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READING I: HAB 1:2-3; 2:2-4

In the midst of horrific times (war, famine), the prophet calls on God to take immediate action. God's response is that the divine plan is working, "presses on to fulfillment, and will not disappoint."

PSALM RESPONSE: PS 95

"If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts."

The past is prologue. This hymn hails God
as creator and liberator;
God's past deeds are a promise of what will come.
But we have to be faithful and trust in God's promise.

READING II: 2 TM 1:6-8, 13-14

We are the hands God uses to bring justice, peace, and mercy to the world. So "stir into flame the gift of God that you have."

GOSPEL: LK 17:5-10

We move forward in faith, knowing that we do only what we have been called to do.

The rest belongs to God.

POPE FRANCIS ON TODAY'S GOSPEL

We are not called to serve
merely in order to receive a reward,
but rather to imitate God,
who made himself a servant for our love.
Nor are we called to serve only now and again,
but to live in serving. Service is thus a way of life;
indeed it recapitulates the entire Christian way of life:
serving God in adoration and prayer;
being open and available;
loving our neighbour with practical deeds;
passionately working for the common good.

Pope Francis, homily, 2 October 2016, Salesian Centre, Baku, Azerbaijan.

ST. JANE FRANCES DE CHANTAL CHURCH OCTOBER 6, 2019

RESPECT LIFE MONTH

"All life has inestimable value even the weakest and most vulnerable, the sick, the old, the unborn and the poor, are masterpieces of God's creation, made in his own image, destined to live forever, and deserving of the utmost reverence and respect."

Pope Francis, Message to Catholics taking part in the annual Day for Life in Britain and Ireland, 28 July 2013.

TODAY IS RESPECT LIFE SUNDAY

Join Catholics nationwide in celebrating the kickoff of Respect Life Month. Find the reflection on this year's theme, "Christ Our Hope: In Every Season of Life," by visiting respectlifeprogram.org/reflection.

WITNESS TO LIFE MASS & ROSARY PROCESSION

The 12:00 noon Mass this Sunday, October 6 will be a "Witness to Life" Mass. Following Mass, all are invited to participate in a Rosary procession to LeRoy Carhart's late-term abortion clinic at the Wildwood Medical Center (10401 Old Georgetown Road) to pray for an end to abortion. While we are outside the clinic, stand on the public sidewalk between Old Georgetown Road and the white fence. Rides will be provided back to St. Jane.

PRAY THE ROSARY FOR THE UNBORN

All are invited to say the rosary for the unborn during the month of October. Join over a hundred parishioners in saying thousands of rosaries to end abortion. You can say the rosary anytime, anyplace. A sign-up sheet to pledge how many rosaries you will pray is available in the gathering space of church.

40 Days for Life Vigil

You can protect mothers and children by joining this worldwide mobilization! Through November 3, a 40 Days for Life vigil will take place daily, from 7:00 am to 7:00 pm, outside LeRoy Carhart's late-term abortion clinic at the Wildwood Medical Center (10401 Old Georgetown Road). Vigil participants will stand on the public sidewalk between Old Georgetown Road and the white fence. For more information, visit www.40daysforlife.com/Bethesda.

Poor Box

The Poor Box next weekend, October 12/13, will benefit Catholic Charities' Sanctuaries for Life as they assist qualifying pregnant women receive affordable prenatal and labor/delivery services. If needed, they also connect women who are pregnant to additional services, including housing, food, maternity and infant clothing, spiritual support and guidance, educational programs, and rental and utility assistance. Visit www.catholiccharitiesdc.org for more information.

WHAT TO DO WHEN A FRIEND IS CONSIDERING ABORTION

When a woman is facing a difficult pregnancy, the reaction of the first person she tells tends to set the tone for her decision-making. How do we respond in a loving way that is life-affirming for both her and her baby? First, prioritize listening over speaking. Ask her about her feelings, thoughts, values, beliefs, and wants. When her story is fully shared, it is your turn to provide factual information, in a loving and caring way. Encourage her. Help her set goals that extend beyond her due date to help her see life beyond her pregnancy. Reassure her that she is not alone, and provide practical support. Pray with her, offering Christ's love at a crucial life-saving and life-defining moment. (This is a summary of a USCCB Respect Life Program article by the same name and is reprinted with permission. © 2019, USCCB, Washington, D.C. All rights reserved.)

