



## *Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion*

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### **ENTRANCE ANTIPHON: MT: 21:9**

Hosanna to the Son of David;  
blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord,  
the King of Israel.  
Hosanna in the highest.

### **PROCESSION WITH THE PALMS: MT 21:1-11**

Because Matthew's community had a strong Jewish-Christian membership, this Gospel seeks to show how Jesus fulfills the expectations of the prophets for a messiah. The author also tells the story of the Passion in such a way as to show that Jesus is in charge of his own destiny, as when he sends the disciples for the ass and colt.

### **READING I: IS 50:4-7**

The third Song of the Servant is the song of a disciple who listens and learns and lives by what God says.

### **PSALM RESPONSE: PS 22**

The opening line of this individual lament is quoted by Jesus on the cross (see Mark 15:34 in today's passion narrative). After listing his trials, the psalmist affirms faith in God and promises to praise God "in the midst of the assembly."

### **READING II: PHIL 2:6-11**

This is the "kenosis" hymn—a Christian hymn that Paul borrowed and inserted into his letter to the Christians at Philippi, adding the phrase "death on a cross" to make his point that Jesus was actually a human being and not a divine being who merely seemed human—a human being who died and was exalted.

### **GOSPEL: MT 26:14—27:66**

In Matthew's account, Jesus is in charge of his own destiny. He knows what will happen, and he even takes certain actions "that the writings of the prophets may be fulfilled."

### **COMMUNION ANTIPHON: MT 26:42**

Father, if this chalice cannot pass without my drinking it,  
your will be done.

## **A MEDITATION FROM POPE FRANCIS**

(A reflection drawn from the Gospel passage on the apostles' fear in a storm-tossed boat, below is an excerpt from the text of the Pope's message at the extraordinary *urbi et orbi* on the steps of St Peter's on 27 March 2020.)

"The Lord asks us and, in the midst of our tempest,  
invites us to reawaken  
and put into practice that solidarity and hope  
capable of giving strength, support, and meaning  
to these hours when everything seems to be floundering.

The Lord awakens  
so as to reawaken and revive our Easter faith.  
We have an anchor: by his cross, we have been saved.  
We have a rudder: by his cross, we have been redeemed.

We have hope: by his cross,  
we have been healed and embraced  
so that nothing and no one can separate us  
from his redeeming love.

In the midst of isolation when we are suffering  
from a lack of tenderness and chances to meet up,  
and we experience the loss of so many things,  
let us once again listen to the proclamation  
that saves us: he is risen and is living by our side.

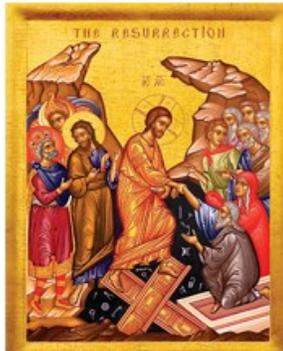
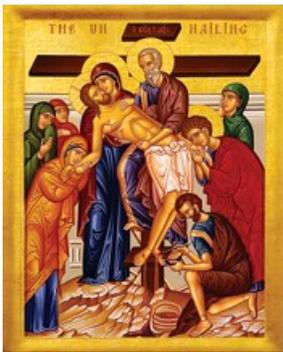
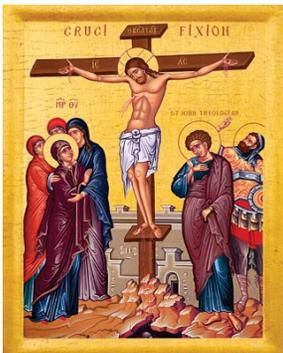
The Lord asks us from his cross  
to rediscover the life that awaits us,  
to look towards those who look to us,  
to strengthen, recognize and foster the grace  
that lives within us.  
Let us not quench the wavering flame (cf. Is 42:3)  
that never falters,  
and let us allow hope to be rekindled."

