

ST. JANE FRANCES DE CHANTAL CHURCH

JANUARY 3, 2021



The Solemnity of the Epiphany of the Lord

/ YEAR B

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON: CF. MAL 3:1; 1 CHR 29:12

Behold, the Lord, the Mighty One, has come;
and kingship is in his grasp, and power and dominion.

READING I: ISAIAH 60:1-6

God is compared to the sun dawning over Jerusalem, which will draw all nations (and the wealth of the nations) to a city that lies, as the prophet speaks, in ruins. The gifts of the nations are echoed in the Gospel text.

PSALM RESPONSE: PS 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13, R. SEE V.11

Lord, every nation on earth will adore you.

READING II: EPH 3:2-3A, 5-6

Paul declares the Gentiles co-heirs to the Kingdom. This announcement is what makes it possible for most of us to be Christian: God's plan is that "the Gentiles are coheirs, members of the same body, and copartners in the promise in Christ Jesus."

GOSPEL: MT 2:1-12

The story of the "magi from the east" puts in graphic form the Christian belief that the meaning of Christmas is for the nations; it is not limited to one group of people or one country. It also shows how the presence of Christ causes division: It makes some people (Herod) fearful; it leads others (the astrologers) to rejoice.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON: CF. MT 2:2

We have seen his star in the East, and have come with gifts to adore the Lord.

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OPENING THE WORD: THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD (YEAR B)

The magi in today's Gospel had the wisdom and openness to see the light of the star and follow it. They were on watch, just as we were during Advent, and had a heart willing to follow the light that they saw. They set aside the tasks of daily life in order to worship the Messiah. Are we willing to do the same in our own lives? Do we seek Christ, and when we find him, do we worship him and pay him homage? **Listen** to Jim Beckman as he offers prayer and insights for today's Gospel.

EAST COAST SHRINES: ST ELIZABETH ANN SETON IN MARYLAND

On Monday, January 4th, we celebrate the memorial of St. Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton, patron saint of Catholic education, widows and loss of parents. St Elizabeth Ann Seton went places! And in this **episode**, Diana takes you on a tour of Baltimore's St. Mary's Spiritual Center & Historic Site, where St. Elizabeth Ann Seton lived for one year. Rev. John C. Kemper, S.S., the shrine's director, discusses St. Elizabeth Ann's life in Baltimore. Then it's off to Emmitsburg, Maryland, where the huge and amazing National Shrine of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton is explored, and this wonderful saint's legacy is examined.

A TIME TO REVIVE

Our world is deeply troubled: wars, terrorism, political and social unrest, family breakdown, mass migrations, moral confusion, and chaos. In the Church: faith has diminished, doctrines are denied, moral teachings ignored, scandals in the clergy cause real dismay and doubt. Featuring commentary and insights by Cardinal Raymond Burke and Bishop Mark Davies, and appealing to proven methods from the Church's history, this **film** sets forth a powerful blueprint for revival in the Catholic Church, and thus a renewal in families, communities, and the world. It focuses on five key areas to drive this renewal: Catechesis, Liturgy, the Gospel of Life, Sanctity, and Mission. Also includes commentary from church leaders Fr. Marcus Holden, Fr. Andrew Pinsent, Joanna Bogle, and Jacob Phillips, and inspiring young adults speaking about their Catholic faith and trust in Christ.

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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.

WINTER PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Please be advised that beginning November 30, 2020, our Parish Office hours have temporarily been updated to 8:30 am - 4:30 pm. This schedule will be in effect until further notice. Stay tuned to our weekly bulletin and emails updates for more information.

USED CLOTHING SHED

Our used clothing drop-off shed is now open and accepting donations of all clothing, sneakers, belts, purses, blankets, sheets, pillowcases, drapes, and stuffed toys. Help keep your donation clean and dry by placing items in plastic bags. Items not accepted are rags, fabric scraps, toys, and household goods. After each pick-up, our parish receives a stipend; and the total amount is distributed to the Msgr. Christopher Scholarship Fund.

EMAIL SCAM WARNING

Please be aware that there continues to be an email scam circulating that uses religious leaders as a ploy to scam you into sending money or buy gift cards. Fr. Giese's name is being used in one of them; these emails are not coming from Fr. Giese. St. Jane de Chantal Parish receives online donations only through our e-giving provider, Faith Direct. All St. Jane de Chantal emails have details that identify us and the purpose of the email. If the sender did not put enough recognizable details in an email for you to be comfortable with its origin and purpose, do not respond.

SNOW POLICY FOR WEEKDAY MASSES

If the Federal Government is closed due to inclement weather, St. Jane de Chantal will not hold the 8:30 am weekday Mass. 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 the 8:30 am Mass.

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.

CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS

Volunteers are needed to help take down the Christmas decorations in the church on Tuesday, January 5, at 10:30 am. To sign up, call the parish office or email giuliano.grisi@stjanedechantal.org

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

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

... those who have died, especially Mary Thorne, Marilyn Flynn, Andrew Duymovic, Mary Ann Fake, William Rooney, Willie S. and John Krisko.

