

LIFE

A close-up photograph of a newborn baby's face, looking up with large, dark eyes. Water is being poured from a wooden bowl onto the baby's forehead, creating droplets. The baby is wearing a white cloth. The background is softly blurred.

*Our Sign
of Hope*

**RESPECT
LIFE
MONTH**

October 2025

St. Jane Frances de Chantal Church

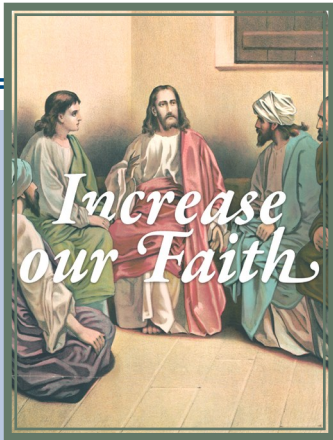
9601 Old Georgetown Road, Bethesda, Maryland 20814-1795

REV. SAMUEL C. GIESE, *Pastor* ♦ REV. JAMES M. MORGAN, *Parochial Vicar*

October 5, 2025 – Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

THE TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME /YEAR C



OCTOBER 5, 2025

Readings in *Worship* hymnal #1189

Entrance Antiphon: Est 4:17

Within your will, O Lord, all things are established, and there is none that can resist your will. For you have made all things, the heaven and the earth, and all that is held within the circle of heaven; you are the Lord of all.

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 a 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

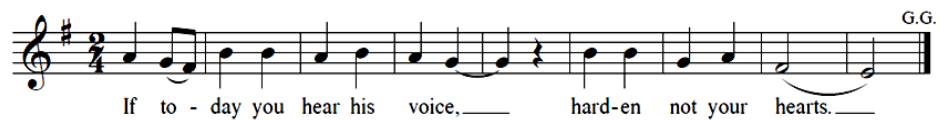
We are the hands God uses to bring justice, peace, and mercy to the world. So "stir into flame the gift of God that you have."

Entrance Hymn. Entrance Hymn..... Lord, Help Us

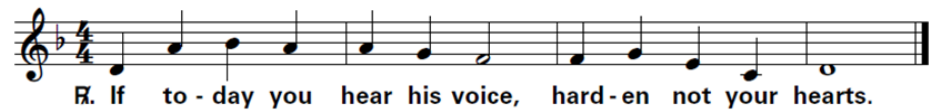
Walk Your Servant Way | # 779
..... (Sun. 5pm) Praise to the Lord, the Almighty| #616

Gloria From Congregational Mass | # 324
.....(Sun. 5pm) from Mass of Joyful Heart (# 9 Music aid)

Psalm Psalm 95 | G. Grisi



..... (Sun. 5pm) Psalm 95 | O. Alstott



Gospel Acclamation | O. Alstott



.....(Sun. 5pm) from Mass of Joyful Heart (# 10 Music aid)

Preparation of the Gifts Lord of All Hopefulness | # 686
..... Parish Choir: All Creatures of Our God and King – Arr. Rutter
..... (Sun. 5pm) The Summons | # 773

Preface Acclamation..... From Mass of a Servant Church | #231
.....(Sun. 5pm) from Mass of Joyful Heart (# 11 Music aid)

Memorial Acclamation From Mass of a Servant Church | # 233
.....(Sun. 5pm) from Mass of Joyful Heart (# 13 Music aid)

Great Amen From Mass of a Servant Church | # 235
.....(Sun. 5pm) from Mass of Joyful Heart (# 14 Music aid)

Fraction Rite..... From Eucharistic Mass (# 7 Music aid)
.....(Sun. 5pm) from Mass of Renewal (# 25 Music aid)

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.

Communion Antiphon: Lam 3:25

The Lord is good to those who
hope in him, to the soul that
seeks him.

Communion ProcessionAs the Bread of Life is Broken | # 932
.....(Sun. 5pm) Center of My Life | # 678

Meditation HymnChrist Before Us
..... Parish Choir: Adoro Te Devote - Bartolucci
.....(Sun. 5pm) 10,000 Reasons – M. Redman

Concluding Hymn..... Father, We Thank You, Who Have Planted | # 631
.....(Sun. 5pm) Lead Me, Guide Me | # 657

All music permitted under Reprint and Livestream license: Onelicense.net #727505



St. Jane Frances de Chantal

OFFERTORY E-GIVING

To send a Mass offering
online, scan the
QR code using your smart
phone camera.

Many in our St. Jane de
Chantal community has given
up envelopes and made the
switch to eGiving.

