

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time / YEAR A

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON: PS 68: 6-7, 36

God is in his holy place, God who unites those who dwell in his house; he himself gives might and strength to his people.

READING I: 1 KGS 3:5, 7-12

Solomon prays for wisdom, which means the ability "to distinguish right from wrong." God gives him such an ability, which seems to be in short supply, since there is "no one to equal" Solomon in this regard!

PSALM RESPONSE: PS 119

"Lord, I love your commands." The great psalm (longest in the Book of Psalms) in praise of the Torah, which Israel considered God's greatest covenant gift a guide to determining what is right and wrong.

READING II: ROM 8:28-30

God has a plan for creation, and those who are called to believe in Jesus are a key part of that plan.

GOSPEL: MT 13:44-52

The first two parables actually tell the stories of two people who cheat to gain great fortunes: the first by disguising what is found in a field and the second by using "insider trading" to gain a fabulous pearl. The parable of the net is like the parable of the wheat and weeds (used last Sunday): good and bad fish are collected, and they are not sorted until the fishing expedition is over.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON: Ps 103:2

Bless the Lord, O my soul, and never forget all his benefits.

ST. FRANCES DE CHANTAL CHURCH JULY 19, 2020

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OPENING THE WORD: 17TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

This Sunday's Scriptures focus on comparing God's Word, law, commands, and will with earthly goods and riches. Psalm 119 tells us that while gold and silver are valuable, God's wisdom is even more valuable. The relative good of precious metals pales in comparison with the good to be found in God. Listen to Tim Gray offer prayer and insights for this Sunday's readings.

JULY 31: MEMORIAL OF ST. IGNATIUS OF LOYOLA, PRIEST

This Friday if the feast day of St. Ignatius of Loyola, the Spanish Basque Catholic priest and theologian who cofounded the Society of Jesus (Jesuits). FORMED offers several videos on the life of St. Ignatius, as well as videos on his Spiritual Exercises. Click "Search" and type "Ignatius of Loyola" for a wide selection of videos on the saint and his Spiritual Exercises.

KIDS & TEENS: ADVENTURES WITH SISTER PHILOMENA

The Adventures with Sister Philomena series is a mystery adventures designed to present the stories of the saints in an intriguing and educational manner. Set in modern Italy, the stories follow a brother and sister in their adventures with their Aunt, who is a special agent for the Pope. In the first adventure, Lost in Peter's Tomb, Sister Philomena and the children track an intruder in St. Peter's Basilica and help recover the missing relics of St. Peter, all the while learning about St. Peter's life. Children will be introduced to Italian words and phrases, learn about the Vatican and Italian lifestyles, as well as famous places and works of art in Italy.

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- 2. Click "Sign Up"
- 3. Select "I Belong to a Parish or Organization"
- 4. Find "St Jane Frances de Chantal" by parish name, address, or zip code (20814)
- 5. Enter your email address, and your are in! Use your email address to sign in each time.

SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

IN OUR PARISH

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**.

SCHEDULE OF MASSES

Our normal schedule of Masses has resumed. **Click here** to review a list of guidelines we ask everyone to follow in order to help us gather safely for the celebration of Mass once again. The dispensation from the obligation to attend Mass remains in place.

BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA BANKRUPTCY

As you may be aware, the national organization of the Boy Scouts of America has filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy in order to restructure its nonprofit organization and pay sexual abuse survivors who were abused during their time in scouting; this includes Boy Scouts, Cub Scouts, or any entity or activity associated with scouting. St. Jane de Chantal Parish, having a charter granted by the BSA, received a notice asking the parish to notify anyone who may have been involved with Boy Scouts of America about the bankruptcy case. Additional information and materials about the bankruptcy case and the deadline to file claims can be found at www.officialbsaclaims.com or by calling 1 -866-907-2721.

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

... those who are sick, and all those in our nursing homes and hospitals, especially John and Pat Krisko, Leonard Moreno, Beth B, Willie S., and Mary M.

... those who have died, Pierre Benjamin.

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.

RELIGION TEACHERS

Adult volunteers (parents and others) are needed to teach religion to our parish children who attend public school. Volunteers are also needed assist with childcare, occasional group activities, retreats, service projects, occasional Faith Formation events, and office help, in order to fulfill the mission Jesus left us to teach all people. The only qualifications are a willingness to communicate about the faith, a love of young people, enough free time to help out, and a desire to be more involved. Experience is not necessary – training provided! All adult volunteers must be VIRTUS certified, no exceptions. **Click here to learn more and to download the signup form**. Questions? Contact Jamie Caulfield at james.caulfield@stjanedechantal.org or 301-530-1640, or drop by the Seton Center.

