Faith Formation

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

Parish Staff

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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 Fridays: 4:00 to 5:00 pm
Saturdays: 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.

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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. Psalm 85:1-3

HYMN:

O God Beyond All Praising #937

PENITENTIAL ACT

Mass of Wisdom

+ LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING

Isaiah 22:19-23

Missaal, p. 49

PSALM:

Psalm 138:1-3, 6, 8

ORD. your love is eternal; do not forsake the work of your hands.

SECOND READING:

Romans 11:33-36

Missaal, p. 50

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

REFRAIN

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will. We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father, Lord Jesus Christ, only Son, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; you are seated at the right hand of the Father.

GOSPEL

Matthew 16:13-20

Missaal, p. 51

HOMILY

NICENE CREED

Missaal, p. 94

PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL
**LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST**

**PRESENTATION OF THE GIFTS:**

**ANTHEM:** If Ye Love Me (Tallis)  
5:30/11:30: Instrumental

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**MASS ORDINARY**

**Mass of Wisdom**  
Music: Ianco

*For guidelines for the reception of Holy Communion, please refer to the back page of the missal.

**COMMUNION ANTHEM (10:00 A.M.)**  
O Savior of the World (Goss)

**COMMUNION SONG**

*Who-e-ver eats my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life, says the Lord.

*and I will raise him up on the last day.

**MARIAN ANTIPHON**

Salve Regina  
1008, Hymnal

Salve, Regina, mater misericordiae; vita, dulcedo et spes nostra, salve.  
Ad te clamamus exsules filii Hevae.  
Ad te suspiramus gementes et flentes in hac lacrimarum valle.  
Eia ergo, advocata nostra, illos tuos miserere oculos ad nos converte.  
Et iterum, benedicimus fructum ventris tui, nobis post hoc exsiliatum ostende. O demens, o pia, O dulcis, Virgo Maria.

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**+CONCLUDING RITE**

**GREETING AND BLESSING**

**DISMISSAL**

**HYMN:** Go Be Justice #928

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Dear friends,

Our Cathedral of St. John the Baptist is indeed “a holy place.” It is our great privilege to gather here each Sunday to hear God’s word proclaimed and to receive the body and blood of Jesus our Savior. From what we receive each Sunday we are commissioned to go forth to teach and live the Gospel.

As our parish mission states, we seek to make the Cathedral “a vibrant center of Catholic faith and culture.” It is so important that we are able to celebrate the Sunday Mass with great beauty, inspiring music, and engaging preaching. Our efforts to continue providing faith formation for adults, through Bible studies, book study programs, and lectures, are essential. This year we hope to fund a new campus ministry program for the many college students who are in Savannah, especially in the downtown area. Our religious education program for the children and young people of our parish is critical to their faith life and the future of the faith. We need to continue to strengthen that.

The Cathedral itself is an amazing tool for evangelization. In 2016 we had well over 250,000 visitors to the Cathedral, and that number doesn’t include attendance at Sunday Mass. Our docents do an excellent job of explaining the Catholic faith, as they shepherd visitors through our Church and point out its beautiful treasures.

Our task as disciples is not only to teach, but to serve. Cathedral parishioners have done great work in providing food and clothing for those who are in need in our community. We continue to support the Social Apostolate of Savannah with donations of food and money. We have provided meals to the homeless of downtown Savannah.

These things, and many others, testify to the fact that the Cathedral is “a holy place,” where disciples meet with generous hearts, to share God’s goodness with others. Three years ago, I asked you to take a look at what you regularly give to the Cathedral. I am doing so again now. Your support for our parish programs and outreach has been inspiring but the need for the services and programs we offer continues to grow. Perhaps you are able to increase in some way what you regularly give? If you have not been giving regularly, I encourage you to begin now. Your generosity will make a difference in the lives of many, and it will also make a difference in your life. God is pleased with the sacrifices we make, and when we share from the abundance which He has “loaned” to us, God is present in our midst, and he declares that this is truly “a holy place.”

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Rev. J. Gerard Schreck
Rector
We are called Christian because we choose to follow Jesus Christ. As we gather for worship today, it might be good to reflect on who Christ is for us, just as he asks the question in today’s Gospel: “Who do you say that I am?” The answer that we give will tell us much about who we need to be in this world. Let us pray today for the grace to live up to the name of Christ with which we identify ourselves.

Mass Intentions for the week of August 27, 2017

**SUNDAY**
- Pro Populo
- Lorraine Melazzo
- Intentions of Elizabeth Anne Rugh and Family
- Poor Souls in Purgatory

**MONDAY**
- Fred & Josephine Doyle
- Madelyn Mahoney (Anni)

**TUESDAY**
- Joseph Aliffi (Anni)
- Intentions of Katherine Glusica

**WEDNESDAY**
- John Aliffi, Jr. (Anni)
- John Aliffi, Sr. (Anni)

**THURSDAY**
- Int. of Andrew Edward Hodgson
- Charles F. Kohrt

**FRIDAY**
- Shirley Shearouse Bergen (Anni)
- Judith Walker

**SATURDAY**
- Marguerite Koncul (Anni)
- Paul Murphy (MM)


Flowers on the Blessed Mother Altar are in Memory of Andy E. Blalock
Join the Cathedral Choir!
Singing in the choir is a great way to meet your fellow parishioners and to participate through music at mass in the Mother Church of the Diocese of Savannah!
Introduction to Choir Class each Wednesday, 5:30-6:00 PM, in lower church, followed by rehearsals each Wednesday, 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM, September through May. Choir sings at 10:00 AM Mass every Sunday. Warm up at 9:00 AM. First Mass is Sunday, September 10th at 10:00 AM.

