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

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

Rector - Very Rev. J. Gerard Schreck, JCD
In Residence - Msgr. William O’Neill, Rector Emeritus
In Residence - Rev. Pablo Migone
 Permanent Deacon - Rev. Dr. Dewain E. Smith
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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

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.

Hours: Monday - Friday: 9:00 am to 5:00 pm • Phone: (912)233-4709 Fax: (912)233-8229 • E-mail: csjbsav@aol.com
Cathedral Website: www.savannahcathedral.org • Diocesan Website: www.diosav.org • Cathedral Music: sjbmusic.org
SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

ENTRANCE SONG:
Adapt. Normand Gouin
MORNING SONG
Setting by Normand Gouin

With long-ing hearts we cry a-loud, “Go
seek the face of God.” Your pre-sence, O God, a-
lone we seek; hide not your face from us.

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PENITENTIAL ACT  Mass in Honor of St. Ignatius
Russell Weismann

Ky-ri-e, ele-i-son. Christe, ele-i-son.

Cantor, then All
Cantor, then All

Ky-ri-e, ele-i-son.

Cantor, then All


COLLECT
All sit.

+ LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING  Genesis 12: 1-4a
Missal, p. 84

RESPONSORIAL PSALM  Psalm 33: 4-5, 18-19, 20, 22

L ORD, let your mer-cy be on us, as we place our trust in you.

SECOND READING  2 Timothy 1:8b-10
Missal, p. 85

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION  Missa Simplex  Proulx
All stand

REFRAIN
Praise to you, Lord Je-sus Christ, king of end-ess glo-ry!

Adapt. by Michael O’Connor, O.C.D.
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GOSPEL  Matthew 17: 1-9
Missal, p. 86

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

All sit.

PRESENTATION AND PREPARATION OF THE GIFTS

(5:30) HYMN  From the Depths of Sin and Sadness
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MASS ORDINARY:  Mass in Honor of St. Ignatius
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MARIAN ANTIPHON  Ave, Regina caelorum

Ave, Regina caelorum, Ave, Domina Angelorum:
  salve, radix, salve, porta, ex qua mundo lux est orta:
  Gaude, virgo gloriosa, super omnes speciosa,
  vale, o valde decora, et pro nobis Christum exora.

Hail, O Queen of Heav’n enthron’d, Hail, by angels
mistress own’d. Root of Jesse, gate of morn, whence
the world’s true light was born. Glorious virgin, joy to
thee, loveliest whom in heaven they see, fairest thou
where all are fair! Plead with Christ our sins to spare.

+CONCLUDING RITE

HYMN  Lord of All Hopefulness 836

CHORAL CONCERT
ANDERSON UNIVERSITY
RICHARD SOWERS, CONDUCTOR
FREE ADMISSION
TUESDAY, MARCH 14,
7:00 P.M.
CATHEDRAL OF ST. JOHN
THE BAPTIST

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Rector’s Corner

MASS OFFERINGS

It is a holy and longstanding practice in the Church to ask that Mass be offered, particularly for the dead. In the fourth century, St. Cyril of Jerusalem explained how at Mass both the living and dead are remembered and how the Eucharistic sacrifice of our Lord is of benefit to sinners, living and dead. St. Ambrose (d. 397) preached: “We have loved them during life; let us not abandon them in death, until we have conducted them by our prayers into the house of the Lord.” St. Augustine recorded the dying wishes of his mother, St. Monica: “One thing only I ask of you, that you remember me at the altar of the Lord wherever you may be.”

We are more than happy to offer Masses at the Cathedral for your intentions, and especially for your loved ones who have died. Here are some things to keep in mind regarding the process of requesting that a Mass be offered.

If you would like to request that a Mass be offered for a loved one, or for a particular intention, please come to the Church office and make that request.

When you make your request, it is customary to include an offering (a stipend for the Priest) who will offer the Mass. This unites your sacrifice with the sacrifice of the Mass, and establishes an obligation for the Priest to offer the Mass.

In the Diocese of Savannah (and the Province of Atlanta) the normal stipend is $10. However, Masses will be offered whether a stipend is offered or not, and for a lesser amount. If it is necessary to make your request by phone, or by email, the Mass will not be scheduled until the offering is received in the Church office.

If the Mass is to be offered on the Anniversary of death of a loved one, the name will be mentioned in the General Intercession for the Dead at the Sunday Mass preceding the date.

We thank you for your generosity and for your prayers for those who have died, and “have gone before us marked with the sign of faith.”

Rev. J. Gerard Schreck
Rector

Dear Cathedral Parishioners and Friends,

Thank you! Thank you for the wonderful send off as I set forth from the Cathedral to my new assignment at St. Michael’s. Your sentiments and stories I carry with me and treasure. Thank you for a beautiful farewell reception and all the well wishes and cards and gifts! The generous spirit of this parish truly shines.

May the Lord Jesus abundantly bless each of you and your families for your beautiful generosity and hospitality bestowed upon me these last ten years and this last month. Thank you, from the depths of my heart.

Fr. Daniel Firmin
As we continue our Lenten journey today, we encounter the transfigured Jesus. In his glory, Jesus embodies our future life just as Abraham’s future was praised by God. All we need is faith. Let us pray today for faith and trust in the promises of our loving God.

