Cathedral Basilica 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
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.

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

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FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

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PRELUDE
Fugue in F, BWV 540
Bach

INTROIT
The merciful love of the Lord fills the earth;
by the word of the Lord the heavens were made, alleluia, alleluia. Psalm 32
Misericordia Domini
Mode IV

HYMN
OLD HUNDREDTH

1. All peo - ple that on earth do dwell,
2. Know that the Lord is God in - deed;
3. O en - ter then his gates with praise;

Sing to the Lord with cheer - ful voice;
Without our aid he did us make;
Approach with joy his courts un - to;

Him serve with mirth, his praise forth tell,
We are his folk, he does us feed,
Praise, laud, and bless his Name al - ways,

Come we be - fore him, and re - joice.
And for his sheep he does us take.
For it is seem - ly so to do.

GREETING
PENITENTIAL ACT
I confess to almighty God and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have greatly sinned, in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done and in what I have failed to do, through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault;

Then they continue: therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin, all the Angels and Saints, and you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord our God.

KYRIE

Missa Orbis factor

Vatican Mass XI

GLORIA

A New Mass for Congregations

Andrews

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.

COLLECT (OPENING PRAYER)
READING I

Then Peter stood up with the Eleven, raised his voice, and proclaimed: “Let the whole house of Israel know for certain that God has made both Lord and Christ, this Jesus whom you crucified.”

Now when they heard this, they were cut to the heart, and they asked Peter and the other apostles, “What are we to do, my brothers?” Peter said to them, “Repent and be baptized, every one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins; and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. For the promise is made to you and to your children and to all those far off, whomever the Lord our God will call.” He testified with many other arguments, and was exhorting them, “Save yourselves from this corrupt generation.” Those who accepted his message were baptized, and about three thousand persons were added that day.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 23

Marier

The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.
Fresh and green are the pastures where he gives me repose.
Near restfull water he leads me, to revive my drooping spirit.
He guides me along the right path; he is true to his name.
If I should walk in the valley of darkness, no evil would I fear.

You are there with your crook and your staff; with these you give me comfort.
You have prepared a banquet for me in the sight of my foes.
My head you have anointed with oil; my cup is overflowing.
Surely goodness and kindness shall follow me all the days of my life.
In the Lord’s own house shall I dwell for ever and ever.

READING II

Beloved: If you are patient when you suffer for doing what is good, this is a grace before God. For to this you have been called, because Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example that you should follow in his footsteps. He committed no sin, and no deceit was found in his mouth.

When he was insulted, he returned no insult; when he suffered, he did not threaten; instead, he handed himself over to the one who judges justly. He himself bore our sins in his body upon the cross, so that, free from sin, we might live for righteousness. By his wounds you have been healed. For you had gone astray like sheep, but you have now returned to the shepherd and guardian of your souls.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Murray, OSB

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.
GOSPEL

Jesus said: “Amen, amen, I say to you, whoever does not enter a sheepfold through the gate but climbs over elsewhere is a thief and a robber. But whoever enters through the gate is the shepherd of the sheep. The gatekeeper opens it for him, and the sheep hear his voice, as the shepherd calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. When he has driven out all his own, he walks ahead of them, and the sheep follow him, because they recognize his voice. But they will not follow a stranger; they will run away from him, because they do not recognize the voice of strangers.”

Although Jesus used this figure of speech, the Pharisees did not realize what he was trying to tell them.

So Jesus said again, “Amen, amen, I say to you, I am the gate for the sheep. All who came before me are thieves and robbers, but the sheep did not listen to them. I am the gate. Whoever enters through me will be saved, and will come in and go out and find pasture. A thief comes only to steal and slaughter and destroy; I came so that they might have life and have it more abundantly.”

HOMILY

Very Rev. J. Gerard Schreck
Rector of the Cathedral Basilica

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

Your offering to the Cathedral of St. John the Baptist contributes to the preservation of this holy and historic place. Additionally, your contributions support the Cathedral’s programs in Christian education, outreach, worship, and music. Thank you for your generosity.

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OFFERTORY MOTET

Loving Shepherd of thy Sheep

Loving Shepherd of thy sheep,
Keep thy lamb, in safety keep.
Nothing can thy power withstand.
None can pluck me from thy hand.
I would bless thee every day,
Gladly all thy will obey.
Like thy blessed ones above,
Happy in thy perfect love.
Loving Shepherd, ever near.
Teach thy lamb thy voice to hear;
Suffer not my steps to stray,
From the straight and narrow way.
Where thou leadest I would go,
Walking in thy steps below,
Till before my Father’s throne.
I shall know as I am known.

