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: Temporarily Closed

Sacraments
Baptisms  Arrangements should be made in advance.
Confessions  Fridays: 4:00 to 5:00 pm
Saturdays: 11:00 to 11:45 am and 4:15 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.

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
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Housekeeper/Food Services - Ms. Alma Young
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Mrs. Gloria Keane

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SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

PRELUDE
Adagio (II) from Sonata in D minor, BWV 527
Bach

INTROIT

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

Ecce Deus
Mode V

HYMN

MIT FREUDEN ZART

1. Sing praise to God who reigns above, The
2. What God’s almighty power has made, His
3. Let all who name Christ’s holy name, Give

God of all creation, The God of power, the
grace of mercy keeping; By morning glow or
God all praise and glory; All you who own his

evening shade His watchful eye ne’er sleeping;
power, proclaim A loud the wondrous story!

With healing balm my soul he fills, And every faithless
With in the kingdom of his might, Lo! all is just and
Cast each false idol from its throne, The Lord is God, and

Murmur stills: To God all praise and glory.
All is right: To God all praise and glory.
He alone: To God all praise and glory.

PENITENTIAL ACT

Deacon, then all:

Mass of Wisdom

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Kyri-e, eleison. Christe, eleison.

Kyri-e, eleison.
GLORIA

Mass of Wisdom

Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and on earth peace to people of good will. We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glo-ri-fy you, we give you thanks for your great glo - ry, Lord God, heav-en-ly King, O God, al - might-y Fa - ther.

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 a - lone are the Ho-ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,
You a - lone are the Most High, Je-sus Christ, with the Ho-ly Spir-it,
in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

COLLECT (OPENING PRAYER)

READING I

There is no god besides you who have the care of all, that you need show you have not unjustly condemned. For your might is the source of justice; your mastery over all things makes you lenient to all. For you show your might when the perfection of your power is disbelieved; and in those who know you, you rebuke temerity. But though you are master of might, you judge with clemency, and with much leniency you govern us; for power, whenever you will, attends you. And you taught your people, by these deeds, that those who are just must be kind; and you gave your children good ground for hope that you would permit repentance for their sins.

Wisdom 12:13, 16–19
RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Lord, you are good and forgiving,
full of mercy to all who call to you.
Give ear, O Lord, to my prayer,
and attend to my voice in supplication.

All the nations you have made shall come;
they will bow down before you, O Lord, and glorify your name, for you are great and do marvelous deeds,
you who alone are God.

But you, O God, are compassionate and gracious,
slow to anger, O Lord, abundant in mercy and fidelity;
turn and take pity on me.
O give your strength to your servant.

READING II

Brothers and sisters: The Spirit comes to the aid of our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but the Spirit himself intercedes with inexpressible groanings. And the one who searches hearts knows what is the intention of the Spirit, because he intercedes for the holy ones according to God’s will.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

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

GOSPEL

Jesus proposed another parable to the crowds, saying: “The kingdom of heaven may be likened to a man who sowed good seed in his field. While everyone was asleep his enemy came and sowed weeds all through the wheat, and then went off. When the crop grew and bore fruit, the weeds appeared as well. The slaves of the householder came to him and said, ‘Master, did you not sow good seed in your field? Where have the weeds come from?’ He answered, ‘An enemy has done this.’ His slaves said to him, ‘Do you want us to go and pull them up?’ He replied, ‘No, if you pull up the weeds you might uproot the wheat along with them. Let them grow together until harvest; then at harvest time I will say to the harvesters, “First collect the weeds and tie them in bundles for burning; but gather the wheat into my barn.”’

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

Seek the Lord while he wills to be found; call upon him when he draws near. Let the wicked forsake their ways
and the evil ones their thoughts; And let them turn to the Lord, and he will have compassion, and to our God,
for he will richly pardon. For my thoughts are not your thoughts, nor your ways my ways, says the Lord.
For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways, and my thoughts than your thoughts.
For as rain and snow fall from the heavens and return not again, but water the earth, bringing forth life and giving growth,
seed for sowing and bread for eating. So is my word that goes forth from my mouth; it will not return to me empty;
But it will accomplish that which I have purposed, and will prosper in that for which I sent it.
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

Isaiah 55
SANCTUS

Hol - ly, Hol - ly, Hol - ly Lord God of hosts,

Heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry. 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

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

GREAT AMEN


AGNUS DEI  Cantor: Lamb of God,

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

3. you take a-way the sins of the world, grant us peace.
COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Acceptabis sacrificium
Mode IV

You will accept a sacrifice of righteousness, oblations and burnt offerings,
placed on your altar, O Lord. Psalm 50

COMMUNION MOTET

O esca viatorum
Isaac

O food of men wayfaring, the bread of angels sharing,
O Manna from on high! We hunger; Lord, supply us,
Nor thy delights deny us, whose hearts to thee draw nigh. St. Thomas Aquinas

FINAL BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

HYMN

1. God, we praise you! God, we praise you!
2. True apostles, faithful prophets, Saints who

name your sovereign Lord! Mighty Martyrs, once unknown, un-
set their world ablaze, King whom angels
worship, Father, by your church adored:
heeded, Join one growing song of praise,

All creation shows your glory, Heavn and
While your church on earth confesses One ma-
earth draw near your throne, Singing, “Holy, holy,
jestic Trinity: Father, Son, and Holy

ho-ly, Lord of hosts, and God al-
Spir-it, God, our hope et-

POSTLUDE

Fugue in D major, BWV 532
Bach

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BISHOP-ELECT STEPHEN D. PARKES

On Wednesday, July 7th, the Vatican announced that Pope Francis has chosen Father Stephen D. Parkes, of the Diocese of Orlando, Florida, to be the 15th Bishop of the Diocese of Savannah. Most of us had thought that nothing would happen until the fall of 2020. But the Papal Nuncio and the Vatican acted swiftly to fill the Vacant See of Savannah.

