

ST. JANE FRANCES DE CHANTAL CHURCH

SEPTEMBER 27, 2020



Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time / YEAR A

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON: DANIEL 3:31, 29, 30, 43, 42

All that you have done to us, O Lord, you have done with true judgment, for we have sinned against you and not obeyed your commandments. But give glory to your name and deal with us according to the bounty of your mercy

READING I: EZ 18:25-28

Since we have a responsibility for our sins, we also have the opportunity for conversion. We are not limited or bound by past decisions, but are continually free to repent and change our ways. Undergirding the passage is the sense of journey. Because we are not victims of destiny, we can continue to grow in faith and right judgement.

PSALM RESPONSE: PSALM 25: 4-5, 8-9, 10, 14

"Remember your mercies, O Lord"

Today's psalm continues this theme of journey in the Lord. Though in its entirety it is classified as a lament psalm, the verses prescribed for today are hopeful and confident in the Lord's compassion and mercy.

READING II: PHIL 2:1-11

Paul is concerned about unity in his community. He is offering a balance to our first reading. We are not to act as individuals, but as members of a community. We are to avoid selfishness, but rather be concerned about others and their needs.

GOSPEL: MATTHEW 21: 28-32

"My sheep hear my voice, says the Lord; I know them, and they follow me." So who then are the two sons? We are meant to hear themes of choices, responsibility for one's sins and the opportunity for conversion of heart and actions.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON: PSALM 119:49-50

Remember your word to your servant, O Lord, by which you have given me hope. This is my comfort when I am brought low.

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OPENING THE WORD: 26TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"Actions Speak Louder than Words" It is helpful to understand the context in which Jesus was speaking when he taught in parables. In the case of our Gospel passage this week, Jesus had been preaching and teaching in the Temple when the chief priests and elders began questioning his authority. In response, Jesus tells them about two sons who are asked to work in their father's vineyard. **Listen to Jim Beckman** as he offers prayer and insights for this Sunday's Gospel reading.

PRACTICAL AND ACTIVE CONCERN FOR THE POOR

On September 27th, we celebrate the feast of St. Vincent de Paul, a powerhouse priest who organized multitudes for charity & renewed priestly formation. Why is it so important for us to minister to the poor, as Saint Vincent de Paul did? In Matthew chapter 25 Christ tells us that whatsoever you do for the least of my brothers and sisters, you do unto me. Watch the episode, "**Option for the Poor and Vulnerable**" to learn more.

DRAWING STRENGTH FROM OUR LADY OF SORROWS

"A mother is only as happy as her saddest child".

For Catholics, September is the month of Our Lady of Sorrows. During this time, let us revisit our connection to Our Lady and draw strength from her sorrows. Speaker and author Kimberly Hahn, is a convert to the Catholic Faith. In this **audio presentation**, Kimberly reflects on the joys and sorrows that Mary prayerfully experienced during her time on earth, and shares how her example leads us closer to Christ.

1. Registering for FORMED is **FREE** to St. Jane de Chantal parishioners; go to **formed.org**
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 you are in! Use your email address to sign in each 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.

BLESSING OF ANIMALS AND PETS

In celebration of the feast of St. Francis of Assisi, patron saint of pets and animals, Father Hammond will be offering a blessing of animals on Sunday, October 4th following the 12pm Mass in front of the Seton Center. A general blessing will be offered at 1:15pm and Father Hammond will remain at the location until 2:15pm for anyone who would like a particular blessing for his/ her pet.

THE HOLY HOUR FOR LIFE

Join with us in Eucharistic adoration on the afternoon of Sunday, October 11th, from 3:30 to 4:30 in observance of Respect Life Month. Our Holy Hour for Life will be presided by Fr. Jeremy Hammond, who will begin the hour with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and end it with Benediction. During the hour, Br. Maximilian Jaskowak, OP will offer a reflection to deepen our understanding of the issue and allow us to recognize the roles that we can play in defense of unborn human life. Confident of the Lord's attentive presence, we will pray in humble solidarity for an end to the widespread tragedy that is abortion.

SODALITY WELCOMES YOU!



