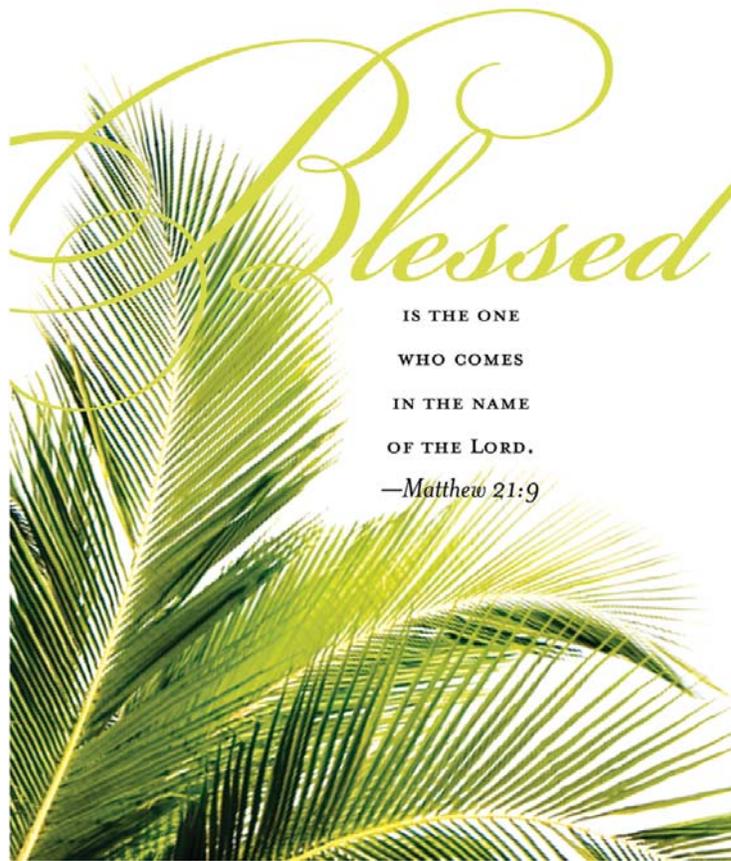




Palm Sunday

March 25, 2018



IS THE ONE
WHO COMES
IN THE NAME
OF THE LORD.
—Matthew 21:9

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St. Paul's Parish warmly welcomes The Rt. Rev. Daniel G. P. Gutiérrez



The Rt. Rev. Daniel G. P. Gutiérrez was consecrated on July 16, 2016, serving as the 16th bishop of the historic Episcopal Diocese of Pennsylvania. After his initial “listening pilgrimage” to all of the Diocese’s 133 parishes, Bishop Gutiérrez became focused on empowering laity, inspiring creative solutions for church growth, emphasizing the missions of the church, and ensuring that transparency is part of everything. The Pennsylvania Diocese is the second oldest and fourth largest in the Episcopal Church.

Before his calling as bishop, Gutiérrez served as Canon to the Ordinary, Chief Operating Officer, and Chief of Staff in the Episcopal Diocese of the Rio Grande. He also had an extensive career in public service, economic development and as president of a strategy and media firm. He currently serves as a board member for The Church Farm School; Episcopal Academy; and as the chairman of the Board of Trustees for Episcopal Community Services.

A native of New Mexico, Gutiérrez comes from a family that settled in New Mexico in the 1500s. He is a graduate of the University of New Mexico, where he earned bachelor’s degrees in History and Political Science and a Master of Arts in Public Administration. He earned a diocesan certificate in Anglican studies through the Trinity School for Ministry, and a Master of Theological Studies degree from St. Norbert College.

Aside from his faith, Gutiérrez counts as his most important role a position he assumed on June 26, 1998 when he became the extremely proud father of his son Jude, now a freshman at the University of New Mexico. It is a joy he shares with his wife, best friend, and partner of 26 years, Suzanne Fletcher Gutiérrez.

*“How good it is to sing praises to our God!” Psalm 47: 1
Welcome, we are happy to have you worship with us. Please be sure to ask an usher for our **Welcome Packet** before you leave today! If you have restless little ones, feel free to make use of the rocking chair and soft toys in the Narthex.*

THE SUNDAY OF THE PASSION

THE LITURGY OF THE PALMS

Celebrant: Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the Lord.