You may also sign up for
recurring gifts by visiting

faith.direct/MD30



**SUBSCRIBE
TO RECEIVE
PARISH EMAIL
UPDATES**

- ⇒ Visit StJanedeChantal.org
- ⇒ Go to the “About Us” menu
- ⇒ Go to “Join our Email List”
- ⇒ Fill out the online form, click **SIGN UP!**
- ⇒ Or, scan the QR code
using your phone’s camera.



ALTAR SERVERS FOR OCTOBER 4 AND 5

SATURDAY

5:00 pm C. Donlon, L. Thomas, G. Thomas

SUNDAY

8:00 am E. Noguchi, D. Driscoll, M. Driscoll
10:00 am K. Mydlarz, M. Almy, V. Gujda
12:00 pm D. A. Mukono, **2 Servers Needed**
5:00 pm H. Fotopoulos, **2 Server Needed**



Servers Needed: Sign up at

<https://secure.rotundasoftware.com/29/web-terminal/login/stjanedechantal>

NEW to St. Jane Frances de Chantal Church? We **INVITE** you
to **REGISTER** as a **PARISHIONER!**

Joining our parish family is much more than filling out a registration form. We hope to meet you in person at either a doughnut social after Mass or another parish event, and we invite you to become an active part of our community. As a member, you will be encouraged to prayerfully consider the gifts of time, talent and treasure you might be able to give back to God through parish ministry. Registration will also ensure that your contributions are recorded properly, as well as making the process much easier when it is time for sacraments or registration for Faith Formation or when asked to be a sponsor for a Baptism or Confirmation. Registration will also ensure that you will receive important communications such as emails and our annual report.



Visit stjanedechantal.org/register



FORMED®

The Catholic Faith. On Demand.



OPENING THE WORD: 27TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (YEAR C)

The underlying theme to all three readings this week is faith. The prophet Habakkuk cries out to God with a question common to every human heart: Why does God allow evil to persist in the world? As you read these three passages, consider how God doesn't answer the question--and how he does. Ultimately, it's a question of faith. Listen to Mary Healy, as she offers prayer and insights on today's Gospel at <https://watch.formed.org/videos/27th-sunday-in-ordinary-time-october-6-2019>.

SAINT FRANCIS

October 4 is the Feast of St Francis of Assisi. Filmed on location in Assisi and at other actual locations where St. Francis lived and died, this feature film vividly tells the story of the greatly beloved saint from childhood to his death. Captured by the enemy as a soldier and put in prison, he has a life changing experience that inspires him after being freed to abandon his riches and dedicate his life to living the Gospel in simplicity, poverty, and charity towards all. Visit <https://watch.formed.org/saint-francis-1>.

RESPECT LIFE | THE AUGUSTINE INSTITUTE SHOW

As we celebrate the start of Respect Life Month, let us join Dr. Tim Gray as he welcomes Lynn Grandon on the Augustine Institute Show! Lynn is the Director of Respect Life at Catholic Charities of Denver and has served in various positions throughout her career to advance the pro-life movement. Come with your questions about Respect Life and how you can get involved in the pro-life movement! Visit <https://watch.formed.org/the-augustine-institute-show/videos/the-augustine-institute-show-2-1-22-lynn-grandon>.

FORMED is a digital platform of Catholic videos, talks, and e-books, available at home, on the go, or from any internet connected device.

Discover thousands of books, audio talks, movies, documentaries, and studies; there is something for every member of the family to help them grow closer to Christ and his Church.

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.

St. Jane Frances de Chantal Church

Parish Office and Mailing Address: 9701 Old Georgetown Road, Bethesda, Maryland 20814-1795

Phone: 301-530-1550 ♦ Fax: 301-493-8953

E-mail: parish.office@stjanedechantal.org ♦ Web site: www.stjanedechantal.org

LITURGY SCHEDULE

Sunday Masses

Saturday 5:00 p.m.

Sunday 8:00 & 10:00 a.m., 12:00 noon, 5:00 p.m.

Weekday Masses

Monday – Saturday 8:30 a.m.

Holyday Masses as announced.

Sacrament of Penance

Saturday 3:45 - 4:45 p.m. & by appointment.

Children's Liturgy of the Word: during every

Saturday 5 p.m. Mass, September - May.

DR. GIULIANO GRISI, Director of Liturgy & Music

DEVOTIONS

Rosary: Monday – Saturday 8:00 am.

