

Third Sunday of Easter

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ENTRANCE ANTIPHON: PS 66:1-2

Cry out with joy to God, all the earth;
O sing to the glory of his name.
O render him glorious praise, alleluia.

READING I: ACTS 2:14, 22-33

This is the first of six discourses in Acts (along with Acts 3:12–26; 4:8–12; 5:29–32; 10:34–43; 13:16–41) dealing with the resurrection of Jesus and its messianic import.

Five of these are attributed to Peter, the final one to Paul. Modern scholars term these discourses in Acts the “kerygma,” the Greek word for proclamation.

PSALM RESPONSE: PS 16

“Lord, you will show us the path of life.”
This prayer for protection includes at its heart
an extended reflection
of what it means to believe in the One God.

READING II: 1 PT 1:17-21

Christians have received the redemption
prophesied by Isaiah (Is 52:3),
through the blood (Jewish symbol of life)
of the spotless lamb (1 Pt 19).

GOSPEL: LK 24:13-35

The resurrection narrative in Luke consists of five sections:

- (1) the women at the empty tomb (Lk 23:56b–24:12);
- (2) the appearance to the two disciples on the way to Emmaus (Lk 24:13–35);
- (3) the appearance to the disciples in Jerusalem (Lk 24:36–43);
- (4) Jesus’ final instructions (Lk 24:44–49);
- and (5) the ascension (Lk 24:50–53).

In Luke, all the resurrection appearances take place in and around Jerusalem; moreover, they are all recounted as having taken place on Easter Sunday.

A consistent theme throughout the narrative is that the suffering, death, and resurrection of Jesus were accomplished in fulfillment of Old Testament promises and of Jewish hopes.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON: LK 24:35

The disciples recognized the Lord Jesus
in the breaking of the bread, alleluia.

THE NEW NORMAL FROM CORONAVIRUS

(The following is an excerpt from Archbishop Wilton Gregory’s “What I Have Seen and Heard” March 19 column for the *Catholic Standard* newspaper and website of the Archdiocese of Washington.)

“I never dreamed as a bishop that one day my best pastoral option would not involve expanding access to the Eucharist but suspending it, let alone at a time of such distress in the Church and in the world. Even the term, ‘social distancing,’ while scientifically understood to be the most efficacious approach to averting the potential catastrophe that is the coronavirus, seems like an oxymoron that wholly contradicts the mission of Christ’s Church to go and make disciples. [...]

As we have temporarily set aside public worship during this time of necessary social separation, we value the gift of assembled common prayer even more. We believe as Catholics that we are always united together spiritually as the Church transcends both time and distance. We have always understood our union to be something more profound and enduring than mere physical proximity. [...]

Returning to our ordinary patterns of life is something that we all hope will occur very soon. Let us bring the memories of these moments with us into the future so that we better value and cherish what may have become under-appreciated opportunities to be in the presence of our Savior and each other.

This disease will not get the best of us; rather, we implore our merciful God to use it to bring out the best in us.”

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.

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
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. 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, scan it, and email it to parish.office@stjanedechantal.org.

CRS RICE BOWL: DO THIS IN MEMORY OF ME

We prayed, fasted and gave alms—and now we celebrate the Risen Lord! Our Lenten journey with CRS Rice Bowl challenges us as we begin the Easter season to share what we have with our global family. Don't forget to turn in your CRS Rice Bowl. 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).

THE PARISH OFFICE

While the 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. 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 parish YouTube channel, www.youtube.com/channel/UCURFx0PSNBf3HXZA5XMh-MQ. The texts of the sermons can be found on our parish website, <http://stjanedechantal.org/media/sermons>.

NATIONAL PHILHARMONIC

The May 30 concert, in which the National Philharmonic was to perform Beethoven's *Missa Solemnis*, has been cancelled. While its 2020-2021 season has not yet been announced, we look forward to further opportunities with it as part of our outreach to the larger community.

LIGHTBULB EXCHANGE

The Lightbulb Exchange event scheduled for Sunday, May 31, as been cancelled. It will be rescheduled, again, once public Masses resume.

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 Celine Tracy.

IN OUR LITURGY & MUSIC MINISTRIES

Visit the Music Ministries page at 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 for information on the various programs, registration forms and calendars.