We invite you to try out a choir rehearsal. **Open rehearsals will be held on September 6th and 13th in the lower church. No commitment is necessary, just a desire to sing! All voice parts are needed!**

For more information, please email McDowell Fogle, Choirmaster, at: savcathedralmusic@gmail.com
Thank you for considering using your musical gifts to worship God through song.

**The Bible Timeline**
**Our Popular Study Program Returns In Just a Few Weeks!**
Reading the Bible should bring us closer to Christ, but understanding it is often difficult. The good news is that you can understand the Bible, and The Bible Timeline makes it easy. The Bible Timeline is a Catholic Bible study that can help anyone to make sense of the Bible and experience the life-changing power of God’s Word.
The study includes a series of twenty-four videos presented by Jeff Cavins. Last Spring we began with lessons 1-8 and are continuing now with lessons 9-18 and will complete the program after the New Year with lesson 19-23. All are welcome, including those who did not attend lessons 1-8. Video portion of the lesson are available online if you miss a class!

When: Every Monday beginning September 11th for ten consecutive weeks.
Time: 6:00-8:00 PM
Where: Parish Hall Library room
Sign Up: Three novacks@gmail.com

Children's Religious Education Begins Soon
**Attention Parents!** For many of you the school year has already begun. Registration will take place after 5:30 Mass on Saturday, September 12th and 8:00, 10:00 and 11:30 Masses on Sunday, September 13th. Bring your child’s baptismal certificate if you are new to the Cathedral’s CRE program. Classes begin on Sunday morning, September 27th at 8:45. If you miss this registration, bring your child to the parish center on the first day of class for registration and enrollment. Have a terrific remainder of the summer and talk about your Catholic faith with your children everyday.

Adult Religious Education (RCIA) Begins this Week!
The Cathedral Parish will offer classes for adults who wish to inquire about the Catholic faith or who have already decided that they would like to become a Catholic. **RCIA begins this week on Tuesday evening, August 29th at 7:00 PM in the Parish Hall, but you still have time to sign up!** We meet each Tuesday evening for about one hour and the classes conclude with Easter 2018. There is a schedule of classes and topics to be discussed, a text book which will be provided for your use, as well as DVDs that will be used for some of the instruction. If you are interested in attending classes this year, please contact Deacon Dewain Smith at the Cathedral Office: email: dessav@aol.com or 912-233-4709 x 301.

Cathedral Flower Guild New Member Drive
The Cathedral Flower Guild invites parishioners who are interested in learning how to create flower arrangements for our beautiful church are invited to join us! Beginners or experienced are welcome! Please send inquiries to cathedralextra@aol.com or 912-233-4709.
CATHEDRAL PARISH OFFERTORY
Offertory August 20, 2017: $19,346.50
Offertory August 21, 2016: $21,120.00

VISITOR’S DEPOSITORY BOX
Week Prior to August 20, 2017: $2,952.50
Week Prior to August 21, 2016: $3,154.00

BAA PROGRESS REPORT
Total Given: $116,652 (We surpassed our goal!)
Parish Goal: $114,459

Cathedral Ornaments are available for purchase for $20 each. We have all years available. However, we have less than 300 of the 2017 ornaments left. If you wish to purchase one, please do so soon! You may purchase them online or at the back of the church. No more will be ordered this year!

Opening in Adoration Chapel
Pope St. John Paul II told us: “The Church and the world have a great need for Eucharistic Adoration. Jesus waits for us in the Sacrament of love. Let us be generous with our time in going to meet him in adoration and contemplation that is full of faith.”

Every parishioner of the Cathedral has the opportunity to participate in Eucharistic Adoration, right here in our own chapel. We now have one opening on Tuesdays at 9:00 AM. Anyone interested should contact Gretchen at 658-3848.

The Ignatian Adventure

Experiencing the Spiritual Exercises of Saint Ignatius in Daily Life.

When: Thursday starting Sept. 21st 6:00 - 7:00 PM weekly in the Parish Hall Library.

Contact: Threenovacks@gmail.com to sign up.

"There is no better guide than Saint Ignatius of Loyola if one desires to discover how faith and everyday life can thrive together. The Ignatian Adventure, by Kevin O'Brien, SJ, follows St. Ignatius's lead and offers time-strapped individuals a unique way of making the spiritual exercises in daily life and is the only cost of the program as all participants will need to have a copy of the book.

Ignatius gave the church the Spiritual Exercises as a testament to God's gentle, persistent laboring in his life. Over his lifetime, Ignatius became convinced that the Exercises could help other people draw closer to God and discern God's call in their lives, much as they had helped him. The purpose of the exercises is very practical: to grow in union with God, who frees us to make good decisions about our lives and to help souls. The exercises help us grow in interior freedom from sin and disordered loves so that we can respond more generously to God's call in our life. The Exercises are a school of prayer in meditation and contemplation.

This group will meet weekly for an hour to discuss the daily assignments they will be doing on their own. While the book opens with helpful background information, including a brief history of St. Ignatius, its core provides 32 weeks of prayer and meditations to draw participants into a deeper encounter with God. But what truly sets this book apart from other Ignatian retreats in daily life (19th annotation) is how O'Brien weaves throughout the pages his own accounts of living out the exercises in everyday life.

A minimum number of people are required to start the program so tell your friends if you are interested in joining! The program is free and the only required materials are the book and your time dedicated to pray. Participants will be asked to spend at least 30 minutes in prayer every day using the programs guidelines.