## **SPIRITUAL COMMUNION**

### **AN ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION**

**BY ST. ALPHONSUS LIGUORI**

My Jesus, I believe that You are present  
in the Most Holy Sacrament.  
I love You above all things,  
and I desire to receive You into my soul.  
Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally,  
come at least spiritually into my heart.  
I embrace You as if You were already there  
and unite myself wholly to You.  
Never permit me to be separated from You.  
Amen.



## HOLY WEEK

### ◆ PLEASE NOTE ◆

Palm Sunday, Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and Easter Sunday liturgies will be live-streamed online only from St. Jane de Chantal Church.

The church will not be open while these liturgies take place.

These liturgies will be found on our parish YouTube channel, [www.youtube.com/channel/UCURF\\_x0PSNBf3HXZA5XMh-MQ](http://www.youtube.com/channel/UCURF_x0PSNBf3HXZA5XMh-MQ).

An Order of Worship for each these will be made available.

### ◆ WEDNESDAY, APRIL 8 ◆

Sacrament of penance & Eucharistic Adoration, 6:45-8:00 pm.

### ◆ HOLY THURSDAY, APRIL 9 ◆

The Mass of the Lord's Supper will be live-streamed from St. Jane de Chantal Church beginning at 7:30 p.m.

Please note that the Blessed Sacrament will not be reposed following Mass this year.

### ◆ GOOD FRIDAY, APRIL 10 ◆

Stations of the Cross will be live-streamed from St. Jane de Chantal Church at 12:00 noon. Stations will be live-streamed either on YouTube or GoToMeeting; stay tuned for more information.

The Service of the Lord's Passion will be live-streamed from St. Jane de Chantal Church at 3:00 pm.

### ◆ HOLY SATURDAY, APRIL 11 ◆

The Easter Vigil will not be live-streamed from St. Jane de Chantal Church.

All are invited to view the Mass live-streamed at 8:00 pm from the Cathedral of St. Matthew, Apostle, with Archbishop Wilton Gregory as celebrant.

The Mass will be live-streamed on the Archdiocese of Washington YouTube channel, [www.youtube.com/washarchdiocese](http://www.youtube.com/washarchdiocese).

### ◆ EASTER SUNDAY, APRIL 12 ◆

Mass will live-streamed from St. Jane de Chantal Church at 10:00 am.

**LENT IN OUR PARISH**

**CRS RICE BOWL: DO THIS IN MEMORY OF ME**

As we enter Holy Week, we celebrate the gift of the Eucharist as our heavenly food. We continue to reflect on the challenge of global hunger. How does our faith inspire us to share the gifts that God has bestowed on us? You may return your rice bowl donations either by check (write Rice Bowl on the memo line, and mail to St. Jane de Chantal, 9701 Old Georgetown Rd, Bethesda MD 20814) or give directly to Catholic Relief Services online (visit <https://www.crsricebowl.org> and click the green "Donate" button at the upper right of the screen).

**LENTEN LESSONS ON THE MASS**

Deepen your faith this Lent with 40 lessons on the Eucharist and the Holy Mass—the source and summit of our faith. Sign up at <https://RelevantRadio.com> to receive a Lenten Lesson in your email inbox each day, then read or listen to Fr. Rocky Hoffman's one-minute lesson while you brush your teeth, on the way to work, or at the dinner table.

**IN OUR PARISH**

*Can't find the bulletin you brought home from church?  
Want to keep up on what's happening in the parish even when you are away on vacation or sick in bed?  
Visit our parish website, [www.stjanedechantal.org](http://www.stjanedechantal.org)  
to view a copy of the bulletin and for more information on parish events and organizations.*

**WELCOME NEW PARISHIONERS**

St. Jane de Chantal Parish welcomes those who have recently registered in our parish:

- ◆ Jeffrey Byrnes & Alexis Carroll ◆ Clare Hennigan

If you attend Mass at St. Jane Frances de Chantal regularly, we encourage you to register as a member. Please complete a registration form, which can be found at [www.stjanedechantal.org](http://www.stjanedechantal.org), scan it, and email it to

[parish.office@stjanedechantal.org](mailto:parish.office@stjanedechantal.org).

