



Readings in Worship hymnal at #1006

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON: IS 30:19, 30

O people of Sion, behold,
the Lord will come to save the nations,
and the Lord will make the glory
of his voice heard
in the joy of your heart.

READING I: BAR 5:1-9

This beautiful and hopeful prophetic call to Jerusalem from Jeremiah's secretary is remarkable, given that Jerusalem was a shattered ruin at the time of the prophecy. Yet the prophet saw the ruined city as a queen royally attired by God, a mother watching for the joyful return of her children and moving to meet them in a royal procession for which the way had been carefully cleared and leveled.

PSALM RESPONSE: PS 126

This week's psalm is a communal psalm of lament, visible in the second half of the psalm. The first part of the psalm, which remembers the return from exile as God's great gift, is a preparation for the petition in the second half that God act now in the same way that God acted in restoring the nation after the exile.

READING II: PHIL 1:4-6, 8-11

This address to the community includes Paul's prayer that God will continue to act in the people as God has acted in the past (an echo of the hope in the psalm).

GOSPEL: LK 3:1-6

Luke is careful to set John's ministry in a historical context: All of this happened in real time. The setting begins at its widest expanse, with the Roman Empire, and narrows to the area around Jerusalem. Here we meet John, son of Zechariah (and Jesus' cousin, according to Luke), who is preaching repentance as a way to prepare for the coming of the Lord God.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON: BAR 5:5; 4:36

Jerusalem, arise
and stand upon the heights,
and behold the joy
which comes to you from God.

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP FOR THE SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT / YEAR C

Entrance Hymn *A Morning Star Draws Near* | #400
(Sun. 5 pm) *Awake! Awake, and Greet the New Morn* | #406

Kyrie from *Mass in Honor of Saint Ignatius* | inside *Worship* back cover
(Sun. 5 pm) from *Black Mountain Liturgy* | #266

Responsorial Psalm Psalm 126: *The Lord has done great things for us* | #1006
(Sun. 5 pm) Psalm 100: *We are God's people* | #78

Gospel Acclamation *Alleluia* | Robert Twynham



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(Sun. 5 pm) from *Storrington Mass* | #258

Preparation of the Gifts *Comfort, Comfort, O My People* | #402
(10 am) *Comfort, Comfort, Ye My People* | Louis Bourgeois
(Sun. 5 pm) *My Soul in Stillness Waits* | #404

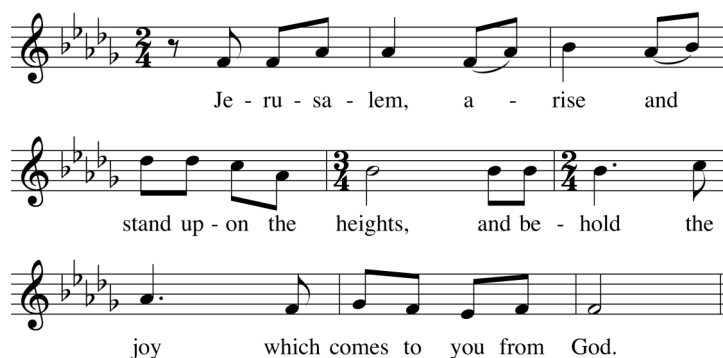
Preface Acclamation *Sanctus* from *Cantus Missae* | #304
(Sun. 5 pm) *Holy* from *Storrington Mass* | #260

Memorial Acclamation *We proclaim your death*
from *Mass in Honor of St. Ignatius* | inside *Worship* back cover
(Sun. 5 pm) from *Storrington Mass* | #261

Great Amen from *Cantus Missae* | #307
(Sun. 5 pm) from *Storrington Mass* | #264

Fraction Rite *Agnus Dei* from *Cantus Missae* | #311
(Sun. 5 pm) *Lamb of God* from *Storrington Mass* | #265

Communion Procession Bar 5:5; 4:36: *Jerusalem, Arise* | Russell Weismann



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(Sun. 5 pm) *Christ, Be Our Light* | #584

Hymn of Thanksgiving (10 am) *Prepare the Way, O Zion* | Robert Lau, arr.
(Sun. 5 pm) *Comfort, My People* | Ian Callanan

Concluding Hymn *People, Look East* | #398
(Sun. 5 pm) *People, Look East* | #398

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:

♦ John Sheehan

♦ Martin Smith & Patrizia DiFranco & 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.

