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

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: Temporarily Closed

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
Rector - Very Rev. J. Gerard Schreck, JCD
Parochial Vicar - Fr. Andrew Larkin
In Residence - Msgr. William O’Neill, Rector Emeritus
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
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FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

PRELUDE

Brother James's Air

Darke

INTROIT

Dum clamarem ad Dominum

Mode III

When I cried to the Lord, he heeded my call against my assailants; he who is before the beginning of the world and who endures for ever has humbled them.

Cast your cares upon the Lord, and he will sustain you. Psalm 54

HYMN

FOREST GREEN

1. I sing the might-y pow’r of God That made the moun-tains rise,
2. I sing the good-ness of the Lord That filled the earth with food;
3. There’s not a plant or flower be-low But makes your glo ries known;

And clouds a-rise, and tem-pests blow, By or-der from your skies. I sing the wis-dom that or-dained The sun to rule the good.

Lord, how your won-ders are dis-played Wher-e’er I turn my throne; While all that bor-rowes life from you Is ev-er in your day; The moon shines full at God’s com-mand And all the stars o bey.

ey; If I sur-vey the ground I tread, Or gaze up on the sky! care, And ev-’ry-where that I may be, O God, be pres-ent there.
PENITENTIAL ACT

Deacon, then all:


GLORIA

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

Thus says the LORD: Just as from the heavens the rain and snow come down and do not return there till they have watered the earth, making it fertile and fruitful, giving seed to the one who sows and bread to the one who eats, so shall my word be that goes forth from my mouth; my word shall not return to me void, but shall do my will, achieving the end for which I sent it.
RESPONSORIAL PSALM

You care for the earth, give it water; you fill it with riches. Your river in heaven brims over to provide its grain. And thus you provide for the earth; you drench its furrows; you level it, soften it with showers; you bless its growth.

You crown the year with your goodness. Abundance flows from your steps; in the pastures of the wilderness it flows. The hills are girded with joy, the meadows covered with flocks, the valleys are decked with wheat. They shout for joy, yes, they sing.

READING II

Brothers and sisters: I consider that the sufferings of this present time are as nothing compared with the glory to be revealed for us. For creation awaits with eager expectation the revelation of the children of God; for creation was made subject to futility, not of its own accord but because of the one who subjected it, in hope that creation itself would be set free from slavery to corruption and share in the glorious freedom of the children of God. We know that all creation is groaning in labor pains even until now; and not only that, but we ourselves, who have the firstfruits of the Spirit, we also groan within ourselves as we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia,

Alleluia, alleluia,

Alleluia, alleluia,

Alleluia, alleluia.

GOSPEL

On that day, Jesus went out of the house and sat down by the sea. Such large crowds gathered around him that he got into a boat and sat down, and the whole crowd stood along the shore. And he spoke to them at length in parables, saying: “A sower went out to sow. And as he sowed, some seed fell on the path, and birds came and ate it up. Some fell on rocky ground, where it had little soil. It sprang up at once because the soil was not deep, and when the sun rose it was scorched, and it withered for lack of roots. Some seed fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked it. But some seed fell on rich soil and produced fruit, a hundred or sixty or thirtyfold. Whoever has ears ought to hear.”

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

\[ \text{Lord, hear our prayer.} \]

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

Sicut cervus

Like as the deer desires the water-brooks: so longs my soul after you, O God. Psalm 42

Palestrina
SANCTUS

Mass of Wisdom

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.

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: Lamb of God,

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

3. you take away the sins of the world, grant us peace.
COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Passer invenit
Mode I

The sparrow finds a home, and the swallow a nest for her young; by your altars, O Lord of hosts, my King and my God.
Blessed are they that dwell in your house, for ever singing your praise. Psalm 83

COMMUNION MOTET

Sitivit anima mea
Palestrina

My soul is athirst for God, yes, even for the living God:
when shall I come to appear before the presence of God? Psalm 42

FINAL BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

HYMN

1. Now thank we all our God
Who wondrous things has done,
Who, from our mother’s arms,
With count-less gifts of love,
And free us from all sin,
And still is ours to-day.

2. O may this gra-cious God
With ev-er joy-ful hearts
Preserve us in his grace,
And guide us in distress,
And blessed us on our way,
Till heaVen we pos-sess.

NUN Danket

POSTLUDE

Fugue in A minor, BWV 543
Bach

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Catholic Diocese of Savannah
Commitment to a Safe Environment

The Diocese of Savannah is committed to providing safe environments and fostering continuous improvement in every organization that sponsors activities and/or provides services to children and youth.