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 in grades Pre-K to 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 Tomsheck at ctomsheck@dechantal.org.





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

https://www.youtube.com/channel/ UCURFx0PSNBf3HXZA5XMh-MQ? view_as=subscriber

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VIRTUAL TOUR OF ST. JANE DE CHANTAL SCHOOL

Click the image below to take a virtual tour of St. Jane Frances de Chantal School.



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.

INTRODUCTION TO NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING

All married couples are invited to join an online introductory NFP class on Thursday, July 30 from 7:00-8:00 pm. Natural Family Planning is a modern, scientifically proven method which seeks to identify the naturally occurring changes a woman's body goes through during her cycle; empowering couples to manage fertility in a way that God respects and each other. Reiaster at www.facebook.com/events/288162375576160/. For more information, call the Office for Family Life at 301-853-4546 or email visiblesign@adw.org.

FINDING MY INNER BALANCE VIRTUAL SERIES FOR WOMEN The Archdiocese of Washington Office for Family Life invites you to join women from all around the archdiocese for a weekly spiritual series entitled "Finding My Inner Balance," which offers a practical approach to the spiritual journey for our everyday lives. These workshops are designed to give women of all ages a message of hope to trust in Divine Providence as a means to overcome anxiety or fear. The series takes place online on Wednesday nights from 7:30–8:30 pm and ends on September 9. Register at **www.facebook.com/events/759740691461471**/. For more information, contact the Office for Family Life at visiblesign@adw.org or 301-853-4546.

END OF LIFE CARE

The Archdiocese of Washington Department of Life Issues has compiled a series of four **guides as an aid for reflection on end of life issues** and what it means to have a happy death. Advances in medicine and technology have led to more and more complex decision-making. As a Catholic, what are the key issues and facts? What questions should you ask before making any decisions or signing any documents? What is an Advanced Medical Directive and what kind is most appropriate – a Durable Power of Attorney? The Department of Life issues also provides **links to resources to help give you the answers**.

FREE SUMMER LEARNING RESOURCES FOR K-8

The Archdiocese of Washington Catholic Schools Office has created an **online summer learning resource page** for rising kindergarten through rising grade eight. This faithbased curriculum is available free for any family interested in continuing growth over the summer. The curriculum covers all subject areas, including reading, writing, religion, mathematics, science, and social studies. Links provide access to books, art, virtual field trips, and much more. There are also links to Chrome apps and extensions that can be a big **help for kids with learning and thinking differences**. There is also a page of **digital learning resources for families** to utilize while at home.

ARCHDIOCESAN JUBILARIAN MASS

The annual ADW Jubilarian Celebration of Marriage honors couples married 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50 and 51+ years. The new date for this year's Mass is set for Sunday, November 22, at 2:00 pm at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the



July 26, 2020

Immaculate Conception with his Excellency, Archbishop Wilton D. Gregory, as the celebrant. Register by September 30 by contacting the St. Jane parish office at 301-530-1550 or parish.office@stjanedechantal.org.

INTERNSHIPS AT CATHOLIC CHARITIES

Students currently enrolled in undergraduate and graduate programs are encouraged to apply for a rewarding, handson internship with Catholic Charities! They have placements with clinical supervision for students of social work, nursing, education, clinical psychology, occupational therapy, and other fields. There are also Non-Clinical Supervised Internships; Summer Internships in fields including social work, marketing, communications, development, business, and outreach; and occasional internships for high school students. For more information, visit www.catholiccharitiesdc.org/internships.

VOLUNTEERS / ITEMS NEEDED

SANDWICHES FOR THOSE IN NEED

Saint Martin's Cloak and our parish's S.O.M.E. Ministry continue to prepare and donate food to organizations that assist the poor and homeless in our area. We are planning to continue this weekly distribution as long as there is a need. We are looking for additional parish volunteers to prepare sandwiches and bring them to St. Jane De Chantal on Friday mornings, or to deliver to one of these locations. If you are interested, contact Edouard Motte (301-897-3763). In addition, to offset some of the costs, you can **make a donation to St. Martin's Cloak online**.

VOLUNTEER LAWYERS

If you are a barred attorney, become a volunteer for Catholic Charities Immigration Legal Service or Catholic Charities Legal Network. Immigration Legal Services (ILS) focuses on the provision of direct legal immigration services to foreign-born individuals and their families. ILS also focuses on training lawyers to provide *pro bono* services and educating community groups on the latest immigration issues. The CCLN provides legal services for civil cases on a wide range of issues, including child custody and visitation, consumer and bankruptcy cases, employment and discrimination cases, landlord-tenant and home foreclosure cases, public entitlement cases, wills, estate and advanced medical directives. Volunteers must be in good standing with the DC and/or MD Bar Association. Get more information and sign up at http://bttr.im/udfxs.