SNOW POLICY FOR WEEKDAY MASSES

If the Federal Government is closed due to inclement weather, St. Jane de Chantal will not hold either the 8:00 am nor the 11:00 am weekday Masses. Please stay safe at home, and allow our snow removal crews to clear and treat our parking lots and walkways. If the Federal Government is opening on a delayed schedule, we will hold both the 8:00 am and 11:00 am Masses.

PRO-LIFE CHRISTMAS CARDS

The Pro-Life Committee thanks everyone who helped make the Christmas card sale a success. Christmas cards are still available; call Lisa Tennant at 301-897-5412. Proceeds benefit Right to Life of Montgomery County.

ADVENT GIVING TREE

The Advent Giving Tree program, which distributes Christmas gifts to many area charities and nursing homes, concludes this Sunday, December 9. Bring your gift to church in a gift bag with the tag attached no later than 5:00 pm this Sunday. If you miss the deadline, or have lost a tag, contact Denise Sintetos (sintetos@msn.com | 301-807-6199) or Colleen Hadigan (chadigan@aol.com | 301-564-0368).

YOUNG ADULT FELLOWSHIP: CREDIBLE CATHOLIC SERIES

Come join us for our Fall spiritual series! We will be studying and discussing the "Credible Catholic" series. Through engaging presentations, the series looks to debunk several secular "myths" which drive many away from the Catholic Church. The fifth session, "Why Be Catholic?" will be held in Caulfield Hall at 7:30 pm on Monday, December 10.

CARPOOLING WITH CHRIST

"Carpooling with Christ," a holy hour with Eucharistic Adoration, will take place each Wednesday of Advent from 2:00–2:45 pm in church. All parishioners are welcome to come in for a few minutes of prayer, or to stay the entire time!

YOUNG ADULT FELLOWSHIP: CHRISTMAS PARTY

Come join us for our fourth Annual Christmas Party on Saturday, December 15, at 6:30 pm in the lower level of the Seton Center. Dinner will be provided, but please bring a beverage to enjoy. RSVP by December 9 at www.facebook.com/stjaneyaf/ or to stjaneyaf@gmail.com.

VISIT FROM ST. NICHOLAS

Next Sunday, December 16 after the 10:00 am Mass, children ages 2 – 10 are invited to gather in Caulfield Hall for a story about, and a visit from, St. Nicholas, the saint, during the coffee and donuts social.

ADVENT PENANCE SERVICE

The annual communal reconciliation service during Advent will take place Tuesday, December 18, at 7:00 pm. After a brief Liturgy of the Word, priests will be available to hear individual confessions.

THE GOSPEL STORY ON CHRISTMAS EVE

Children ages 4 – 10 are invited to join in the Christmas Eve 4:00 pm Mass enactment of the Gospel story. If your child is interested in participating, there will be a practice on Saturday, December 22 at 9:00 am in the church. We will need lots of angels and shepherds, some sheep, cows and a donkey, as well as Mary and Joseph. Parts will be chosen on the day of practice. RSVP to Sally Daniel at sally.daniel@stjanedechantal.org.

SACRED HEART PARISH FOOD PANTRY

During the winter months the less fortunate in our area often have to choose between spending on groceries and paying their utility bills. The food pantry at Shrine of the Sacred Heart in DC serves these people. They depend on your continued generosity. Please remember to bring non-perishables to Mass and leave them in the basket in the gathering space of church. Thank you.

PILGRIMAGE WITH FR. BURNEY

Fr. Keith Burney will be leading a pilgrimage to France, "Following the Footsteps of St. Jane Frances de Chantal and St. Francis de Sales," from June 12-21, 2019. For more information, and to register for this trip, visit www.catholictravel.org/francepilgrimage2019.html. The deadline to register is January 31, 2019, and a maximum of 30 travelers can be accommodated, so register soon!

