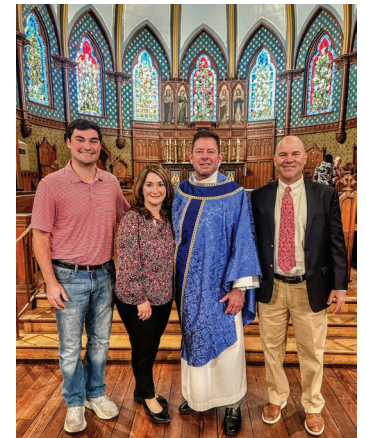
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EPISCOPAL
CHURCH



WELCOMES YOU

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| 2 Diane Genre | 20 Sandy Jackson |
| 6 George Haynes | Bill Renaudin |
| 8 Violet Clement | 21 Yvonne Browning |
| Andrew Poland | Carol Butcher |
| 10 Harlan Bush | Robin Werner |
| 12 Amelia Airey | Liam Whalen |
| Nicholas Day | 24 Michael Martin |
| 15 Rick Mithun, Jr. | Margaret Wild |
| 16 Delta Dwyer | 28 Melissa Nunn |
| 17 Sam Kellum | Lucille Whitley |
| Carol Messersmith | 29 Donovan Airey |
| 18 Ricky Dunn | Jackie Gunter |
| Mia Mithun | 30 Judson Mitchell III |
| 19 Chris Waltermann | 31 Vikki Shofstahl |



*The Sarum Blue Advent Vestments are
given to the Glory of God
by René, Holly, and Beau Dupaquier
in memory of Mr. and Mrs. John Walter
Dupaquier, Jr. - Advent 2025.*

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The Right Reverend
Shannon Rogers Duckworth, *Bishop*

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David Allard duPlantier, *Dean*

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VESTRY

2026

Chrissy Carmody, Meryl Fink,
David O'Leary (Junior Warden)

2027

Brian Frilot (Treasurer),
Kathryn Washington,
Ed Whitfield (Secretary)

2028

Charlotte C. Meade, Bonnie Scott,
Angela Sella

2029

Alan G. Brackett (Senior Warden),
Liz Schafer, Patrick Tuck

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are always welcome.

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Send photos to
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before noon on Tuesdays to
canticle@cccnola.org.

Weekly Liturgies

Sundays

10:00 AM ~ The Holy Eucharist (Sung)
Rite II (Rite I in Lent)

6:00 PM ~ The Holy Eucharist (Sung)
Real Presence

Weekdays (M-F)

12:15 PM ~ The Holy Eucharist

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Vestry Nominations 2026

A Nominating Committee has been appointed by the Dean to select a slate of candidates for the election of Vestry members to be held at the annual meeting of Christ Church Cathedral parish on Sunday, March 15, 2026. New Vestry members will be elected to fill positions vacated by those whose terms of service will be expiring. Members of the Nominating Committee are Meryl Fink, David O'leary, Justin Allen, and Chrissy Carmody. There are three openings this year and three nominees.

In compliance with the Cathedral Charter, the congregation is reminded of the following provisions:

ARTICLE V. SECTION III, (b):

"Notice of the appointment of the members of the committee and a copy of this Section III of Article V of the Charter shall be mailed to qualified voters no later than forty-five days before the Annual Meeting. Candidates may be suggested to the nominating committee: additionally, not later than ten days before the Annual Meeting, ten qualified voters of the Corporation may submit a petition to the nominating committee to place in nomination the name of a person eligible for election to the Vestry. Not less than twenty days prior to the Annual Meeting the committee shall cause to be mailed to all qualified voters the names and brief biographies of all nominees for membership on the Vestry, whether nominated by committee or by petition. In the event that further nominations are made, either by petition or committee, less than twenty days prior to the Annual Meeting, the committee shall make every reasonable effort to provide the names and biographies of the additional nominees to all qualified voters prior to the annual meeting. At the Annual Meeting no nominations shall be permitted from the floor. The names of all candidates nominated by the committee or by petition, if the nominees are different, shall be placed on a written ballot and

distributed at the Annual Meeting to the qualified voters.”

“(c) Nominees for membership on the Vestry shall be elected by the qualified voters of the Corporation at each Annual Meeting. All elections of Vestrymen shall be conducted by written ballot and shall be under the supervision of their supervisors of election, who shall be qualified voters of the Corporation, other than members of the Vestry, and who shall be appointed by the Dean at the Annual Meeting. Those nominees receiving the greatest number of votes shall be elected to fill the vacancies. For all nominees receiving such equal number of votes to be elected, the balloting shall continue between such

nominees until the tie be broken and the necessary plurality be obtained.”

ARTICLE IV

I. “The membership of this Corporation shall consist of those persons whose names are now, or may hereafter be entered, on the Parish Register of the Corporation as a result of baptism, transfer, reception, or confirmation.”

II. “The voters of this Corporation at annual and other meetings of the Corporation shall possess those qualifications as may from time to time be set forth in the Canons of the Diocese of Louisiana.” [See below]

III. “The Parish Register of the Corporation shall be final and conclusive in all respects as to membership in the Corporation; and the books of the Treasurer of the corporation shall be conclusive as to the contributions of members, requisite to suffrage.”

CANON 19, SECTION 2:

“Those entitled to vote at an annual parish meeting shall be communicants in good standing of the Parish who are at least eighteen (18) years of age, and who have been contributors of record toward the support of the parish during the six (6) months preceding the meeting.”

We acknowledge with gratitude those that have recorded a pledge.

Mr. & Mrs. Justin M. Allen
Mark Edward Andrews
Mr. Juan Barroso & Ms. Margaret R. Parker
Mr. William Christopher Beary
Dr. & Mrs. Warren M. Billings
Mr. Barry B. Bisbee
Ms. Betty M. (“Kathy”) Boyd
Mr. & Mrs. Alan G. Brackett
Mr. & Mrs. Christopher R. Brown
Mrs. Jennifer O’Brien-Brown & Mr. Cory Brown
Mr. & Mrs. David E. Browning
Mr. & Mrs. Sam O. Buckley III
Ms. Joella B. Burlingame
Mrs. Carol A. Butcher
Mr. & Mrs. Christian J. Byrne
Ms. Rita S. Carlson
Dr. & Mrs. Ian Carmody
The Rev. Georgene D. (“Gigi”) Conner
Ms. Janice Reynolds Cooke
Ms. Carolyn (“Carrie”) Deyo
The Rt. Rev. Shannon R. Duckworth
Ms. Alma P. Dunlap
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The Very Rev. & Mrs. David A. duPlantier
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Ms. Linda F. Werner
Ms. Sarah Whalen & Mr. William (“Liam”) Whalen
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As of Monday, December 29, 2025, 88 households have pledged a total of \$431,092, of which 24 increased their pledges and 15 were new pledges. Drop off or mail in your pledge card today, or you may submit your digital pledge card online at bit.ly/OnlinePledgeCard.

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Save the Date

Join Us for a Feast of Light
Sunday, January 11th 2026

Following the Service
11 am - 1 pm
in Stuart Hall



Lunch all that is *New Orleans*

Gumbo, Red Beans & Rice
Grits & Grillades
Jambalaya
Seafood Etouffee
Green Beans and Collard Greens
French Bread & Corn Bread

Dessert

King Cake

Beverages

Coffee, Tea & Lemonade

Lagniappe – Sponsors

Bloody Mary's, Eggnog, Mimosas

Volunteers

Food Preparation
Volunteers on King Cake
Decoration Volunteers
Clean Up Crew



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