**THE PARISH OFFICE**

While the new Stay-At-Home Order from the State of Maryland allows parish offices to remain open, the St. Jane de Chantal parish office will be closed for the time being and staff will be working from home as their jobs permit. If you have an emergency, call 301-530-1551 and the answering service will contact the priest on duty. If you have any other questions or concerns, email [parish.office@stjanedechantal.org](mailto:parish.office@stjanedechantal.org). If you know the email address for a staff member, you may email them directly.

**LIVE-STREAMED MASS FROM ST. JANE CHURCH**

Thank you to all who join our internet congregation on Sundays. The live-streamed liturgies are available on our YouTube channel, [www.youtube.com/channel/UCURF0PSNBf3HXZA5XMh-MQ](http://www.youtube.com/channel/UCURF0PSNBf3HXZA5XMh-MQ). The texts of the sermons can be found on our parish website, <http://stjanedechantal.org/media/sermons>.

**NATIONAL PHILHARMONIC**

St. Jane's Director of Music and Liturgy, Jeffrey Porter, will be part of the pre-concert lecture for an upcoming concert of the National Philharmonic. On May 30, they will perform Beethoven's *Missa Solemnis*. The concert begins at 8:00 pm at Strathmore. The pre-concert lecture begins at 6:45 pm. St. Jane parishioners will receive a 20% discount on tickets by using the code STJANE20. Tickets are on sale at the Strathmore box office online at [nationalphilharmonic.org](http://nationalphilharmonic.org) or call 301-581-5100. This is part of our outreach to the larger community by the Evangelism Committee.

**LIGHTBULB EXCHANGE**

Come to the Lightbulb Exchange event rescheduled for Sunday, May 31, from 8:00 am until 12:00 noon in Caulfield Hall. Anyone who brings in three incandescent or CFL lightbulbs will receive in exchange three LED lightbulbs. You will learn how LED bulbs can save your energy costs,

**MAINTENANCE COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND, APRIL 4/5**

**\* RECURRING MAINTENANCE EXPENSES**

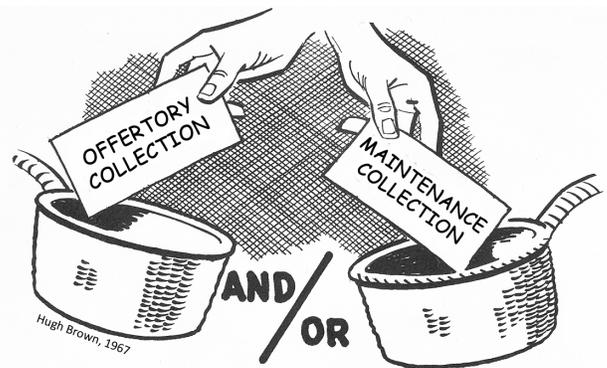
Pest Control .....	\$155.00
Elevator Maintenance.....	\$915.00
Cleaning Service .....	\$9,773.00
Total Recurring Expenses.....	\$10,843.00

\* Recurring expenses include those billed monthly, quarterly, semi-annually, and annually.

**EXTRAORDINARY MAINTENANCE EXPENSES**

Plumbing Repairs .....	\$560.00
Heating Repairs.....	\$4,928.00
Total Extraordinary Expenses .....	\$5,488.00

**Total Expenses 2/1/2020 - 3/1/2020 .....\$10,088.00**



The second collection this weekend is our monthly collection to help with the repair and maintenance of our parish facilities.

You may make your maintenance collection gift online at <https://membership.faithdirect.net/givenow/30>.

The Maintenance Collection in March (as of 3/31) totaled \$8,242. **THANK YOU!**

and lighten your load! The St. Jane Frances de Chantal Environmental Committee has arranged for this event with the Montgomery County Department of Environmental Protection.