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.

RECURRING MAINTENANCE EXPENSES	
Pest Control.....	\$303.00
Cleaning Service	\$9,773.00
Elevator Maintenance	\$915.14
HVAC and Water Heating Maintenance	\$6,688.65
Total Recurring Expenses	\$17,679.79
* Recurring expenses include those billed monthly, quarterly, semi-annually, and annually.	
EXTRAORDINARY MAINTENANCE EXPENSES	
Disinfecting Services on Sundays	\$525.00
Nightly Disinfecting of School.....	\$200.00
HVAC and Water Heating Repairs	\$10,973.00
Total Extraordinary Expenses.....	\$11,698.00
Total Expenses 11/30 – 12/22	\$29,377.79
The Maintenance Collection in December (as of Dec. 22) totaled \$2,746.00. ~ THANK YOU!	

MAINTENANCE COLLECTION
THIS WEEKEND, JANUARY 2 & 3

JUST LIKE YOURS, PARISH BILLS GO UP IN THE WINTER

HELP ST. JANE KEEP UP WITH WINTER EXPENSES THROUGH SUPPORT OF OUR MONTHLY MAINTENANCE COLLECTION.

The second collection this weekend, January 2/3 is our monthly collection to help with the repair and maintenance of our parish facilities. While we have continued to access our maintenance expenses, we have increased the cleaning and sanitation of the church on the weekends for the safety of our parishioners. You may make your maintenance collection gift online at <https://membership.faithdirect.net/givenow/30>.

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

POST CHRISTMAS BREAK

January 4th - January 8th:
Virtual Learning for All Students

ST. JANE DE CHANTAL SCHOOL VIRTUAL OPEN HOUSE

If you are thinking of Catholic education for your children, come to visit our school. St. Jane de Chantal has been educating children since 1953 and is now recognized as a vibrant 21st century Catholic school. Our faculty is dedicated to instilling and nurturing a deep religious foundation in our children. With a commitment to strong academics in core subjects of religion, math, language arts, science and history/social studies, teachers include cooperative learning and problem solving into all lessons. Students utilize Chrome books, Google Classroom, and iPads, along with textbooks across all academic disciplines. Teachers also pique student curiosity through field trips, guest speakers, and visual arts and music. Each school year, many students participate in one of more of the De Chantal fine arts programs; band, choir, dance, and theater. The science STEM Initiative is complimented by our annual March Science Madness program which involves students in all grades. If you are looking to change schools in the 2021-22 School Year, attend the St. Jane de Chantal School Virtual Open House on January 25, 2021. There are two sessions 9:00 am and 11:00 am. Register for the session of your choice via email to ctomscheck@dechantal.org. Take a virtual tour of St. Jane de Chantal School by clicking on the image below.



Educating Children
from Pre-K through Grade 8

St. Jane de Chantal School – Religion is the
Thread that Weaves Our School Together



SPONSOR THE 2021 DUKE'S DE CHANTAL VIRTUAL DASH 5K AND 1 MILE FUN RUN!

The De Chantal Virtual Dash is on Saturday, April 17, 2021. This is your opportunity to become a sponsor and help ensure the Dash is as successful as it has been in the years past. All levels of sponsorships are available to businesses or individual families. The De Chantal Dash is a Home & School run event and all proceeds go towards enhancing our school community. This is your chance to be part of something great while advertising your business. Sponsorships range from \$1,000 - \$100! Visit our online portal at <https://store17346555.ecwid.com/The-Dash-c35460885> or email Kelly Jana at kellyjana22@gmail.com to complete your sponsorship.

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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.

IN LETTER, MARYLAND'S CATHOLIC BISHOPS STRONGLY ENCOURAGE PEOPLE TO RECEIVE THE COVID-19 VACCINE

Maryland's Catholic bishops in a Dec. 12, 2020 letter strongly encouraged Catholics to receive the COVID-19 vaccines, which on Dec. 14 began being administered to frontline health care workers across the nation and will next be administered to residents of long-term care facilities. "A Catholic can in good conscience receive these COVID-19 vaccines. Moreover, given the grave risk of harm to others, we strongly encourage the faithful to receive a vaccine against COVID, unless medically indicated otherwise," the bishops said. They added, "It is vitally important that the most vulnerable among us and those who are from communities that have been disproportionately impacted by COVID receive the vaccine



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

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

swiftly.” The letter was issued by the Maryland Catholic Conference, the public policy arm of the Catholic dioceses serving Maryland, and it was also signed by the auxiliary bishops of Washington and Baltimore. Click [HERE](#) to read more from this article. (Here is a link to the Maryland bishops’ letter on the COVID-19 vaccine: <https://cathstan.org/news/local/text-of-maryland-catholic-bishops-letter-on-covid-19-vaccine>.)

REV. DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. CELEBRATION

The Archdiocese of Washington Office of Cultural Diversity is proud to announce that the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Celebration will be held on Saturday, January 16th at 5:00 pm. All are invited to attend this virtual event! Mass will be celebrated by Cardinal Wilton Gregory and begin at 5:00 pm. On January 16th, click [HERE](#) to attend!

