



SAINT JANE FRANCE DE CHANTAL: THE FOUR-FOLD SAINT

*Jane Frances Fremiot, Baroness de Chantal,
the foundress and first Mother Superior of the Order of the Visitation,
is honored by the Church for the holiness of her youth, of her married life,
of her widowhood, and of her religious life.*

Youth: Jane Frances de Chantal was born on January 28, 1572 at Dijon, France. From an early age, Jane demonstrated clear signs of her future sanctity. Her father—M. Benigne Fremiot—was the president of the parliament, a wealthy landowner, a respected jurist, a man of impeccable integrity, loyal to the Church and the Crown. He was also brave, learned, congenial, and a devoted father to his three children. Her mother, who died in childbirth when Jane was about eighteen months old, was descended from the same ancestral lineage as St. Bernard of Clairvaux. Jane took the message of Christianity to heart, dismissing her servant (while still a child), as she worried that the servant's presence would entice her to love the world and privilege, and cause her to sin. Instead, she shrank from worldly pleasures, devoting herself entirely to religious pursuits. She took the name Frances at her confirmation.

Marriage: As was the custom of the time, when Jane turned 20 her father arranged a marriage for her, which she obediently accepted. She was married to the Baron de Chantal, a young soldier with proud military accomplishments. In this new state of life she strove to cultivate every virtue, and busied herself in instructing in faith and morals the children the couple produced (their first three children died shortly after birth, but the young spouses later had a boy and three girls), her servants and all under her authority. The Baroness loved her husband very much, dressing in a very modest way when he was traveling. If someone was to ask her why, she responded: "The eyes of who I want to please are very far away."

Jane devoted herself to sharing the wealth of the household with the poor, and she promised to never refuse anyone who begged for alms in the name of Jesus. She set up soup kitchens and ovens to bake bread to feed the hungry of the neighborhood, she went to the homes of the sick to serve them as nurse and housekeeper, and she organized a sort of relief work on a large scale, involving her servants and friends in her charitable interests.

Widowhood: About two weeks after the birth of her sixth child, her husband was fatally wounded in a hunting accident, leaving his cherished wife distraught with grief. Jane's mourning was deep and thorough; she made a vow of chastity and gave her husband's and her own elaborate state clothing and jewelry to neighboring churches for vestments and revenue; she reduced her household staff and devoted her spare time to prayer and works of service to the poor.

Jane Frances spent the majority of each day (when she wasn't serving the poor) in prayer, pious reading, and works. Bound by vow to Jesus Christ, she received a number of honorable and advantageous offers to remarry, but declined them all. Her love for all grew, and she had the poor, the abandoned, the sick, and those who were afflicted with the most terrible diseases, brought to her. Not only did she shelter and nurse them, she comforted them, and washed and mended their garments.

Religious Life: Wishing for still higher ascensions in her heart, she bound herself by a most difficult vow always to do what she thought most perfect. She prayed to God incessantly to provide her with a holy spiritual director, capable of helping her perfectly fulfill God's will. Once, following this prayer, she was rewarded with a vision of a man whom she would later recognize as Saint Francis de Sales. That recognition occurred in 1604 as Francis de Sales, Bishop of Geneva, preached a Lenten homily in Dijon.

Bishop de Sales eventually became Jane's spiritual advisor, and instructed her in the ways of balance, encouraging her to relax some of her harsher penitential practices, and spend more time tending to the duties of her household—namely her children and her aging father-in-law. With his guidance, Jane was able to balance the urgings of her heart to the Lord with her many responsibilities in the world.

Following some years of spiritual direction with Saint Francis, Jane felt drawn to the religious life, and was inclined to enter a convent. Together, the two prayed about her vocation, and in 1607, Saint Francis announced his intention to found a new order—the New Congregation of the Visitation. With great joy, Jane embraced the project, but her joy was to be short lived as her father's age and illness, as well as the continued education of her children, required her to delay her involvement. Saint Francis directed her that her children were no longer little and that from the cloister she was better able to care of them, especially taken into account that the two elders were old enough to "enter the world" and care for their grandfather.

In this logical and serene way, Jane Frances resolved her difficulties, and the Baroness de Chantal took her vows, and was made Mother Abbess of the convent in 1610. She traveled throughout the region, establishing new convents and bringing more and more young women to God. When people criticized her for accepting women of poor health and old age, she famously said, "What do you want me to do? I like sick people myself; I'm on their side."

Mother de Chantal fell ill while visiting the convent of Moulins, where she died on December 13, 1641 at the age of 69. Her body was taken to Annecy—her first convent—and buried close to Saint Francis de Sales. At the time of her death, Saint Vincent de Paul was visiting, and reported a vision of Saint Francis escorting the pious saint to heaven. She was canonized by Pope Clement XIII on July 16, 1767.



