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
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TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

PRELUDE

Allegro (I) from Concerto in A minor, BWV 593

Bach after Vivaldi

INTROIT

Give peace, O Lord, to those who wait for you, that your prophets may be found true.
Hear the prayers of your servant, and of your people Israel. Sirach 36

HYMN

HYFRYDOL

1. Love divine, all loves excelling, Joy of heav'n to earth come down! Fix in us your humble
   all your life receive! Suddenly return and spotless, gracious Lord, Let us see your great sal-

2. Come, almighty to deliver, Let us dwell ing. All your faithful mer-
   never, Never more your temples leave. va tion Perfectly in you restored.

3. Finish then your new creation, Pure and Jesus, source of all compassion, Love un-
   Changed from glory into glory, Till in bound-ed, love all pure; Visit us with your sal-

   as your hosts above, Pray, and praise you without heav'n we take our place, Till we sing before the al-

   ceasing, Glory in your precious love.

   might y Lost in wonder, love and praise.

GREETING

PENITENTIAL ACT

Missa Orbis factor

Vatican Mass XI

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

Cantor/Choir:

Glory to God in the highest
We praise you, we bless you,
we glorify you, we give you thanks
Lord God, heavenly king,
Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,
You take away the sins of the world,
You are seated at the right hand of the Father,
For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,
With the Holy Spirit and on earth peace to people of good will.
we adore you.
for your great glory.
O God, almighty Father.
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father.
have mercy on us.
receive our prayer.
have mercy on us.
you alone are the Most high Jesus Christ.
in the glory of God the Father, Amen.

COLLECT (OPENING PRAYER)

READING I

Wrath and anger are hateful things, yet the sinner hugs them tight. The vengeful will suffer the LORD’s vengeance, for he remembers their sins in detail. Forgive your neighbor’s injustice; then when you pray, your own sins will be forgiven. Could anyone nourish anger against another and expect healing from the LORD? Could anyone refuse mercy to another like himself, can he seek pardon for his own sins? If one who is but flesh cherishes wrath, who will forgive his sins? Remember your last days, set enmity aside; remember death and decay, and cease from sin! Think of the commandments, hate not your neighbor; remember the Most High’s covenant, and overlook faults.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

The Lord is kind and merciful; slow to anger, and rich in compassion.

Bless the LORD, O my soul;
and all my being, bless his holy name.
Bless the LORD, O my soul,
and forget not all his benefits.
He pardons all your iniquities,
heals all your ills.
He redeems your life from destruction,
crowns you with kindness and compassion.

He will not always chide,
nor does he keep his wrath forever.
Not according to our sins does he deal with us,
nor does he requite us according to our crimes.
For as the heavens are high above the earth,
so surpassing is his kindness toward those who fear him. As far as the east is from the west,
so far has he put our transgressions from us.

READING II

Brothers and sisters: None of us lives for oneself, and no one dies for oneself. For if we live, we live for the Lord, and if we die, we die for the Lord; so then, whether we live or die, we are the Lord’s. For this is why Christ died and came to life, that he might be Lord of both the dead and the living.

Sirach 27:30–28:7

Psalm 103

Hughes

Romans 14:7–9
GOSPEL

Peter approached Jesus and asked him, “Lord, if my brother sins against me, how often must I forgive? As many as seven times?” Jesus answered, “I say to you, not seven times but seventy-seven times. That is why the kingdom of heaven may be likened to a king who decided to settle accounts with his servants. When he began the accounting, a debtor was brought before him who owed him a huge amount. Since he had no way of paying it back, his master ordered him to be sold, along with his wife, his children, and all his property, in payment of the debt. At that, the servant fell down, did him homage, and said, ‘Be patient with me, and I will pay you back in full.’ Moved with compassion the master of that servant let him go and forgave him the loan. When that servant had left, he found one of his fellow servants who owed him a much smaller amount.

He seized him and started to choke him, demanding, ‘Pay back what you owe.’ Falling to his knees, his fellow servant begged him, ‘Be patient with me, and I will pay you back.’ But he refused. Instead, he had the fellow servant put in prison until he paid back the debt. Now when his fellow servants saw what had happened, they were deeply disturbed, and went to their master and reported the whole affair. His master summoned him and said to him, ‘You wicked servant! I forgave you your entire debt because you begged me to. Should you not have had pity on your fellow servant, as I had pity on you?’ Then in anger his master handed him over to the torturers until he should pay back the whole debt. So will my heavenly Father do to you, unless each of you forgives your brother from your heart.”

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. 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.

Bless our Diocese of Savannah with many vocations to the Priesthood, Diaconate, and Religious Life.

PREPARATION OF THE ALTAR

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In these our days so perilous, Lord, peace in mercy send us; No God but you can fight for us, no God but you defend us; You our only God and Savior.

SANCTUS

Community Mass

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of hosts. Heav’n and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest. Blest is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest, 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

A - men, a - men, a - men.

AGNUS DEI

Missa Orbis factor

Vatican Mass XI

Tollite hostias

Mode IV

1. 2. Have mer - cy on us.

3. Grant us peace.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Bring up your sacrifices and come into his courts;

adore the Lord in his holy temple. Psalm 95

COMMUNION MOTET

Ego sum panis vivus

I am the living bread which came down from heaven:

whoever eats of this bread will live for ever:

John 6

FINAL BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

HYMN

LAND OF REST

1. “For - give our sins as we for - give,”

You taught us, Lord, to pray,

But you a - lone can bid re - sent - ment cease.

grant us grace To live the words we say.

2. Lord, cleanse the depths with - in our souls

And grant us grace To live the words we say.

Postlude

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

Bach after Vivaldi

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Silent prayer and witness proclaiming the sacredness of all human life.