A new year has begun for the St. Jane de Chantal Sodality, notwithstanding the challenges posed by COVID-19. We welcome all women of the parish to join us in our devotion to the Blessed Mother and in our socially distanced activities. Please watch the bulletin for announcements about our projects and events. To find out more about Sodality, check the Sodality page on the parish website, www.stjanedechantal.org, or contact Helen Bollwerk, Sodality President, at bolllwerk@rcn.com or Patty Bubar, Sodality Membership Chair, at dbubars@hotmail.com.

Upcoming Parish Events

- Fri. Oct 2 ♦ 9-10am - Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament (C)
- Sun. Oct 4 ♦ 1:15-2:15pm - Blessing of Animals (PG) (SC)
- Wed. Oct 7 ♦ 7-9pm - Sodality Mass + Meeting (C)
- Sat. Oct 10 ♦ 9am-1pm - Confirmation Rehearsal (C)
- Sun. Oct 11 ♦ 3:30-4:30pm - Holy Hour of Life (C)
- Sat. Oct 17 ♦ 9:30-11:30am - Confirmation Ceremony 1 (C)
12-2pm - Confirmation Ceremony 2 (C)
- Wed Oct 21 ♦ 11am-2pm - First Communion Rehearsal 1 (C)
- Thurs Oct 22 ♦ 4:30-6pm - First Communion Rehearsal 2 (C)
- Sat. Oct 24 ♦ 9:30-11:30am - First Communion Ceremony 1 (C)
11:30am-1pm - First Communion Ceremony 2 (C)
- Wed. Oct 28 ♦ 7-7:30pm - School Endowment Meeting (CH)
- Wed. Oct 28 ♦ 7:30-9pm - Finance Council Meeting (CH)

C = Church ♦ CH = Caulfield Hall ♦ SC = Seton Center for Religious Education ♦ PG = Parish Grounds

SAINT LOUIS DE FRANCE PARISH

CONFIRMATION AT ST JANE DECHANTAL CHURCH



This past weekend, Saturday September 19, 2020, the young confirmands of St. Louis de France Parish in Washington, DC received a special outpouring of the Holy Spirit by Rite of Confirmation here at St. Jane de Chantal Church. Led by the Vatican Ambassador to the United States, Archbishop Christophe Pierre along with Rev. Pierre -Henri Montagne and our very own Fr. Samuel Giese.

Watch the full livestream video here!



RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA)

Interested in learning more about the Catholic faith? Thinking about becoming a Catholic? Or, are you a Catholic who would like to prepare for confirmation? St. Jane de Chantal Church's RCIA program is designed with you in mind. RCIA presents the fundamental teachings of the Catholic faith and prepares people to be received into full communion with the Catholic Church at Easter. RCIA is intended both for inquirers and for those who desire to receive one or more of the sacraments of initiation—Baptism, Confirmation, and Holy Eucharist. RCIA meets weekly from early October through May. Sessions will be held either virtually (via Zoom) or in person, depending on Covid restrictions. This year's calendar of sessions, events, readings, and holidays will be available soon. We will be using Credo—a video and print resource developed by the Dominican Friars and Thomistic Institute for use in RCIA programs. Sessions include a mix of video and live presentations as well as time for discussion and questions. This fall, the program will provide an overview of the Catholic faith and doctrine. This is a time of inquiry and exploration. Early in the new year, the focus shifts from inquiry to preparation for the sacraments at Easter. RCIA concludes with several sessions on living out the Catholic faith. Info: Ken Clansky, RCIA Coordinator: 301-922-5017 (cell), ken.clansky@gmail.com

40 DAYS FOR LIFE VIGIL

The prayer vigil will take place on the public sidewalk outside LeRoy Carhart's late-term abortion clinic in the Wildwood Medical Center at 10401 Old Georgetown Road during the period of 23 September 2020 through Nov 1 2020. Please join fellow parishioners from St. Jane de Chantal Church in prayer outside the abortion clinic from 9:30am to 10:30am on Saturdays during this time period. Please bring face masks. For more information visit www.40daysforlife.com/Bethesda or contact Lisa and Ed Tennant, 301-897-5412.