“STRENGTH & DIGNITY” VIRTUAL SPIRITUAL SERIES FOR WOMEN

The Archdiocesan Office for Family Life is sponsoring a virtual spiritual series for women hosted by the Council of Catholic Women based on St. John Paul II’s encyclical “Mulieris Dignitatem” on the dignity and the vocation of women. We will read and discuss the nine sections of the letter during four consecutive Wednesdays to better understand God’s beautiful design for women, and their essential contribution to the world. Wednesday evenings from January 6 – 27, 2021 between 7:00pm – 8:30pm.

- January 6 — Sections 1 – 3: Introduction, Theotokos (Mother of God), Image and Likeness of God
- January 13 — Sections 4 – 5: Eve-Mary, Jesus
- January 20 — Sections 6 – 7: Motherhood – Virginity, The Church
- January 27 — Sections 8 – 9: The Greatest is Love, Conclusion

The fee for all sessions is \$12.00 which includes the materials that will be mailed to the address indicated in the registration. For more information, contact the Office for Family Life at 301-853-4546 or visiblesign@adw.org. Register by clicking [HERE](#).

THE 2021 VIRTUAL YOUTH RALLY AND MASS FOR LIFE

The Youth Rally and Mass for Life will be an online only event on January 29, 2021. The Youth Rally and Mass for Life occurs each year in conjunction with the annual National March for Life held on (or near) the anniversary of the 1973 Roe v. Wade court decision making abortion legal in this country. The Rally strives to encourage the youth participating in the national March for Life in their witness as disciples of Christ and promoters of the Gospel of Life. It is the largest annual archdiocesan event, which in many ways has grown to become a national (even international) event with pilgrims traveling from as far away as the US Virgin

Islands and Australia. Join us in prayer that as a nation, we may stop wandering in the wilderness of the culture of death and may enter into “life in abundance” (Jn 10:10) through our faith in Jesus Christ and our proclamation of the Gospel of Life. More information on the 2021 Virtual Youth Rally and Mass for Life will become available in the upcoming months. For the most current information or to donate, visit <https://adw.org/media-events/events/youth-rally-mass-life/>.



STEWARDSHIP

“Give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together, and running over will be poured into your lap. For with the measure you use, it will be measured back to you.” –Luke 6:38

POOR BOX: MONSIGNOR CHRISTOPHER FUND

The Poor Box this weekend, January 2/3, will benefit the Monsignor Christopher Scholarship Fund, which provides need-based scholarships to our parish school. During the 2019-2020 school year, the fund received \$9,186 to assist 16 families (22 students). You may make your gift online at <https://membership.faithdirect.net/givenow/30>.

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.



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

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to St. Jane de Chantal Parish & School:

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Sunday, January 3 – Saturday, January 9, 2021
For all upcoming events, visit www.stjanedechantal.org, click on "Complete Parish Calendar."

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, JANUARY 3

8:00 am Mass C
10:00 am Sodality Mass C
12:00 pm Mass C
5:00 pm Mass C

MONDAY, JANUARY 4

8:30 am Mass C
7:00 pm Boy Scout Troup Leadership Meeting NMR

TUESDAY, JANUARY 5

8:30 am Mass C
5:30 pm CCD Grades 1-8 SMR/CH

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 6

8:30 am Mass C

THURSDAY, JANUARY 7

8:30 am Mass C
7:00 pm Boy Scout Troup Meeting DCR/NMR

FRIDAY, JANUARY 8

8:30 am Mass C

SATURDAY, JANUARY 9

8:30 am Mass C
3:45 pm Confessions C
5:00 pm Vigil Mass C

POPE FRANCIS



"Today, the Feast of the Epiphany of the Lord, presents us with three attitudes with which Christ Jesus' coming and his manifestation to the world were welcomed. The first attitude: diligent searching; the second: indifference; the third: fear".

ANGELUS
Saint Peter's Square
Saturday, 6 January 2018

READINGS Jan. 10

The Baptism of the Lord

Reading I
Is 42:1-4, 6-7

Reading II
Acts 10:34-38

Gospel
Mk 1:7-11

INTENTIONS

Sun., January 3 – Sat., January 9

Sunday	8:00 am	Parishioners
	10:00 am	The Rowe Family
	12:00 pm	Bobby Kaulius/D
	5:00 pm	The Onana Family
Monday	8:30 am	Jonathan Cole/D
Tuesday	8:30 am	Jacob Deglopper/D
Wednesday	8:30 am	Rosemary Glynn/D
Thursday	8:30 am	Robert Vincent/D
Friday	8:30 am	Theresa Delfuono/D
	10:00 am	Norman Krauss/D
	5:00 pm	Mark Dzialo/D

ALTAR SERVERS

Mon., January 4 – Sun., January 10

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

We are in need of a sacristan to help with the 12:00 noon Mass on Sundays. If you are interested, please contact the Parish Office at 301- 530-1550.