First Friday:

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament after
8:30 a.m. Mass; Benediction 10:00 a.m.

First Saturday Fatima Devotion:

After 8:30 a.m. Mass.

ST. JANE DE CHANTAL SCHOOL

301-530-1221

9525 Old Georgetown Road

Bethesda, MD 20814-1723

MRS. CATHERINE SKIBO, Principal

Grades Pre-K-8

BULLETIN SUBMISSION DEADLINE

The Friday that is nine days prior to publication on a Sunday.

PARISH ADVISORY BODIES

Pastoral Council: DR. CYNTHIA TRACY, Chair

Finance Council: MRS. M. ANNE STRAND, Chair

School Board: DR. LOREN WILKERSON, Chair

SODALITY

MRS. SUZIE NALLS, Chair

SETON CENTER FOR RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

301-530-9100

9625 Old Georgetown Road,

Bethesda, MD 20814-1725

MR. JAMES CAULFIELD, DRE

MRS. DIANA DONNELLY, ADRE

Grades K - 8, Youth Ministry (Grades 9 - 12),

Faith of Our Toddlers, Special Religious Education,

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults, Adult Faith

Formation.

PASTORAL CARE OF THE SICK

Please call the parish office (301-530-1550) when a parishioner is in the hospital, a nursing home, or confined to home and wishes to receive a visit or any of the sacraments.

BAPTISMS

Second and Fourth Sunday at 1:30 p.m.

Parents are required to attend a pre-Baptismal instruction class.

MATRIMONY

Couples are required to attend a Marriage Preparation Program prior to marriage. Please make arrangements with one of the parish priests at least six months in advance. Do not set a date until you have met with the priest.

HOLY ORDERS AND RELIGIOUS LIFE

If you believe that you or someone you know has a vocation to the priesthood or religious life, contact the archdiocesan Vocations Office (202-636-9020), the archdiocesan Delegate for Consecrated Life (301-853-4576), or one of your parish priests, or visit www.adw.org/allvocations.

NEW PARISHIONERS

We welcome new parishioners! All new parishioners are asked to complete a registration form available in the narthex of the Church, online, or come to the parish office. Please notify the parish office of a change of address, or if you plan to move out of the parish.



RESPECT LIFE MONTH

During the month of October, the Church asks us to reflect more deeply on the dignity of every human life. As Catholics, we are called to cherish, defend, and protect those who are most vulnerable, from the beginning to the end of their lives, and at every point in between. Prayers, novena, and other resources, along with a short reflection that unpacks this year's Eucharistic theme can be found online by visiting respectlife.org/celebrate. This year's theme features an image of an infant receiving the sacrament of Baptism. The message, "**Life: Our Sign of Hope**," reflects the ongoing Jubilee Year of Hope. Through the gift of our Baptism, Our Lord Jesus Christ calls us to be a member of his body thereby, demonstrating the invaluable dignity of the human person. This mystery invites us to be witnesses to the hope of the resurrection by promoting and defending the precious gift of life.

ROSARY CAMPAIGN FOR OCTOBER

This October, all are invited to join the Rosary Campaign for the Unborn. A sign-up sheet is available in the Church Narthex. Please write your name and how many rosaries' you pledge to pray for the month. Rosaries can be said anytime and anywhere.

Gabriel Project
of Montgomery County
October is Respect Life Month

Unborn Baby and Toddler Shower

This October, help fill the Gabriel Project Crib with new and gently used baby and toddler items. Please donate generously.

- ♦ Clothing (size 14 and below)
- ♦ Shoes, Coats, Small Toys
- ♦ Grocery Gift Cards

*Support unborn babies,
toddlers, and parents in need.
Help families choose life.*

gpmoco.org
Questions?
Call 301.946.4815

BLESSING OF ANIMALS & PETS



Sunday, October 5
2 pm - 3 pm at the Mary Garden

Owners are asked to bring their domestic
pets on a leash or housed in a crate.

If you would like to remain in your vehicle and
have your pets blessed inside your car,
contact the Parish Office by Thursday, October 2nd.

parish.office@stjanedechantal.org | 301-530-1550

IN OUR PARISH

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:

♦ Liane Agulto

♦ Michael Doran & Katarzyna Futrega

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 in the Church gathering space, at the parish office, or online at www.stjanedechantal.org/register, and send in your completed form or email this to parish.office@stjanedechantal.org.

DONUT SOCIAL

All parishioners are welcome to share fellowship, coffee and donuts in Caulfield Hall immediately following the 8:00 am and 10:00 am Masses this Sunday, October 5. Future monthly gatherings will be announced in the coming weeks.

