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
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
Mrs. Gloria Keane

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SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

PRELUDE

Partita on Jesu, meine Freude

Walther

INTROIT

Deus in loco sancto

Mode V

God is in his holy place, God who unites those who dwell in his house;
he himself gives might and strength to his people. Psalm 67

HYMN

LAUDATE DOMINUM

1. The kingdom of God is justice and joy;
2. The kingdom of God is mercy and grace;
3. God’s kingdom is come, the gift and the goal;

For Jesus restores what sin would destroy.
The captives are freed, the sinners find place,
In Jesus begun, in heaven made whole.

God’s power and glory in Jesus we know;
The outcast are welcomed God’s banquet to share;
The heirs of the kingdom shall answer his call;

And hope and hereafter the kingdom shall grow.
And hope is awakened in place of despair.
And all things cry “Glory!” to God all in all.

PENITENTIAL ACT

Deacon, then all:

Kyri-e, eleison. Christe, eleison.

Kyri-e, eleison.
COLLECT (OPENING PRAYER)

READING I

The LORD appeared to Solomon in a dream at night. God said, “Ask something of me and I will give it to you.” Solomon answered: “O LORD, my God, you have made me, your servant, king to succeed my father David; but I am a mere youth, not knowing at all how to act. I serve you in the midst of the people whom you have chosen, a people so vast that it cannot be numbered or counted. Give your servant, therefore, an understanding heart to judge your people and to distinguish right from wrong. For who is able to govern this vast people of yours?”

The LORD was pleased that Solomon made this request. So God said to him: “Because you have asked for this—not for a long life for yourself, nor for riches, nor for the life of your enemies, but for understanding so that you may know what is right—I do as you requested. I give you a heart so wise and understanding that there has never been anyone like you up to now, and after you there will come no one to equal you.”
RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Lord, I love your commands, I love your commands.

I have said, “O Lord, my portion is to obey your words.” The law from your mouth means more to me than large quantities of silver and gold.

Let your merciful love console me by your promise to your servant. Show me compassion, that I may live, for your law is my delight.

That is why I love your commands more than finest gold, why I rule my life by your precepts, and hate false ways.

Your decrees are wonderful indeed; therefore my soul obeys them. The unfolding of your word gives light, and understanding to the simple.

READING II

Brothers and sisters: We know that all things work for good for those who love God, who are called according to his purpose. For those he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, so that he might be the firstborn among many brothers and sisters. And those he predestined he also called; and those he called he also justified; and those he justified he also glorified.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

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

Jesus said to his disciples: “The kingdom of heaven is like a treasure buried in a field, which a person finds and hides again, and out of joy goes and sells all that he has and buys that field. Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant searching for fine pearls. When he finds a pearl of great price, he goes and sells all that he has and buys it. Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a net thrown into the sea, which collects fish of every kind. When it is full they haul it ashore and sit down to put what is good into buckets. What is bad they throw away. Thus it will be at the end of the age. The angels will go out and separate the wicked from the righteous and throw them into the fiery furnace, where there will be wailing and grinding of teeth.

“Do you understand all these things?” They answered, “Yes.” And he replied, “Then every scribe who has been instructed in the kingdom of heaven is like the head of a household who brings from his storeroom both the new and the old.”

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

Glorious and Powerful God

Glorious and Powerful God, we understand thy dwelling is on high above the starry sky.
Thou dwellest not in stone temples made with hand;
but in the flesh hearts of the sons of men to dwell is thy delight, near hand, though out of sight.
We give of thine own hand, thy acceptation is very life and blood, to all actions good.
Whenever here or hence our supplication, from pure and with unfeigned hearts,
to thee ascends, be present with thy grace, show us thy loving face.
O down on us full showers of mercy send; let thy love's burning beams dry up all our sin's streams.
Arise, O Lord, and come into thy rest. Both now and evermore thy name be blest,
founder and foundation of endless habitation. Henry Ramsden Bramley
SANCTUS

Mass of Wisdom

Janco

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts,
Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna, 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

Janco

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

GREAT AMEN

Janco


AGNUS DEI Cantor: Lamb of God

Janco

1, 2. 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

Simile est regnum
Mode VIII

The kingdom of heaven is like a merchant seeking fine pearls;
having found one of great worth, he went and sold all he had, and he bought it. Matthew 13

COMMUNION MOTET

Ave verum corpus

Hail the true body, born of the Virgin Mary:
You who truly suffered and were sacrificed on the cross for the sake of man.
From whose pierced flank flowed water and blood:
Be a foretaste for us in the trial of death.
O sweet, O merciful, O Jesus, Son of Mary.
Have mercy on me. Amen. Pope Innocent VI d. 1362

FINAL BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

HYMN

1. Je - ru - sa - lem, my hap - py home, When
2. Your saints are crowned with glo - ry great; They

shall I come to thee? When shall my sor - rows
see God face to face; They tri - umph still, they

have an end? Your joys when shall I see?
still re - joice: In that most ho - ly place.

LAND OF REST

POSTLUDE

Toccata in F

Buxtehude

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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.
We hear a young Solomon meekly asking God for wisdom and understanding so that he might properly distinguish right from wrong and judge with kindness and compassion. We often find ourselves misleading ourselves about right and wrong or judging others hastily and unfairly. Let us take this opportunity today to pray that we may emulate Solomon and welcome God’s wisdom and mercy into our lives so that we can be guided in using right judgment.

Flowers on the Blessed Mother Altar are in Memory of Pat, Elizabeth and Ronnie Walsh

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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 this 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.
CATHEDRAL PARISH OFFERTORY
Offertory July 19, 2020: $16,266.50
Offertory July 21, 2019: $17,529.50

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 ______________________________________
____________________________________________
Telephone Number ___________________________

SVA Study Skills Course
SVA is offering an online Study Skills Course August 3rd - 6th! Any Parents who believe that their child would benefit from such a course and has a child that is rising 6th, 7th, 8th and 9th grade student, male or female, can attend. Email jody.riddle@svaga.net for more information.

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.