ST. JANE FRANCES DE CHANTAL CHURCH
Live-Stream Mass
Sundays at 10:00 am

[https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCURFx0PSNBf3HXZA5XMh-MQ?](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCURFx0PSNBf3HXZA5XMh-MQ?view_as=subscriber)
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IN OUR BLUE RIBBON SCHOOL

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

2020-2021 SCHOOL YEAR

St. Jane de Chantal School is currently accepting applications for the 2020-21 school year. There is space available in classrooms grade Pre-K to grade 8. Interested families should visit the school website, www.dechantal.org, and view information found in the Admissions Tab. Inquiries can be made directly to Catherine Tomscheck via email at ctomscheck@dechantal.org.

DISTANCE LEARNING

Each grade uses Google Classroom as the main hub for each class. Pre-K through third grades can watch pre-recorded videos of their teachers explaining new material for every subject, reading aloud, and even conducting experiments! Zoom conferencing for the younger grades is known as "snack time." This is a time for students to connect socially and emotionally with the guidance of teachers and their aides. Fourth through sixth grade classes have been doing a mixture of live and pre-recorded classes. Third grade conducted their annual Wax Museum project over Zoom conferencing, and fourth grade held its annual Famous Americans project over Zoom. Applications such as FlipGrid, Kahoot, Quizzes, Brainpop Jr., IXL, Newsela, and Mystery Science provide outlets for students to communicate, create, learn, and have fun too! The middle school conducts many of their classes in a live format through Zoom conferencing. Students are expected to sign-in to classes each morning in a polo shirt ready to learn as if they were together in the school building as young professionals. Special teaches are providing instruction to each grade with read-alouds for library class, making instruments for music class, guided drawing for art class, and even 50 yard dash races in PE! De Chantal even

has a wellness and health online classroom run by our nurse for our students to find different methods to handle the stress and uncertainty surrounding this time in our world and the world of online learning. For a peak into our virtual classrooms, visit the De Chantal facebook page, www.facebook.com/dechantalschool.

EARTH DAY CELEBRATIONS

On April 22, the students and teachers celebrated Earth day in a variety of ways. Science students started each class with prayer acknowledging our gratitude for the beauty of God's creation, and requesting God's help to always respect and share His gifts of life. Mrs. Shea's Art Show for 2020 themed, "The Earth," demonstrated how each student created work honoring the earth. Many art pieces used recycled materials. Take a virtual tour of the 2020 deChantal Art show by visiting the De Chantal facebook page, www.facebook.com/dechantalschool. Students in all grades, planted seed, flowers, and enjoyed glorious spring weather outside. Several books highlighting the earth, plant, and animal life were read by teachers during their Loom or Zoom sessions with younger children.

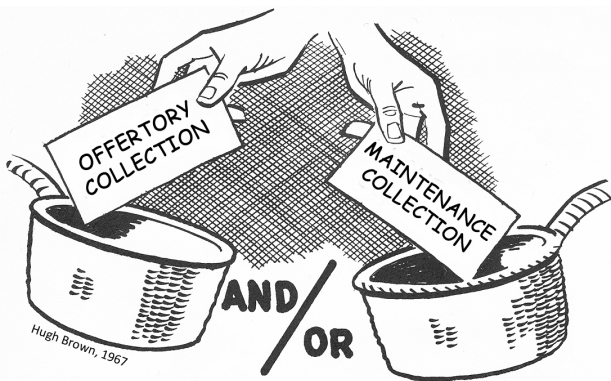
IN OUR ARCHDIOCESE

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

APRIL IS NATIONAL CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH

The Archdiocese of Washington is committed to keeping children safe and to bringing healing to those harmed. You are invited to learn more about the archdiocesan Child Protection Policy and download parent guides by visiting <https://adw.org/about-us/policies-and-resources/child-protection>. If you have been a victim of child sexual abuse, contact the Office of Child and Youth Protection at 301-853-

TO GIVE OR NOT TO GIVE



**THIS IS A DECISION
YOU MUST MAKE**

PLEASE HELP US MAINTAIN PARISH OPERATIONS DURING THIS TIME OF WORRY

We wish to thank all parishioners and friends who have supported our parish with prayers and contributions during this health crisis. We have a number of new contributors using our online giving program, Faith Direct, and also have a quite of number of parishioners faithfully mailing their offering envelopes to the parish each week. Your generosity allows us to support you through our online live-stream liturgies, and by maintaining a clean and safe church for prayer and devotion.

Please prayerfully consider signing up with Faith Direct!