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:

Jackie Lyn Diaz ♦ Ronald Pring
Matthew & Tammy Hink Family

If you attend Mass at St. Jane Frances de Chantal regularly, we encourage you to register as a member. Please complete a registration form and drop it in the collection basket when you attend Mass.

SOLEMNITY OF THE ASSUMPTION

This Tuesday, August 15, is the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, a holyday of obligation. Masses at St. Jane will be celebrated on Tuesday at 8:00 am, 11:00 am, and 7:30 pm.

YOUNG ADULT FELLOWSHIP

Come join us for our first event of the year on Saturday, September 9. Join us at the parish rectory following the 5:00 pm Mass for games, food, drink, and a good time. Bring a friend or two. A group of us will be attending the 5:00 pm Mass prior to the BBQ, so if you are interested in joining us for mass, meet us in the back of the church a few minutes before Mass. "Like" our Facebook page at www.facebook.com/stjaneyaf/ to keep up with all of our events!

ST. JANE DE CHANTAL SCHOOL JOINT CLASSES REUNION

A joint reunion for the St. Jane de Chantal School

graduating classes from 1969 to 1971 will be held Saturday, September 23 at the Knights of Columbus Rock Creek Council (5417 W Cedar Lane, Bethesda). For more information, contact Brian Davis at davis.br@comcast.net or 443-926-6677.

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

. . . those who are sick, and all those in our nursing homes and hospitals, especially Dianne Fay Dickinson, Nancy Breslin, Pat Krisko, Elton Smith, Suzanne Kulikowski, James Besche, Susan Tise, Lucy Kirby, Donald Dominick, Lucille Manelly, and Lillian Liang.

IN OUR LITURGY & MUSIC MINISTRIES

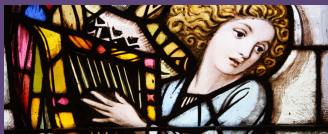
*Visit the Music Ministries page at
www.stjanedechantal.org/ministries/music-ministry
for information on the many music ensembles at St. Jane.*

IN OUR FAITH FORMATION PROGRAMS

*Visit the Faith Formation page at
www.stjanedechantal.org for information on
the various programs, registration forms and calendars.*

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

Are you an adult who has been wondering how to join the Catholic Church? Do you still need to complete your Sacraments of Initiation: confirmation or Eucharist? You are invited to join the RCIA process (Rite Of Christian Initiation of Adults), Sunday mornings beginning with the 10:00 am Mass – 12:30 pm, September 24 – April 22. If interested, contact Fr. Keith Burney (kburney@stjanedechantal.org, 301-530-1550) or Sally Daniel (301-530-1640, sally.daniel@stjanedechantal.org).



SAINT JANE'S LITURGICAL MINISTRY

Volunteer Interest Form

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to continue the work of building the Kingdom of God, and, most especially, to offer worship.*

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Liturgical Ministers at St. Jane's live out their faith, give back to their parish,
and answer God's call to serve their neighbors.*

**We invite you to be a part of our parish's Liturgical Ministry.
Please fill out the information below and drop it in the collection basket.**

Name: _____

Email: _____

Age (if under 18): _____

Phone Number: _____

- ☐ Altar Guild
☐ Extraordinary Ministry of Holy Communion
☐ Usher

- ☐ Altar Server
☐ Lector
☐ Children's Liturgy of the Word

2017-2018 CCD REGISTRATION

Registration for Religious Education classes is underway. If you have a child ages 3 – high school, we have something for you! Pre-Kindergarten (FOOT: ages 3 and 4) and Kindergarten meet on Sunday mornings during the 10:00 am Mass; grades 1–8 meet on Tuesday evenings from 6:00 –7:15 pm; high school Youth Ministry meets Sunday nights from 6:00–8:00 pm three Sunday's a month. To register your child on-line, go to www.stjanedechantal.org/faith-formation/religious-ed-k-8/register. If you would like more information or to register another way, contact the Seton Center at sally.daniel@stjanedechantal.org or 301-530-1640.

CCD TEACHERS & AIDES NEEDED

Teachers are needed for next year's CCD classes in grades two, three, five, and six; co-teachers or aides are needed in all grades. If you are interested, contact Sally Daniel at 301-530-1640 or sally.daniel@stjanedechantal.org. You will need to complete the archdiocesan background check before teaching.

FOOT TEACHERS NEEDED

Teachers are needed for our Pre-K (grades 3 & 4) and Kindergarten programs that meet on Sunday mornings during the 10:00 am Mass. We are looking for three volunteers for each class to teach once a month. You will need to have cleared the archdiocesan background check before teaching, which takes about five weeks after you turn in all your paperwork. If interested, contact Sally Daniel at sally.daniel@stjanedechantal.org or 301-530-1640. Training will be provided.

