Cathedral of Saint John the Baptist

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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 Sundays 8:45 am to 9:50 am
R. C. I. A. Tuesdays 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 - Dr. Paul Thornock
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
SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

PRELUDE
Fantasia Crommatica
Sweelinck

INTROIT
Ecce Deus adiuvat me
Mode V

See, I have God for my help. The Lord sustains my soul. I will sacrifice to you with willing heart, and praise your name, O Lord, for it is good. Psalm 53

HYMN
LEONI

1. The God of A-bramah praise, Who reigns en-throned a-bove;
2. He by him-self has sworn: I on his oath de-pend;
3. The God who reigns on high The great arch-an-gels sing,

Ancient of ev-er-last-ing days, And God of love;
I shall, on eagle-wings up-borne, To heav’n as-cend;
And “Ho-ly, Ho-ly, Ho-ly” cry, “Al-might-y King!

To him up-lift your voice, At whose su-preme com-mand
I shall be-hold his face, I shall his power a-dore,
Who was, and is, the same, For all e-ter-ni-ty,

From earth we rise, and seek the joys At his right hand.
And sing the won-ders of his grace For ev-er more.
Im-mor-tal Fa-ther, great I AM, All glo-ry be.”

PENITENTIAL ACT
Mass of Wisdom
Janco

Deacon, then all:


Ky-ri-e, e-le-i-son.
GLORIA

Mass of Wisdom

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will. We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory,

Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father.

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.

READING I

Lord, do not go on past your servant.

Genesis 18:1–10a

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 15
Proulx

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

READING II

The mystery hidden from ages has now been manifested to his holy ones.

Colossians 1:24–28
GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia,

Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia.

GOSPEL

Martha welcomed him. Mary has chosen the better part.

Luke 10:38–42

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; he 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

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.
PREPARATION OF THE ALTAR

Magnificat in G

Stanford

My soul doth magnify the Lord: and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Saviour.
For he hath regarded the lowliness of his handmaiden. For behold, from henceforth:
all generations shall call me blessed. For he that is mighty hath magnified me: and holy is his Name.
And his mercy is on them that fear him: throughout all generations. He hath showed strength with his arm:
he hath scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts.
He hath put down the mighty from their seat: and hath exalted the humble and meek.
He hath filled the hungry with good things: and the rich he hath sent empty away.
He remembering his mercy hath holpen his servant Israel:
as he promised to our forefathers, Abraham and his seed, for ever.

SANCTUS

Mass of Wisdom

Janco

Ho - ly, Ho - ly, 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 high - est.
Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

MYSTERIUM FIDEI

Janco

When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we pro -
claim your Death, O Lord, un - til you come a - gain.

GREAT AMEN

Janco

AGNUS DEI  Cantor: Lamb of God,  Janco

1.  you take a-way the sins of the world, have mer-cy on us.

2.  you take a-way the sins of the world, grant us peace.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON  Optimam partem  Mode VIII

Mary has chosen for herself the best portion,
which shall never be taken away from her.  Luke 10

COMMUNION MOTET  Stanford

O for a Closer Walk with God
O for a closer walk with God, a calm and heavenly frame;
A light to shine upon the road that leads me to the Lamb!

SECOND COLLECTION

Africa faces the economic and social hurdles of enormous debt, epidemic, severe poverty, and political unrest.
In spite of these challenges, the Church in Africa has almost tripled in size in the past 30 years.
However, it is difficult for the church to sustain its growth and maintain essential pastoral outreach.
The Fund provides grants to finance pastoral projects including outreach programs,
schools, evangelization, and education of clergy and lay ministers.

HYMN  SLANE

1.  Be Thou my Vis-ion, O Lord of my heart;

2.  Be thou my Wis-dom, and Thou my true Word;

Naught be all else to me, save that Thou art.
I ev-er with Thee and Thou with me, Lord;

Thou my best Thought, by day or by night,
Thou my great Fath-er, and I Thy true son,

Wak-ing or sleep-ing, Thy pres-ence, my light.
Thou in me dwell-ing, and I with Thee one.

POSTLUDE  Vierne

Carillon de Westminster

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Rector’s Corner

FY 2012 GREAT NEWS!!!

It is always thrilling to be able to say that we have paid our bills, met our obligations, and that “We Are out of Debt!” In 1999-2000 the Cathedral of St. John the Baptist underwent a major renovation. Monsignor O’Neill skillfully shepherded and managed that project, which cost in excess of $12,000,000. With Bishop Boland’s leadership, the whole Diocese contributed for that work and we will always be grateful for the sacrifices that people all over South Georgia made. The Cathedral Parish contributed generously for that project, and bore the final $1,200,000 of indebtedness. When I became Rector of the Cathedral in 2013, all but $400,000 of that debt had been paid.

In 2012-2013 it was determined that more work needed to be done to stabilize the steeples of the Cathedral. The cost to do that was approximately $1,750,000. We were able to borrow that money from South State Bank, and from the Diocese of Savannah, and both have been very helpful to us. Thanks to your most generous giving to both the regular Sunday collection and to the Cathedral Heritage Foundation, I am so happy to say that we are about to pay the final $310,000 of our debt! With a combination of strong offertory contributions and increasing donations to the Cathedral Heritage Foundation, and increasing donations from visitors to the Cathedral, we have been able to retire our debts.

I want to take note of just a few numbers. In FY 2012-2013 our Parish Offertory was $847,047.77. In the FY just completed, our parish offertory was $1,232,630.06. In FY 2012 the value of the Cathedral Heritage Endowment Fund was $1,358,952 and the distribution made to the Cathedral was $99,449. In FY 2019 the value of the Endowment fund had grown to $3,409,161 and the distribution made to the Cathedral will be $202,928. In FY 2012, the Tourist Box was $87,753.50. The number of tourists and visitors to the Cathedral has increased dramatically, and this year the amount of money donated by our visitors has exceeded $300,000.

