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Mass Schedule
Saturday: 12 Noon & 5:30 p.m.
Sunday: 8:00 am, 10:00 am, & 11:30 a.m.
Latin Mass 1:00 p.m.
Weekdays: Mon thru Fri: 7:30 am & 12 Noon
Holy Days: 7:30 am, 12 Noon, 6:00 pm
Nursery: 10:00 am Mass on Sundays.

Sacraments
Baptisms  Arrangements should be made in advance.
Confessions  Saturday: 11:00 am to 11:45 am & 4:15 pm to 5:00 pm
            Also by request at other times.
Weddings  Arrangements should be made at least four months in advance. Participation in a marriage preparation program is required. Please call parish office for more information.
Anointing of the Sick  By request for those who are seriously ill.

Faith Formation
Children’s Religious Ed  Sunday 8:45 am to 9:50 am
R. C. I. A.  Tuesday 7:00 pm to 8:00 pm

Parish Staff
Rector - Very Rev. J. Gerard Schreck, JCD
In Residence - Msgr. William O’Neill, Rector Emeritus
In Residence - Very Rev. Daniel F. Firmin, JCL, VG
Sacristan - Lynne Everett, MD
Permanent Deacon - Rev. Dr. Dewain E. Smith, Ph.D.
Director of Religious Education - Mrs. Janee Przybyl
Bookkeeper/Admin. Assistant - Ms. Jan Cunningham
Office Assistant - Mrs. Brenda Price
Music Director - Mr. McDowell Fogle, MM
Asst. Organist - Mr. Gabriel Lawrence, Music Intern
Cantor - Jillian Pasheke Durant, Rebecca Flaherty
Maintenance - Mr. Jimmy Joseph Sheehan III
Housekeeper/Food Services - Ms. Alma Young
Docents - Mrs. Peggy Baker, Mrs. Gloria Keane

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TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON
Turn your ear, O Lord, and answer me; save the servant who trusts in you, my God. Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I cry to you all the day long.
Psalm 86: 1-3

HYMN: I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say
878

+ LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING
Isaiah 66:18-21
Missal, p. 57

PSALM: “Go out to all the world and tell the Good News.” Psalm 117:1,2

SECOND READING: Hebrews 12:5-7, 11-13
Missal, p. 58

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

REFRAIN

Homily
Nicene Creed Missal, p. 104
Prayer of the Faithful

+ LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

PREPARATION OF THE GIFTS: Be Thou My Vision
COMMUNION ANTIPHON
The earth is replete with the fruits of your work, O Lord; you bring forth bread from the earth and wine to cheer the heart. Psalm 104: 13-15

COMMUNION HYMN:
Simple Song
Make Your Home in Me
Leonard Bernstein, Mass
825, Hymnal

MARIAN ANTIPHON
Salve Regina #1008

HYMN: Holy God, We Praise Thy Name
949

New Mass Setting: Mass of Wisdom
Our Cathedral is learning a new mass setting this summer; Steven Jancos "Mass of Wisdom". The Mass of Wisdom is a sophisticated new setting built on Jancos's unique underlying pastoral theory, the use of step-wise melodic patterns, which make this easy-to-learn and easy-to-sing. Great for use during festival occasions but easy enough to do for simpler Masses. Even if you were to strip away all the scoring, it has a big, concert-feeling just to the melody alone. When you add in everything else that you could, it's one of the best big-festival-Cathedral-concert settings available; it is very similar to English composer John Rutter's more exuberant pieces.

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Rector’s Corner

SOME CHANGES IN THE ANNUAL CATHEDRAL HERITAGE GALA

Fifteen years ago Bishop Boland and Monsignor O’Neill had the foresight to establish an endowment fund for the future preservation of our beautiful Cathedral of St. John the Baptist. At that time the Cathedral Heritage Ball was begun as a vehicle through which donations for the endowment could be raised. The Cathedral Heritage Ball/Gala has been held every year since, and the endowment is currently valued at approximately $1,855,000. That is a great success! Everyone who has donated, and everyone who has worked so hard to plan the annual Gala, deserves a great deal of praise.

After some thought and consultation, I believe it is now time for a change in our strategy to seek donations for this important endowment fund. While the selling of tickets, the live and silent auctions, and raffles, has been productive, we have decided upon a new model for the raising of funds.

