Cathedral of Saint 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
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.

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 - Rev. Pablo Migone
In Residence - Rev. Tom Peyton
Permanent Deacon - Rev. Dr. Dewain E. Smith
Director of Music - Paul Thornock, DMA
Director of Religious Education - Mrs. Janee Przybyl
Bookkeeper/Admin. Assistant - Ms. Jan Cunningham
Office Assistant - Mrs. Brenda Price
Maintenance - Mr. Jimmy Joseph Sheehan III
Housekeeper/Food Services - Ms. Alma Young
Docents - Mrs. Peggy Baker
Mrs. Gloria Keane

Hours: Mon. - Fri. 9:00 to 5:00  Phone: (912)233-4709  Fax: (912)233-8229  E-mail: office@savannahcathedral.org
Cathedral Website: www.savannahcathedral.org  Cathedral Music: music@savannahcathedral.org
Rector’s Corner

THE CATHEDRAL PRESERVATION SOCIETY APPEAL

In the past week or so, every Cathedral Parish member should have received a letter regarding our annual appeal for the Cathedral Preservation Society. Dr. John G. Spellman is the Chairman of this year’s appeal, and I thank him sincerely for offering his leadership to the endeavor. Your generous contributions go directly to the Cathedral Heritage Endowment Fund, which is currently valued at $2,236,520. Since FY 2012 the fund has distributed $670,499 which has been used to pay the debt on the Steeple stabilization and refurbishment which was completed in 2013.

It is such a tremendous blessing that we have an endowment fund which can provide critical resources for the maintenance and preservation of the Cathedral. Our goal is to reach the $5,000,000 mark for the Cathedral Heritage Endowment Fund. What started with the Cathedral Heritage Ball, and the Cathedral Heritage Gala has grown significantly. I want to thank the members of the Committee who have worked so hard for almost twenty years now, and who continue to direct this annual appeal.

Each and every gift to the Preservation Society, no matter how small, is important and appreciated. As has been our custom for the past two years, those who give $500 or more will receive an invitation for two to an Appreciation Dinner at the Savannah Golf Club on Saturday, November 3rd. If you would like any information on the tax advantages of donating stock which has appreciated in value, or information on how to remember the Cathedral Heritage Endowment Fund in your will and estate planning, please give us a call and we will happily assist you.

I thank you for your continued support of this vital appeal, and I thank you for the many sacrifices you make for the sake of our beautiful Cathedral. May God bless you!

Rev. J. Gerard Schreck
Rector
At this time of the year we may grow weary from the heat of summer, eager for any respite from our discomfort. Like Elijah despairing in the desert in the first reading, we become thirsty and hungry. We need food and drink to sustain us. Gathering this Sunday around the table of the Lord, we find sustenance from the One who reveals himself in today’s Gospel as the Bread of Life.

Flowers on Blessed Mother Altar are in Memory of Margaret Agnes Peyton

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Please Pray For:
Ed Arbo, Juan Ayala, Randy Beckle, Doris Boring, Heidi Carroll, Michael Cavanagh, Joan Coules, Eileen and Bill Dunlop, Mary Dunn, Erin Dunning, Chris Fernandez, Catherine Joy Henning, Andy Hodgson, Matt Hunter, Jimmy Jackson, Charles James, Patricia Jarrell, David Kennedy, Catherine Kostinik, Denise LeMay, Virginia Logan, Bates Lovett, Rose Marcantonio, Lee Marmar, Hugh Markowsky, Gayle McGhee, Marcia Morgan, Mary Moriarty, Brian Murphy, Josephine Nasworthy, Joy Povec, Jeffrey Powell, Msgr. Peter Riani, Jerrie Ridgeway, Joel Rivera, Dr. Frank Rizza, Tina Sanders, Greg Smith, Fr. Jacek Szuster, Stephanie Venuto, Greg Waldour, Bob Weiterman, Jan Wilson and Larson Zekas.
Adult Religious Education

Starts this Fall!