RCIA SPONSORS NEEDED

Do you like to work with adults? Do you love your Catholic faith? We are looking for people to join our RCIA team as

sponsors for RCIA candidates. RCIA candidates are adults who are becoming Catholic or completing their sacraments of initiation (baptism, confirmation, Eucharist). We will be meeting on Sunday mornings after the 10:00 am Mass at the Seton Center. If interested, contact Ken Clansky at ken.clansky@gmail.com, or Sally Daniel at sally.daniel@stjanedechantal.org or 301-530-1640.

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.

REGISTRATION FOR 2017-2018 SCHOOL YEAR

If you would like to enroll your child for the upcoming school year, email the principal, Mrs. Hamilton, at ehamilton@dechantal.org.

IN OUR ARCHDIOCESE

For more information on 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.

WOULD YOU LIKE TO BE ON TV?

Join the congregation at a taping of the Sunday TV Mass! Your presence at the TV Mass is a wonderful way to bring the Mass to those who are homebound. Two Masses are taped on the same evening, from 7:30-8:45 pm in the Crypt Church of the Basilica at the National Shrine (400 Michigan Avenue, NE). Come for one Mass or stay for both! Upcoming Thursday taping dates are August 17 and 31. To be added to the TV Mass Congregation list, contact

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We invite you to be a part of our parish's diverse and exciting Music Ministry.

Please fill out the information below and drop it in the collection basket.

Name: _____

Email: _____

Age (if under 18): _____

Phone Number: _____

☐ I would like to participate in a choir

☐ Parish Choir (10am Mass)

☐ Family Choir (Sun. 5pm Mass with instruments)

☐ Handbell Ensemble (one Mass per month)

☐ Children's Choir (Sat. 5pm Mass once per month)

☐ I play an instrument

Instrument: _____

☐ I am interested in being a Cantor

Jacquelyn Hayes at jmh@bnsic.org or 202-526-8300. Tell your homebound family and friends to pray with you on TV! The Sunday TV Mass airs every Sunday morning at 10:30 am on WDCW Ch. 50, Washington, DC; also airs nationally on Catholic TV on Saturdays at 7:00 pm, and is archived on the Basilica's YouTube Channel: youtube.com/user/marysshine.

FATHER VINCENT CAPODANNO MEMORIAL MASS

A Memorial Mass for Father Vincent R. Capodanno, MM, will take place on Tuesday, September 5 at 6:30 pm in the Crypt Church of the Basilica of the National Shrine (400 Michigan Ave., NE). Archbishop Timothy P. Broglio of the Archdiocese for the Military Services will be the main celebrant. This annual Mass is celebrated in memory of Father Capodanno, killed in Vietnam on September 4, 1967 as he aided embattled Marines. Father Capodanno posthumously received the Medal of Honor, and in May 2006, the Catholic Church officially proclaimed him a Servant of God, formally initiating his cause for canonization. For reserved parking for disabled attendees, email mpreece@milarch.org. Military members are encouraged to wear uniform of the day, and business attire is appropriate for civilians.

HELP 'EM SMILE

By joining the Mid-Maryland Dental Mission of Mercy and Health Equity Festival, you can help 2,000 uninsured people experiencing dental calamity obtain \$2M work of emergency treatments. Dental and medical professionals, and general volunteers, at least 18 years old, are welcome and must register in advance. Shifts are half a day; serve one or more shifts. Volunteers get an amazing experience (and a T-shirt). The event is September 7, 8, and 10 at the University of Maryland Xfinity Center in College Park, MD. To get more information and to register, visit www.CatholicCharitiesDC.org/MOM.

RUN FOR VOCATIONS

To participate on October 22, register for both the Marine Corps 10K and "Run for Vocations" at www.dcpriest.org/promote/run-for-vocations/register-to-run. Select St. Jane de Chantal as your "Archdiocesan Parish" so we can train and participate together. Register soon; the race fills quickly. All proceeds to benefit seminarians of the Archdiocese of Washington. For more information, visit

www.dcpriest.org, or search "Run for Vocations" on Facebook.