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

... those who are sick, and all those in our nursing homes and hospitals, especially John and Pat Krisko, Beth B, Willie S., Mary M., Alexie Longoria, Redentor Bautista, Lisa D. and Dyann Wasilewski.

... those who have died, especially Leonard Moreno

IN OUR FAITH FORMATION PROGRAMS

Visit the Faith Formation page at <http://stjanedechantal.org/faith-formation/> for information on the various programs, registration forms and calendars

2020-2021 CCD

Registrations for our 1-8 grade CCD program will close on September 30. From now until the end of the month, any new registrants will incur a late fee and will be required to purchase any textbooks separately. Contact the Seton Center at: seton.center@stjanedechantal.org or call: 301-530-1640.

VIRTUAL BIBLE STUDY: PAUL'S LETTER TO THE PHILIPPIANS

Join us from the comfort of your own home this fall as we take a virtual trip to the early church community in Philippi, Greece, to study St. Paul's letter to the Philippians. Paul wrote this epistle ~32 years after the resurrection to inspire the Philippians' love and understanding of Christ. Study groups will meet online once a week for 6 weeks, starting the week of October 4th, for discussion and to watch a 30 min video by Dr. Tim Gray of the Augustine Institute produced through www.Formed.org. The study will help participants expand their understanding of the New Testament and grow their spiritual life in Christ. Choose from sessions held Sunday 6:30-8:30 PM, Tuesday 7-9 PM or Thursday 9:30-11:30 AM. Study material is free online at www.Formed.org and a hardcopy is available for \$10.00, if you register by Tuesday Sept 22, 2020. To register for a link for the online meetings or for more information please contact Kim and Peter Williamson at kcprwilliamson@gmail.com or through the parish office, parish.office@stjanedechantal.org.



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Live-Stream Mass - Sundays at 10:00 am

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCURFx0PSNBf3HXZA5XMh-MQ>

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

WELCOME: OUR NEW DIRECTOR OF MUSIC AND LITURGY

The parish is extremely pleased to welcome Dr. Giuliano Grisi to the Saint Jane de Chantal family as its new music and liturgy director. Dr. Grisi has an extraordinary background in music which will greatly enrich our parish worship and spirituality. Dr. Giuliano began his professional music career at the age of 15, collaborating as organist and conductor of many different choirs in Italy. He has a Ph.D. in Orchestra Conducting from the Conservatory of Music of Venice (Italy). He also earned a Master's degree in Choir Conducting and Organ at the Pontifical Institute of Sacred Music in Rome where he also worked as a teacher and choir conductor. His background also includes serving as the director of Music at the Pontifical Parish of St. Anna in Vatican City, serving as the organist and choir director of St. Marco Cathedral, Venice Italy, and organist at St. Maria Matricolare Cathedral in Verona. Dr. Grisi will relocate to the area this October and will be joined by his wife, Shiva, and son, Sebastian.

IN OUR BLUE RIBBON SCHOOL

SCHOOL YEAR 2020-21 UPDATE

St. Jane de Chantal School opened for the 2020-21 School Year in a Hybrid format. This model was established to reduce the impact of Covid-19 on students and teachers. The size of our student enrollment and the physical limitations of our school building make the hybrid approach the most effective way to offer in-person learning to students. Parents were able to choose to send their children to school two days a week as part of the hybrid model or have their children educated through distance learning five days a week.

SHOP & SUPPORT : AMAZON FOUNDATION DONATES TO DE CHANTAL

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BoxTops for Education @ DeChantal

Our school is listed as: **St Jane DeChantal School**. Scanning your receipts with Box Tops purchases is an easy way to help earn cash for DeChantal. Each one is worth 10¢ for our school. This school year, our goal is to earn \$500. Last year we surpassed our goal and earned \$714.10. **SEE HOW IT WORKS!**



YEARBOOKS

2019 - 2020 Yearbooks are still available for purchase for \$25 through Duke's Den! [Click Here](#) to Purchase. For those who purchased yearbooks in the spring but have not picked them up yet, Mrs. McDermitt will have yearbooks in the front office.



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.