People: **Peace in heaven and glory in the highest.**

Celebrant: Let us pray. Assist us mercifully with your help, O Lord God of our salvation, that we may enter with joy upon the contemplation of those mighty acts, whereby you have given us life and immortality; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE GOSPEL Mark 11:1-11

See Insert

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

Celebrant: It is right to praise you, Almighty God, for the acts of love by which you have redeemed us through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. On this day He entered the holy city of Jerusalem in triumph, and was proclaimed as King of Kings by those who spread their garments and branches of palm along His way. Let these branches be for us signs of His victory, and grant that we who bear them in His name may ever hail Him as our King and follow Him in the way that leads to eternal life; who lives and reigns in glory with you and the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

People: **Amen.**

Celebrant: Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.

People: **Hosanna in the highest.**

THE PROCESSION

Celebrant: Let us go forth in peace.

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

We will process with palms to the front steps of the church with palms.

COLLECT

ALMIGHTY GOD, whose most dear Son went not up to joy but first he suffered pain, and entered not into glory before he was crucified: Mercifully grant that we, walking in the way of the cross, may find it none other than the way of life and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN *All Glory Laud and Honor*

All glo - ry, laud and hon - or, To Thee, Re - deem - er King, To

whom the lips of chil - dren, Made sweet ho - san - nas ring. Fine

1. Thou art the King of Is - rael, Thou Da - vid's roy - al
 2. The com - pan - y of ang - gels Are prais - ing Thee on
 3. The peo - ple of the He - brews With palms be - fore Thee
 4. To Thee, be - fore Thy pas - sion, They sang their hymns of
 5. Thou didst ac - cept their prais - ses; Ac - cept the prayers we

Son, Who in the Lord's name com - est, The King and Bless - ed One.
 high, And we, will all cre - a - tion, In cho - us make re - ply.
 went; Our prayer and praise and an - thems Be - fore Thee we pre - sent.
 praise; To Thee, now high ex - alt - ed, Our mel - o - dy we raise.
 bring, Who in all good de - light - est, Thou good and grac - ious King. D.C.

COLLECT

ALMIGHTY AND EVERLIVING GOD, in your tender love for the human race you sent your Son our Savior Jesus Christ to take upon him our nature, and to suffer death upon the cross, giving us the example of his great humility: Mercifully grant that we may walk in the way of his suffering, and also share in his resurrection; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

LITURGY OF THE PASSION

FIRST READING Isaiah 50:4-9a

See Insert

Our reading tells of the servant who speaks for the Lord and suffers persecution, but still trusts in God's help and vindication. This is the third of the "servant songs" that come from a period late in Israel's exile. The servant might be thought to be the faithful of Israel, the prophet himself, or another historical or idealized figure. The people are weary and tired of the Lord's calling, but the servant steadfastly continues. Christians have long perceived in these words a foretelling of Jesus' mission.

PSALM 31:9-16

See Insert

SECOND READING Philippians 2:5-11

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From one of the earliest Christian hymns we hear how Christ Jesus accepted the condition of a servant, was obedient even to the point of death, and was then given the name above every name. It is possible that this poem was adapted by Paul or another disciple from the hopes for a savior of people who did not yet know Jesus. He has fulfilled humanity's dream of one who will share fully in the mortal condition before His exaltation. To Him every knee shall bow and every tongue confess the great name of the Lord now known in person, Jesus.

HYMN

My Song is Love Unknown

1 My song is love un - known, my Sa - vior's love to me, love
2 He came from his blest throne sal - va - tion to be - stow, but
*3 Some - times they strew his way, and his strong prais - es sing, re -
*4 Why, what hath my Lord done? What makes this rage and spite? He
*5 They rise, and needs will have my dear Lord made a - way; a

1 to the love - less shown that they might love - ly be. O
2 men made strange, and none the longed - for Christ would know. But
3 sound - ing all the day ho - san - nas to their King. Then
4 made the lame to run, he gave the blind their sight. Sweet
5 mur - der - er they save, the Prince of Life they slay. Yet

1 who am I that for my sake my Lord should take frail flesh, and die?
 2 O my friend, my friend in - deed, who at my need his life did spend.
 3 "Cru - ci - fy!" is all their breath, and for his death they thirst and cry.
 4 in - ju - ries! Yet they at these them-selves dis - please, and 'gainst him rise.
 5 stead-fast he to suf - fering goes, that he his foes from thence might free.

