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Letter From Our New Music Director!

My family and I could not be more pleased to join the Cathedral family. Since I began my work as your new director of music on August 1, we have been met with incredible hospitality and many expressions of kindness. We have found a home in Richmond Hill and our three children are all enjoying their new schools and the neighborhood pool! We are especially enjoying the local restaurant scene and are still not finished experiencing the touristy attractions.

Since finishing graduate school at the University of Notre Dame almost twenty years ago, I have served in the cathedrals of Columbus, Ohio and Seattle. I was drawn to the Cathedral of Saint John the Baptist in Savannah for several reasons. So many of the structural elements that make for a successful music ministry are already in place. I am indebted to my predecessors who worked for decades to build a strong, traditional music program that values beauty and a high level of involvement from parishioners. I am also extremely grateful to have a Rector who is so committed to beautiful liturgy and the music that is such an integral part of our communal prayer. The Cathedral is also fortunate to have a pipe organ that was built by one of the country’s venerable firms. We all know that this historical building is spectacular both visually and acoustically. Further, the Cathedral Choir is dedicated to excellence and works hard to provide elegant sacred music ranging from ninth-century chants to the worthy works of living composers.

All of these marvelous things are made possible through the intentional investment of generations of parishioners who have come before us and are passed on to us to nurture, expand, and develop. As Catholics, we believe that the liturgy is the source and summit of our lives. Each week when we come together, we are called to “full, active, and conscious participation” at Mass. It is the goal of the Cathedral’s musicians to facilitate this active participation in every way we can. To this end, you will notice a new format for the printed worship aide in today’s bulletin. I hope you will find it helpful and that it will encourage even greater participation in the sung and spoken responses.

In addition to our desire to pray beautifully at Mass, we have an obligation to reach beyond the Cathedral’s walls and engage others. One great way the Cathedral is doing this is through the Friends of Cathedral Music. Concerts in the Cathedral are a natural outgrowth of our liturgical music program and offer non-parishioners an opportunity to experience the Church’s rich cultural heritage. Many people who would not otherwise come to the Cathedral enter here for concerts and other non-liturgical events. This is an important part of our mission and I hope you will consider becoming a Friend of Cathedral Music or simply support our work through attending a concert.

Finally, please know of my deep gratitude for the way you have welcomed us and of my desire to work with you to continue to develop this wonderful music program of which you can be justifiably proud. I look forward to learning all of the parish’s customs, and becoming involved in the life of this great place. We are especially looking forward to being part of the small, understated, quiet celebration of St. Patrick’s Day.

Paul Thornock
TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Prelude

Méditation

Dupont

Introit

Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I cry to you all the day long. O Lord, you are good and forgiving, full of mercy to all who call on you.

Hymn

Lasst uns erfreuen

1. All creatures of our God and King, Lift up your voice and with us sing: Alleluia! Alleluia!
2. O rushing wind and breezes soft, O clouds that ride the winds aloft: O praise him! Alleluia!
3. O flowing waters, pure and clear, Make music for your Lord to hear. O praise him! Alleluia!

O burning sun with golden beam And silver moon
O rising morn, in praise rejoice, O lights of eve-
O fire so masterful and bright, Providing us

with softer gleam: O praise him, O praise him.
with warmth and light, O praise him, O praise him.

Al-le-lu-ia, Al-le-lu-ia, Al-le-lu-ia!

PENITENTIAL ACT

Mass of Wisdom

Janco

Deacon, then all:

Kyri-e, eleison. Chris-te, eleison.

Kyri-e, eleison.
GLORIA

Mass of Wisdom

Janco

Cantor/Choir: Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, 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, have mercy on us.

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.

COLLECT

READING I

Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-8

Now, Israel, hear the statutes and decrees which I am teaching you to observe.
RESPONSORIAL PSALM

He who does justice will live in the presence of the Lord.

READING II

Be doers of the word and not hearers only.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia,

Alleluia, alleluia.

GOSPEL

You disregard God’s commandment but cling to human tradition.

HOMILY

CREED

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made.

For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, (bow) and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man. (rise)

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures.

He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

UNIVERSAL PRAYER

Response: Lord, hear our prayer.
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.

PREPARATION OF THE ALTAR

SANCTUS

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts, Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosannna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosannna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.

MYSTERIUM FIDEI

When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we proclaim your Death, O Lord, until you come again.

GREAT AMEN


AGNUS DEI

Cantor: All:

1. Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have
mercy on us.

2. Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, grant us peace.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called children of God.
Blessed are they who are persecuted for the sake of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

COMMUNION MOTET

Ave verum corpus

Mozart

FINAL BLESSING & DISMISSAL

HYMN

AURELIA

1. O Christ the great foundation On which your people stand
To preach your true salvation In every age and land:
Pour out your holy Spirit To make us strong and pure,
To keep the faith unbroken As long as worlds endure.
By grace we were invited, By grace we make you known.
And, all their ramparts breaking, With you the victory win.

2. Baptized in one confession, One church in all the earth,
We bear our Lord’s imposition, The sign of second birth;
One holy people gathered In love beyond our own,
By grace we were invited, By grace we make you known.

