Cathedral of St. John the Baptist
222 East Harris Street, Savannah, Georgia 31401 - Located at Abercorn and East Harris Streets
Most Reverend Gregory J. Hartmayer OFM Conv.— Bishop of Savannah
Most Reverend J. Kevin Boland — Bishop Emeritus

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
Saturday: 11:00 am to 11:45 am & 1:00 pm to 4:30 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
In Residence - Rev. Pablo Migone
Permanent Deacon - Rev. Dr. Dewain E. Smith
Sacristan - Lynne Everett, MD
Director of Religious Education - Mrs. Janee Przybyl
Bookkeeper/Admin. Assistant - Ms. Jan Cunningham
Office Assistant - Mrs. Brenda Price
Director of Music - Mr. McDowell Fogle, MM
Music Associate - Erica Gillette
Maintenance - Mr. Jimmy Joseph Sheehan III
Housekeeper/Food Services - Ms. Alma Young
Docents - Mrs. Peggy Baker, Mrs. Gloria Keane

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**EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**ENTRANCE SONG:** The Lord became my protector. He brought me out to a place of freedom; he saved me because he delighted in me. Ps 17:19-20

**HYMN** Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven 957

**PENITENTIAL ACT** Jubilation Mass Chepponis

**FIRST READING** Isaiah 49: 14-15
Missal, p. 74

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM:** Psalm 62: 2-3, 6-7, 8-9

**SECOND READING:** 1 Cor 4:1-5
Missal, p. 75

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION** Jubilation Mass Chepponis

**GOSPEL** Matthew 6: 24-34
Missal, p. 75

The Gospel Acclamation is repeated, then all sit.

**HOMILY**

**NICENE CREED** All stand. Missal, p. 99

**PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL**

The “Prayer for Vocations”, which concludes our prayer, is found on the back page of the red hymnal.

**LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST**

**PRESENTATION AND PREPARATION OF THE GIFTS**

5:30 Organ Instrumental

10:00/11:30 AM CHORAL ANTHEM Beautiful Savior

**COLLECT** All sit.
Fair are the meadows, fairer the woodlands, robed in flow'rs of blooming spring; Jesus is fairer, Jesus is purer, He makes our sorrowing spirit sing. Beautiful Savior! Lord of the nations! Son of God and Son of Man! Glory and honor, praise, adoration, now and forevermore be thine.

**Text:** Münster Gesangbuch, 1677  
**Music:** arr. F. Melius Christiansen (1871-1955)

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**MASS ORDINARY**  
**Jubilation Mass**  
**Music:** Chepponis

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**10:00/11:30 AM CHORAL ANTHEM**  
**Ubi Caritas**


Where charity and love are, God is there. The love of Christ has gathered us together. Let us rejoice and be glad in it. Let us revere and love the living God. And from a sincere heart let us love one another. Amen.

**Text:** Chant  
**Music:** Ola Gjeilo (b. 1978)

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**COMMUNION SONG**  
**Matthew 28:20**

_Be-hold, I am with you al-ways, e-ven to the end of the age, says... the Lord._

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**MARIAN ANTIPHON**  
**Ave, Regina cælorum**

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**CONCLUDING RITE**

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**HYMN**  
**All Creatures of Our God and King**  
**930**

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Rector’s Corner

THANK YOU!


These have been the themes racing through my heart and soul as I think of you, the parishioners of the Cathedral of St. John the Baptist, these days. Each of you in your own way has formed me and molded me in my priestly vocation and, therefore, will always be with me.

Monsignor O’Neil welcomed me in September 2007, only three years after I was ordained. The faithful people of God here also opened their lives and hearts to me as I moved in and began ministry here. Thank you for providing me with a home, not just a residence these last ten years.

Ten Years! Of my 13 years of priesthood, 10 have been spent with you. For this I am overwhelmingly grateful! You took me from a baby priest and helped me grow and allowed my priesthood to flourish. With each passing year, I have seen myself change and get more and more comfortable in my priestly vocation. I have you and the Holy Spirit to thank for that.

Fr. Schreck and Msgr. O’Neil have been wonderful mentors and brothers over these past years. From each of them, I have learned so much. Their care for you, the souls entrusted to them, is beautiful to behold. Their attention to detail in spiritual, financial, and material matters affecting the parish and individual parishioners I will take with me. Both in their own way have shown me what it means to be a good shepherd. Thank you, brothers, for your example.

I am not going far – trading downtown for the beach – and you might see me there and here at times. But no matter where I go, you, the Cathedral parish, will always hold a special place in my heart. Thank you for all you have done for me and my priesthood over the past ten years. I take each of you with me in my heart and soul and carry you with me always.

See you at the beach!

Peace in Christ,
Fr. Daniel Firmin
On this last Sunday before Lent, the focus of our celebration shifts from what is expected of us as disciples to God’s gracious and tender care for us. As we conclude this season of winter Ordinary Time, what better way to prepare for Lent that to reflect on how much our loving God wants us to be free of worry and cares, and to trust in God’s goodness and grace!


Flowers on Blessed Mother Altar in Memory of Sean Christopher Haire

Mass Intentions for the week of February 26, 2017

SUNDAY  Pro Populo
         Intentions of Lynette Donnelly
         Angela Murphy
         James Sicking

MONDAY  Fred & Josephine Doyle

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY  Intentions of Joy Castillo
            Intentions of Fr. Duane Roy

THURSDAY  Randall Kicklighter
           Paul Murphy (MM)

FRIDAY  Jack Kolbush (Anni)

SATURDAY

Ash Wednesday is March 1st.
Masses at the Cathedral will be at 7:30 AM, Noon and 6:00 PM.
Ashes will be distributed during Mass.
New Members Coffee and Donuts!

