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: 10:00am Masses 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

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

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 - Ms. Heidi Ordad, MM
Cantors - Rebecca Flaherty and Jillian Pashke Durant
Maintenance - Mr. Jimmy Joseph Sheehan III
Housekeeper/Food Services - Ms. Alma Young
Docents - Mrs. Peggy Baker, Mrs. Gloria Keane

Hours: Monday - Friday: 9:00 am to 5:00 pm • Phone: (912)233-4709 Fax: (912)233-8229 • E-mail: csjbsav@aol.com
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SOLEMNITY OF THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

Behold, the Lord, the Mighty One, has come; and kingship is in his grasp, and power and dominion. Mal. 3:1; 1 Chr. 29:12

HYMN: We Three Kings 549, Hymnal

VERSE 2

2. Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Be merciful to us; you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.

VERSE 3

3. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

+ LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING Isaiah 60:1-6

Missal, p. 57

PSALM:

“Lord, every nation on earth will adore you.” Psalm 72:1,2,7,8,10-13

SECOND READING: Ephesians 3:2-3a,5,6

Missal, p. 59

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

GOSPEL Matthew 2:1-12

Homily Nicene Creed Missal, p. 108

PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL
+ LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

PRESENTATION OF THE GIFTS:

HYMN: What Star is This? 552, Hymnal

ANTHEM (10 a.m.): I Wonder as I Wander

John Jacob Niles
Arr. by Steve Pilkinson
Rebecca Flaherty, Soloist

I wonder as I wander out under the sky, how Jesus the
Savior did come for to die. For poor or'ry people like you
and like I, I wonder as I wander, out under the sky. When
Mary birthed Jesus 'twas in a cow's stall, with wise men and
farmers and shepherds and all. But high from God's heaven a
star's light did fall, and the promise of ages it then did recall.
If Jesus had wanted for any wee thing, a star in the sky, or a
bird on the wing, or all of God's angels in heaven for to sing,
he surely could have it, 'cause he was the King.

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY—JUBILATION MASS

Ho-ly, Ho-ly, Ho-ly Lord, Ho-ly Lord God of hosts. Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Ho-

san-na, ho-san-na, ho-san-na in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-

san-na, ho-san-na, ho-san-na in the highest. Ho-

san-na, ho-san-na, ho-san-na in the highest.

We Proclaim Your Death

We pro-claim your Death, O Lord, and pro-fess your Res-

ur-rec-tion un-til you come a-gain, un-til you come a-gain.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

We have seen his star in the East, and have come with gifts to adore the Lord. Matthew 2:2

COMMUNION HYMN:
The First Nowell 518, Hymnal

MARIAN ANTIPHON (10:00 A.M.)
Alma Redemptoris Mater

Alma Redemptoris Mater, quae pervia cali Porta manes, et stella maris, succurre cadenti, Surgere qui curat, populo tu que genuisti, Natura mirante, tuum sanctum Genitorum Virgo prius ac posterius, Gabrieliis ab ore Sumens illud Ave, peccatorum miserere.

Mother of Christ! Hear thou thy people's cry, star of the deep, and portal of the sky! Mother of Him who thee from nothing made, sinking we strive and call to thee for aid; Oh, by that joy which Gabriel brought to thee, thou Virgin first and last, let us thy mercy see.

+ CONCLUDING RITES

HYMN: O God Beyond All Praising 937

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THE SOLEMNITY OF THE EPIPHANY

When the Magi, or three Kings, from the east reached the destination to which the Star had led them, they found the child Jesus and his mother. They opened their coffers and presented gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh. Jesus is now revealed as the Messiah and King promised not just to Israel, but to all the nations and peoples of the world. As a Church we continue to fulfill the mission of announcing to the world that Jesus is Messiah and King. With the development of faster and better means of communication, that mission is all the more important.

I am happy to announce that our parish website has been upgraded and redesigned. It was officially launched on December 28, 2015. The new site is much easier to use and to change and will provide important information about the Cathedral for our parishioners and visitors to Savannah. I invite you to go online to the Cathedral Website (Savannahcathedral.org) and take a look at our new site!

In addition to that, I am very pleased to announce that we have installed a camera system inside the Cathedral which will make it possible for us to record, livestream and also broadcast ceremonies from the Cathedral. We have three high definition, remote controlled cameras which produce beautiful and very clear images.

There were a number of reasons why we have made the decision to install the camera system. First, it will make it much easier to record and broadcast important liturgical events (Christmas Midnight Mass, St. Patrick’s Day Mass, Ordinations, etc.). It will no longer be necessary to set up scaffolding for television cameras. Second, we will be able to livestream the 10:00AM Sunday Mass throughout the Diocese of Savannah, and really anywhere in the world. This will enable those who are unable to drive or attend Mass to participate via computer in the Sunday Mass from the Cathedral. The Mass can be accessed by going to the Cathedral website (Savannahcathedral.org) or the Diocesan website (Diosav.org). Third, we will offer Brides and Grooms the opportunity to record their wedding ceremony from the Cathedral. We are entering into an agreement with Mr. Craig Harney, the producer of WTOC, to operate the camera system for us (from the controls in the Choir loft).

This is all part of using new media to share the good news that Jesus Christ is Messiah and Lord, and to invite all to experience the gift of Catholic faith that we have received.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Rev. J. Gerard Schreck
Rector
Today in our Christian tradition we celebrate the epiphany or manifestation of Christ to the whole world. An epiphany can also be a new insight or realization. Gathered together on this Sunday of the Epiphany, what new insights about our faith and our God can we discover? Let us pray to be open to what God continues to do for us in our lives.