**REMEMBER IN PRAYER**

. . . those who are sick, and all those in our nursing homes and hospitals, especially John and Pat Krisko, Pierre Benjamin, and Leonard Moreno.

. . . those who have died, especially Mary Scott.

**IN OUR LITURGY & MUSIC MINISTRIES**

Visit the Music Ministries page at [www.stjanedechantal.org/ministries/music-ministry](http://www.stjanedechantal.org/ministries/music-ministry) for information on the many music ensembles at St. Jane.

**IN OUR FAITH FORMATION PROGRAMS**

Visit the Faith Formation page at [www.stjanedechantal.org](http://www.stjanedechantal.org) for information on the various programs, registration forms and calendars.

**IN OUR BLUE RIBBON SCHOOL**

Check out the St. Jane de Chantal School website at [www.dechantal.org](http://www.dechantal.org) to get information on admissions, see what each classroom is studying, and more.

**SCHOOL TOURS**

Families interested in the 2020-21 school year are encouraged to contact Catherine Tomscheck, at [ctomscheck@dechantal.org](mailto:ctomscheck@dechantal.org). For more information, visit [www.dechantal.org](http://www.dechantal.org).

**IN OUR ARCHDIOCESE**

For more information on vocations, education, family, youth, social concerns, & other events in the Archdiocese of Washington, visit [www.adw.org](http://www.adw.org). The website also has a media center, which includes social media tools, a YouTube channel, and apps.

**ARCHDIOCESAN DEACON FORMATION PROGRAM**

Permanent deacons are called to a special ministry of service through which they assist the poor, the hungry, the sick, the homeless, immigrants, and others. As ministers of God's Word, deacons proclaim the Gospel at Mass, preach, and teach. They also exercise various liturgical roles, including baptisms, witnessing marriages, and preside at funerals, wakes, and graveside services. The Office of Permanent Diaconate Formation of the Archdiocese of

Washington will begin a new cycle of preparation of men for the diaconate in October 2020. The initial series of "Come and See" events have been cancelled. Interested men may still contact Deacon Charles Huber, Assistant Director of Formation, at 301-853-4582 or [HuberC@adw.org](mailto:HuberC@adw.org). Qualifications and Inquirer's Information Form are available at <https://adw.org/vocations/deacons/formation-program/>.

**POST ABORTION DAY OF PRAYER AND HEALING**

Have unresolved feelings about your abortion experience? Come to an Entering Canaan Day of Prayer and Healing, Saturday, April 25, 9:00 am to 5:30 pm. For more information and to register, call 301-982-2008 or email [hope@adw.org](mailto:hope@adw.org). Location and contacts are confidential due to the personal nature of this experience.

**ARCHDIOCESAN JUBILARIAN CELEBRATION OF MARRIAGE**

The annual ADW Jubilarian Celebration of Marriage honors couples married 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50 and 51+ years. This year the Mass will be held on Sunday, June 28, at 2:00 pm at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception with his Excellency, Archbishop Wilton D. Gregory, as the celebrant. Register by May 18 by contacting the St. Jane parish office at 301-530-1550 or parish. [office@stjanedechantal.org](mailto:office@stjanedechantal.org).

**STEWARDSHIP**

*"Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord!" shout the crowds in today's Gospel.  
May we be always ready to share our blessings when we are sent in His name! (c.f., Luke 19:38)*

**OFFERTORY COLLECTION ENVELOPES**

Thank you to all who have been mailing your contribution envelopes to the parish office. If you use the offering envelopes mailed to you each month, please use the white self-addressed envelope that comes with the packet to mail your contributions to the parish office. If you do not have the self-addressed envelope, mail your contributions to 9701 Old Georgetown Road, Bethesda, Maryland 20814.

