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
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Maintenance - Mr. Jimmy Joseph Sheehan III
Housekeeper/Food Services - Ms. Alma Young
Docents - Mrs. Peggy Baker
Mrs. Gloria Keane

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SOLEMNITY OF THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

PRELUDE

How Brightly Beams the Morning Star

Buxtehude

INTROIT

Behold, the Lord, the Mighty One, has come;
and kingship is in his grasp, and power and dominion.

Ecce advenit

Mode II

HYMN

1. The first Now-ell, the an-gel did say, Was to
cer-tain poor shep-herds in fields as they lay; In fields where
wise men came from coun-try far; To seek for a

2. They look-ed up and saw a star Shin-ing
in the east, be-yond them far, And to the
they lay keep-ing their sheep On a cold win-ter’s night that

3. And by the light of that same star Three
wise men came from coun-try far; To seek for a
king was their in-tent, And to fol-low the star where-

was so deep.
day and night.
ev-er it went. Now-ell, Now-ell, Now-ell, Now-
ell. Born is the King of Is-ra-el.
PENITENTIAL ACT


GLORIA

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

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

The glory of the Lord shines upon you.

Isaiah 60:1–6

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Lord, every nation on earth will adore you.

Proulx
READING II

Now it has been revealed that the Gentiles are coheirs of the promise.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Hurd

GOSPEL

Matthew 2:1-12

We saw his star at its rising and have come to do him homage.

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

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

Howells

Here is the little door, lift up the latch, oh lift! We need not wander more but enter with our gift;
Our gift of finest gold, Gold that was never bought nor sold;
Myrrh to be strewn about his bed; Incense in clouds about his head;
All for the Child who stirs not in his sleep. But holy slumber holds with ass and sheep.
Frances Chesterton

SANCTUS

New Plainsong Mass

Hurd

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of hosts,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

MYSTERIUM FIDEI

Hurd

We proclaim your death, O Lord, and profess your Resurrection until you come again.

GREAT AMEN

Hurd

Amen, Amen, Amen.

AGNUS DEI

Hurd

1., 2. Have mercy on us. 3. Grant us peace.
COMMUNION ANTIPHON

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

COMMUNION MOTET

The wise men came from the East to adore the Lord in Bethlehem.
Opening their treasures, they offered him three precious gifts:
gold for the great King, frankincense for the true God,
and myrrh for his burial, alleluia.

FINAL BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

HYMN

1. As with gladness men of old
Did the guiding star behold;
As with joy they hailed its light,
Lead ing on ward, beaming bright;
Lord, may we ever more your splendor see.

2. Christ Redeemer, with us stay,
Help us live your holy way;
And when earthly things are past,
Bring our ransomed souls at last
Where no clouds your glory hide.

3. In the heav’nly city bright
None shall need creature
Ho ly way;
A ted light;
You, its sun which goes not down;
May we sing Alleluias to our King.

POSTLUDE

In thee is Gladness, BWV 615

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Rector’s Corner

EPIPHANY

On this solemnity of the Epiphany the Church proclaims that Jesus, born of Mary, is the Messiah promised to Israel, and even more, the Savior and King of all the nations. In this day and time when religious faith is pushed to the margins, considered an anachronism, it is all the more urgent that the Church proclaim to the whole world that Jesus Christ is the way, the truth and the life, the answer to the hunger and longing of every nation.

This Solemnity, and the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord which we celebrate on next Sunday, brings to a close our Christmas Season. During these days we have celebrated beautifully the mystery of the Incarnation. I want to thank everyone who played a part in our beautiful Liturgies. Our Choir played and sang magnificently! Our Christmas Crèche, designed and displayed by Mr. Orlando Cuadra, with the help of many volunteers, was particularly moving. The flowers and decorations inside and outside the Church were outstanding.

On Monday, January 6th, we will begin to do some much needed repairs in the choir loft area, under the Rose Window, and for the Pipe Organ itself. For the coming week, the Cathedral will be closed to touring. We will have our Daily Masses at 7:30 and 12 Noon, but otherwise the Cathedral will not be open. We will be erecting scaffolding and it will be quite noisy in the Church and not entirely safe for visitors. The Cathedral will reopen, if all goes well, on the 13th of January.

