Welcome to St. George’s Episcopal Church!

EVENTS AND PROGRAMS
FOR 2012/13

Fr. Paul F. Blanch, Rector
The Episcopal Church strives to live by the message of Christ, in which there are no outcasts and all are welcome.

Walking a middle way between Roman Catholicism and Protestant traditions, we are a sacramental and worship-oriented church that promotes thoughtful debate about what God is calling us to do and be, as followers of Christ.

The best way to learn about the Episcopal Church is to become a part of it.

Come to St. George's and Grow.

Fr. Paul F. Blanch, Rector
Organ Fund Gala Dinner
with Entertainment and
Silent Auction
at The Stockade Inn.
September 15, 2012, 6:00 PM
This event includes a “Special Lifetime Achievement Award to Don Ingram” The award is being presented for a distinguished and successful career in Church music.

The Organ Committee has been very busy with events to raise money for the repair and maintenance of our magnificent Moller pipe organ. Our premier fund-raiser will take place on September 15, 2012 at the Stockade Inn, (mark your calendar). Please contact co-chair; Aileen Smith-Caruso (382-0350) or Dawn Tonneau (370-5681) for your tickets today.
It’s that time of year again when we re-commit ourselves to being the worshipping family of God at St. George’s. To help us settle into Church life again we ask that you all make a special effort to be in Church on this day, but also to invite a friend, a co-worker or lapsed family member. This is a national initiative, and it really works when you offer a personal invitation to someone who has drifted from our church family.

Masses at 9:00 am and 11:15 am with Coffee and food served at 10:30 am
An afternoon Pilgrimage to the Russian Orthodox Monastery at Jordanville, NY. We join with the congregation of Christ Church, Cooperstown. September 16th

Holy Trinity Monastery is a male monastic community under the auspices of the Synod of Bishops of the Russian Orthodox Church Abroad. They are dedicated to a life of prayer and obedience according to the pre-revolutionary monastic tradition. The community draws its origins from the Pochaev Lavra of St. Job of Pochaev in Southern Ukraine when monks fled from Pochaev in the face of the Bolshevik Revolution of 1917. As descendants of the Lavra of Pochaev, they continue the mission established by St. Job in the 15th century to publish books for the edification and protection of the faithful. Within the monastery is located a studio and school Russian iconography conducted by disciples of master iconographer Fr. Cyprian (Pijoff). Also situated within the monastic community is Holy Trinity Orthodox Seminary, with young men from around the world training for the holy priesthood and ministry within the Russian Church. Consisting of impressive buildings and an other-worldly way of life, Holy Trinity Monastery is a source of deep spiritual nourishment for all who visit.

We meet in the Church Parking lot at 1:30 PM to travel by car to the monastery. Dinner will be at a local restaurant. There is no charge, just buy your own meals.
A Concert of Chamber Music

With Elizabeth MacFarland and friends.

September 22nd at 7:00pm.

Music by Telleman, Beethoven and Rachmaninov.
The Parish Ministry Fair,
September 23rd 2012

What can you do for your Church this year?
Travel with us around the world this October.

Each Sunday of October we shall be using a different Liturgy from around the World. The Anglican Communion with over 70 million members is in almost every country of the world. Join us at 9am and 11:15am on Sundays in October for a different international expression of the Liturgy. We shall be using rites from Australia, Scotland, Africa and Asia.
The Annual St. Francis of Assisi Day

Pet Blessing.

October 7th at 3pm.

Venue: The West door of St. George’s.

Do bring your pets for this special event.
Organ Concert by Andrew Krystopolski and friends.

October 13th at 7 pm

Built and installed in 1982, the Organ of St. George's provides the accompaniment to congregation and choir, as well as its use as a recital instrument. Situated in the choir loft directly above the West Doors of the Church, the Organ is housed in 3 separate chambers and features a striking silver facade crowned with a powerful Trumpet-en-chamade. The 3-manual console is built from hand-rubbed mahogany and features an unusual configuration of two separate Swell Divisions, each controlled from the Swell keyboard.
Today October 21st we welcome a visiting preacher!

Fr. Philip Ayers from Portland, Oregon will be the guest preacher at our 9am Solemn Mass and the 11:15am Family Mass.

Fr Philip is an Episcopal priest with a very wide ranging ministry in many areas of the Episcopal Church. Fr Philip hosted a popular Church music show on PBS for many years.
Our 2012/13 Stewardship Campaign begins on 28th October – we have special Masses and teaching!
November 1st
is
All Saints Day

CROWN OF ALL SAINTS

Sung Mass at 7:00PM

Preacher: The Rector
All Souls Day
November 2nd

Requiem Mass (said) 12:15pm in the Lady Chapel.

Solemn Requiem Mass at 7:00pm.
This year the Mass setting will be The Duruflé Requiem sung by St. George’s Choir and friends.

Preacher: The Rector

Please submit names of your departed loved ones to the Parish Office for the necrology.
POLISH NIGHT

Food, Fun, Frolic. Polka, Polka, and more Polka!

November 16
6:00pm Great Hall
Stewardship Sunday

November 18th.

Special combined Stewardship Sunday Mass at 10am followed by a Stewardship Lunch in the Great Hall.

Please hand in your pledge cards today.
The Feast of Christ the King

Sunday November 25th

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Solemn Mass at 9:00 am.
Family Mass at 11:15 am.
A performance of Handel’s Messiah at 3 pm conducted by Don Ingram. Tickets on sale $10.
Advent Study
Course 2012

This year we will meet in Cranmer House for three daring sessions to open up any theological questions that you the people wish to bring to the meeting.

We will set aside these three evenings to open up discussion and study on any topic to do with Faith, God, Jesus, the Bible, the Second Coming – in fact whatever questions you have, just bring them for an honest and open discussion and evaluation.

We meet on three Wednesday evenings of December 5th, 12th, 19th at 7:00 pm
Diocesan Bishop's Parish Visitation –
December 16th

There will be one combined Sung Mass at 10 am for the whole people of God at St. George’s to meet with Bishop Love.

The Diocesan Bishop will preach and preside at this Mass.

Please make a very special effort to fill our Church on this important day.
Come as you are and join us for an afternoon of Carol singing.

December 23rd at 4 pm

A Collection for the work of North East Parent and Child Society will be taken.
Christmas Eve - 2012

December 24th

The Solemn Mass of Christmas Midnight at 11:30 pm followed by a reception in the Great Hall.
Christmas Day – 2012.
The Family Mass with Carols at 10 am (Rite II)

Children and families especially welcome.

5 pm Evening Prayer and Carols at the Creche
The Holy Feast Days after Christmas.

December 26th  The Feast of St Stephen. Mass at 9 am

December 27th  The Feast of St John. Mass at 7 pm

December 28th  The Holy Innocents. Mass at 12:15 pm

December 29th  The Feast of St Thomas a Becket
Mass at 10 am
The Feast of the Epiphany 2013
Sunday January 6th
Solemn Mass and Procession at 9:00 am
Family Mass at 11:15 am
JOIN US FOR A EUCHARISTIC WORKSHOP
Friday 18th – Saturday 19th
January 2013.

From Friday evening 18th January – Saturday 19th we invite you to a special Eucharistic Workshop Weekend at St. George’s. Our course begins on Friday evening and runs through Saturday with workshops and opportunities to grow in the knowledge and understanding of the Holy Eucharist. Course will cost $20 per person and will be led by Mr. Bill Ryon of St. Paul’s Church, K Street, Washington DC. We travel in our studies from the early Eucharistic traditions through the post apostolic era to the Reformation and right up to the present day. This is a must for all Georgians!