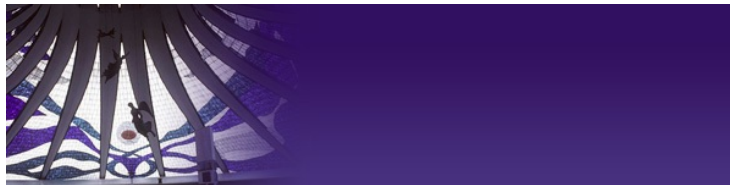




## THE VISION

July 3, 2024



## ST. PAUL'S SUNDAY SERVICES:

**8 am Rite 1 (In-person) & 10 am Rite II (In-person & YouTube)**

Get your Bulletin for The Seventh Sunday after Pentecost, July 7, 2024

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## FROM THE DESK OF OUR RECTOR:

Hello St. Paul's Saints:

I want to take a moment to share with you a recent Holy moment. I was at the 81<sup>st</sup> General Convention of the Episcopal Church where I experienced many moments with the Holy Spirit among us. I was daily reminded of what makes the Episcopal Church and the Anglican Communion unique; our ability to disagree and still have respectful dialogue while remaining deeply rooted in love through faith, tradition, and the Word of God. There is no denying there is a much-needed special connection in the Episcopal Church.

As I was preparing for a legislative session, I was approached by a gentleman from the diocese of Taiwan, Joseph I-Chao Lee. He introduced himself, told me where he was from, and offered me a gift. I took it with gratitude and wondered, why me? He went on to tell me “thank you” for streaming our Sunday morning services at St. Paul's and that he watches us every week from Taiwan. What a joy it was to meet him and to learn a little bit about his journey.

As I reflected on this, I remembered **1 Corinthians 12:12-14**:

*For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body—Jews or Greeks, slaves or free—and we were all made to drink of one Spirit.*

*Indeed, the body does not consist of one member but of many.*

The church is small but as a collective, we are mighty, doing the ministry of building up the body of Christ throughout the world as one body. It is amazing to me that a small family-size parish in New Albany, Indiana through the work of the Holy Spirit can reach someone in Taiwan and we be connected through the love of Christ in such a way. What a blessing!!!

The gift offered to me was The Artillery Shell Cross for Peace, Love and

Redemption which was meaningful as it tells a story of the history of shell casings that once represented fear, destruction, and death have been transformed into the cross that brings peace, harmony, comfort, and care. This is what we are doing as the church of today, striving to end injustice, violence, division, and marginalization with transformation through the actions of unity, compassion, equality, and love for all people. What a beautiful gift and way for me to be reminded that we are not alone in this work. Thanks to Joseph I-Chao and to God for this kind expression of unity and love.



Joseph I-Chao and I in the Exhibit hall at the 81st General Convention.



The seal of the Taiwan Episcopal Church and the box my gift came in.



The Artillery Shell Cross for Peace, Love and Redemption. [Use this link to learn more](#)

## UPCOMING HIGHLIGHT:

### **Bishop Jennifer's Annual Visit Sunday, July 14**



**Bishop Jennifer will be making her annual visit to St. Paul's on  
Sunday, July 14th.**

**She will be presiding over the 10:00 AM service and will be  
Confirming and Reaffirming multiple parishioners.**

**At this service there will also be 4 baptisms.**

**After the service there will be a Mexican Fiesta Coffee Hour  
in the Carriage House.**

**Please join us for a festive day at St. Paul's!**



**The Parish Office will be closed July 5-11th.**

Fr. Allan and Fr. Cory Michael will be available by appointment only during this time. Please call 812.944.0413, ext 11 (Fr. Allan) or ext. 16 (Fr. Cory Michael) or by email, [rector@stpaulna.org](mailto:rector@stpaulna.org), [curate@stpaulna.org](mailto:curate@stpaulna.org). We apologize for the inconvenience.