NIGHTLY ROSARY FOR HEALING OF THE CHURCH

Since September 2018, the Council of Catholic Women has been hosting a Nightly Rosary call for the healing of the Church. We believe that prayer is the foundation of action. Read meditations on the rosary's mysteries, and pray together by calling in every 8:00pm ~ seven days a week at 605-468-8016, use code# 357090 to participate.

ELECTION UPDATE

As the pandemic continues to affect our communities, we encourage you to plan ahead for the November elections. If you are concerned about voting in person on November 3, you have two options. Request a **mail-in ballot** by Oct. 22. Vote in-person during the early voting period, Oct. 22-29, 2020. If you haven't registered to vote or aren't sure if you are registered, **check here**. The Maryland Catholic Conference election **webpage** also has key dates and links. The Conference has sent Congressional candidates a candidate survey and will post the results by October.

ARCHDIOCESAN JUBILARIAN MASS — CANCELLED

Due to COVID-19 restrictions, the 2020 Archdiocesan Jubilarian Mass on November 22 has been cancelled. We are still accepting registrations of couples who are celebrating milestone-wedding anniversaries (25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50+ years) and each couple will be provided an anniversary certificate. Couples who wish to receive a certificate should contact the parish office by September 30: parish.office@stjanedechantal.org or 301-530-1550.

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

Worldwide Marriage Encounter (WWME) has cancelled all in-person weekends for this year. However, there is a way for couples to join a virtual WWME experience from the comfort of your home. The virtual Restore, Rekindle, Renew Experience will be held in seven sessions, Mondays and Thursdays from 7:00 – 9:30 pm, beginning October 5 and ending October 26. The content of the sessions will be the same as given on in-person weekends. Check wwwme.org and moments4marriage.org for more information.

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**.

STEWARDSHIP

Our Baptism, like the Lord's, is a consecration to service. The bishops' pastoral on stewardship reminds us that "... there is a fundamental obligation arising from the sacrament of baptism that people place their gifts, their resources — their selves — at God's service in and through the Church."

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, September 26/27, 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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to St. Jane de Chantal Parish & School:

ENVELOPES

CALL THE PARISH OFFICE
TO REQUEST ENVELOPES

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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, SEPTEMBER 27

8:00 am..... Mass C
 10:00 am..... Mass Live-streamed / C
 12:00 pm..... Mass C
 5:00 pm..... Mass C

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 28

8:30 am..... Mass C

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 29

8:30 am..... Mass C

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 30

8:30 am..... Mass C

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 1

8:30 am..... Mass C

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 2

8:30 am..... Mass . C

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 3

5:00 pm..... Mass C
 3:45 pm..... Confessions C
 5:00 pm..... Mass C

POPE FRANCIS

"This was the case with the first of two sons who were sent by their father to work in the vineyard. Initially the son said 'no', but then he regretted it and he went. Indeed, they didn't know what it was to regret, because they felt they were perfect: I thank you Lord, because I am not like the others, not even like the one who is praying there. Indeed, they were vain, proud, arrogant; meanwhile the people were the victims, suffered these injustices. They felt condemned by them, abused by them: the people, humble and poor, discarded."

Pope Francis,
People Discarded: A Morning Meditation,
 Domus Sanctae Marthae Chapel,
 13 December 2016.

READINGS**Sept. 27**

Reading I
IS 5:1-7

Reading II
PHIL 4:6-9

Gospel
MT 21:33-43

INTENTIONS**Sun., September 27 – Sat., October 3**

Sunday	8:00 am	Parishioners
	10:00 am	Franny Laut/D
	12:00 pm	John Fucigna/D
	5:00 pm	Family Onana Mfege /L&D
Monday	8:30 am	Wib Marshall/D
Tuesday	8:30 am	Elizabeth Peluso/D
Wednesday	8:30 am	Don Wellna/D
Thursday	8:30 am	Joseph Park/D
Friday	8:30 am	Jackie & Katherine Keeney/L
Saturday	8:30 am	Special Intentions
	5:00 pm	John Zimmerman/D

ALTAR SERVERS**Mon., September 28 – Sun., October 4**

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