The Cathedral Parish will offer Tuesday evening classes for adults who wish to inquire about the Catholic faith or who have already decided that they would like to become a Catholic. If you are interested in attending classes this year, or just want to know more information, please contact Deacon Dewain Smith at the Cathedral Office 912-233-4709 or email: desav@aol.com.

If you know someone who might be interested in learning about the Catholic faith or becoming a Catholic, please extend an invitation to attend our classes. There may be someone out there who may just be waiting to be invited by a friend or neighbor. Start date is September 11th.

You’re Invited to Fight Global Hunger with CRS Helping Hands

Make a lasting difference for our brothers and sisters overseas. Our community plans to package 10,000+ meals to send to Burkina Faso. All Ages can participate in this high-energy event. Please join us on September 22nd from 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM at St. Vincent’s Gym. For more information contact Sr. Pat Brown at 912-201-4058 or pmbrown@diosav.org.

In addition to the meals we will send, a portion of the funds raised through our event will go toward projects that promote lasting change in the lives of the poor.

To find out more, visit: helpinghands.crs.org

Children’s Religious Education

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 five 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.

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 are setting up the calendar for the Fall, and vacancies are available. Anyone interested should contact Gretchen at 912-658-3848 by August 31st. The Chapel will be closed August 27-September 7th. Will re-open September 11th.

The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary is Wednesday, August 15, 2018. The Assumption commemorates the death of Mary and her bodily assumption into Heaven. The Assumption is a holy day of obligation. Masses at the Cathedral will be 7:30 AM, 12:00 Noon and 6:00 PM.
O Lord Jesus Christ, reward the apostolic zeal of Friar Pedro de Corpa and his four companion friars, Blas, Miguel, Antonio and Francisco, who labored for the spiritual well-being of the native Guale people of Georgia and gave their lives in witness to the Christian faith. Through their merits and intercession graciously grant the favor I humbly ask of You, so that, for the glory of Your Name, their heroic sacrifice may be officially recognized by the Church. Amen.

CATHEDRAL PARISH OFFERTORY
Offertory August 5, 2018: $24,730.47
Offertory August 6, 2017: $22,492.17

VISITOR’S DEPOSITORY BOX
Week Prior to August 5, 2018: $6,303.00
Week Prior to August 6, 2017: $3,875.00

2018 BISHOP’S ANNUAL APPEAL
Parish Target: $114,395.00
Amount Collected: $114,033.58
You can still contribute to this worthy cause. Envelopes available at the back of the church.

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 join online at www.savannahcathedral.org. Thank you.

Name __________________________________________
Address _________________________________________
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Telephone Number ______________________________
Email Address __________________________________

To register online, go to www.savannahcathedral.org

Available Ad Space
Build your business and help us grow a vibrant faith community!

Melanie VanOver from Liturgical Publications, our bulletin printer, will be in our office the week of August 13th, securing new ads for our bulletin. Please consider purchasing an ad, sponsoring a charity, or In Memory of a Loved One. It can help you attract customers!

BENEFITS OF ADVERTISING
• Local, targeted community advertising for one full year, at one low price.
• A FREE ad listing on parishesonline.com.
• FREE, professional ad design, and 4 free ad changes per year.

Melanie VanOver
941-524-6921 | mvanover@4LPi.com
The Friends of Cathedral Music present

SEASONS OF FAITH

Featuring music by composer Robin Beauchamp and the Savannah Ecumenical Choir

Sunday, September 9, 2018 - 5:00 p.m.
The Cathedral of Saint John the Baptist

Tickets available at the Cathedral office
222 East Harris Street, Savannah or at
SEASONSOFFAITH.EVENTBRITE.COM
Our Diocesan Prayer for Vocations

“O God, hear our prayer and let our cry come unto You. Bless our Diocese of Savannah with many vocations to the priesthood, diaconate, and religious life. Give the men and women You call the light to understand Your gift and the love to follow always in the footsteps of Your priestly Son. Amen.”