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

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

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.

HIGH SCHOOL TEEN GROUP: RETREAT

This Sunday, December 9 from 1:00-8:00 pm, the teen group will participate in a mid-year retreat here at the parish. All teens are welcome to come as we explore the Works of Mercy. Come with your helping hands, and an open heart and mind. Meet at the Seton Center starting at 1:00 pm. We will attend the 5:00 pm Mass together.

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.

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.

FIND THE PERFECT GIFT

Advent is a time when many of us are preparing our homes to gather with family and friends. We play our favorite Christmas music, make seasonal meals and desserts, and practice traditions and rituals from our childhood. Keep Christ at the center of your celebration in these simple ways: include Christian songs in your Christmas playlist, say grace before meals and let people offer intentions, and

incorporate a moment of prayer and reflection into your family's traditions. Then share with others how you celebrate the perfect gift of God's love by going to FindthePerfectGift.org/traditions and posting on social media with #ADWPerfectGift.

DO YOU KNOW SOMEONE WHO CAN'T GET TO MASS?

Since 1952, the Archdiocese of Washington has produced a weekly televised Mass for those who are homebound, broadcast from the Crypt Church of the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception. It is a wonderful ministry for those members of our Catholic family who are unable to be physically present with a local worshipping community for the Sunday Eucharistic Liturgy. The Mass airs every Sunday at 10:30 am on WDCW-50; no cable, Dish or DIRECTV subscribers: Ch. 50; Comcast: Ch. 23 in Washington, DC and Montgomery County, Ch. 3 in Prince George's County and Southern Maryland; RCN: Ch 15; Verizon: Ch. 3. Email communications@adw.org with the mailing address(es) of those you know are unable to attend Mass so they can receive the free *Celebrate!* TV Mass newsletter.

WOULD YOU LIKE TO BE ON TV?

Join the congregation at a taping of the 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 7:30-8:45pm in the Crypt Church of the Basilica at the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception (400 Michigan Ave., NE in Washington, DC). Come for one Mass or stay for both! Upcoming taping dates are January 24, and February 7 and 21. To receive the free *Celebrate!* TV Mass newsletter, email communications@adw.org with your mailing address.



Do you plan to do any traveling during the Advent or Christmas season?

Did you know that with our secure giving program, Faith Direct, your gifts to the parish can be there even when you are away?

By supporting St. Jane de Chantal Parish through Faith Direct, both you and our parish can more easily project future contributions.

To sign up with Faith Direct through their simple and secure online enrollment process, visit www.faithdirect.net and use our church code, MD30.



Support St. Jane de Chantal School while you shop for Christmas at smile.amazon.com.

St. Jane de Chantal Parish Amazon Portal:

<https://smile.amazon.com/ch/52-0623158>

Use this portal to enter Amazon, and a portion of your purchase will benefit the Msgr. Christopher Scholarship Fund. Cumulative donations received to date: \$340.57.

Thank you!

JOIN THE CATHOLIC ADVOCACY NETWORK

Maryland's General Assembly session starts in just two months (January 9) and the Maryland Catholic Conference is encouraging anyone who wants to stay informed and get involved on important Catholic issues to sign up for the Catholic Advocacy Network. A constitutional amendment on abortion will be introduced in 2019, as well as other important bills on physician-assisted suicide, fetal homicide, immigration, human trafficking, education funding. The Conference's Catholic Advocacy Network uses email and a simple online system to alert you when action is needed and give you the tools to quickly and easily send a message directly to your legislators. To join, visit www.mdcathcon.org/joincan.

WORLD YOUTH DAY IN DC

Join thousands of college students and young adults (ages 18-39) on Saturday, January 26, 2019 for a one-day Catholic festival at The Catholic University of America. Experience World Youth Day in Panama, including world-renowned speakers, live music, simultaneous streaming of Pope Francis in Panama, and authentic Panamanian culture! To register, and for more information, visit www.wyddc.org or search #wydDC.