This year we will be conducting an appeal in the fall, asking our parishioners and other supporters to contribute to the Cathedral Heritage Endowment Fund. Everyone who makes a donation will become a part of the Cathedral Heritage Preservation Society. Because we are only allowed to distribute a certain portion of the interest generated by the Heritage Endowment Fund each year, our ultimate goal for this annual appeal will be to build the endowment to $5,000,000. There will be five different levels of giving. We will be sending out a letter and a contribution card in the next week to all of our parishioners and to our Cathedral supporters.

I invite you to make a donation to the Cathedral Heritage Endowment Fund and become a part of the Cathedral Heritage Preservation Society. For all who make a donation of $500 or more, you will receive an invitation for two to attend a dinner with Bishop Hartmayer at the Savannah Golf Club on November 19, 2016, beginning at 7:00 PM. There will be no auction, and there are no tickets to purchase to attend. The dinner is an expression of our thanks for your generous support. If you would prefer to donate, and do not wish to attend the dinner, that’s fine too. What matters most is our support of the preservation of the Cathedral.

Please consider your donation to this important appeal and when you receive your card in the mail, return the card and your payment by October 4, 2016. I thank you for your great support of our magnificent Cathedral of St. John the Baptist.

Rev. J. Gerard Schreck

Social Apostolate Urgent Food Drive!

Normally we wouldn’t be asking parishioners for food to restock the pantry at the Social Apostolate this time of year. However, their supplies have significantly dwindled and there is an urgent need for food to replenish the pantry. We would like to collect supplies over the next couple of weeks and your help would be greatly appreciated. Items needed:

Hearty soups, pastas, canned meats, tuna, salmon, spaghetti/pasta sauce, peanut butter, cereals, jelly/jams, oatmeal, canned vegetables, rice, macaroni and cheese and ramen noodles.

Please leave items in the entrance of the church inside the vestibule.
As we gather for today’s celebration, we recall that through our Baptism God has invited us to the eternal kingdom. While the question that we hear in today’s Gospel is about how many will be saved, for us the better question should be, “Will I be saved?” Let us pray today through this celebration that we might receive the grace and the will to do what God requires of us in this life.

**Surprising things When at Adoration!**

You develop a sense of awe and wonder. There is nothing like the atmosphere of a quiet chapel or church, take in the beauty of your surroundings in silence and contemplate the beauty of the monstrance and the joy of sharing precious moments with Jesus. There you are, truly before His Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity. The more you sink into that silence, the more you will realize how blessed you are to spend time with Him and ponder the greatness of our God. Now is a good time to get started on your weekly visits with Our Lord. We have an opening on Thursdays at eleven. This is a good opportunity to follow Adoration with noon Mass, or you can just do the Adoration hour. If you are interested, call Gretchen at 658-3848.

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Mass Intentions for the week of August 21, 2016

| SUNDAY       | Pro Populo  
              | Int. of Brian Murphy  
              | Int. of Bob and Lauren Tomhave  
              | Poor Souls in Purgatory |
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| MONDAY       | Fred & Josephine Doyle  
              | Gloria Champion  
              | **Judy Morales (Anni)** |
| TUESDAY      | David Champion  
              | Mildred Murphy |
| WEDNESDAY    | Ann Eppers  
              | Gerald Murphy |
| THURSDAY     | Int. of Bill Boyle  
              | Int. of Brian Murphy |
| FRIDAY       | Int. of Brian Murphy  
              | Poor Souls in Purgatory |
| SATURDAY     | **Peter Johnson (Anni)**  
              | Sam D. Tootle, Sr. |

Flowers on Blessed Mother Altar
are in Memory of
Frank Hester

Getting at God’s Design for Marriage
Spiritually and Sexual Fulfillment in Marriage
Speakers are Rev. J. Gerard Schreck, JCD – Spirituality of Marriage and Deacon Gerald R. Clark and Mrs. Judy Clark – Theology of the Body
Saturday, September 10th, 9:00 am -1:00 p.m. at the Catholic Pastoral Center, 2170 E. Victory Drive. This retreat will provide great content and a new perspective on sexual intimacy as God intended. $5.00 per couple. RSVP to Maria Ramos-Hibbs, Office of Family Life, mhibbs@diosav.org or call 912-201-4068.