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:

- ♦ The Fitzhugh & Irene Mullan Family
- ◆ The Michael & Laura Gill Family
- ♦ The Tiffany Madison Family
- ♦ The Jeffrey & Jessica Watson 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.

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. This year's RCIA program has recently started, but there is still time for you to register. RCIA meets on Sunday mornings from 11:15 am to 12:30 pm at the Seton Center. We hope you will join us to see what RCIA is all about! For more information, contact Ken Clansky (301-922-5017 | ken.clansky@gmail.com) or Mark Diamond (301-530 -1640 | mark.diamond@stjanedechantal.org).

THRIFT SHOP AT THE HSA CHRISTMAS BAZAAR

Have you been waiting for a good reason to de-clutter the basement? You're in luck! The Home and School Association is now collecting items for the Thrift Shop at St. Jane de Chantal School's Annual Christmas Bazaar to be held Saturday, November 9. Consider donating your gently used items. There will be two collection times to drop off items: Sunday, October 27 and Sunday, November 3 in the lower church parking lot from 11:00 to 11:45 am. HSA can accept a wide variety of items, such as housewares, jewelry, sporting equipment, bikes, books, baby items and toys. They cannot accept clothing, shoes, or incomplete/ broken items. If you have items to donate, but can't make these collection times, contact Michelle Flynn at michelledflynn@gmail.com. Proceeds will benefit St. Jane de Chantal School. Any items not sold will be donated. Thank you for your support!

VOLUNTEER CERTIFICATION UPDATE

The Archdiocese of Washington Child Protection Policy requires volunteers who have not been fingerprinted, as part of an ADW criminal background report, to be fingerprinted by January 2020. To assist with this process, St. Jane de Chantal school and parish are offering one more opportunity for volunteers to complete the volunteer



SACRED MUSIC IN A SACRED SPACE: EYA

Sunday, October 13, at 3:00 pm

The ensemble, Eya, will present

Stella Serena: Celestial Hymns to the Virgin.

Launched in 2010,
Eya is an award-winning vocal ensemble
based in Washington, DC
specializing in the interpretation of
medieval music for women's voices.

Eya is an ensemble of hauntingly beautiful vocal quality married with deep spirit.

Admission is free. All are welcome.

certification process on Saturday, November 16, from 10:00 am to 1:00 pm in Caulfield Hall. Pre-registration is required. Pre-registration is a two-step process: to schedule an appointment and to pre-register with Safe Hire Solutions. Step one, to schedule an appointment on October 5, visit www.signupgenius.com/go/8050848ABAE2AA3F58fingerprinting; to schedule an appointment on November visit www.signupgenius.com/ 16. go/8050848ABAE2AA3F58-virtus. Step two, to pre-register with Safe Hire Solutions, visit https:// secure.safehiresolutions.com/livescan-pre-registrationapplication/. Cost is \$55 per person; payment by check (must be payable to Safe Hire Solutions) or cash (no credit cards accepted). The sessions are conducted by LiveScan Fingerprinting, which will send criminal background reports directly to the archdiocesan child protection office.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: SHEPHERD'S TABLE

A team of parishioners serves lunch to the homeless on the second and fourth Monday of the month at Shepherd's Table, located at Progress Place in Silver Spring. We need three to four more volunteers to continue functioning as a parish team. We depart the St. Jane parking lot at 11:15 am, and return by 1:30 pm. For more information, call Edouard Motte (301-897-3763) or Bill Primosch (202-949-4817).

