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 & 12Noon
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
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NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

PRELUDE

Chaconné in E minor

Buxtehude

INTROIT

Respice, Domine

Mode VII

Look to your covenant, O Lord, and forget not the life of your poor ones for ever.
Arise, O God, and defend your cause, and forget not the cries of those who seek you. Psalm 73

HYMN

KINGSFOLD

1. I heard the voice of Jesus say, "Come
   un-to me and rest; Lay down, O weary
   hold, I freely give The living water;
   am this dark world's light; Look unto me, your

2. I heard the voice of Jesus say, "Be-
   one, lay down Your head upon my breast." I
   thirsty one, Stoop down, and drink, and live." I
   morn shall rise, And all your day be bright." I

3. I heard the voice of Jesus say, "I
   came to Jesus as I was, So weary worn and sad;
   came to Jesus, and I drank Of that life-giving stream;
   looked to Jesus, and I found In him my star, my sun;

I found in him a resting place
My thirst was quenched, my soul revived,
And in that light of life I'll walk

and he has made me glad.
And now I live in him.
Till travelling days are done.
PENITENTIAL ACT

Deacon, then all:

Kyrie, eleison. Christe, eleison.

GLORIA

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

At the mountain of God, Horeb, Elijah came to a cave where he took shelter. Then the LORD said to him, “Go outside and stand on the mountain before the LORD; the LORD will be passing by.” A strong and heavy wind was rending the mountains and crushing rocks before the LORD—but the LORD was not in the wind. After the wind there was an earthquake—but the LORD was not in the earthquake. After the earthquake there was fire—but the LORD was not in the fire. After the fire there was a tiny whispering sound. When he heard this, Elijah hid his face in his cloak and went and stood at the entrance of the cave.

1 Kings 19: 9a, 11–13a
RESPONSORIAL PSALM
Psalm 85
Carroll

Lord, let us see your kindness, and grant us your salvation.

I will hear what the Lord God has to say, a voice that speaks of peace. His help is near for those who fear him and his glory will dwell in our land. Mercy and faithfulness have met; justice and peace have embraced.

Faithfulness shall spring from the earth and justice look down from heaven. The Lord will make us prosper and our earth shall yield its fruit. Justice shall march before him and peace shall follow his steps.

READING II
Romans 9:1–5
Brothers and sisters: I speak the truth in Christ, I do not lie; my conscience joins with the Holy Spirit in bearing me witness that I have great sorrow and constant anguish in my heart. For I could wish that I myself were accursed and cut off from Christ for the sake of my own people, my kindred according to the

flesh. They are Israelites; theirs the adoption, the glory, the covenants, the giving of the law, the worship, and the promises; theirs the patriarchs, and from them, according to the flesh, is the Christ, who is over all, God blessed forever. Amen.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION
Janco

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

GOSPEL
Matthew 14:22–23
After he had fed the people, Jesus made the disciples get into a boat and precede him to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds. After doing so, he went up on the mountain by himself to pray. When it was evening he was there alone. Meanwhile the boat, already a few miles offshore, was being tossed about by the waves, for the wind was against it. During the fourth watch of the night, he came toward them walking on the sea. When the disciples saw him walking on the sea they were terrified. “It is a ghost,” they said, and they cried out in fear. At once Jesus spoke to them, “Take courage, it is I; do not be afraid.”

Peter said to him in reply, “Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water.” He said, “Come.” Peter got out of the boat and began to walk on the water toward Jesus. But when he saw how strong the wind was he became frightened; and, beginning to sink, he cried out, “Lord, save me!” Immediately Jesus stretched out his hand and caught Peter, and said to him, “O you of little faith, why did you doubt?” After they got into the boat, the wind died down. Those who were in the boat did him homage, saying, “Truly, you are the Son of God.”

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

Behold, O God our Defender

Behold, O God our defender, and look upon the face of thine anointed. For one day in thy courts is better than a thousand.

Howells

Psalm 84
SANCTUS

Mass of Wisdom

Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord God of hosts,
Heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry.
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. 2. 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

Panis, quem ego dedero
Mode I

The bread that I will give, says the Lord,
is my flesh for the life of the world. John 6

COMMUNION MOTET

O sacram convivium

O sacred banquet, wherein Christ is received;
the memorial of his passion is renewed;
the soul is filled with grace;
and a pledge of future glory is given to us.

FINAL BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

HYMN

AURELIA

1. O Christ the great foundation
On which your people stand
To preach your true salvation
In every age and land:
Pour out your holy Spirit
To make us strong and pure,
To keep the faith unbroken
As long as worlds endure.

2. Baptized in one confession,
One church in all the earth,
We bear our Lord’s impression,
The sign of second birth;
One holy people gathered
In love beyond our own,
By grace we were invited,
By grace we make you known.

POSTLUDE

Chaconne in C minor

Buxtehude

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Rector’s Corner

THE SOLEMNITY OF THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

Saturday, August 15th, is the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. This great Feast Day is a celebration of the end of earthly life for Mary and her ascension, body and soul, into heaven. Because she was chosen to bear the Messiah in her womb, at the end of her life on earth, Mary, and the temple of her body, was protected from the corruption of the grave. In the early life of the Church this event was called the “dormition” of the Blessed Virgin, her going to sleep. It is a corollary to her Immaculate Conception when she was protected from the stain of original sin, because she was to become the mother of the Messiah. Mary’s Assumption into heaven is a reminder of our own eternal destiny. At the Final Judgment, our bodies which have been buried, will rise and be reunited with our immortal souls, and by the grace of Baptism and the saving death and resurrection of Jesus the Messiah, we will live with the saints forever in heaven.