Join us this Sunday, January 3rd for Donuts and Coffee after the 8:00 and 10:00 AM Masses in the Parish Center. All are welcome!

Mass Intentions for the week of January 3, 2016

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Please Pray for:

Prayers are offered daily for everyone on this prayer list. If you know of someone sick or injured that needs praying for, please contact the parish office at 912-233-4709.
Angel Trees

Thank you for your participation in the Angel Tree Projects for the Social Apostolate and the Living Vine. We are blessed to have such a generous congregation. With your help, many homeless, working poor families, and residents of the Living Vine benefited from your support this Christmas Season.

Cathedral Book Club is Heating Up!

Join the book club in reading the book Pope Francis encourages all Catholics to read. Dante’s Divine Comedy is more than a literary masterpiece, it is an invitation “to rediscover the lost or obscured meaning of our human path and to hope to see again the glowing horizon on which the dignity of the human person shines in its fullness,” Pope Francis has said. We are going to start reading and discussing part one of the Divine Comedy, The Inferno on Thursday's starting January 21, 2016 from 10:15-11:45 AM in the Parish Hall library. Email threenovacks@gmail.com for more information.

Study Program in January

The Adult Faith Enrichment Ministry is pleased to announce that the Cathedral will be offering Father Barron’s acclaimed Catholicism Study Program in January. Fr. Robert Barron created this groundbreaking program as a thematic presentation of what Catholics believe and why, so all adults can come to a deeper understanding of the Catholic Faith. Not a video lecture, Church history or scripture study, this engaging and interesting formational program uses the art, architecture, literature, music and all the treasures of the Catholic tradition to illuminate the timeless teachings of the Church. The Catholicism Faith Formation Program brings the beauty, goodness and truth of the Church to life so that you can better understand your faith. Our 12 week program will begin Monday evening, January 11th and Tuesday morning, January 12th. Please sign up for this program by January 3rd by contacting Norene C. Buckstine via email: ncb-25@att.net or via phone at 912-450-3262 and indicate your preference for an AM or PM program.

Cathedral Parish Supper

Join us for a parish supper at 6:30 PM this Wednesday, January 6th, the Feast of the Epiphany and the 12th Day of Christmas! Homemade Lasagna and Baked chicken will be provided! Bring a side or dessert (Family Size). Last month our parish supper was a huge success - lots of fun and laughter! Please join us and make this one another great event.

New Ministries at Cathedral

Two new ministries at the Cathedral have gotten off to a good start. The Caring Card Ministry is sending cards and notes to parishioners and the Prayer Ministry has an active prayer team praying for parishioners. Cards can be sent for sympathy, illness, surgery, congratulations, or thank you. Prayers are offered daily for everyone on the prayer list. If you know of someone that these ministries could serve, please contact the parish office at 912-233-4709. If you would like to volunteer for either of these ministries, we welcome new members. Contact Melanie at brooks508@aol.com or Moira at threenovacks@gmail.com.

St. Vincent's Academy Holds Open House and Placement Test

St. Vincent's Academy will hold an Open House for prospective students on Sunday, January 10, 2016 at 1:00pm beginning in the St. Vincent's Academy Gymnasium. Come and see all of the wonderful things that our school has to offer! A Placement Test for prospective students will be held on Saturday, January 30, 2016 from 8:30am - Noon in the school's Academic Building. Please call 912-236-5508 for more information or visit www.svaga.net.
CATHEDRAL PARISH OFFERTORY
Offertory December 20, 2015: $27,095.25
Offertory December 21, 2014: $25,360.25

VISITOR'S DEPOSITORY BOX
Week Prior to December 20, 2015: $1,702.00
Week Prior to December 21, 2014: $1,928.50

Due to early printing of this bulletin, the collection figures for last weekend are not available.

New Weekly Prayer Group
A new weekly prayer group will be meeting in the Parish Center Library on Thursday evenings from 6:30 to 8:00 PM starting January 7th. There will be fellowship, prayer, and a discussion on weekly readings and how to incorporate them into our daily lives. Everyone is welcome. For more information, please e-mail sandersgks53@aol.com.

CRE Schedule
Jan 3 - CLASS
Jan 10 - CLASS; 3rd / 4th Graders Prayer Assembly

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.)

St. Vincent’s Academy Book for Sale
St. Vincent's Academy Unveils New Book: Purchase your copy of “An Enduring Legacy, Savannah’s Sisters of Mercy and St. Vincent’s Academy”! This long-awaited book features 170 years of history and is authored by Sister Jude Walsh, RSM. The book will be available for purchase at St. Vincent’s Academy, E Shaver or Saints and Shamarocks. Call 912-236-5505 or email lorettolominack@svaga.net for more information. St. Vincent’s Academy is closed for Christmas holidays from December 19 to January 3.

Cathedral Christmas Ornaments
THE 2016 CATHEDRAL CHRISTMAS ORNAMENT IS AVAILABLE FOR SALE!
We only have a very limited number of the other years, but more have been ordered and will be in soon! We ask for a donation of $20.00 per ornament.

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. You will not be considered a registered parishioner until the census form has been completed and mailed back to us. Thank you.

Name ________________________________
Change of Address □

Address ________________________________

Telephone Number ________________________________

Email Address ________________________________

Mail to: 222 E. Harris St., Savannah, GA 31401.
You may place form in collection basket.

Come let us Adore Him!
We now have Adoration every Friday (except during Noon Mass) in front of the Blessed Sacrament altar in the Cathedral for the entire Year of Mercy. Adoration is simply praying and honoring Jesus who is present in the Holy Eucharist. All are welcome. Could this be your way of participating in the year of Mercy? Contact: sandersgks53@aol.com for more info.