After the 8:00 and 10:00 AM Masses on March 5th, we will welcome our new members at coffee and doughnuts in the Parish Hall. If you have joined the parish since October, you should receive an emailed invitation. If you have not, please call the office and ask to be put on the list. All new members and their families are welcome. We are happy to have you at the Cathedral!

Summer Camp at Villa Marie Center

Hiring Day Camp Director!

The Director will oversee the daily running of summer camp through developing and implementing weekly programming, supervising and training counselors, communicating with parents, and working closely with the Diocesan Camp Coordinator. This position is a seasonal, temporary position for summer of 2017.


Office for the Protection of Children and Young People

The Archdiocese of Atlanta along with the Diocese of Savannah will be cohosting the 2017 Child and Youth Protection Catholic Leadership Conference in Savannah from February 26 to March 1, 2017.

A special Mass opening the Conference will be held this Sunday, February 26th at 5:00 PM at the Cathedral of St. John the Baptist. The celebrant will be Archbishop Wilton D. Gregory, Archdiocese of Atlanta. Celebrants will include Bishop Gregory J. Hartmayer, Diocese of Savannah, Bishop Edward J. Burns, Diocese of Dallas and Chair of the USCCB Office of Child and Youth Protection and Bishop J. Kevin Boland, Bishop Emeritus, Diocese of Savannah. This Mass is open to the faithful. We encourage you to join the conference delegates from across our nation whose ministry fulfills the call of the “Charter for Protection of Children and Young People” at this historic gathering.

Almsgiving

As Christians we frequently hear the call to charity in the Gospels. During Lent, we are asked to focus even more intently on acts of charity with “works of justice pleasing to God.” For this reason the Cathedral ministries are taking on additional projects and acts of service during Lent. The Caring Card Ministry is mailing Lenten prayer cards to all seniors and people on the prayer list. Team members are working to get cards to the more than 300 people on the list before Lent starts on Wednesday. All are welcome to participate. Please call the church office or email Melanie Brooks at brooks508@aol.com if you’d like to be included. Ministry activities will continue throughout Lent.

Virtus

Another Virtus Training Session has been scheduled at the Cathedral on Saturday morning, March 25th from 9:00-12:00 PM due to the demand we have seen. Virtus is required for anyone in a position that has any interplay with children, but it is a valuable learning experience for all adults. It is free and open to all – and we will provide coffee and doughnuts. Please call the church office at 912-233-4709 to reserve your space. If we have enough requests, child care can be provided.

Save the Date!

On Sunday, June 4th, at 6:00 PM we will celebrate the Golden (50th anniversary) Jubilee of the ordination of Monsignor O’Neill with a special mass and reception. All parishioners are invited! Invitations will be mailed in April.

Benedictine Military School Auction

Visions are becoming reality at BC. The Brown STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Mathematics) Wing represents the future of BC and our commitment to academic excellence. Come Fall in Line as we raise funds for our Cadets and celebrate one more victory for BC.

Saturday, March 4, 2017 at BC

Cocktails in Brown Stem Wing - 6:00 PM.

Live Auction and Dinner - 7:30 PM.

Tickets can be purchased on-line at bidpal.net/bcauction2017 or at the Benedictine Military School Business Office.
CATHEDRAL PARISH OFFERTORY
Offertory February 19, 2017: $22,894.00
Offertory February 21, 2016: $26,153.75
VISITOR’S DEPOSITORY BOX
Week Prior to February 19, 2017: $4,364.50
Week Prior to February 21, 2016: $2,876.00

Cathedral Christmas Ornaments are available to purchase for $20 each. We have all years available, including the new 2017. You may purchase them online or at the back of the church.

Children’s Religious Ed. Schedule
Feb 26 - CLASS - Prayer Assembly; 5th and 6th Graders
Mar 5 - CLASS

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
Anyone 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.

New Parishioner [ ]
Change of Address [ ]

Name __________________________
Address _________________________
Telephone Number ________________
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SVA and BC Present Oklahoma!
Saint Vincent’s Academy and Benedictine Military School will present Rodger’s and Hammerstein’s Oklahoma! on Friday, March 3rd at 7pm, Saturday, March 4th at 7pm and Sunday, March 5th at 3pm, at the Trustees Theater, 216 East Broughton Street. Admission is $20 for adults and $10 for students. Tickets are available at the Trustees Theater Box Office, online at www.scadboxoffice.com, or by phone at 912-525-5050. Please come out and support our amazing student stars in this great classic production!

Seminar at Pastoral Center
“REBUILDING” is a nine session seminar with a spiritual focus designed to help people become whole again after experiencing a divorce or separation. The sessions are guided by trained peer facilitators who have similar life experiences and who are willing to share their time and talent to help others. Confidentiality within the group and amongst facilitators is absolutely required.
REBUILDING will be offered beginning on March 6th at 6:00 PM. at the Catholic Pastoral Center at 2170 E. Victory Drive in Savannah. There is a nominal $10 to cover course expenses. To register call the Catholic Charities Office at 912-201-4073 or email rlehto@diosav.org.