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**July 7:**

**Birthday and Anniversary Party  
Coffee and Conversation  
11:15 AM  
Carriage House**



### **BIRTHDAYS:**

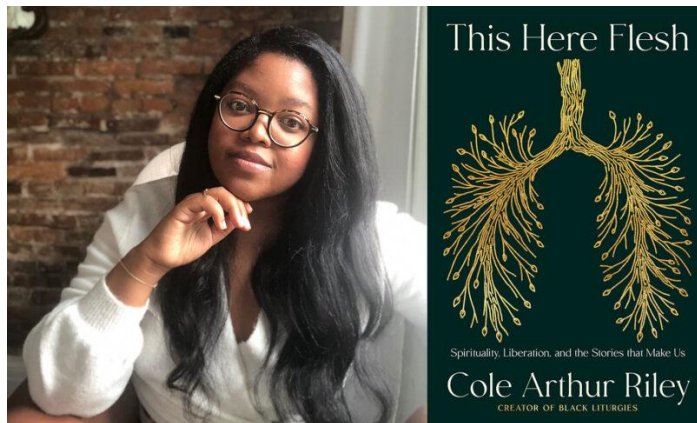
Clara Adkins, Bob Maguire, Frances Campbell, Keith Myers, Charlie Corley, Sarah Sabon, Dru Pilmer, Aaron Wood, Bob Sterrett, Jamie Elkin, Shelley Dewig, and Lavena Cooper.

### **ANNIVERSARIES:**

Marie and Jon O'Neil, Louise and Ray Gohmann, Susan and Bob Maguire, Andrea Timperman and Jonathan Hernandez, Cathy and Bob Sterrett.

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## **July 10: Book Study Group**



### **The third meeting of the St. Paul's Book Study Group is Wednesday, July 10th, 6:00 pm.**

The first book that we will study is written by the keynote speaker at the 2023 Indianapolis Diocesan Convention, Cole Arthur Riley.

Those of us that were lucky to hear her speech were wowed by what she had to say. She is very insightful and is also the creator of Black Liturgies.

Her new book will be the subject of our first book study. This 4-week book study will meet every two weeks during June and July in the Parish House Parlor, starting June 12.

### ***This Here Flesh* by Cole Arthur Riley.**

It is suggested, but not required, that you read the assigned chapters, listed below, prior to the meeting date, to facilitate the discussion. Please RSVP by June 7th at the link below.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0C45A5AB28A6FFC52-49354219-this>

### **Assigned readings:**

**June 12 - Chapters 1-4 (pages 1-55)**

**June 26 - Chapters 5-8 (pages 56-106)**

**July 10 Chapters 9-12 (pages 107-157)** Theresa Bauer will be facilitating this meeting

**July 24 Chapters 13-15 (pages 158-195)**

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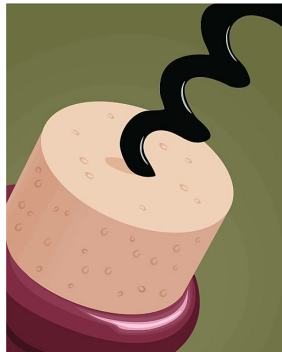
## July 14: Bishop's Visit



Please join us as we celebrate with Bishop Jennifer the newly baptized, confirmed and reaffirmed members of St. Paul's. There will be cake and a Mexican Fiesta luncheon following the service.

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## July 16:



**UNCORKED SPIRITUALITY**  
**TUESDAY, JULY 16**  
**7:00 PM**  
**THE WINE SHOP**  
**410 PEARL ST.**

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## July 20:



**9:30-11:00 AM  
Carriage House**

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**July 21: CANCELLED**

**QUEER FAITH ALLIANCE**

**Sunday, July 21st at 7:00 PM at**

This is a safe space to come and be with other LGBTQ+ folks to share the joys, challenges, and misfortunes of our individual journeys and receive love, support, and acceptance.

**ALL ARE WELCOME.**

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**July 22:**

**The Feast of St. Mary Magdalene**



**St. Paul's, New Albany  
6:00 PM**

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**AND...**



**Connections Committee**  
*"We Are Better Together"*

St. Paul's Church

**Time Change:**

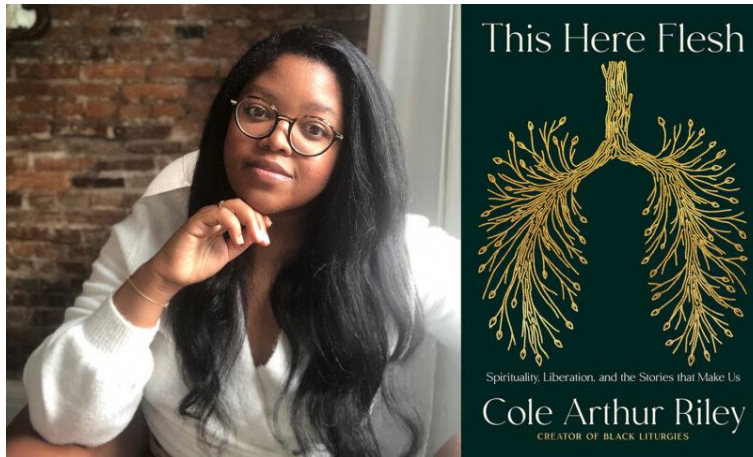
The Connections Committee will be holding their monthly meeting at  
El Nopal on State St.  
at **7:00 pm** on Monday, July 22, not at their usual meeting time of 6:00 pm.