Children’s Religious Education (CRE)
The primary responsibility for spiritual growth of children rests with their parents. Other people share that responsibility but parents do not relinquish it. The Children’s Religious Education Program at the Cathedral is dedicated to assist parents in the faith formation of their children to make them lifelong disciples of Jesus. The classes meet throughout the school year on Sunday mornings from 8:45 to 9:50. The children are taught to believe and trust in a loving God with age-appropriate instruction in Catholic doctrine and practice. The religious education is designed for children 5 years old to 9th grade, including sacramental preparation for the Eucharist, Reconciliation and Confirmation, by dedicated catechists in a safe and caring environment. Registration begins in September. More details to follow.

RCIA About the Begin!
Cathedral Parish will again be offering classes for adults who wish to inquire about the Catholic faith or who have already decided that they would like to become a Catholic. Classes begin on Tuesday, August 30th, at 7:00PM in the Parish Hall. We meet each Tuesday evening for about one hour and the classes conclude with Easter 2017. If you are interested in attending our classes, please contact Deacon Dewain Smith in the Church Office at 912-233-4709.

What is Financial Peace University?
FPU is a 9-week life-changing program that empowers and teaches you how to make the right money decisions to achieve your financial goals and experience a total money makeover. It meets one night a week for approximately one and half exciting hours. FPU will be an important step to changing your financial future! It takes the head knowledge from the books and and turns it into real action.

Who is FPU for? It's for EVERYONE! Whether you are living paycheck to paycheck or want to make your money work better for you, FPU provides Biblically based common sense education and empowerment which gives HOPE to everyone from the financially secure to the financially distressed. It is not just for those who are in debt. Over 3,000,000 families in over 40,000 churches have attended Financial Peace University classes and found a new freedom in managing the resources that God has provided.

How do I get involved? Our church will be having a couple of orientations for those who will take the time to attend. Just because you attend an orientation doesn't mean you've committed to the class. Come and find out what FPU is all about.

What do I get with my FPU Membership? Your lifetime membership comes with a FPU kit for your entire family to use FPU, anywhere, anytime. You will receive a workbook, all the lessons on cd, a starter envelope system, a copy of Dave Ramsey's book Financial Peace, and budgeting tools on CD-ROM. You will also have support and fellowship with people that share your goals.

Classes will be on Sundays beginning Oct. 16th, from 7-8:30 p.m. in the parish hall. If you have any questions, please contact Julie or Jim Phillips at julie.phillips.fpu@gmail.com

Stewardship Appreciation Picnic
Sunday, October 9th
5:00 to 8:00 PM
We want to thank all registered members of the Cathedral for their generosity!
Bible Study Beginning September 12th
Monday Nights for 8 weeks 6-7:30 pm Parish Hall Library
Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible
If you would like to have a deeper relationship with God and a better understanding of your faith, then join us for Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible. You will not only benefit personally from being part of this study; you will also bring about a profound renewal in our parish as we grow closer to Christ.
The study includes a series of eight informative and engaging half-hour videos presented by Jeff Cavins. Each video will be followed by a lively group discussion. When you sign up for the program at Evangelization.com using our parish code you will receive this color-coded Bible Timeline Chart, a Bible study workbook, and the ability to stream the study videos online at your convenience. The price or materials is $27 which includes shipping. Please email threenovacks@gmail.com to get the information needed to sign up!

CATHEDRAL PARISH OFFERTORY
Offertory August 14, 2016: $21,120.00
Offertory August 16, 2015 : $18,715.25

VISITOR’S DEPOSITORY BOX
Week Prior to August 14, 2016: $3,154.00
Week Prior to August 16, 2015 : $5,233.50

You can contribute online by going to www.savannahcathedral.org and clicking on Give.

2016 BISHOP’S ANNUAL APPEAL
Parish Target $108,174
Parish Pledges $ 59,940
Collected $ 100,882

Jan Cunningham in the Cathedral rectory is a Notary. Please call in advance to make arrangements if you are in need of a Notary for documents. (No fee.)

PARTICIPATING CATHOLIC TUITION
Cathedral parishioners who have children in Catholic Schools and who wish to receive the parish participating tuition rate must be endorsed by Fr. Schreck. A participating parishioner is a parishioner who attends Mass on weekends and Holy Days of Obligation, participates in the activities of the parish, contributes to the offertory collection in a recognizable way by using envelopes or checks as a means of verification of attendance.

NEW PARISHIONERS & ADDRESS CHANGES
Those wishing to become a parishioner of the Cathedral of St. John the Baptist, should complete the following, cut out and drop it in the offertory collection basket. A census form will be mailed to you, which must be completed and mailed back. You may also register online at www.savannahcathedral.org. Thank you.

To register online, go to www.savannahcathedral.org