**Almsgiving During Lent**
The Feeding the Hungry Ministry has teamed up with America’s Second Harvest of Coastal Georgia, Savannah’s food bank, to pack food boxes for low income families. The Cathedral team event is scheduled for Saturday, March 25th from 9:00 AM to 11:00 AM. Children 8 and over are welcome to join their parents for this event. If you are interested, please email pavercel@comcast.net to put your name on the list.

**Lenten Prayer Service of Consolation**
The Diocese of Savannah invites all victims of abuse, their families, friends and the community to gather for a Lenten Prayer Service of Consolation at 7:00 PM. on Wednesday, March 29 at the Cathedral of St. John the Baptist in Savannah. Bishop Gregory J. Hartmayer, OFM Conv. will preside over the service, which will end at 8:30 PM.

**Mass Intentions for the week of March 12, 2017**

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**Stations of the Cross**
every Friday during Lent
after the Noon Mass
Social Apostolate March Food Drive

During the month of March, we are conducting a Food Drive for the benefit of the Social Apostolate of Savannah. You are invited and encouraged to bring non-perishable food items to Church, which can be placed in the baskets at the church entry. Your donations of food will be taken to the Social Apostolate and distributed to families and persons in need.

Most needed items are: tuna, salmon, canned ham, pasta, pasta sauce, canned soups, canned vegetables, canned fruits, peanut butter and jelly.

Please check expiration dates. Thank you from the Christian Service Committee and the Social Apostolate!

Save the Dates!

Cathedral Easter Egg Hunt!

Saturday, April 15th at 10:00AM in Lafayette Square. Bring your basket! Refreshments will be served!

Covered Dish Supper

Our next parish covered dish supper will be Wednesday, April 5, 2017. Please make plan to join us! This will be the last supper before summer. If you are new to the Cathedral, this is a wonderful chance to get to know some of your fellow parishioners.

Bishop Robert Barron’s Untold Blessings Three Paths to Holiness

God calls each of us to become a saint, and he’s ready to support us along the way by providing abundant blessings. Join us as we seek these blessings by participating in Bishop Robert Barron’s eight week DVD-based program: “Untold Blessing: Three Paths to Holiness.”

Every Tuesday March 14th - May 2nd at 10:15 AM in the Parish Hall library. The program is free but a study guide can be purchased at http://untoldblessing.wordonfire.org/#purchase for $12.95 To find out more information, please contact threenovacks@gmail.com.

New Book Club Beginning

Thursday's, March 23rd - April 13th at 10:15-11:45 AM in the Parish Hall Library.

In The Holy Longing, Ronald Rolheiser, a columnist for the Catholic Herald, probes the question What is spirituality? By cutting through the misunderstanding and confusion that can often surround this subject with his trademark clarity. Using examples and stories relevant for today, and with great sensitivity to modern challenges to religious faith, he explains the essentials of spiritual life, including the importance of community worship, the imperatives surrounding social action, and the centrality of the Incarnation.

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What is Financial Peace University?

FPU is a 9-week 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 one and a half hours. FPU is an important step to changing your financial future.

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.

What do I get with my FPU Membership? Your lifetime membership comes with a FPU kit for your entire family. You will receive a workbook, all the lessons have online access, a starter envelope system, a copy of Dave Ramseys' book Financial Peace, and digital budgeting tools. The best part is that you will have support and fellowship with people that share your goals.

Classes will be on Sundays and begin March 19 through May 14th from 7-8:30 p.m. in the parish hall. The class is free and your membership costs $93.00 plus shipping. Go to https://www.daveramsey.com/fpu/classes/1038905 to order your kit. More info, contact Julie or Jim Phillips: julie.phillips.fpu@gmail.com.
**CATHEDRAL PARISH OFFERTORY**
Offertory March 5, 2017: $24,163.00
Offertory March 6, 2016: $27,170.50

**VISITOR'S DEPOSITORY BOX**
Week Prior to March 5, 2017: $4,323.00
Week Prior to March 6, 2016: $4,700.50

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**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.

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**Children’s Religious Ed. Schedule**

- **Mar 12 - CLASS** Daylight Savings Time Begins
- **Mar 19 - CLASS** - Prayer Assembly; 7th/8th Graders

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**Virtus**
A 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.

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**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**

**Email Address**

To register online, go to www.savannahcathedral.org

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**Lenten Prayer Opportunity**
It’s not too late to sign up for the 40 Days for Life Campaign. Cathedral is scheduled for Thursdays from 7:00 AM to Noon at the Savannah Medical Clinic on 34th Street. Sign up to come out sometime (even 15 or 20 minutes) on Thursday mornings to pray for the protection of God’s gift of life. Signup sheets are in the back of the church. Fill one out and give it to an usher or call Gretchen at 658-3848.

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**St. James Lenten Mission**
The Carmelite Practice of Prayer
**March 27 - 29, 6:30 - 8:00 PM**
Monday - The Prayer of Reconciliation: its place and importance. Tuesday - The Prayer of Recollection: three simple steps. Wednesday - The prayer of Quiet: a simple experience of the presence of God and Penance Service.

**Blessed Sacrament Lenten Mission**
**April 2 - 4, 6:00 - 7:00 PM**
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