JUNIOR SODALITY

Junior Sodality is an organization of middle-school girls who wish to have a deeper devotion to Jesus through his mother, Mary, while practicing the principles of the Catholic Church. As a Junior Sodalist, you will have opportunities to grow spiritually, and be of service to our parish and community. We will work on various acts of charity by singing Christmas Carols and visiting our seniors at Maplewood, honoring our veterans, assisting with the Sodality Giving Tree, and other events. Our goal is one meeting and/or service project per month throughout the

school year. Our meetings will be after school in Caulfield Hall. Questions? Contact Tracy McCabe (bcnova91@verizon.net | 301-602-6191) or Debbie Ryan (theryansix@verizon.net | 301-806-7909).

VENTURING CREW 461

Join Venture Crew 461, an all femle venture crew, ages 14 to 21, that specializes in high adventure (e.g., hiking, zip lining, kayaking, camping). Crew allows scouts to develop leadership skills through planning and executing their activities. Crew 461 meets Monday evenings, 7:00—8:00 pm in the DeChantal Room (cafeteria). For more information, check them out on Instagram @crew461md.

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

... those who are sick, and all those in our nursing homes and hospitals, especially John and Pat Krisko, Pierre Benjamin, Leonard Moreno, and Champa Soyza.

. . . those who have died, especially Chuck Covell.

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.

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.

You are cordially invited to attend the ST. JANE DE CHANTAL SODALITY COMMUNION BREAKFAST

Sunday, October 27 ♦ 11:00 am ♦ Caulfield Hall

Guest Speaker, Dr. Colleen Hadigan, will present

A Journey to Motherhood

Dr. Hadigan, M.D., M.P.H., is a pediatric gastroenterologist in the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases, as well as a St. Jane deChantal parishioner, dedicated Sodalist, and mother. She will share her unique journey to motherhood and reflect on the inspiration, mercy, and grace that Mary provides in our daily lives.

Cost of the catered breakfast is \$25.00 per person.
Reservation deadline is October 24. Make your reservation online at https://membership.faithdirect.net/events/details/3610 (includes a \$1.50 processing fee), or send a check, payable to "De Chantal Sodality," to:
Kate Beers, 10303 Rossmore Court, Bethesda MD 20814.
For more information, contact Kate at kate.beers@gmail.com.



SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE

If you are interested in Catholic education for your children, plan to attend the St. Jane de Chantal School Open House on Monday, October 21 from 9:00 to 11:00 am. Our parent tour guides will take you to classrooms, offering you the opportunity to visit Pre-K to Grade 8. You will have time to observe classes, and meet teachers and students.

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.

THE ARCHDIOCESE OF WASHINGTON IS HIRING

The archdiocese is seeking those who are experienced in accounting, bookkeeping, payroll, and human resources to work in parish offices through the archdiocese. The work is interesting, and the hours are flexible if needed. Send your resume and/or any questions to russl@adw.org.

QUO VADIS COME AND SEE RETREAT

Young men in grades 11 and 12 are invited to experience seminary life firsthand, Friday, November 8 – Sunday, November 10, at Saint John Paul II Seminary. This is an opportunity to meet and talk to our seminarians, pray with them, listen to great talks, and enjoy time for sports and recreation. High school juniors and seniors are encouraged to consider attending this great weekend event. Visit www.DCpriest.org and select "Events" to register. Call the Office of Priest Vocations at 202-636-9020 or email vocations@adw.org with any questions.

IN OUR AREA

MOCO RAINSCAPES

The St. Jane Frances de Chantal Environmental Committee invites everyone to help save the quality of our water by keeping our water supply free of pollutants. How can we as individuals living in Bethesda help? We can start in our own yards. By capturing water into our own yards, we can preclude runoff of fertilizers and other contaminants from entering as drainage into streams and creeks and, locally, the Chesapeake Bay, and, ultimately the whole water cycle. Check out https://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/water/

rainscapes. Rebates are available for qualifying projects of creative, inexpensive projects to help contain rainwater and conserve water in your landscapes.

STEWARDSHIP

When will I have given enough —
of my income, of my time, of my talents?