SANCTUS

Mass for the City

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

Amen, amen, amen.

AGNUS DEI

Missa Orbis factor

Vatican Mass XI

1. 2. Have mercy on us. 3. Grant us peace.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

I am the good shepherd, alleluia.
I know my sheep and mine know me, alleluia. John 10

COMMUNION MOTET

Ave Maria

Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee;
blessed art thou among women,
and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus.
Holy Mary, Mother of God,
pray for us sinners,
now and at the hour of our death. Amen.

FINAL BLESSING AND DISMISSAL
HYMN

1. The King of love my shepherd is,
2. Where streams of living water flow

Whose goodness fails me never,
My ransomed soul he’s leading,

I nothing lack if I am his,
And where the verdant pastures grow

And he is mine for ever,
With food celestial feeding.

POSTLUDE

Wer ner den lieben Gott lässt walten, BWV 647

Bach

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Rector’s Corner

GREGORY J. HARTMAYER, OFM conv
THE FOURTEENTH BISHOP OF SAVANNAH

On Sunday, April 26, 2020, Bishop Hartmayer celebrated Mass for the last time in the Cathedral as the Bishop of Savannah. Today, April 30th, he will be leaving Savannah to become the Archbishop of Atlanta on May 6th. It is sad that because of this coronavirus we are not able to have a proper celebration and “thank you” for the Bishop. The time has gone by so quickly. It seems like just yesterday that we heard the news that Bishop Boland’s successor would be a Franciscan Priest, Gregory Hartmayer, who had been a Pastor in Atlanta for 16 years. On October 18, 2011 he was ordained a Bishop in the Cathedral of St. John the Baptist. During his eight and one-half years as Bishop, many significant accomplishments have occurred. The diocese has seen an unprecedented boom in construction, and increases in services and technology provided by our departments. But most of all, we Priests and Deacons, Religious and Laity, have come to know a very kind, patient, talented and caring Shepherd. We will miss him, and we know that he will be just that kind of Archbishop for Atlanta.

About three or four years ago, Bishop Hartmayer mentioned to me that the other Bishops of the Province were teasing him that his Episcopal Coat of Arms was not to be seen on the cathedra (Bishop’s Chair) in the Cathedral. I contacted a local artist and parishioner, Carl Fougerousse, and asked what he might do to remedy that. Carl painted the Bishop’s Coat of Arms on a piece of wood that fit perfectly in the arch at the top of the cathedra. The Bishop loved it. Now that the See of Savannah is vacant, I thought that it would be a good idea that the Cathedral Parish give that to Bishop Hartmayer as a farewell gift and a reminder of his years here as our Bishop. I called Carl and he took it down from the cathedra and framed it beautifully. The Bishop will take it with him to Atlanta, where he will have a new Coat of Arms as the Archbishop. We thank Bishop Hartmayer for being our Bishop and we offer him our prayers and best wishes as he moves north, to Atlanta.
Picture a lush meadow with a large flock of sheep enjoying the fresh air and sunshine. This first Sunday in May, situated right in the middle of spring, may lend itself to such daydreams. But this is no daydream, for we indeed are part of a flock with a devoted shepherd, one who calls us each by name and invites us to have life and have it more abundantly. Let us join together today in joy and gratitude.

Flowers on the Blessed Mother Altar are in Memory of Brittany Anne Reardon

Mass Intentions for the week of May 3, 2020

SUNDAY
Pro Populo
Michael Paolucci (Anni)
Mary Tuoi Tran (Anni)

MONDAY
John Thang Dang
Walfrido Medina

TUESDAY
Anna Chuc Nguyen
Brittany Anne Reardon (Anni)

WEDNESDAY
Anna Chuc Nguyen

THURSDAY
Grace Mosely

FRIDAY
Anna Chuc Nguyen
Jack Stacy (MM)

SATURDAY

St. Vincent’s Academy
High School Mathematics Teacher Opening

Must have a minimum, Bachelor’s Degree in Mathematics. Teaching experience is REQUIRED but student teaching is acceptable from an accredited University. Excellent Communication skills both verbally and written. Willing to do whatever it takes to ensure student success, and be flexible.

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