Cathedral Basilica of Saint John the Baptist

222 East Harris Street, Savannah, Georgia 31401 - Located at Abercorn and East Harris Streets
Most Reverend Stephen D. Parkes — Bishop of Savannah
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 am.
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 - Rev. Andrew Larkin
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In Residence - Rev. Tom Peyton
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TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

PRELUDE
Trumpet Voluntary in D

INTROIT
In nomine Domin
Mode II

At the name of the Lord let every knee bend, in heaven, on earth and under the earth; for the Lord became obedient unto death, even death on the Cross; that is why Jesus Christ is the Lord, to the glory of God the Father. Philippians 2

HYMN
1. All hail the power of Jesus’ name! Let angels prostrate fall; Bring forth the royal diadem And crown him Lord of all; Bring forth the royal diadem And Jes- se’s rod, And crown him Lord of all.
2. Crown him, you martyrs of our God, Who from his altar call; Exalt the stem of Jesse’s rod, And crown him Lord of all; Exalt the stem of Jesse’s rod, And last- ing song, And crown him Lord of all.
3. O that, with yonder sacred throng, We at his feet may fall, Join in the everlasting song, And diadem And crown him Lord of all.

CORONATION

GREETING
PENITENTIAL ACT

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

GLORIA

Cantor/Choir: All:

Glory to God in the highest Glory to God in the highest
We praise you, we bless you, we praise you, we bless you,
we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory.
God, heavenly king,
Lord God, almighty Father.
Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father.
You take away the sins of the world,
You take away the sins of the world.
You are seated at the right hand of the Father,
You are seated at the right hand of the Father,
For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,
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.
with the glory of God the Father, Amen.

COLLECT (OPENING PRAYER)

READING I

Thus says the LORD: You say, “The LORD’s way is not fair!” Hear now, house of Israel: Is it my way that is unfair, or rather, are not your ways unfair? When someone virtuous turns away from virtue to comit iniquity, and dies, it is because of the iniquity he committed that he must die. But if he turns from the wickedness he has committed, he does what is right and just, he shall preserve his life; since he has turned away from all the sins that he has committed, he shall surely live, he shall not die.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Your ways, O LORD, make known to me;
your ways, O LORD, make known to me;
teach me your paths,
teach me your paths,
guide me in your truth and teach me,
guide me in your truth and teach me,
for you are God my savior.
for you are God my savior.
Remember that your compassion, O LORD,
Remember that your compassion, O LORD,
and your love are from of old.
and your love are from of old.
The sins of my youth and my frailties remember not;
The sins of my youth and my frailties remember not;
in your kindness remember me,
in your kindness remember me,
because of your goodness, O LORD.
because of your goodness, O LORD.
Good and upright is the LORD;
Good and upright is the LORD;
thus he shows sinners the way.
thus he shows sinners the way.
He guides the humble to justice,
He guides the humble to justice,
and teaches the humble his way.
READING II

Brothers and sisters: If there is any encouragement in Christ, any solace in love, any participation in the Spirit, any compassion and mercy, complete my joy by being of the same mind, with the same love, united in heart, thinking one thing. Do nothing out of selfishness or out of vainglory; rather, humbly regard others as more important than yourselves, each looking out not for his own interests, but also for those of others. Have in you the same attitude that is also in Christ Jesus, Who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God something to be grasped. Rather, he emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, coming in human likeness; and found human in appearance, he humbled himself, becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. Because of this, God greatly exalted him and bestowed on him the name which is above every name, that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, of those in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

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


GOSPEL

Matthew 21:28–32

Jesus said to the chief priests and elders of the people: “What is your opinion? A man had two sons. He came to the first and said, ‘Son, go out and work in the vineyard today.’ He said in reply, ‘I will not,’ but afterwards changed his mind and went. The man came to the other son and gave the same order. He said in reply, ‘Yes, sir,’ but did not go. Which of the two did his father’s will?” They answered, “The first.” Jesus said to them, “Amen, I say to you, tax collectors and prostitutes are entering the kingdom of God before you. When John came to you in the way of righteousness, you did not believe him; but tax collectors and prostitutes did. Yet even when you saw that, you did not later change your minds and believe him.”

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

Super flumina Babylonis
Upon the rivers of Babylon, there we sat down and wept,
as we remembered you, O Zion. Psalm 136

Praetexta

SANCTUS

Community Mass

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of hosts.

Heav’n and earth are full of your glory.