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**July 25:**

**The Feast of St. James the Apostle**



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## **LAST MONTH'S HIGHLIGHTS:**

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### **Children and Youth Sunday, June 9**



**Building a Jenga tower during the sermon**



**Xavier and Beckett assisting with the Offertory**

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### **Monarch Festival Poster Contest Press Event, June 12**



The Monarch Festival Committee held a Press Event to announce the winner of their annual poster contest. All area high school seniors are eligible to participate in this contest. This year's winner is Reese Harrington, a senior at Providence High School.

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### **The Ordination of Rev. Dr. Cory Michael Irwin Saturday, June 15**



**Bishop Jennifer blessing  
Fr. Cory Michael**



**The laying on of hands by the clergy**



**Announcing the newest priest in the  
Episcopal Diocese of Indianapolis,  
The Rev. Dr. Cory Michael Irwin**



**Fr. Cory Michael offering his first  
blessing**



## FROM THE DESK OF OUR CURATE:

Saints,

I want to express my deepest thanks for the warm welcome you've extended to me as I've started my ministry at St. Paul's. Transitioning into a new ministry placement can be daunting, but you've truly made me feel at home. Your kind words, gifts, and enthusiasm have been much appreciated!

To help us continue to get to know one another, I'll be posting set office hours for coffee and conversation in the coming weeks. Details will be posted in the newsletter as they become available. Likewise, please feel free to reach out by phone or email ([curate@stpaulna.org](mailto:curate@stpaulna.org)) if you would like to set up an appointment.

Cory Michael+

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## OTHER PARISH NEWS:

During the recent Book Study Group meeting, Frances Campbell shared one of her poems with the group. We all felt it was very pertinent to the book we are reading, *This Here Flesh*, and to our times:

### Beauty, Innocence, and Truth

Woe to those

who trample beauty,  
violate innocence,  
and decry the truth.

Woe to those

who discourage others,  
scorn the lowly,  
and belittle the poor.

Woe to those

who wound with words,  
attack with viciousness,  
and strangle the truth,

Woe to those

who malign the merciful,  
revel in dishonesty,  
and glory in wrongdoing.

Woe to ye who follow these

who act with such impunity.

If Beauty revives,

and innocence speaks,

Truth will prevail with the

# COMMUNITY EVENTS:

## BECOME A VOLUNTEER



**VOLUNTEERS  
NEEDED**

**10 AM  
7  
SEP**

MONARCH FESTIVAL AT ART ON THE PARISH GREEN  
1015 E MAIN ST, NEW ALBANY, IN

VOLUNTEER YOUR TIME AND BE A PART OF THIS AMAZING EVENT! VOLUNTEERS WHO SUPPORT THIS EVENT ARE CRITICAL FOR ITS SUCCESS AND ENSURE THAT GREAT COMMUNITY PROGRAMS CONTINUE TO BE FUNDED. PROCEEDS FROM THE EVENT WILL SUPPORT ACTIVITIES AT ARTS ALLIANCE OF SOUTHERN INDIANA AND ST. PAULS EPISCOPAL CHURCH FOOD PANTRY.

[VOLUNTEER SIGN UP](#)

The Art Alliance of Southern Indiana and St. Paul's are collaborating on the Monarch Festival at Art on the Parish Green.

This is a reimagining of our Art on the Parish Green.

This will be an one-day event, Sept. 7th with artist booths, food trucks, kids space and of course the Monarch display. Volunteers will be needed for this event. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Marie in the Parish Office.



## Please join us in praying for those in our community:

*Almighty God, we entrust all who are dear to us to your never-failing care and love, for this life and the life to Bob Maguire, Brittany Leach, Jerry Sutton, Kyla, J.R., Virginia Pontrich, Dorothy Krebs Sarro, Jerry Amend, and Gordon Anderson; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

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Please note that our Prayer Team and your clergy are actively praying for the needs of our parish and community. If you would like to see our prayer list so that you can also pray regularly for those in our community, click the RED link below. You can also call or email the parish office.

[Prayer Team list](#)


[Submit Prayer Requests Here](#)

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