Ordinarily, this Solemnity is a Holy Day of Obligation. However, in those years in which August 15th falls on a Saturday or a Monday, there is no obligation to attend Mass. There will be one Mass celebrated for the Solemnity at 12 noon at the Cathedral Basilica, and everyone is welcome to attend.

THE DISPENSATION FROM THE OBLIGATION TO ATTEND MASS

Father Daniel F. Firmin, the Administrator of the Diocese of Savannah, in consultation with the Diocesan College of Consultors, has announced that the Dispensation from the obligation to attend Mass on Sundays and Holy Days, has been extended through the end of August. I encourage all who must remain at home as a precaution due to Covid-19 to participate in Mass by watching the Livestream of the 10 AM Mass each week from the Cathedral Basilica.

Rev. J. Gerard Schreck
Rector
Do we have the courage to place our trust in the Lord? Peter thought he had enough courage when he stepped out of the boat as it was tossed on the waves during a violent storm. But he became frightened and started to sink. Though he began to doubt, he cried out to Jesus and the Lord saved him. When we doubt, may we look to our Savior for strength.

Mass Intentions for the week of August 9, 2020

**SUNDAY**
- Pro Populo
- Beau Roberts
- **Chris Salien (Anni)**
- Poor Souls in Purgatory

**MONDAY**
- Wanda Hand
- Anna Chuc Nguyen

**TUESDAY**
- John Thang Dang
- Joan McCaffrey

**WEDNESDAY**
- Wanda Hand
- Intentions of Ray Nasworthy

**THURSDAY**
- Bertha Makris
- John Stacy III (MM)

**FRIDAY**
- Bang Dang
- Han Van Hoang

**SATURDAY**
- Joseph S. Holmen
- Louis Lamar

Please Pray For: Ed Arbo, Nancy Bachner, Lola Bacon, Mabel Barba, Gerry and Maureen Bartlein, 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.

Flowers on the Blessed Mother Altar are in Honor of Louis Ganem’s 99th Birthday
RCIA Classes Begin Soon!

Classes will begin September 8th, at 7:00 PM in the Parish Hall. These classes are intended for adults and provide a forum in which questions can be asked and information given regarding the teachings and life of the Catholic Church.

Usually we have twenty to thirty adults who participate in these classes. The process is comfortable and not pressure packed. We meet each Tuesday evening for one hour and the classes conclude with Easter 2021. There is a schedule of classes and topics to be discussed, a text book which will be provided for your use, as well as DVDs that will be used for some of the instruction.

If you think you might be interested in attending our classes this year, please contact Deacon Dewain Smith in the Church Office at 912-233-4709. We just need your name, telephone number, and email address. Deacon Smith will make an appointment for a brief meeting with you prior to the start of our classes on August 8th.

GROW | AS A DISCIPLE | PRAY, STUDY, ENGAGE, SERVE

Have you ever felt agitated? Sometimes it’s about nothing in particular. Other times it can stem from something we said, a regret, a broken relationship, or just an overall sense that something in our life is off-kilter. That feeling comes to mind when I picture Peter walking across that water in the wind toward Jesus. He panicked, even with Jesus in plain sight! That feeling of agitation can throw us off balance, too. Rather than looking down at the choppy water, Jesus encourages us to keep our eyes fixed on him. We may not be able to walk on water (don’t try this at home!), but we’ll find peace even on the stormiest of days.

GO | EVANGELIZE

PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

“Lord, save me!” I think Peter gets a bad rap for shouting out to Jesus when the waves start crashing about. After all, it took courage for him to “walk on water” in the first place. Likewise, we need to give ourselves credit for taking “leaps of faith” in our lives – whether that means a young person embracing his or her baptismal vocation and choosing to receive the graces and gifts in the sacrament of confirmation, remaining strong in our faith and keeping our eyes fixed on Jesus despite turmoil in the Church, or continuing to pray and seek God’s presence on the darkest and most difficult of days. On those more difficult days, we should feel free to shout “Lord, save me!”, confident that Jesus will stretch out his hand and uphold us. Likewise, we, too, can be the calming face of Christ to others – extending our hands to comfort, reassure, or just be present with others as they face the storms of life.

ACTION/PRAYER

Have you ever played a sport that required intense focus? Often, coaches will encourage athletes to “see” in their mind the successful completion of whatever they are attempting, in order to avoid distractions. When life feels out of whack, we can set our gaze on Jesus through prayer, or perhaps by marveling at nature’s beauty. It can also help to remember or keep a journal about moments when we had a palpable experience of God’s presence.
CATHEDRAL BASILICA PROCESSIONAL CROSS FUNDRAISER

In preparation for the basilica inauguration, Cathedral Flowers and Evergreens Summer Special offers sachets and potpourri at reduced price to promote funding for a new processional cross. Available in “Lavender Mist” fragrance. (Autumn Harvest fragrance arriving soon!) 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 August 2, 2020: $22,431.75
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