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

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TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

PRELUDE

Partita sopra: Ach wie nightig, ach wie flüchtig

Böhm

INTROIT

To you I call; for you will surely heed me, O God; turn your ear to me; hear my words. Guard me as the apple of your eye; in the shadow of your wings protect me. Psalm 16

HYMN

FOREST GREEN

1. Blessed be the God of Israel, The everlasting Lord, Who comes in pow’r to save his own, His people Israel. For Israel he raises up Salvation’s tow’r on high, In David’s house, who

2. Through holy prophets did he speak His word in days of old, That he would save us from our foes And all who bear us ill. To our ancestors did he give His vows to set his people free From cov’nant of love; So with us all he reigns as king And servant of the Lord.

3. Of old he gave his solemn oath To Father Abraham: His seed a mighty race should be, And bless’d for evermore. He vowed to set his people free From fear of ev’ry foe That we might serve him all our days In goodness, love and peace.
PENITENTIAL ACT

GLORIA

Cantor/Choir:

All:

1. Lord have mercy.
2. Christ have mercy.

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

COLLECT (OPENING PRAYER)

READING I

Thus says the LORD to his anointed, Cyrus, whose right hand I grasp, subduing nations before him, and making kings run in his service, opening doors before him and leaving the gates unbarred: For the sake of Jacob, my servant, of Israel, my chosen one, I have called you by your name, giving you a title, though you knew me not. I am the LORD and there is no other, there is no God beside me. It is I who arm you, though you know me not, so that toward the rising and the setting of the sun people may know that there is none besides me. I am the LORD, there is no other.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Sing to the LORD a new song;
sing to the LORD, all you lands.
Tell his glory among the nations;
among all peoples, his wondrous deeds.
For great is the LORD and highly to be praised;
averse is he, beyond all gods.
For all the gods of the nations are things of nought,
but the LORD made the heavens.

Give to the LORD, you families of nations,
give to the LORD glory and praise;
give to the LORD the glory due his name!
Bring gifts, and enter his courts.
Worship the LORD, in holy attire;
tremble before him, all the earth;
say among the nations: The LORD is king,
he governs the peoples with equity.
READING II

Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy to the church of the Thessalonians in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ: grace to you and peace. We give thanks to God always for all of you, remembering you in our prayers, unceasingly calling to mind your work of faith and labor of love and endurance in hope of our Lord Jesus Christ, before our God and Father, knowing, brothers and sisters loved by God, how you were chosen. For our gospel did not come to you in word alone, but also in power and in the Holy Spirit and with much conviction.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Berthier

GOSPEL

The Pharisees went off and plotted how they might entrap Jesus in speech. They sent their disciples to him, with the Herodians, saying, “Teacher, we know that you are a truthful man and that you teach the way of God in accordance with the truth. And you are not concerned with anyone’s opinion, for you do not regard a person’s status. Tell us, then, what is your opinion: Is it lawful to pay the census tax to Caesar or not?” Knowing their malice, Jesus said, “Why are you testing me, you hypocrites? Show me the coin that pays the census tax.” Then they handed him the Roman coin. He said to them, “Whose image is this and whose inscription?” They replied, “Caesar’s.” At that he said to them, “Then repay to Caesar what belongs to Caesar and to God what belongs to 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

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

There is a Balm in Gilead  Dawson

There is a balm in Gilead to make the wounded whole
There is a balm in Gilead to save a sin-sick soul.
Sometimes I feel discouraged, and think my work’s in vain,
But then the Holy Spirit revives my soul again.
If you cannot sing like angels, If you cannot preach like Paul
Oh, you can tell the love of Jesus, and say He died for us all.

SANCTUS  Proulx

Community Mass

Heav’n and earth are full of your glory.
Ho-san-nah in the high-est, ho-san-nah in the high-est.
Blest is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-nah in the high-est, ho-san-nah in the high-est.

MYSTERIUM FIDEI  Proulx

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

GREAT AMEN  Proulx

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

Missa Cum iubilo

Vatican Mass IX

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

O Lord our governor, how admirable is your name in all the earth! Psalm 8

COMMUNION MOTET

Ave Maria

Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee; blessed art thou among women, and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death. Amen.

FINAL BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

HYMN

LEONI

POSTLUDE

Fugue in G minor, BWV 578

Bach

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SUNDAY, OCTOBER 18TH, 5:00 P.M.