Today's Gospel suggests that only total stewardship will do:
"When you have done all you have been commanded
to do, say, 'We are useless servants.
we have done no more than our duty.'" (Lk 17:10)

| Parish Support for September 29, 2019 (* not including Faith Direct) | | |
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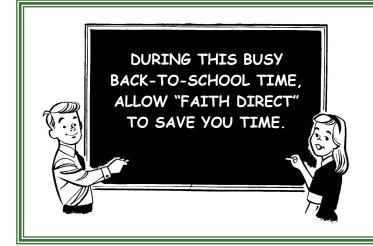
SECOND COLLECTION: MAINTENANCE

The second collection this weekend, October 5/6, will be our monthly collection to help with the repair and maintenance of our parish facilities.

SECOND COLLECTION: ST. JANE DE CHANTAL YOUTH

The second collection next weekend, October 12/13, will benefit our parish high school Youth Ministry and altar servers programs. Hundreds of parish children and teens benefit from these programs.





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

It is easy for people to forget to catch up once they are back, and our weekly offertory can fluctuate as a result. An easy way to provide continuous support for our year-round programs is to enroll in Faith Direct.

You can enroll online at www.faithdirect.net, or call 1-866-507-8757 (toll-free).

Our parish code is MD30.

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, OCTOBER 6 10:00 am......CCD: FOOTSMR 10:00 am.....CCD: Kindergarten.....CH 6:00 pm.....Youth Ministry SMASHSC 6:15 pm......Scripture Study: Ephesians.....SC MONDAY, OCTOBER 7 7:00 pm.....Boy Scout Troop 461 LeadershipNMR **TUESDAY, OCTOBER 8** 7:00 pm......Scripture Study: Acts......SC WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 9 3:00 pm.....School Dance Class.....CH 7:00 pm......Confirmation ParentsCH 7:30 pm......St. Martin's CloakSMR **THURSDAY. OCTOBER 10** 9:00 am.....Scripture Study: Acts....SC 7:00 pm.......Boy Scout Troop 461DCR/NMR FRIDAY, OCTOBER 11 12:30 pm.....St. Louis de France Parish Seniors Luncheon.....CH SATURDAY, OCTOBER 12 OUR LADY
OF THE ROSARY

OCTOBER 7

On October 7, the Roman Catholic Church celebrates the Memorial of Our Ladv of the Rosarv. Known for several centuries by the alternate title of "Our Lady of Victory," the feast day takes place in honor of a 16th century naval victory which secured Europe against Turkish invasion. Pope St. Pius V attributed the victory to the intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary, who was invoked on the day of the battle through a campaign to pray the Rosary throughout Europe.

READINGS

Oct. 13

Reading I 2 Kgs 5:14-17

Reading II 2 Tm 2:8-13

Gospel Lk 17:11-19

| INTENTION | vs | Sun., Oct. 6 – Sat., Oct. 12 |
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| Sunday | 10:00 am 12:00 pm | Parishioners Edward DeTomaso/D James Murphy/D Mary Lent/L |
| Monday | 8:30 am | Sheila Gradowski/D |
| Tuesday | 8:30 am | Ellen Moore/D |
| Wednesday | 8:30 am | Donald Gerne/D |
| Thursday | 8:30 am | Patricia Macker/D |
| Friday | 8:30 am | Mark Pellitier/D |
| Saturday | | Helen McCarthy/D Annette Ludwick/D |

ALTAR SERVERS Mon., Oct. 7 - Sun., Oct. 13 Monday 8:30 am P. Kelley, T. Kelley Tuesday 8:30 am A. McCormick, J. McCormick Wednesday 8:30 am K. Aquino, R. Pablo Thursday 8:30 am D. Merola, T. Merola Friday 8:30 am J. McKinnon, M. Raffa Saturday 8:30 am G. Gaenzler, P. Kelley 5:00 pm L. & T. Sabella-Capuano 8:00 am K. Dinh, T. Kuta, M. Ojo 10:00 am R. Hutko, M. Skibo, T. Skibo Sunday 12:00 pm F. Hoag, L. Matelis, M. Matelis 5:00 pm C. Johnson, M. Kish, L. Owens