On behalf of Bishop Hartmayer, Bishop Emeritus Boland, the Priests, Deacon, and staff of the Cathedral, I wish you a very happy and blessed New Year.

Rev. J. Gerard Schreck
Rector
Word traveled quickly. What had originally been known only to Mary, then to Joseph, and soon shared with intimate friends like Mary’s cousin Elizabeth, was revealed to the shepherds on the night of Jesus’ birth, and now to foreigners - the magi from the east. Jesus, the Messiah, the Son of God, the Savior, has been born. Let us rejoice, for his saving presence has been made manifest to all.

Coffee and Donuts This Weekend
Please join us for coffee and donuts next Sunday, January 5th, after the 8:00 and 10:00 AM Masses. All are welcome!!

Bishop Barron’s Study Program of the Mass Begins Monday
Walk through the Liturgy with Bishop Barron and you’ll be transformed through insights on this most privileged and intimate encounter with our Lord Jesus Christ.
See how the Mass brings us out of the fallen world and into the heavenly realm, how it resonates with a call from God and a response from his people, the Church, and, most importantly, how we are intimately joined with the Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity of Jesus through the Holy Eucharist.
Date, Time and Location: Begins January 6th, 2020. Classes are in the Parish Hall Library on Monday Nights 6:00 to 8:00 PM. The dates of classes are: January 6th, 13th, 20th, 27th, February 3rd, 10th and 17th.
Cost/Registration: The program and workbook required are free for all participants once you register for the Cathedral’s Engage program. To register for the Engage Program, which will give you access to all of Word on Fire’s digital programming including the Mass, TEXT the words ENGAGEME to 84576 or register online at https://cathedralsavannah.flocknote.com.
Email threenovacks@gmail.com if you have any questions.

Lector’s Needed
If you have wanted to become part of the Cathedral community but weren’t sure where to start, try the Lector Ministry. We need lectors - individuals willing to stand up in front of the group at Mass and read the Scripture reading for the day. We will train you and conduct an orientation on current Cathedral procedures. Contact Roger Haneline at 912-712-3718 or email rogerdhaneline@comcast.net for more information.

Gold & Silver Wedding Anniversary Mass - Register by Monday!
The Most Reverend Gregory Hartmayer, OFM Conv., Bishop of Savannah invites all couples celebrating their Silver or Gold (25th or 50th) Wedding Anniversaries in 2020 to join him in celebrating the Gold & Silver Wedding Jubilee Anniversary Mass in your honor at the Cathedral of Saint John the Baptist in Savannah, Georgia on Sunday, February 23, 2020 at 11:30 AM. Those wishing to attend should register online at www.diosav.org/gold-and-silver by January 6, 2020 in order to receive a formal invitation with the detailed information. Questions? Contact the Diocesan Office of Marriage, Family and Respect Life, 912-201-4068.

New 2020 Cathedral Ornament Now Available for Sale
The New 2020 Cathedral Ornament, featuring the Ascension Window, is now available to purchase for $20. The years 2019, 2018, 2017, 2013, 2012 and 2008 have sold out, but will be ordered in the new year. Purchase at the back of the church or online at www.savannahcathedral.org.
Friends of Cathedral Music Present

CHANTICLEER

IN Concert  Sunday, January 19, 2020  5:00 p.m.

Skip the lines, skip the crowds, and skip the hustle and bustle this Christmas season by giving your family and friends the gift of CHANTICLEER in concert at the Cathedral of Saint John the Baptist.

Called "the world's reigning male chorus" by the New Yorker, Chanticleer's blend of twelve male voices and their original interpretations of vocal literature is not to be missed.

All ticket purchasers will receive a 20% discount on music purchased from Chanticleer's website.

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https://chanticleer-in-savannah.eventbrite.com
All tickets subject to availability
**Filipino-American Sto. Nino Mass**

Please join us for our Sto. Nino Celebration Mass and “Fiesta” on January 11, 2020 at 6:00 PM. Emeritus Bishop Boland will celebrate the mass at St. Michael Church, Tybee Island. Fiesta will be at American Legion Hall in Tybee (directions provided after mass). Contact Eleja Balinao at 912-660-0585 or Floy Paler at 509-961-2624 for more information.

**Pastoral Counseling**

St. Pat Brown is available Monday, Wednesday, and Friday at the Cathedral office. Call 912-658-3619 for an appointment.