I had the pleasure of meeting Bishop-Elect Parkes on Wednesday, at the press conference, and again on Thursday when he celebrated the 12 noon Mass at the Cathedral Basilica. I find him to be a very friendly, personable and kind man. His stature is imposing…He is six feet four inches tall…but his smile is even bigger. Bishop-elect Parkes was born on Long Island, New York. He received a scholarship to the University of South Florida and his parents moved to Florida at that time. After college, with his business and marketing degree, he went to work for a bank. He then decided to enter the Seminary and studied at St. Vincent de Paul Regional seminary at Boynton Beach, Florida. After Ordination to the Priesthood in 1998 he served as a Parochial Vicar and as Campus Minister at Central Florida University for ten years. He is currently the Pastor in Altamonte Springs, Florida with a congregation of over 3200 families.

Bishop Parkes has a brother who is also a Bishop. He has been Bishop of the Diocese of Pensacola-Tallahassee and just a few years ago became the Bishop of the Diocese of St. Petersburg, Florida. His brother is also four inches taller! The Ordination of our new Bishop is scheduled for Wednesday, September 23, 2020. It will be a wonderful celebration, and I know you will be happy to welcome Bishop Parkes to our beautiful city and the wonderful Diocese of Savannah.

Very Rev. J. Gerard Schreck
Rector
It is a great pleasure in the middle of these languorous summer months to sit back and listen to stories. The crowds in the Gospel were able to do just that, for Jesus taught them by telling parables. Parables made his lessons about the kingdom of heaven memorable, in ways in which straightforward narration would fail. Now it is our turn to listen. Let us savor them, ruminating on their rich images and considering their meaning in our lives.

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

Please Pray For: Ed Arbo, Nancy Bachner, Lola Bacon, Mabel Barba, Gerry and Maureen Barlein, Randy Beckle, Wendy Beiner, Cynthia Blaschke, Steve Blaschke, Doris Boring, Mike Bowers, Bill Boyle, Aaron Shane Conner, Stephen Corcoran, Joan Coules, Donna Cox, Joan Devlin, Carlton Dowdy, Patrick Duffy, Eileen and Bill Dunlop, Mary Dunn, Erin Dunning, Chris Fernandez, Lance Gambrell, David Hampton, Ryan Helmes, Matt Hunter, Patricia Jarrell, James Krembs, Susan Spillane Lai, William Leach, Virginia Logan, Lee Marmarus, Hugh Markowsky, Fr. Jeremiah McCarthy, Gayle McGhee, Eddie Mizelle, Dan Mobley, Brian Murphy, Cindy Doolan Murphy, Josephine Nasworthy, Jenna Nobles, USMC Derek Perez, Joy Povec, Jeffrey Powell, Tina Sanders, Tyler Smith, Jan Wilson, and Larson Zekas.
Job Opening at St. James Church

The Early Learning Center (ELC) at St. James Catholic Church is recruiting for a Center Director. The ELC is open Monday through Friday from 7:30 AM – 6PM. Currently 45 children are enrolled.

This position oversees the day-to-day activities of the ELC and ensures that local, state and federal child care requirements are met. Specific duties include curriculum development, screening, interviewing and hiring qualified staff members, training new employees, observing their teaching techniques and providing for professional development, marketing the ELC to prospective parents and managing the centers finances by establishing budgets, fee structures and handling supply purchases.

The position requires a Bachelor’s degree in Early Childhood Education, 3+ years’ experience in a similar position, Child Development Associate (CDA) certification and appropriate Georgia licensure. Candidates must be passionate about early childhood education, knowledgeable of child care laws, have strong leadership and conflict resolution skills, excellent organizational and problem solving skills and be an effective communicator.

This is a full-time, 12 month a year position reporting to the Pastor of St. James Catholic Church with a competitive salary and benefit package.

To make application send a resume, with references and salary requirements to: jagreen@diosav.org.

Job Opening St. Vincent’s Academy

Now Hiring for the position of Maintenance Staff. Competitive pay and benefits. Duties include care for historic building and grounds and assisting with new COVID-19 sanitizing procedures in lunchroom and classrooms, lawn care, and general maintenance. Must pass background check. Email your resume to Mary Anne Hogan at maryanne.hogan@svaga.net or call 912-226-1707.

Msgr. William O’Neill Book Signing

Msgr. O’Neill has published a book of stories of his childhood in Ireland and his years as a priest in America. The book is titled Stories From Ireland and America. It will be available at local book stores, but for now is only available on Amazon. It is available in paperback and Kindle versions. A book signing is planned for those who would like Monsignor to autograph the book (there will be some books available for sale if you would like to wait and purchase then). The event will be held in Lafayette Square on Sunday afternoon, July 26th, from 2:00 to 4:00 PM. Masks are required for anyone wanting an autograph. Credit cards and cash will be accepted. All are welcome.

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.
Participating Catholic Tuition

Cathedral parishioners who will have children in Catholic Schools next year and who wish to receive the parish participating tuition rate must be endorsed by Fr. Schreck. A participating parishioner is a Catholic parishioner who attends Mass on weekends and Holy Days of Obligation, participates in the activities of the parish, and contributes to the Offertory collection in a recognizable way by using envelopes or checks as a means of verification of attendance.

Family Counseling

Sr. Pat Brown is a Sister of St. Mary of Namur. She is a licensed clinical social worker. She is available for pastoral family and individual counseling at the Cathedral by appointment. Send requests to Sr. Pat Brown at patbrownssmn@gmail.com.