**POOR BOX**

The Poor Box this weekend, April 4/5, will benefit the Monsignor Christopher Fund. Our parish school may be closed due to COVID-19 health concerns, but, our students are learning just as much and our teachers are working just as hard from home. Our school families value Catholic education, yet, with current economy uncertainty, some may need help paying tuition. The Monsignor Christopher Fund provides need-based scholarships to our parish school. You can help support students in our "Best of Bethesda" school by making a gift online at <https://membership.faithdirect.net/givenow/30>.

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to St. Jane de Chantal Parish & School:

**NON-CASH**

STOCK TRANSFERS, DONOR-ADVISED FUNDS, & IRA CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS;  
CALL THE PARISH OFFICE TO DESIGNATE INTENTION

ENVELOPES

CALL THE PARISH OFFICE TO REQUEST ENVELOPES

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VISIT FAITHDIRECT.NET TO MAKE A ONE-TIME GIFT

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MAIL

9701 OLD GEORGETOWN RD  
BETHESDA MD 20814-1795

RECURRING

THROUGH FAITHDIRECT.NET OR YOUR BANK'S BILL PAY

Sunday, April 5, – Saturday, April 7, 2020  
For all upcoming events, visit [www.stjanedechantal.org](http://www.stjanedechantal.org), click on "Complete Parish Calendar."

PARISH CALENDAR

C = Church ♦ CH = Caulfield Hall ♦ CGS = Gathering Space ♦ CLL = Church Lower Lobby  
 CRH = Christopher Hall ♦ SMR = Scanlan Meeting Room ♦ DCR = De Chantal Room  
 MR = Music Room ♦ NMR = Nalls Meeting Room ♦ RBR = Rectory Board Room  
 SCH = School ♦ SC = Seton Center for Religious Education  
 AF = Athletic Field ♦ PG = Parish Grounds

**SUNDAY, APRIL 5**

10:00 am..... Mass ..... ONLINE

**MONDAY, APRIL 6**

**TUESDAY, APRIL 7**

**WEDNESDAY, APRIL 8**

6:45 pm..... Confessions & Adoration..... C

**THURSDAY, APRIL 9**

7:30 pm..... Mass of the Lord's Supper ..... ONLINE

**FRIDAY, APRIL 10**

12:00 pm..... Stations of the Cross ..... ONLINE  
 3:00 pm..... The Service of the Lord's Passion ..... ONLINE

**SATURDAY, APRIL 11**

8:00 pm..... The Easter Vigil ..... ONLINE

**POPE FRANCIS**

There are some who  
 are already thinking  
 about after  
 the epidemic,  
 and all the problems  
 that will arise  
 regarding poverty,  
 work, hunger.  
 Let us pray together  
 for all the people  
 who are helping today,  
 but who are also  
 thinking about how  
 to help all of us  
 tomorrow.

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**READINGS**

**Apr. 8**

Reading I  
 Acts 10:34a, 37-43

Reading II  
 Col 3:1-4 or  
 I Cor 5:6b-8

Gospel  
 Jn 20:1-9

**INTENTIONS**

Sun., April 5 – Sat., April 7

Sunday 8:00 am  
 10:00 am  
 12:00 pm  
 5:00 pm  
 Monday 8:30 am  
 Tuesday 8:30 am  
 Wednesday 8:30 am  
 Thursday 8:30 am  
 Friday 8:30 am  
 Saturday 8:30 am  
 5:00 pm

*Someone from  
 the parish office  
 will contact  
 those who have  
 requested intentions  
 regarding scheduling.  
 If you have not heard  
 from the office,  
 call 301-530-1550.*

**ALTAR SERVERS**

Mon., April 6 – Sun., April 8

Monday 8:30 am  
 Tuesday 8:30 am  
 Wednesday 8:30 am  
 Thursday 8:30 am  
 Friday 8:30 am  
 7:30 pm  
 Saturday 8:30 am  
 5:00 pm  
 Sunday 8:00 am  
 10:00 am  
 12:00 pm  
 5:00 pm