Ho - san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

Blest is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Ho - san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

Proulx

MYSTERIUM FIDEI

When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we pro-

claim your Death, O Lord, un - til you come a - gain.

Proulx
GREAT AMEN

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

AGNUS DEI

Missa Orbis factor

1. 2. Have mer - cy on us. 3. Grant us peace.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Remember your word to your servant, O Lord, by which you have given me hope.
This is my comfort when I am brought low. Psalm 118

COMMUNION MOTET

Panis angelicus

The bread of the angels becomes the bread of mortals;
the bread of heaven puts an end to prefigurations.
O wondrous thing! the poor, the slave and the humble feed on their Lord.
St. Thomas Aquinas

FINAL BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

HYMN

ST. COLUMBA

1. O breathe on me, O breath of God, Fill me
2. O breathe on me, O breath of God, Un - til

with life a - new, That I may love the
my heart is pure; Un - til my will is

things you love, And do what you would do.
one with yours, To do and to en - dure.

POSTLUDE

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

Walther

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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.

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.

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!

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There’s never been a better time to join.
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Rector’s Corner

AUTO-CLEANING IONIZATION SYSTEM

Upon the recommendation of the Diocese and our Heating and Air Conditioning maintainers (Southeastern), we have installed, on all of the air handlers in the Cathedral, a Particle and Pathogen reduction system. The units are attached to each air handling unit of our HVAC system, and they are designed to reduce significantly any airborne particles (i.e., dust, pet dander, pollen). The GPS NPBI technology uses a process called agglomeration, whereby the ions attach to the airborne particles and the particles are subsequently attracted to one another, effectively increasing their mass and size. The air filtration system easily captures the larger particles, increasing the capture efficiency of our HVAC system. It should also make the indoor air smell fresher.

During the GPS cleaning process, the NPBI technology attacks and kills viruses, mold spores and bacteria. The ions steal away hydrogen from the pathogens, leaving them to die, and leaving us with cleaner and healthier indoor air.

It is our hope that the addition of this technology will make you a bit more comfortable about being in Church, with 250 other people, during this time of pandemic precautions. This is just one more precaution, along with masks and hand sanitizers, which will make the spread of the Coronavirus less likely.

I did not study such things in my seminary years, so please don’t ask me about it! But I can tell you that I am glad it is available and I am happy that we have it.

Rev. J. Gerard Schreck
Rector
In today’s second reading, Saint Paul calls upon the Philippians to “(be) of the same mind, with the same love, united in heart, thinking one thing.” We come here today probably each thinking different things, but during this holy time together we pray that the Holy Spirit may unite us in heart and mind, with the love of God and love of neighbor we have in common, as we lift our voices to sing and pray as one.

Flowers on the Blessed Mother Altar are In Memory of Kathryn Curran

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, Natalie Deriso, 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.
Life Chain

As Catholics, we are called to cherish, defend and protect all live 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. Signs are provided by the Knights of Columbus, Council 631 and the Office of Marriage, Family and Respect Life for the Diocese of Savannah. Last year over 100 people and seven members of the clergy participated. We hope for an even better turnout this year! All are Welcome! For more information, contact Gretchen at gretch21926@gmail.com. Social distancing and masks are required.

Children’s Religious Education

Attention Parents! Children’s Religious Education classes begin this Sunday, September 27th at 8:45 AM! If you missed registration, bring your child to the parish center this Sunday for registration and enrollment. 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. We 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.

Rosary Coast to Coast

Join Catholics across the U.S. as we pray for unity, peace, and the sanctity of life from conception through natural death on October 11, 2020 at 4:00 PM at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Savannah. All are welcome and encouraged to join us!

40 Days for Life

40 Days for Life is an internationally coordinated 40-day campaign that aims to end abortion locally through prayer and fasting, community outreach, and a peaceful all-day vigil in front of abortion businesses. Wednesday, September 23 - Sunday, November 1, prayer vigils for peaceful and prayerful witness will take place daily in front of the Savannah Medical Clinic on 34th Street between Drayton and Abercorn Streets. Anyone wishing to participate may want to speak to your local Respect Life Ministry Representative or committee to find out what is already planned for the 40 day event, or just go to www.40daysforlife.com/savannah and sign up on the website calendar for your preferred time and day. You should find others who are scheduled to pray together already listed on the calendar for Savannah. Contact Sheila Fort, 2020 Fall Director for 40 Days at 912-657-7765 or email Sheilafort.fort@gmail.com for more information.
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!