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 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
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Prelude

Psalm Prelude, Op. 32, No. 3

Howells

Introit

Si iniquitates

Mode III

If you, O Lord, should mark our iniquities, Lord, who could stand?

But with you is found forgiveness, O God of Israel. Psalm 129

Hymn

Lobe den Herren

HYMN

1. Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the king of creation!
   O my soul, praise him, for he is your health and salvation!
   Come, all who hear: Have you not seen: Brother and sister, draw near, Praise him in glad adoration!

2. Praise to the Lord, above all things so mighty reigning; Keeping us safe at his side, and so gently sustaining.
   Let the “A-men!” sound from his people a -
   Met by his gracious dain ing?

3. Praise to the Lord, O let all things so
   Adore him! All that has life and breath come now with praises before him!
   Gain. Gladly with praise we adore him!

Greeting
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

All:

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.
you alone are the Most high Jesus Christ.
in the glory of
God the Father, Amen.

COLLECT (OPENING PRAYER)

READING I

On this mountain the LORD of hosts will provide for all peoples a feast of rich food and choice wines, juicy, rich food and pure, choice wines. On this mountain he will destroy the veil that veils all peoples, the web that is woven over all nations; he will destroy death forever. The Lord GOD will wipe away the tears from every face; the reproach of his people he will remove from the whole earth; for the LORD has spoken. On that day it will be said: “Behold our God, to whom we looked to save us! This is the LORD for whom we looked; let us rejoice and be glad that he has saved us!” For the hand of the LORD will rest on this mountain.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 23

Batastini

I shall live in the house of the Lord all the days of my life.

The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want.
In verdant pastures he gives me repose;
beside restful waters he leads me;
he refreshes my soul.
He guides me in right paths
for his name’s sake.
Even though I walk in the dark valley
I fear no evil; for you are at my side
with your rod and your staff
that give me courage.
You spread the table before me
in the sight of my foes;
you anoint my head with oil;
my cup overflows.
Only goodness and kindness follow me all the days of my life;
and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD for years to come.
READING II

Brothers and sisters: I know how to live in humble circumstances; I know also how to live with abundance. In every circumstance and in all things I have learned the secret of being well fed and of going hungry, of living in abundance and of being in need. I can do all things in him who strengthens me. Still, it was kind of you to share in my distress. My God will fully supply whatever you need, in accord with his glorious riches in Christ Jesus. To our God and Father, glory forever and ever. Amen.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

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

GOSPEL

Jesus again in reply spoke to the chief priests and elders of the people in parables, saying, “The kingdom of heaven may be likened to a king who gave a wedding feast for his son. He dispatched his servants to summon the invited guests to the feast, but they refused to come. A second time he sent other servants, saying, ‘Tell those invited: “Behold, I have prepared my banquet, my calves and fattened cattle are killed, and everything is ready; come to the feast.”’ Some ignored the invitation and went away, one to his farm, another to his business. The rest laid hold of his servants, mistreated them, and killed them. The king was enraged and sent his troops, destroyed those murderers, and burned their city. Then he said to his servants, ‘The feast is ready, but those who were invited were not worthy to come. Go out, therefore, into the main roads and invite to the feast whomever you find.’ The servants went out into the streets and gathered all they found, bad and good alike, and the hall was filled with guests. But when the king came in to meet the guests, he saw a man there not dressed in a wedding garment. The king said to him, ‘My friend, how is it that you came in here without a wedding garment?’ But he was reduced to silence. Then the king said to his attendants, ‘Bind his hands and feet, and cast him into the darkness outside, where there will be wailing and grinding of teeth.’ Many are invited, but few are chosen.”

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

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

Loving Shepherd of thy Sheep
Loving Shepherd of thy sheep, keep thy lamb, in safety keep.
Nothing can they power withstand. None can pluck me from thy hand.
I would bless thee every day, gladly all thy will obey.
Like thy blessed ones above, happy in thy perfect love.

SANCTUS

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.

Mystery Masse

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

GREAT AMEN

A - men, a - men, a - men.
AGNUS DEI

Missa Cum iubilo

1. 2. Have mercy on us. 3. Grant us your peace.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Remove from me all scorn and contempt, for I have kept your commandments; for your law is the object of my meditations. Psalm 118

COMMUNION MOTET

Magnificat in G

My soul doth magnify the Lord: and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Saviour.
For he hath regarded: the lowliness of his handmaiden.
For behold, from henceforth: all generations shall call me blessed.
For he that is mighty hath magnified me: and holy is his Name.
And his mercy is on them that fear him: throughout all generations.
He hath showed strength with his arm: he hath scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts.
He hath put down the mighty from their seat: and hath exalted the humble and meek.
He hath filled the hungry with good things: and the rich he hath sent empty away.
He remembering his mercy hath holpen his servant Israel: as he promised to our forefathers,
Abraham and his seed, for ever.