MEN'S DISCERNMENT RETREAT WEEKEND

The Archdiocese of Washington invites young men (college aged through 40s) who are considering a call to the priesthood to attend a discernment retreat led by priests and seminarians of the Archdiocese of Washington. The retreat will be held Friday, February 1 - Sunday, February 3, at the Washington Retreat House and St. John Paul II Seminary (145 Taylor St., NE). The retreat will offer time away from your daily routine and provide an opportunity for prayer and reflection to examine God's call. Registration is required; to register, visit https://dcpriest.formstack.com/forms/mds_2019. Questions, contact the archdiocesan Office of Priest Vocations at vocations@adw.org or 202-636-9020.

QUO VADIS SHADOW DAY

Come and see what a day in the life of a seminarian is like! Juniors and seniors in high school are invited to a special day at Saint John Paul II Seminary (145 Taylor Street NE) on Friday, February 15. High school men will eat three meals, attend class, Mass, and Adoration with seminarians, and have an opportunity to ask questions. In addition, the attendees will be able to engage with others who may also be considering the seminary as an option for college. For more information, and to register, visit www.dcpriest.org/quo-vadis-shadow-day.

STEWARDSHIP

*Good stewards believe that God,
who has begun this good work in them,
will carry it through to completion.
In words and deeds, they can sing with the psalmist,
"The Lord has done great things for us;
we are filled with joy!" (Ps 126)*

SECOND COLLECTION: RETIRED RELIGIOUS

The second collection this weekend, December 8/9, will benefit the Retirement Fund for Religious. This parish-based appeal, coordinated by the National Religious Retirement Office (NRRO), benefits nearly 33,000 senior Catholic sisters, brothers, and religious order priests whose communities lack retirement savings. Participation in this collection provides an opportunity to be a witness of Our Lord's love and mercy for the religious men and women who have contributed so much to sharing his love with others and to building up the Church. Thank you for your generosity.

POOR BOX

The Poor Box next weekend, December 15/16, 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. Long term problems are referred to community resources.

TAX DEDUCTIBLE CONTRIBUTIONS

You can deduct your contributions to St. Jane de Chantal only in the year you actually make them. You make a contribution at the time of its unconditional delivery, e.g., in the Sunday collection basket. When a check is mailed, the IRS considers the U.S. Mail postmark to be the delivery date [see IRS Publication 526 and U.S. Treasury Regulation 1-170A-1(b)]. Contributions for the 2018 calendar year must have a U.S. Mail postmark dated no later than December 31, 2018. The date on the check has no consequence. For example, if we receive a check dated December 31, 2018 with a U.S. Mail postmark of January 2, 2019, the contribution will be credited to the 2019 calendar year. Contributions by credit card or bank debit through Faith Direct are deductible in the year you make the charge. Contributions by stock delivered electronically through a financial services firm are considered to be made when the stock is delivered to our broker.



**Please remember the
St. Jane de Chantal School
Endowment Fund
(CFC # 32653)
if you participate in this
charitable campaign.
The campaign season
ends January 11, 2019.**

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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, DECEMBER 9

All day	Sodality Giving Tree Committee	CH
10:00 am	CCD: FOOT	SMR
11:00 am	RCIA	SC
3:00 pm	Family Choir	MR

MONDAY, DECEMBER 10

All day	Sodality Giving Tree Committee	SMR
All day	School PE Classes	CH
All day	School Secret Santa Shop	CRH
9:15 am	School Christmas Play Rehearsal	C
5:00 pm	Girl Scouts Brownies Troop 3426 (Grade 3)	DCR
7:00 pm	Boy Scout Troop 461 Leadership	NMR
7:30 pm	Young Adults: "Credible Catholic" Series	CH

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 11

All day	Sodality Giving Tree Committee	SMR
9:15 am	School Christmas Play Rehearsal	C
3:00 pm	St. Louis de France Parish Catechism Confessions	C
3:30 pm	CYO Basketball	CRH
5:45 pm	Jr. Girl Scout Troop 4922 (Grade 5)	DCR
6:00 pm	CCD: Grades 1-8	SCH