*6 In life no house, no home
 my Lord on earth might have;
 in death no friendly tomb
 but what a stranger gave.
 What may I say?
 Heaven was his home;
 but mine the tomb
 wherein he lay.

7 Here might I stay and sing,
 no story so divine:
 never was love, dear King,
 never was grief like thine.
 This is my friend,
 in whose sweet praise
 I all my days
 could gladly spend.

GOSPEL The Passion of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark
 Mark 14:1—15:47

See Insert

PRESENTATION AND EXAMINATION OF THE CANDIDATES

For Confirmation: Ian Gordon, David Maier, Donna Maier, Brady McSwain, Nancy McSwain, Logan Schiller, Ian Scott, Kristy Wright Skeehan, John Stipe, Jonathan Stipe

For Reception: Nancy Long and Kathryn West

Bishop: The Candidates will now be presented.

Presenter: I present these persons for Confirmation.
 I present these persons to be received into this Communion.

Bishop: Do you reaffirm your renunciation of evil?

Candidates: I do.

Bishop: Do you renew your commitment to Jesus Christ?

Candidates: I do, and with God's grace I will follow him as my Savior and Lord.

Bishop: Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support these persons in their life in Christ?

People: We will.

Bishop: Let us join with those who are committing themselves to Christ and renew our own baptismal covenant.

THE BAPTISMAL COVENANT

Bishop: Do you believe in God the Father?

People: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

Bishop: Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

People: I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended to the dead.

On the third day he rose again.

He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

Bishop: Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

People: I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.

Bishop: Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers?

People: I will, with God's help.

Bishop: Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?

People: I will, with God's help.

Bishop: Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?

People: I will, with God's help.

Bishop: Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?

People: I will, with God's help.

Bishop: Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?

People: I will, with God's help.

PRAYERS FOR THE CANDIDATES

Bishop: Let us now pray for these persons who have renewed their commitment to Christ.

Lector: Our Lord comes to us humbly, riding a donkey and proclaiming a message of peace. Christ, we pray that you would hear our prayers, and graft in our minds the same mind that is in you, that we might be vessels of your humility and grace. Deliver these candidates, O Lord, from the way of sin and death. Lord, in your mercy: **Hear our prayer.**

Lord Jesus, you emptied yourself, trading in the form of God for the form of a slave; we pray for the Church, and all her people and ministers. We remember especially our Presiding Bishop Michael, our Diocesan Bishops

Daniel and Rodney, all Priests, Deacons and Lay Ministers, especially those leading the Anglican Studies Program at Lutheran Theological Seminary. Guide the work being done in our companion Diocese of Guatemala and form us into a Church that empties itself for others, and for you. Keep these candidates in the faith and communion of your holy Church. Lord, in your mercy: **Hear our prayer.**

Lord Jesus, you were born in human likeness, and found in human form. Even after humbling yourself in the incarnation, you humbled yourself even to the point of death. Bless us with your humility as you fill these candidates with your holy and life-giving Spirit. Lord, in your mercy: **Hear our prayer.**

In your exaltation, O Lord, you were given the name that is above every name; we pray in your name for those who are poor, those who are hungry, and those who are hurting in any way. We also pray, in your name O Lord, for those who are sick or lonely, especially those on our prayer list ____ . I invite your own petitions at this time, either silently or aloud. Challenge these candidates to love others in the power of the Spirit. Lord in your mercy: **Hear our prayer.**

Lord Jesus your humility and your love for us was so broad and deep, it cost you your life. We pray for those who we love who have died, and as you were highly exalted, may they rest with you in glory. Lord in your mercy: **Hear our prayer.**

God our creator, you show your sons and daughters the way of freedom through the gentle obedience of your Son Jesus Christ. Send these candidates into the world in witness to your love and help us to always live in gratitude for what you have given to us. **Amen.**

Bishop: Almighty God, we thank you that by the death and resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ you have overcome sin and brought us to yourself, and that by the sealing of your Holy Spirit you have bound us to your service. Renew in these your servants the covenant you have made with them at their Baptism. Send them forth in the power of that Spirit to perform the service you set before them; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Please include the following parishioners in your prayers:

Veronica Grosch, Alex, Dotty McAfoos, Dolores Berridge, Peter Liebert, Diane Hydrean, Paul Getman

Please keep these families & friends of our parishioners in your prayers:

Candy Jones, Jackson Lance, Logan Dayton, Billie, Patricia, Sue Ditterline, Debbi J., Jane Ireland, Hank Buckwalter, John, Ed Schmid, James Balch, Lou Teti, Pastor Ebot Jumo, the Brown family, Lois Egan, Jeannine Clark, the Grinevetsky family, Ryan, Forest, Esther Thompson, Steve Greenly, Elizabeth McCull, Sarah McCull, Cynthia Leiser, Donna, Maureen, Abat.

If you would like to add a loved one or friend to the prayer chain, please contact Peggy LaGarde at marlag56@gmail.com or 610-458-7125.

FOR CONFIRMATION

Bishop: Strengthen, O Lord, your servant *N.* with your Holy Spirit; empower them for your service; and sustain them all the days of their life. Amen.

FOR RECEPTION

Bishop: *N.*, we recognize you as a member of the one holy catholic and apostolic Church, and we receive you into the fellowship of this Communion. God, the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, bless, preserve, and keep you. Amen.

Almighty and everlasting God, let your fatherly hand ever be over these your servants; let your Holy Spirit ever be with them; and so lead them in the knowledge and obedience of your Word, that they may serve you in this life, and dwell with you in the life to come; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE PEACE

Bishop: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And also with you.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Festival Anthem on "Ellecombe"
Adult Choir & Brass Ensemble

DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow;

Praise Him, all creatures here below;

Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

THE LITURGY OF THE TABLE

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: ***And also with you.***

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts

People: ***We lift them to the Lord.***

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: ***It is right to give Him thanks and praise.***

Celebrant: It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. For our sins he was lifted high upon the cross, that he might draw the whole world to himself; and, by his suffering and death, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who put their trust in him. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

SANCTUS

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord
Hosanna in the highest.

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me." After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me." Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

**We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory;**

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine. We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with Paul and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **Amen.**

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

THE LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy Name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.**

Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those
who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Celebrant: Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us:

People: **Therefore let us keep the feast.**

Celebrant: The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

FRACTION ANTHEM

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us your peace.

HOLY COMMUNION

Everyone who is hungry for spiritual food is welcome to come and be fed at this altar

COMMUNION SOLO

The Palms
Hazell Jefferson

Faure

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Almighty and everliving God,
we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food
of the most precious Body and Blood
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ;
and for assuring us in these holy mysteries
that we are living members of the Body of your Son,
and heirs of your eternal kingdom.
And now, Father, send us out
to do the work you have given us to do,
to love and serve you
as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord.
To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,
be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

THE BLESSING

RECESSIONAL HYMN *Stand Up, Stand Up, for Jesus*

1. Stand up, stand up for Je - sus, ye sol - diers of the
 2. Stand up, stand up for Je - sus, the trum - pet call o -
 3. Stand up, stand up for Je - sus, stand in his strength a -
 4. Stand up, stand up for Je - sus, the strife will not be

cross; lift high his ro - al ban - ner, it must not suf - fer
 bey; forth to the might - y con - flict in this his glo - rious
 lone; the arm of flesh will fail you, ye dare not trust your
 long; this day the noise of bat - tle, the next the vic - tor's

loss: from vic - t'ry un - to vic - t'ry his
 day: ye that are men now serve him a -
 own: put on the gos - pel ar - mor, each
 song: to him that o - ver - com - eth a

ar - my he shall lead, till ev - 'ry foe is
 gainst un - num - bered foes; let cour - age rise with
 piece put on with pray'r; where du - ty calls, or
 crown of life shall be; he with the King of

van - quished and Christ is Lord in - deed.
 dan - ger, and strength to strength op - pose.
 dan - ger, be nev - er want - ing there.
 glo - ry shall reign e - ter - nal - ly.