By giving electronically through Faith Direct, you can ensure that our parishioners are cared for and our church is safe, even if you are unable to be present. To enroll, visit Faith Direct's website, www.faithdirect.net, or call toll-free, 1-866-507-8757; our parish code is MD30. You can also fill out and mail a Faith Direct enrollment form, which can be found in the gathering space of church.

5302, so you may get the assistance you need.

BOOST SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

The deadline to apply for a BOOST scholarship has been extended to Monday, June 1. The scholarships, available to qualifying low-income students, will assist parents in sending their children to a non-public school for the 2020-21 school year. This program is a great opportunity for families whose children currently attend public school, as well as those with children in a Catholic school who are struggling with tuition. For more information and to apply, visit marylandpublicschools.org/pages/boost/index.aspx.

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. Qualifications and Inquirer's Information Form are available at <https://adw.org/vocations/deacons/formation-program/>.

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.

VOLUNTEERS / ITEMS NEEDED

CATHOLIC CHARITIES: HOMEMADE FACE COVERINGS

Catholic Charities staff remain at essential programs such as shelters and food distribution centers. Because many supplies such as surgical masks have been unavailable for purchase, Catholic Charities is seeking to provide their staff members with three cloth face covers twice a month, as well as give residents at their area shelters and food programs a cloth face masks. With the help of the volunteer community, Catholic Charities hopes to have a steady supply for the coming months as the local community continues to combat the coronavirus. For sewing instructions and mailing directions, visit [www.catholiccharitiesdc.org/wp-content/](http://www.catholiccharitiesdc.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/04/Catholic-Charities-Cloth-Face-Coverings-1.pdf)

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HOLY CROSS HEALTH: SUPPLIES

Holy Cross Health (Montgomery County) has an online wish list of needs, such as personal protective equipment, including masks (that meet certain criteria), supplies, and food and self-care items for staff. Learn more at www.holycrosshealth.org/health-and-wellness/coronavirus#help.

STEWARDSHIP

*The disciples on the road to Emmaus
walked and talked with Jesus all day long,
but it was not until they offered Him hospitality
and He blessed and broke the bread
that they recognized Him.
Simple acts of loving kindness
still reveal the presence of God in our midst.*

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.

SECOND COLLECTION: CHURCH MISSION WITHIN THE US

The second collection this weekend, April 25/26, will be the annual collection for Church Missions within the United States. This collection supports mission dioceses in this country that are unable to offer their people the basic pastoral ministries of word, worship, and service without outside help. It may also give grants to other dioceses in the U.S. for particular projects, and to organizations and religious communities engaged in missionary work. Second, it provides vulnerable Black and Native American communities with funds for supporting and strengthening evangelization programs that would otherwise be in danger of disappearing among these communities.

POOR BOX

The Poor Box this weekend, April 25/26, will benefit Northwest Pregnancy Center, a community outreach program where trained counselors work with women and teens to identify, discuss, and solve the many challenges surrounding pregnancy and motherhood. All services are provided free of charge, including: pregnancy testing, short-term and long-term counseling and goal-planning, material assistance, and referral assistance. For more information, visit www.northwestcenter.net.

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GIVE

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
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TO 301-485-5127

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BETHESDA MD 20814-1795

RECURRING

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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 26

10:00 am..... Mass ONLINE

MONDAY, APRIL 27**TUESDAY, APRIL 28****WEDNESDAY, APRIL 29****THURSDAY, APRIL 30****FRIDAY, MAY 1****SATURDAY, MAY 2**

3:45 pm..... Confessions C

POPE FRANCIS

"The road to Emmaus becomes a symbol of our journey of faith: the Scriptures and the Eucharist are the indispensable elements for encountering the Lord. We too often go to Sunday Mass with our worries, difficulties and disappointments.... Life sometimes wounds us and we go away feeling sad, towards our "Emmaus", turning our backs on God's plan. We distance ourselves from God. But the Liturgy of the Word welcomes us: Jesus explains the Scriptures to us and rekindles in our hearts the warmth of faith and hope, and in Communion he gives us strength. Word of God, the Eucharist: they fill us with joy."

Regina caeli, Pope Francis,
 Saint Peter's Square,
 Third Sunday of Easter,
 4 May 2014

READINGS**May 3**

Reading I
 Acts 2:14a, 36-41

Reading II
 1 Pt 2:20b-25

Gospel
 Jn 10:1-10

INTENTIONS**Sun., April 26 – Sat., May 2**

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 27 – Sun., May 3**

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