Sunday, October 4, 2020
2:30-3:30 p.m.
Daffin Park along Victory Drive
Social distancing & masks required.

Sponsored by the Diocese of Savannah and the Knights of Columbus, Council 631
Join Us for the 2020-2021 Season!

Noack & Friends  
Sunday, October 18th, 5PM

Sinisa Ciric, Concertmaster, Savannah Philharmonic  
Paul Lott, Principal Trumpet, Hilton Head Symphony  
Jillian Durant, Voice teacher and Cathedral Soprano

The Cathedral’s director of music, Dr. Paul Thornock, is joined by three of Savannah’s most visible professional musicians in a celebratory concert featuring the restored Noack organ.

Social Distancing guidelines will limit capacity to 200 seats for this concert.

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

The Cathedral Choir and Chamber Orchestra present their annual program of music for Advent and Christmas.

A Sonic Spectacle  
Sunday, January 17th, 5PM

The directors of music from Wesley Monumental United Methodist Church, St. John’s Church, Christ Church, and the Cathedral are joined by the Cathedral Brass for an evening of music of heroic proportions!

Baroque in the Basilica  
Sunday, February 14th, 5PM

Celebrate Valentine’s Day with the sweet music of Bach, Handel, Vivaldi and others performed by the Cathedral Choral Scholars and Chamber Orchestra.

Tenebrae  
Cathedral Choir  
Wednesday, March 31st, 8PM

The Cathedral Choir sings the Tallis setting of the Lamentations of Jeremiah, penitential psalms, and other works for the Office of Tenebrae on this darkest of nights.

Become a Friend of Cathedral Music

There’s never been a better time to join.  
To make your donation, please visit  
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We gather each weekend with family, friends, and neighbors to worship God, a God of mercy, a God of healing, a God always willing to forgive. We are called to do the same. We are called to reconcile with our family member, our friend, our neighbor, just as God reconciles with us when we turn away. May the nourishment we receive at the Lord’s table strengthen us as we face the challenge of forgiving each other.

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**Mass Intentions for the week of September 13, 2020**

**SUNDAY**
- Pro Populo
- Kerri Aliffi
- **John Stacy III (Anni)**
- Poor Souls in Purgatory

**MONDAY**
- Pam Siletti
- **Joseph Schulte (Anni)**

**TUESDAY**
- Dr. Gunther Debbe Coleman
- Intentions of Jacob James Kuebler

**WEDNESDAY**
- Margaret Krenn
- Eileen Moriarty

**THURSDAY**
- Anna Chuc Nguyen

**FRIDAY**
- John Thang Dang
- **Samuel Repetski (Anni)**

**SATURDAY**

**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, Kathleen Kalagvano, Susan Spillane Lai, Lori Lancaster, William Leach, Virginia Logan, Lee Marmarus, Hugh Markowsky, Gayle McGhee, 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 Memory of Stephen Francis Saunders**
RCIA Classes Began Last Week
So Last Chance to Sign Up!

Classes began last Tuesday, 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.

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 RCIA classes this year, please contact Deacon Dewain Smith in the Church Office at 912-233-4709 for an appointment. We need your name, telephone number, and email address. There is still room for you in the 2020-2021 RCIA class!

Life Chain

As Catholics, we are called to cherish, defend and protect all life from the moment of conception to natural death. One of the ways we do this is through our annual Life Chain on Respect Life Sunday. Last year, we had ten Life Chains throughout our Diocese on Respect Life Sunday. This year’s Life Chain will be on Sunday, October 4th, 2:30 to 3:30 PM at Daffin Park along Victory Drive. Social distancing and masks required.

Children’s Religious Education
Sign up This Weekend!

Attention Parents! The school year is about to begin. Registration will take place after 5:30 mass on Saturday, September 12th and 8:00, 10:00 and 11:30 masses on Sunday, September 13th. Bring your child’s baptismal certificate if you are new to the Cathedral’s CRE program. In person classes begin on Sunday morning, September 27th at 8:45 in the parish center building. If you miss this registration, bring your child to the parish center on the first day of class for registration and enrollment. At registration and on the first day of school we will be handing out an information sheet regarding the precautions that will be used before and during class to comply with the CDC requirements due to the COVID-19 pandemic. At registration I will also provide information on homeschooling as a means of providing your child’s religious education. The medical safety and religious foundation of our CRE students are very important to us. God bless us all.

From the Diocesan Office of Hispanic Ministry

The Office of Hispanic Ministry is pleased to announce that we are using a new way to evangelize and reach out to the Hispanic Community within the Diocese. We are using WhatsApp, a very popular application within the Hispanic Community that allows us to send text messages, videos, pictures, etc. Through WhatsApp, we will be sending daily reflections in Spanish. Also, once a week (Thursday), we will be sending Diocesan News. For more information, call Lidia at 912-201-4067.

September is Suicide Prevention Month

If you or someone you know needs help, please text Crisis Text Line at 741741, or call the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline at 1-800-273-TALK (8255).
CATHEDRAL PARISH OFFERTORY

Offertory Sep. 6, 2020: $26,192.61
Offertory Sept. 8, 2019: $19,500.00

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 ________________________

Cathedral Basilica Flowers and Evergreens
Cathedral Flowers and Evergreens offers sachets and potpourri bags created from dried florals and botanicals. “Autumn Harvest” is a rich blend of apples, oranges, and cinnamon in autumn colors. “Lavender Mist” is a calming blend of lavender and floral colors of purple and cream. Perfect as a gift for any occasion. Available for purchase at the docent desk and online at www.savannahcathedral.org.

Cathedral Basilica Ornaments
Cathedral Ornaments are available. You can purchase them at the back of the church or online at www.savannahcathedral.org. Last year, we sold out of many before December. With Christmas approaching, get yours early!