Cathedral Basilica of Saint John the Baptist

222 East Harris Street, Savannah, Georgia 31401 - Located at Abercorn and East Harris Streets
Most Reverend J. Kevin Boland — Bishop Emeritus

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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

Parish Staff

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CATHEDRAL BASILICA OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

PRELUDE

Méditation

Dupont

INTROIT

Vocem iucunditatis

Mode III

Proclaim a joyful sound and let it be heard; proclaim to the ends of the earth:
The Lord has freed his people, alleluia, alleluia. Isaiah 48

HYMN

To the former days belong, All around the clouds are breaking,
Child of God, lift up your head! Patriarchs from distant a-ges, Saints shall stand before the throne!

1. Sing with all the saints in glory, Sing the resurrection song! Death and sorrow, earth's dark story,
2. O what glory, far exceeding All that eye has yet perceived! Holiest hearts for ages pleading,
3. Life eternal! Heaven rejoices: Jesus lives who once was dead; Shout with joy, O deathless voices!
4. Life eternal! O what wonders Crowd on faith; what joy unknown, When, amidst earth's closing thunders,

HYMN TO JOY

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GREETING

PENITENTIAL ACT  Missa Orbis factor  Vatican Mass XI

1., 3. Lord have mercy. 2. Christ have mercy.

GLORIA

A New Mass for Congregations  Andrews

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.

COLLECT (OPENING PRAYER)
READING I

Philip went down to the city of Samaria and proclaimed the Christ to them. With one accord, the crowds paid attention to what was said by Philip when they heard it and saw the signs he was doing. For unclean spirits, crying out in a loud voice, came out of many possessed people, and many paralyzed or crippled people were cured. There was great joy in that city.

Now when the apostles in Jerusalem heard that Samaria had accepted the word of God, they sent them Peter and John, who went down and prayed for them, that they might receive the Holy Spirit, for it had not yet fallen upon any of them; they had only been baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus. Then they laid hands on them and they received the Holy Spirit.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 66
Hutmacher

Let all the earth cry out, cry out to God with joy.

Shout joyfully to God, all the earth, sing praise to the glory of his name; proclaim his glorious praise. Say to God, “How tremendous are your deeds!” “Let all on earth worship and sing praise to you, sing praise to your name!” Come and see the works of God, his tremendous deeds among the children of Adam.

He has changed the sea into dry land; through the river they passed on foot; therefore let us rejoice in him. He rules by his might forever. Hear now, all you who fear God, while I declare what he has done for me. Blessed be God who refused me not my prayer or his kindness!

READING II

1 Peter 3:15–18

Beloved: Sanctify Christ as Lord in your hearts. Always be ready to give an explanation to anyone who asks you for a reason for your hope, but do it with gentleness and reverence, keeping your conscience clear, so that, when you are maligned, those who defame your good conduct in Christ may themselves be put to shame. For it is better to suffer for doing good, if that be the will of God, than for doing evil.

For Christ also suffered for sins once, the righteous for the sake of the unrighteous, that he might lead you to God. Put to death in the flesh, he was brought to life in the Spirit.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Murray, OSB

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

Jesus said to his disciples: “If you love me, you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate to be with you always, the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot accept, because it neither sees nor knows him. But you know him, because he remains with you, and will be in you. I will not leave you orphans; I will come to you. In a little while the world will no longer see me, but you will see me, because I live and you will live. On that day you will realize that I am in my Father and you are in me and I in you. Whoever has my commandments and observes them is the one who loves me. And whoever loves me will be loved by my Father, and I will love him and reveal myself to him.”

HOMILY

Rev. Drew Larkin  
Parochial Vicar

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

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OFFERTORY

Ye Choirs of New Jerusalem

Ye choirs of new Jerusalem, your sweetest notes employ,
The Paschal victory to hymn in strains of holy joy.
For Judah’s Lion bursts His chains, crushing the serpent’s head;
And cries aloud through death’s domains to wake the imprisoned dead.
Devouring depths of hell their prey at His command restore;
His ransomed hosts pursue their way where Jesus goes before.
Triumphant in His glory now to Him all power is given;
To Him in one communion bow all saints in earth and heaven.
While we, His soldiers, praise our King, His mercy we implore,
Within His palace bright to bring and keep us evermore.
All glory to the Father be, all glory to the Son,
All glory, Holy Ghost, to Thee, while endless ages run.
Alleluia! Amen. St. Fulbert of Chartres

SANCTUS

Mass for the City

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

MYSTERIUM FIDEI

Proulx

Proulx
GREAT AMEN

Amen, amen, amen.

AGNUS DEI

Missa Orbis factor

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

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

I will not leave you orphans,
I will come to you again, allelulia;
and your heart will rejoice, alleluia, alleluia. John 14

COMMUNION MOTET

Magnificat Collegium Regale

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 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.
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

FINAL BLESSING AND DISMISSAL
1. For the beauty of the earth, For the glory of the skies, For the love which from our birth hands above, Of offering up on every shore

O'er and around us lies: Lord of all, to its pure sacrifice of love: you we raise This our hymn of grateful praise.

POSTLUDE Allegro (III) from Concerto in A minor, BWV 593

Bach/Vivaldi

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O Mary, you shine continuously on our journey as a sign of salvation and hope. We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick.

At the foot of the Cross you participated in Jesus’ pain, with steadfast faith.

You, Salvation of the Roman People, know what we need.

We are certain that you will provide, so that, as you did at Cana of Galilee, joy and feasting might return after this moment of trial.

Help us, Mother of Divine Love, to conform ourselves to the Father’s will and to do what Jesus tells us: He who took our sufferings upon Himself, and bore our sorrows to bring us, through the Cross, to the joy of the Resurrection. Amen.

We seek refuge under your protection, O Holy Mother of God. Do not despise our pleas — we who are put to the test — and deliver us from every danger, O glorious and blessed Virgin.
At this time of year, when flowers are blooming and daylight is lengthening and nature is full of life, it feels as though God’s creation has been reborn. During the Easter season we recall that we ourselves have been reborn in baptism. Today’s Gospel reminds us that Jesus dwells within us. Not only that, the Holy Spirit is with us, too. Therefore, when we look around, we can see the full flowering of the divine in ourselves, in each other, and in the whole world. Truly, let all the earth cry out to God with joy.

Cathedral Potpourri, Sachets and Ornaments
The Cathedral is selling sachets and potpourri, hand-crafted from dried flowers of the Cathedral. Fragrance blends of Celtic Forest - a wee bit of the Emerald Isle; and Lavender Mist - a soothing fragrance of a country garden, are available. Sachets are $10 and Potpourri are $15. All proceeds benefit restoration projects at the Cathedral of St. John the Baptist. Cathedral Ornaments are also available, including the new 2020. You can purchase all items online at www.savannahcathedral.org. You may also call the Rectory office at 912-233-2709 and leave a message. We will take return you call and take care of it over the phone.

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