3. Where tyrants’ hold is tightened, Where strong devour the weak,
Where innocents are frightened The righteous fear to speak,
There let your church awakening Attack the pow’rs of sin
And, all their ramparts breaking, With you the victory win.
Join us for

The Cathedral of St. John the Baptist
Stewardship Appreciation Dinner

“I invite all of our registered members to come. I want to thank you for your generosity to the Cathedral Parish. Please come!”

Father Schreck

Sunday, September 30, 2018
in Lafayette Square 5:00PM – 8:00PM

BBQ pork, grilled chicken, cole slaw, bakes beans, drinks, dessert, and live entertainment.
Please RSVP the number attending from your family, along with your email address, by Friday, September 21, 2018 to 912-233-4709 or office@savannahcathedral.org.
It’s Labor Day weekend and a time traditionally associated with the beginning of a new school year. In that vein, let us pay attention to the lessons we are taught in today’s readings. Jesus tries to teach the Pharisees and the scribes the importance of what we have in our hearts. He calls them hypocrites for concentrating on unclean hands instead of unclean hearts. Let us take this lesson to heart!

Monday is Labor Day. We will only have a 10:00 AM Mass. The church will close following Mass for the rest of the day.

Mass Intentions for the week of September 2, 2018

SUNDAY
Pro Populo
Marguerite E. Koncul (Anni)
Michael Schulz
Joe Sullivan (MM)

MONDAY
Cynthia Gates
Vito Orlandi

TUESDAY
Intentions of Mary Moss
Intentions of Judith Orlandi

WEDNESDAY
Edward J. Whelan Jr. (MM)

THURSDAY
Intentions of Jonathan Orlandi

FRIDAY
Harvey Granger Jr.
Intentions of Rachel Sanchez

SATURDAY
Edith Fortier
John O’Neill (Anni)

Please Pray For: Ed Arbo, Juan Ayala, Randy Beackle, Doris Boring, Bill Boyle, Heidi Carroll, Michael Cavanagh, Joan Coules, Patrick Duffy, Eileen and Bill Dunlop, Mary Dunn, Erin Dunning, Kathy Dzuiban, Chris Fernandez, Catherine Joy Henning, Craig Heston, Andy Hodgson, Willie & Marguerite Horton, Matt Hunter, Charles James, Patricia Jarrell, David Kennedy, Fred Kohrt, Catherine Kostilnik, Denise LeMay, Virginia Logan, Rose Marcantonio, Lee Marmarus, Hugh Markowsky, Gayle McGhee, Marcia Morgan, Mary Moriarty, Brian Murphy, Cindy Doolan 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.
**Priests on Retreat**

This week, the Priests of the Diocese of Savannah will be on retreat in Florida. Since Monday is Labor Day, we will only have a 10:00 AM Mass, and then the Cathedral is closed for the remainder of the day. There will be only a Noon Mass Tuesday through Thursday, no 7:30 AM Mass. Normal schedule resumes Friday.

**Children’s Religious Education Registration is Next Weekend!**

Attention Parents! The school year is about to begin. Registration will take place after 5:30 PM Mass on Saturday, September 8th and 8:00, 10:00 and 11:30 AM Masses on Sunday, September 9th. Bring your child’s baptismal certificate if you are new to the Cathedral’s CRE program. Classes begin on Sunday, September 23rd at 8:45 AM in the parish center building. 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 Starts Soon!**

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: dessav@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.

**Be a Blessing and Be Blessed**

St. Joseph’s/Candler Hospital has two free clinics for the uninsured of low income. Good Samaritan is located at 4701 Augusta Rd., and St. Mary’s Health Center at 1302 Drayton St. Each clinic serves almost 2,000 patients. We are currently in need of “people of good heart” to assist with answering the phones and making appointments for patients. **If you have a few hours each week, enjoy meeting people and helping others; we sure could use YOUR HELP!** Would you be able to help out one morning or one afternoon a week? Hours at both places are Monday - Friday, 9:00 AM to Noon and Monday - Thursday 1:00 to 4:00 PM.

Good Samaritan also needs bilingual (English/Spanish) volunteers. For more information or to volunteer, please call Liza at Good Samaritan at 912-980-4541. For St. Mary’s, please call Kristine at 912-443-9409. Thank you for your help!

**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.” 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. The Chapel will be closed this week. Will open September 11th.**
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.

Memorial Mass for the Unborn

On September 8th at 9:00 AM there will be a Memorial Mass for the Unborn at St. Anne’s Mary Martha Chapel in Richmond Hill, with a procession to follow to the St. Anne’s Pro-Life Memorial Site, located on the corner of the grassy area between St. Anne’s Catholic Church and the Holy Family Hall. This year is the 6th annual National Day of Remembrance for Aborted Children, calling on pro-life Americans to honor the gravesites of our aborted brothers and sisters. While there are no graves at this site, we will utilize the Pro-Life Memorial at St. Anne’s to honor the unborn. For more information contact Jen Thornton at 912-508-3229.

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.

New Parishioner □
Change of Address □

Name ____________________________
Address __________________________
______________________________
Telephone Number ________________
Email Address ____________________