FINANCIAL STABILITY MENTOR VOLUNTEER

The Financial Stability Network (FSN) provides *pro-bono* financial services to those who otherwise would not have access to financial education and mentoring. FSN Mentors act as coaches to low to moderate income individuals,

assisting them in achieving their financial goals. Volunteers will meet with clients once a month for 1-1.5 hour coaching sessions. Information and sign up at http://bttr.im/3iwac.

FINANCIAL STABILITY INSTRUCTOR VOLUNTEER

The Financial Stability Network provides *pro-bono* (free) financial services to those who otherwise would not have access to financial education and mentoring. The mission of the Financial Stability Network is to assist low to moderate income families and individuals with increasing income and building assets. The Financial Stability Instructor will teach classes on a variety of personal financial topics including budgeting, savings, credit reports, credit cards and other financial topics to community organizations, transition housing groups and churches. Get more information and sign up here at http://bttr.im/u554m.

STEWARDSHIP

"The law of Your mouth is to me more precious than thousands of gold and silver pieces," says the psalmist today. Does the amount of my offering suggest that I could honestly say the same? (Ps 119)

DONOR ADVISED FUNDS

We accept donations of Donor Advised Fund grants for all funds at St. Jane de Chantal Parish (e.g., offertory, maintenance, St. Martin's Cloak, Msgr. Christopher Scholarship Fund, unrestricted donation)! Please have your donor advised fund provider include a note that includes your name and what you want the grant to support.

CARES ACT

Did you know that, with the passage of the CARES Act, you can receive a federal tax deduction for charitable giving up to \$300 in 2020 – even if you don't itemize your tax return? Visit https://membership.faithdirect.net/givenow/30 to learn about the many ways you can support St. Jane de Chantal parish and school.

Poor Box

The Poor Box this weekend, July 25/26, will benefit St. Martin's Cloak. In the spirit of St. Martin, who tore his military cloak in half to share with a beggar, St. Martin's Cloak provides financial and other assistance to those in need, particularly those in our parish. Financial assistance is completely confidential. St. Martin's Cloak partners with various religious and civic organizations in Montgomery County to provide this emergency support. For more information and/or to join this ministry of assistance, contact the Chair, Paul Eder, at 301-956-6273. You may make your gift online at https://membership.faithdirect.net/givenow/30.



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Sunday, July 26, – Saturday, August 1, 2020 For all upcoming events, visit www.stjanedechantal.org, click on "Complete 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, JULY 26 8:00 am		t r c s s	"The parallel stories [in today's Gospel] highlight two characteristics regarding possession of the Kingdom of God: searching and sacrifice. It is true that the Kingdom of God is
		Mass Live-streamed / C Mass C	C	offered to all – it is a gift, it is a present, it is a grace – but it does not come on a silver platter: it requires
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	Monday, July 27 8:30 am	Mass C	s	dynamism; it is about searching, journeying,
	Wednesday, July 29	Mass	a t f r c v t v t	working hard. The attitude of searching is the essential condition for finding. The heart must burn with the desire to reach the valuable good, that is, the Kingdom of God which is made present in the person of Jesus. He is the hidden treasure."
	THURSDAY, JULY 30 8:30 am	Mass C	t	
	FRIDAY, JULY 31 8:30 am	Mass C		30 July 2017. READINGS Aug. 2
ARISH CALENDAR	3:45 pm	Mass		Reading I Is 55:1-3 Reading II Rom 8:25, 37-39 Gospel Mt 4:48

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INTENTIONS Sun., July 26 - Sat., August 1 ALTAR SERVERS Mon., July 27 – Sun., August 2 Monday 8:30 am Sunday 8:00 am Parishioners 10:00 am Cynthia McCormick/L Tuesday 8:30 am 12:00 pm Tad Reed/D Wednesday 8:30 am Helen Fincutter/D 5:00 pm Thursday 8:30 am Floranne Sirilla/L Monday 8:30 am 8:30 am Friday Stephen Ponticello/D Tuesday 8:30 am 7:30 pm Wednesday 8:30 am Tad Reed/D 8:30 am Saturday Thursday 8:30 am Antonio Medrano/D 5:00 pm Friday 8:30 am Ralph & Catherine Brandely/D Sunday 8:00 am 10:00 am Saturday 8:30 am Jenifer Bolin/D 12:00 pm Medhat Hannallah/L 5:00 pm 5:00 pm