Through a series of workshops, educational materials, classroom instruction and background checks, the Diocese is:

- Increasing awareness of potentially harmful situations through the VIRTUS training workshops.
- Empowering adults and children to act before abuse occurs through the Child Lures Prevention for Catholic School and Religious Education students and in Youth Ministry with an Inter-generational Program for families.
- Evaluating background checks for relevance to the employee’s or volunteer’s position.
- Implementing a Pastoral Code of Conduct which outlines acceptable and unacceptable behaviors for all clergy, employees and volunteers.
- Providing continuing education through the VIRTUS Web site (www.VIRTUS.org).

To report an allegation about someone in Church ministry within the Diocese of Savannah follow these three steps:

1. Notify the appropriate supervisor.
2. Call the appropriate civil authorities.
3. Call our Diocesan Victim’s Assistance Hotline at 888-357-5330.

Your Role in Creating Safe Environments

As an adult you play a vital role in creating safe environments for children. To ensure the safety of everyone, especially those at-risk:

- GET involved in activities with your child.
- TEACH your child the correct names for their private body parts.
- KNOW where your child is and who is with him/her.
- ENSURE activities are monitored by more than one adult.
- ALLOW a child to be picked up only by an authorized person.
- PREVENT abduction by creating a secret password with your child.
- NEVER leave a child in a building, on a field trip or in a public bathroom alone.
- MEET with a child only in areas visible to others.
- ALWAYS monitor access to a child’s activities.
- BE ALERT to strangers hanging around.
- MAKE sure enough adults are involved in the programs in which your child participates.
- TEACH your child what to do if someone makes them uncomfortable.
How appropriate that in the middle of summer we hear readings from scripture that speak of the fruitful earth. Looking around outside we likely see a cavalcade of green. Trees and grass, plants and flowers are nourished by the summer rain and sun. When we gather together here on Sunday our faith is nourished by the Lord through word and sacrament. Let us pray that we may be rich soil for the word of God to take root, bloom, and thrive across the earth.

Flowers on the Blessed Mother Altar are in Honor of the Carmelite Sisters of Savannah

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Dear Friends:

Your generous and ongoing support enables Friends of Cathedral Music to fulfill its mission of bringing the finest in liturgical music to our parish, the Catholic community, and the greater community of Savannah. We are deeply grateful for your continued generosity.

2020 has been one of the most challenging times of all our lives and we continue to live in a time of uncertainty.

Our 2020–2021 season will provide the comfort of hope, joy, and beauty as only music can do.

Wishing you well,
Paul Thornock, Director of Music

**Our Schedule (So Far)**

- **Noack & Friends: Opening Concert of the Restored Cathedral Basilica Organ**
  Sunday, October 18th 5PM

- **Christmas at the Cathedral**
  Cathedral Choir and Chamber Orchestra
  Sunday, December 20th 5PM

- **Three Choir Festival**
  The choirs of Wesley Monumental United Methodist and St. John’s Churches join the Cathedral Choir and Brass
  Sunday, January 17th 5PM

- **Visiting Artists: Announcement Coming Soon!**
  Sunday, February 14th 5PM

- **Tenebrae**
  Cathedral Choir
  Wednesday, March 31st 8PM

**What’s in Store for Next Season?**

- Planning our concert schedule this year has been a challenge: we’re nearly there!
- We’re in talks with two internationally renowned choruses for our Visiting Artists concert and will make an announcement shortly.
- Specific advance seat selection for Christmas at the Cathedral donor tickets on Eventbrite.
- Christmas at the Cathedral will feature check-in agents with scanners and a large ushering crew.
- Online giving through the Cathedral Basilica’s website.
- We will launch our annual fund drive as soon as our schedule is complete.
- We hope you’ll consider joining us for a great season.
Cathedral Basilica Processional Cross Fundraiser

In preparation for the basilica inauguration, Cathedral Flowers and Evergreens now offers sachets and potpourri at a reduced price to promote funding for a new processional cross. Available in “Lavender Mist” and “Celtic Forest” fragrances: sachets ($5.00) and potpourri ($10.00) are available at the docent’s desk and online at www.savannahcathedral.org.

Cathedral Basilica Ornaments

Cathedral Ornaments are available, including the new 2020. You can purchase all items at the back of the church or online at www.savannahcathedral.org.

New Parishioners and Address Changes

Anyone wishing to become a parishioner of the Cathedral Basilica can complete the following, cut out and drop it in the offertory collection basket. A census form will be mailed to you to be completed and mailed back. You can also let us know if your address has changed.

New Parishioner / Change of Address
Name ____________________________________________
Address ____________________________________________
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Telephone Number ____________________________

CATHEDRAL PARISH OFFERTORY
Offertory July 5, 2020: $18,219.25
Offertory July 7, 2019: $20,674.50