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October 18, 2020

Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Is 45:1, 4-6 | 1 Thes 1:1-5B | Mt 22:15-21

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

I took up distance running some years ago, thanks largely to a group of friends who encouraged me along the way. We’d share the peaks and valleys of our lives as we tackled rolling hills. Those long runs come to mind when I hear Paul give thanks to the Thessalonians for having “endurance in hope of our Lord Jesus Christ.” Paul here speaks of hope in Jesus – a hope that has the risen Christ as its foundation, and is central to the Christian life. When I think of what lies at the end of a long run, such as water and blissful rest, and how grateful I am for these simple pleasures, I cannot help but rejoice in the hope that St. Paul refers to today. Our catechism makes it clear: “We firmly believe, and hence we hope that, just as Christ is truly risen from the dead and lives forever, so after death the righteous will live forever with the risen Christ and he will raise them up on the last day.” (1889)

**GO EVANGELIZE | PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT**

During a particularly challenging time, I confided in a close friend over the phone. She didn’t just offer to pray for me, she actually prayed *with* me on that phone call. I don’t recall her exact words, but she called on Jesus to help me trust that God would see me through. So often, it can be hard to find the words to encourage others in their faith. When that happens, why not bring Jesus into the conversation? It may seem awkward at first, but offering to pray with another person in real time can be a powerful witness and encouragement. As Christians, we don’t rely on “hoping” that everything will work out in the end; instead, we know that our hope is in Christ Jesus. As the catechism says: “Hope is the theological virtue by which we desire the kingdom of heaven and eternal life as our happiness.” (1817) It doesn’t get much more direct than that. Reflect on what “hope” looks like for us as Christians. And then tell a friend about it.

**DID YOU KNOW?** The source of our second reading today, the First Letter from Paul to the Thessalonians, contains the earliest mention within Christian literature of the three theological virtues: “faith, hope and love.” Reread today’s passage, and then read 1 Thessalonians 5:5-8. In prayer, we can ask God to help us grow in all three virtues and show us ways to share them with others.
Undoubtedly we have spent much of the past week doing things others have asked us to do: work for our bosses, errands for our spouses, homework for our teachers, care for our children or parents. Hopefully we have spent part of the past week also doing the things God asks of us, though they may overlap quite a bit with the rest. Here and now, however, we dedicate this time to God. Let us reflect on all the gifts God has given us and lift our hearts and voices in thanksgiving and praise.

Mass Intentions for the week of October 18, 2020

**SUNDAY**
Pro Populo
Marie B. Sheppard (Anni)
Art Zimney
Poor Souls in Purgatory

**MONDAY**
Int. of James Hough
Rosemary Tomfor Remington

**TUESDAY**
Int. of Bill Boyle
John Thang Dang

**WEDNESDAY**
Anna Chuc Nguyen
Barb Langelund

**THURSDAY**
Int. of Devon Corbett

**FRIDAY**
Diane Smith

**SATURDAY**


Flowers on the Blessed Mother Altar are
In Memory of
Joseph J. Peyton
Council of Catholic Women is Still Serving our Parish. Want to Join?

Cathedral Basilica of St. John the Baptist Council of Catholic Women is inviting all women of the church to our next meeting. It is being held Tuesday October 27, 2020 in the parish hall at 6:30 PM. We will be social distancing and masks will be worn. The CCCW is a service organization of the church which supports our clergy and projects that help our community. Because of covid our projects and activities will be limited this year. We extend an invitation to all parishioners that would like to take part in this wonderful women’s organization. If you have questions please email Virginia Broderick at vabroderick@comcast.net. We hope to see you on the 27th.

Children's Religious Education Schedule

Oct 18 - CLASS
Oct 25 - CLASS - Empowering God’s Children (Lesson 4)

Dispensation from the obligation to attend Sunday Mass to Remain in effect through November 22nd.

World Mission Sunday
Second Collection This Week

Be Baptized and Sent - on Mission in the World!

Today, World Mission Sunday, in this Extraordinary Missionary Month, we are called to personal encounter with Jesus Christ alive in the Church, and to offer, through this Eucharistic celebration, our prayers and our generous financial support, through the Society for the Propagation of the Faith, to continue the mission of Jesus. Today we are “sent” out to witness to Mission in the world through our prayers and personal sacrifices for our brothers and sisters around the world. As little as:

$25 helps support a catechist for a month in remote Latin America
$75 provides for the work of religious Sisters caring for orphaned children in Africa
$100 assists poor children in boarding schools in Asia

As always, your prayers are your most treasured gift to the Missions. Your prayers and financial help, offered today, WORLD MISSION SUNDAY, support mission priests, religious Sisters and Brothers, and lay catechists who are Christ’s witnesses to a world so in need of His healing, love, and peace.
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!

New Parishioners and Address Changes

Anyone wishing to become a parishioner of the Cathedral Basilica can complete the following, cut out and drop 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 ________________________________

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Telephone Number ___________________________