FINAL BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

HYMN

LAND OF REST

1. Jerusalem, my happy home, When shall I come to thee?
2. Your saints are crowned with glory great; They shall I come to thee? When shall my sorrows see God face to face; They triumph still, they have an end? Your joys when shall I see?
still rejoice: In that most holy place.

POSTLUDE

Fugue in F major

Bach

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October 11, 2020

Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time


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

I would guess we’ve all experienced lean times along with better times. Ramen noodles and boxed mac and cheese in college, fine dining with “rich food and choice wines” once we got real jobs, then back to pizza and beer when balancing school tuition, car payments, and kids’ growing feet. Paul has seen it all and much worse; after all, he is writing from a prison cell! Yet, rather than focus on his own troubles, he expresses gratitude for the support of the Philippians and assures them that God will provide. Paul is not writing about food, fine wine, or financial security, but the “glorious riches in Christ Jesus.” No matter our circumstances, we, too, can trust that God will give us what we need.

GO EVANGELIZE

PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

Imagine Paul, stuck in a prison cell – hungry, thirsty, and probably in pain. And yet he seeks to bolster the Philippian Church, assuring them, “I can do all things in him who strengthens me,” and thanking them: “Still, it was kind of you to share in my distress.” What a powerful faith, and a witness to gratitude of God’s gifts – including the gift of people who love us. I’ve been fortunate to have met people who, facing a chronic disease, the loss of a loved one, or physical challenges, still seem to be looking out for everyone else. Nearly to a person, they say they draw on their faith – and I’ve had the rare opportunity to hear their stories as an editor for a Catholic magazine. They inspire me to keep talking to God every day, so when that next challenge comes – and it will – I, too, can turn to my faith for strength. And it doesn’t stop there. By our example, we can accompany those around us as they carry their burdens, assuring them that they don’t face their trials alone.

ACTION

St. Paul says: “I can do all things in him who strengthens me.” Keep a gratitude journal and write down the ways God has provided for you. Thank God, and then reach out and thank the people who have supported you when things got tough.
Mass Intentions for the week of October 11, 2020

SUNDAY
- Pro Populo
- Anna Chuc Nguyen
- Fr. Andrew Struzzieri
- Art Zimney

MONDAY
- Sr. Rose Mary Collins
- John Thang Dang

TUESDAY
- Adrien E. Reyna
- John Stacy III (MM)

WEDNESDAY
- Art Zimney

THURSDAY
- Anna Chuc Nguyen
- Patrick J. Glynn

FRIDAY
- Anna Chuc Nguyen

SATURDAY
- Anna Chuc Nguyen

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.

We are invited to a feast today. We gather around the table of the Lord, summoned by the Holy Spirit to share in this Eucharistic meal with family, friends, and neighbors, fellow pilgrims on the journey. May this feast nourish and sustain us as we go forth in joy to continue building the kingdom in our little corner of the world and beyond.

Flowers on the Blessed Mother Altar are In Memory of Art Zimney
40 Days for Life

40 Days for Life is an internationally coordinat-ed 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 Represent-ative 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.

Rosary Coast to Coast
This Sunday

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

Our Commitment to a Safe Environment

The Diocese of Savannah is committed to providing safe environments and fostering continuous improvement in every organization that sponsors activities and/or provides services to children and youth. Through a series of workshops, educational materials, classroom instruction and back-ground checks, the Diocese is:

Increasing awareness of potentially harmful situations through the VIRTUS training workshops.

Empowering adults and children to act before abuse occurs through the Child Lures Prevention for Catholic School and Religious Education students and in Youth Ministry with an Inter-generational Program for families.

Evaluating background checks for relevance to the employee’s or volunteer’s position.

Implementing a Pastoral Code of Conduct which outlines acceptable and unacceptable behaviors for all clergy, employees and volunteers.

Providing continuing education through the VIRTUS Web site.

The Cathedral Basilica of St. John the Baptist is committed to providing a safe environment to protecting our children. Anyone wishing to work or volunteer in our church must be VIRTUS certified. Register online as “First Time Registrant” www.virtus.org. All Virtus training is done online through Zoom. Contact Brenda with any questions at 912-233-4709.
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!