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 12

All day	Sodality Giving Tree Committee	SMR
9:15 am	School Christmas Play Rehearsal	C
2:00 pm	"Carpooling with Christ" Eucharistic Adoration	C
3:00 pm	School Dance Class	CH
3:30 pm	CYO Basketball	CRH
5:00 pm	Girls Scouts Daisies Troop 3426 (Grade 1)	DCR
6:00 pm	Cub Scouts Lions	NMR
7:00 pm	Cub Scouts Webelos	NMR
7:00 pm	Family Choir	MR
7:30 pm	St. Martin's Cloak	SMR

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 13

8:00 am	Sodality Giving Tree Committee	SMR
9:00 am	Bible Time-Line	SC
9:15 am	School Christmas Play Rehearsal	C
3:30 pm	CYO Basketball	CRH
6:00 pm	Cub Scout Bears	DCR
7:00 pm	Boy Scout Troop 461	NMR
7:00 pm	Venturing Crew	SC
7:00 pm	Centering Prayer	SC
7:00 pm	Handbell Ensemble	MR
8:00 pm	Parish Choir	MR

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 14

9:15 am	School Christmas Play Rehearsal	C
3:00 pm	Jr. Girl Scouts Troop 3613 (Grade 4)	DCR
3:30 pm	CYO Basketball	CRH

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 15

8:00 am	CYO Basketball	CRH
9:00 am	SPRED	SC
6:00 pm	Young Adults: Christmas Party	SC

POPE FRANCIS

"Each one of us is called to make Jesus known to those who do not yet know him. But this is not to proselytize. No, it is to open a door. [...] If Our Lord Jesus has changed our lives, and he changes it every time we go to him, how can we not feel the passion to make him known to those we encounter at work, at school, in our apartment building, in the hospital, in meeting places? If we look around us, we find people who would be willing to begin — or begin again — a journey of faith were they to encounter Christians in love with Jesus."

Pope Francis, *Angelus*,
St. Peter's Square,
Second Sunday of Advent,
6 December 2015

READINGS 12/16

Reading I
Zep 3:14-18a

Reading II
Phil 4:4-7

Gospel
Lk 3:10-18

INTENTIONS**Sun., Dec. 9 – Sat., Dec. 15**

Sunday	8:00 am	Parishioners
	10:00 am	Richard Anthony Lee/L
	12:00 pm	Roberto & Laura Garcia-Lopez/L
	5:00 pm	Donald Trump/L
Monday	8:00 am	Special Intention
	11:00 am	Betty LeBlanc/D
Tuesday	8:00 am	Christa Gautrois/D
	11:00 am	Debbie VanLandingham/L
Wednesday	8:00 am	Susan Tise/D
	11:00 am	Nelson Wall/D
Thursday	8:00 am	Frederick M. Wunder, Jr./D
	11:00 am	Mary Hancock Tweedie/L
Friday	8:00 am	Christopher Alonzi/D
	11:00 am	Joan Mayell/D
Saturday	8:00 am	Agnes McKrisky/D
	5:00 pm	Patricia Davis/D

ALTAR SERVERS**Mon., Dec. 10 – Sun., Dec. 16**

Monday	8:00 am	L. Chalfant, M. Skibo
	11:00 am	M. McDonald, L. Owens
Tuesday	8:00 am	C. Gotzman, M. Gotzman
	11:00 am	T. Chalfant, C. Johnson
Wednesday	8:00 am	M. Matelis, T. Merola
	11:00 am	G. Gaenzler, S. Townsend
Thursday	8:00 am	A. McCormick, J. McCormick
	11:00 am	M. Bailey, N. Sissoko
Friday	8:00 am	C. Gotzman, K. Weber
	11:00 am	M. Ryan, S. Ryan
Saturday	8:00 am	T. Merola, L. Sabella-Capuanò
	5:00 pm	J. Broome, K. McCabe, S. Stancik
Sunday	8:00 am	G. LaCount, N. LaCount, A. Rhea
	10:00 am	M. Gleeson, R. Gleeson, J. Maxwell
	12:00 pm	E. Geiss, M. Kish, S. Kish
	5:00 pm	M. Raffa, B. Shaffer, T. Shaffer