~ *Everyone is cordially invited to a reception in Getman Hall* ~



SERVING AT THE LITURGY

Officiant: The Right Rev. Daniel Gutiérrez
The Rev. Maxine M. Dornemann
The Rev. Edmund Sherrill
Deacon Dennis Coleman
Organist: Kedron Miller



Ushers

Bruce Grashof & Cyndi Carter

Lectors

Art Christensen, Cindy Christensen
& JT Grosch

Altar Guild

Sarah Freed & Nancy Pollock

Flower Guild

Nancy Pollock & Nancy Long

Acolytes

Paul Heinmiller, Ian Gordon,
Kedra Miller & Andrew Gordon

Eucharistic Minister

Nancy Pollock

Communion Bread Baker

The Rev. Maxine Dornemann

Counters

Chad & Kate Adelhardt

Brass Ensemble

Zack Prowse & Alison Rack, Trumpets
Jason Moore & Sarah Pucó, Trombones



Holy Week Services

Our Celtic Service on Wednesday, March 28th at 6:30 PM, will include a “Healing Service.”

*The Maundy Thursday service begins at 7:30 PM and includes an opportunity for a “Foot Washing” for those for whom this humbling act is part of their Lenten journey and will conclude with the “Stripping of the Altar.” **Please Note: Our Sunday School youth will be observing a Maundy Service with Foot Washing at 5:30 PM. They will follow with a “feast” in Getman Hall. Everyone is welcome to join our youth as their energy and joy is contagious.*

Following the Maundy Thursday service, we will “stay awake with Jesus” by observing a Vigil in the Church. The Vigil ends at noon on Friday with Good Friday observance. You may sign up for one of the Vigil time slots or call the Church to have your name put on the schedule.

Good Friday is the darkest day in our Church year as we remember the time that Jesus took his last breath. We gather at noon to give thanks for the love shown to us in his life and in his death. We will celebrate the Eucharist from the reserved sacrament blessed on Maundy Thursday.

Our Easter Sunday services are at 9:00 and 11:00 AM. Both services include the Eucharist and Hymns with brass accompaniment. At 10:15, an Easter Egg Hunt for all our kids through age 10 will be hosted by the Youth Group. We’re told the Easter Bunny will be making an appearance!

UPCOMING EVENTS

Men's Bible Study	Saturdays, April 7 & 21 ~ 7:30 am
Youth Group	Sunday, April 8 & 22 ~ 5 pm
Vestry Meeting	Monday, April 9 ~ 7 pm
Women's Group	Saturdays, April 14 & 28 ~ 9 am
Pathways Youth Art Show	Saturday, April 14 ~ 4 pm
Golden Girls Luncheon	Monday, April 16 ~ 12:30 pm
Frizzled Hens	Wednesday, April 18 ~ 7:30 pm
Book Club	Thursday, April 26 ~ 7 pm
Environmental Expo	Saturday, May 12 ~ 10 am
Night at the Races	Friday, May 18 ~ 6:30 pm



St. Paul's Labyrinth

As a part of our Holy Week experience, the Men's Bible Study has laid out a labyrinth on the back lawn. Walking a labyrinth integrates the body, mind and spirit, and gives us time to meditate on our journey with God. There will be materials available in a box at the labyrinth. All are welcome to walk at any time.

Easter Egg Hunt

Our Youth Group will be busily working with the Easter Bunny to prepare the annual Egg Hunt for our youngest members on Easter morning between services. We need your help. The Easter Bunny has asked us to help with donations of candy that doesn't melt and colorful plastic eggs. Ordinarily the Easter Bunny has plenty of eggs, but this year she is particularly busy and could use a little help!





Easter Memorial Flowers



You can still make memorial donations towards the church flowers at Easter until noon on Wednesday. Forms are available in the office or by contacting Kathryn at stpaulsexton@gmail.com or by calling 610-363-2363.



Bid on or bargain for original works of art created by the youth from the Pathways Center for Families! The Show will take place in Getman Hall, with refreshments for all ages, sponsored by the Women's Group.



Saturday, May 12th, 10 am to 4:30 pm

St. Paul's is hosting an Environmental Expo, open to the public, with all sorts of activities for all ages. Mike McGrath of *You Bet Your Garden* on WHYY will be here taping a broadcast, there will be our annual Plant Sale, tours of our gardens, cooking demonstrations, a fashion show, lectures and workshops on topics such as the healing power of nature and on brewing beer, singing by the Bryn Mawr Mainliners and an address by Bishop Gutierrez ... among many more fun and educational things to do! There will be a large variety of ways in which you can volunteer for a few hours that day. If interested, please call the office at 610-363-2363.



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