With all of that, your generous giving to the Sunday Offertory, your support of the Cathedral Heritage Endowment Fund, and our Visitors to whom we are most grateful, we have been able to pay off our indebtedness to the Bank and to the Diocese. And we have been able to do this without a major capital campaign!

I will have more information for you in the next few weeks, regarding our future projects at the Cathedral, and our request for your continued strong giving in support of this beautiful Cathedral Church. I am most grateful to you, and so happy to be your Pastor!

Rev. J. Gerard Schreck
Rector
Today we are afforded the opportunity to sit back like Mary did and listen to the Lord speak. We hear the Lord speak to Abraham, assuring him that his wife, Sarah, will finally bear a son. We hear the Lord speak to Martha and Mary, assuring them of the importance of listening and learning. We hear the Lord speak, as we do each Sunday, in the breaking of the bread. Let us listen and hear what the Lord says to us.

Mass Intentions for the week of July 21, 2019

**SUNDAY**
- Pro Populo
- Maria Conceicao Melo
- John F. O’Neill
- Poor Souls in Purgatory

**MONDAY**
- Marabo Dos Santos & Ivette De Oliveira Lindo
- Jose De Fritas Lindo & Jefferson Davis Linhares Lindo

**TUESDAY**
- Brittany Reardon
- Elsa Oliveira

**WEDNESDAY**
- Lorraine Bel (Anni)
- Hamilton Jose Bastes Lindo

**THURSDAY**
- Intentions of Bill & Janet Boyle
- Gertrude Freire

**FRIDAY**
- Adriano Lindo
- Joao Bandeira De Melo Jr.

**SATURDAY**
- Frances Ray Connerat (Anni)
- Christopher “Joe” Koncul

Please Pray For:

Flowers on the Blessed Mother Altar are in Memory of Brittany Reardon
Rachel’s Vineyard Post Abortion Healing Retreat: Sept. 6-8, 2019

There is a special ministry for any woman, man, family member, or friend, who is struggling with the emotional, spiritual and psychological pain after an abortion. A Rachel’s Vineyard Weekend Retreat offers an opportunity to find healing, hope and forgiveness. Come experience the mercy and compassion of God through this healing weekend. For additional information contact Stephanie May at 912-306-0406, or stephmav@bellsouth.net, or visit the website at www.rachelsvineyard.org. All calls and inquiries are strictly confidential. Come and be restored.

Natural Family Planning

Join us at St. James Catholic Church Gymnasium on Wednesday, July 24th from 6:30 - 8:00 PM for an evening of discussion on the Church’s teaching on marriage, contraception, and natural family planning. Information about a variety of fertility awareness based methods will be available. Instructions and clergy will be available for question afterwards. Childcare will be provided. Please include number of children on RSVP. RSVP by July 22 at 912-355-1523 or parish-life@stjamessav.com.

Virtus Training

The new academic year will be starting soon, and all volunteers must meet Safe Environment Compliance before they can volunteer in our parishes and schools. Virtus training is required for Safe Environment Compliance for any adult who will come into contact with youth as part of their ministry. A training session will be offered just minutes away at Blessed Sacrament Church on July 31 at 10:00 AM. To register, go to www.diosav.org, and find the training listed under Events. Registration is mandatory.

St. Vincent's Academy Study Skills Course

Last Call for St. Vincent's Academy's Middle School/9th-10th Grade Study Skills Course! Join us for the week of Monday July 29 - Wednesday July 31 from 1:00 TO 4:00 PM at SVA with School Guidance Counselor, Jody Riddle. Due to demand, SVA is holding a class in late summer to prepare students for the new year. Seeing the need for a class for middle school students and rising 9th - 10th grade students in learning how to learn and study, a short course has been prepared to focus on the skills needed. The skills that should be learned with this course should help the students in middle school/ high school and thereafter, not only with their education, but otherwise as well. If you believe that your child would benefit from such a course, please contact Jody Riddle at jody.riddle@svaga.net or jodyriddle@gmail.com or call 912-226-1744 or 912-484-8012.

Calling All Teachers

The Children's Religious Education program is looking for teachers who are willing to share their skills to teach our parish children. If you are a retired or current teacher and would consider leading a Sunday School class please call Janee Przybyl at 912-335-1852. She will answer your questions and put you on the path to have a life long impact on the faith formation of our Cathedral children. Our school year starts in September. Hope to hear from you soon.

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We’re listening for a few good voices.

The Cathedral Choir rehearses Wednesday evenings from 6:00 p.m. to 8:15 p.m. September through May and sings for the 10:00 a.m. mass and diocesan events. Auditions for the 2019/20 season are underway.

Please contact Dr. Paul Thornock to schedule an audition.

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CATHEDRAL PARISH OFFERTORY
Offertory July 14, 2019: $18,657.41
Offertory July 15, 2018: $37,450.75

VISITOR’S DEPOSITORY BOX
Week Prior to July 14, 2019: $7,598.50
Week Prior to July 15, 2018: $4,469.00

2019 BISHOP’S ANNUAL APPEAL
Parish Target: $120,100.00
Amount Collected: $125,136.53

You can still donate to this worthy cause.
Envelopes are on tables at the back of the church. Thank you for your generosity.

NEW PARISHIONERS & ADDRESS CHANGES
Anyone wishing to become a parishioner of the Cathedral of St. John the Baptist can 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 can also let us know if your address has changed. To register online go to www.savannahcathedral.org.

(Circle One) New Parishioner / Change of Address

Name ________________________________
Address ________________________________
Telephone Number ___________________