STEWARDSHIP

*"As regards love of neighbor,
may we give according to the measure
with which our Divine Master has given to us.
Then we truly will love each person as ourselves.*

*This saying is true, 'Do to your neighbor
only what you would like done to you.'*

*Oh, how happy we would be if we were mindful of this
in all our relationships with others." (St. Jane de Chantal)*

PARISH SUPPORT FOR AUGUST 6, 2017

Offertory	\$10,668.00
August 7, 2016	\$12,800.00
Maintenance	\$7,154.25
August 2016	\$7,285.00
Attendance	1121
August 7, 2016	1349

SECOND COLLECTION: CCC & CCHD

The second collection this weekend, August 12/13, will be for Catholic Communications and Human Development, providing funds for both the Catholic Communication Campaign (CCC) and the Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD). The CCC supports the Church's many and varied communications efforts, while the CCHD supports community non-profit groups, both locally and in other parts of the country, working to help the poor and vulnerable through direct assistance or advocacy. CCC funds are split between each participating diocese and the national office. Dioceses use their share of the collection to support local communications efforts such as televised Masses and diocesan newspapers.

POOR BOX

The Poor Box next weekend, August 19/20, will benefit Interfaith Works, whose mission is to pursue social justice with an emphasis on identifying and meeting the needs of the poor by leading and engaging Montgomery County's faith communities in service, education, and advocacy. For more information, visit www.iworksmc.org.



Planning a late summer road trip? Remember that your parish expenses never take a vacation.

We need your offerings in order to meet these expenses.

If you miss any envelopes this summer, please bring your contributions up to date.

An easy way to support our parish offertory and the maintenance collection is to enroll in Faith Direct.

You can choose to have your contributions debited from your bank account or charged to your credit card.

You can enroll online at www.faithdirect.net or call 866-507-8757 (toll free). Our parish code is MD30.



“To be faithful, we must live simply.
Then being free from attachments,
we are possessed by nothing.
We live in such absolute openness to Divine Love
that whatever pleases God becomes our heart's desire.”
– St. Jane Frances de Chantal

PARISH CALENDAR

Sunday, August 13—Saturday, August 19, 2017

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, AUGUST 13

MONDAY, AUGUST 14

6:00 pm Senior/Ambassador Girl Scout Troop 4959NMR

TUESDAY, AUGUST 15: SOLMENITY OF THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BVM

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 16

THURSDAY, AUGUST 17

6:00 pm Boy Scout Troop 461 DCR
7:00 pm Centering Prayer..... SC

FRIDAY, AUGUST 18

SATURDAY, AUGUST 19

For all upcoming events & dates, visit www.stjanedechantal.org & click on “Complete Parish Calendar.”

POPE FRANCIS

“God never abandons us. Whenever we are in need, one of His angels will come to pick us up and console us. ‘Angels’ sometimes have a human face and heart, because the saints of God are always here, hidden in our midst.”

Pope Francis, General Audience,
St. Peter's Square
21 June 2017.

LITURGY OF
THE WORD
August 20, 2017

Reading I
Is 56:1, 6-7

Reading II
Rom 11:13-15, 29-32

Gospel
Mt 15:21-28

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, August 13—Saturday, August 19, 2017

Sunday	8:00 am	Parishioners
	10:00 am	Daniel Ward/D
	12:00 pm	Anna Mae Uhrich/D
	5:00 pm	An Jie Collins/D
Monday	8:00 am	Kate Duymovic/D
	11:00 am	No Mass
Tuesday	8:00 am	Violet Navalinskas
	11:00 am	Mark Fenice/D
	7:30 pm	Dodwell Soyza/D
Wednesday	8:00 am	In Thanksgiving
	11:00 am	No Mass
Thursday	8:00 am	Pedro & Amalia Gonzalez-Barreras/D
	11:00 am	No Mass
Friday	8:00 am	Eddie McKenna/D
	11:00 am	No Mass
Saturday	8:00 am	Joe Fox/L
	5:00 pm	Julia Timm/D

ALTAR SERVERS

Monday, August 14—Sunday, August 20, 2017

Monday	8:00 am	J. Dolan, J. Morris
	11:00 am	No Mass
Tuesday	8:00 am	M. Gleeson, R. Gleeson, 1 volunteer needed
	11:00 am	S. Owen, M. Bailey, M. McDonald
	7:30 pm	HS needed, 2 volunteers needed
Wednesday	8:00 am	J. Broome, M. D'Avella
	11:00 am	No Mass
Thursday	8:00 am	T. Shaffer, C. Steele
	11:00 am	No Mass
Friday	8:00 am	M. Gleeson, R. Gleeson
	11:00 am	No Mass
Saturday	8:00 am	L. Owens, M. Quirk
	5:00 pm	M. D'Avella, K. McCabe, T. Petersen
Sunday	8:00 am	C. Crowley, B. Harman, G. Relacion
	10:00 am	M. Gleeson, R. Gleeson, F. Hoag
	12:00 pm	S. Kish, J. Cerritelli, L. Sabella-Capupano
	5:00 pm	HS needed, J. Dolan, J. Smithdeal