ATTEND MASS WITH FELLOW SODALISTS

Inviting all Sodalist to gather together for the Sodality Mass this Sunday, October 5 at 10:00am. Come sit with fellow Sodalist along with your families. Rows will be marked with blue ribbons on right side of church.

MEN'S FALL RETREAT

The Parish Men's Ministry will be hosting its annual Men's Retreat on Sunday, October 12, starting with lunch at 12pm in the Seton Center, followed by retreat activities including social time, witness talks, reflections, as well as quiet time for prayer, reflection and Adoration. This year's theme will focus on "**Fraternity**". The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available for those who want to go to Confession. The Retreat will end with Mass (fulfills the Sunday obligation), followed by dinner. Please register to attend, on or before October 8 by emailing Tim Gleeson at togleeson@verizon.net. A suggested goodwill offering of \$40 to help cover costs will be collected, plus gratuity for the cook.

OLIVE WOOD ART

The Little Bethlehem Christian Group will be present after all Masses next weekend, October 11 and 12. Little Bethlehem is a group that represents 200 Christian families who live in Bethlehem and make their living as wood carvers. They offer religious items, carved from the olive wood of the Holy Land, to support and help fund the Christian presence in the Holy Land. For more information, visit www.little-bethlehem.org. Please take a moment after mass to look at their beautiful collection of items.

Hungry After Mass? ~ Save the Date!

Sunday, November 2nd, after 10am Mass,

the St. Jane Frances de Chantal Sodality will be holding their annual Communion Breakfast.

Stay tuned! More information coming soon.

PARISH OFFICE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Occasionally, the Parish Office needs a few hours of weekday help in covering the front desk (answering the phone, sorting the mail, and greeting visitors). There is also a seasonal need for volunteers who are willing to assist with stuffing and sorting of parish mailings, and completing occasional bulletin inserts. If you have some free time and are interested, please contact the Parish Office at 301-530-1550. Training and reference materials will be provided.

FOOD DRIVE RESULTS ARE IN!

The parish Food Drive that took place on Saturday, September 27th was a big success. We are pleased to report that we have collected 1129 lbs. of food, along with \$450 worth in Giant gift cards, and \$585 total in combined checks and cash. The food collected had been distributed, to our recipient organizations and client individuals of St. Martin's Cloak as broken down below.

♦ Catholic Charities	362 pounds
♦ Bethesda Helps	379 pounds
♦ Sacred Heart	334 pounds
♦ Parishioner-CK	35 pounds
♦ Parishioner-R	19 pounds

We distributed \$100 to each of the organizations and one to each of the parishioners. On behalf of our Pastor, Father Giese, the St. Martin's Cloak Guild, our recipients listed above, and our many volunteers, we wish to thank the St. Jane de Chantal parish community for the compassion and generosity that you exhibited for others in our immediate community and beyond. If you or any of your neighbors are in need of food support, please contact the Parish Office at 301-530-1550. We are available to assist you in finding remedies to your concerns and food needs.

COMMUNITY SHREDDING EVENT

St. Jane de Chantal Parishioners and School community are invited to participate in a shredding event on Saturday, October 25 between 9:00 am—11:00 am at the St. Jane Parking Lot. The event is FREE. You can bring paper documents, such as old tax returns that contain sensitive information to the shredding event to be destroyed. Our goal is to provide our St. Jane community with the opportunity to be green by recycling paper and to help protect against identity theft. Hosted by the [Cheryl Leahy Homes of Compass](#) in collaboration with the St. Jane de Chantal Environmental Committee.

WADOWICE ON THE POTOMAC WITH GEORGE WEIGEL



Join George Weigel, St. Jane parishioner and author of *Pomp, Circumstance and Unsolicited Advice*, at a luncheon gathering, Sunday October 12, 2025, from 11:00 until 3:00 at Army Navy Club, 1700 Army Navy Drive, Arlington. George will explain "WHY ST JOHN PAUL II MATTERS MORE THAN EVER". His book will be available for purchase after the lecture. This is a rare opportunity to ask George about why faith and reason are inseparable when discerning your vocation an elegant but relaxed luncheon atmosphere hosted by the Friends of John Paul II Foundation and the Catholic Information Center (also known as the closest Tabernacle to the White House). For additional information about this vocation focused event, please contact Eve Marie at evemarie301@gmail.com.

FAITH DIRECT IS BECOMING

We're excited to share that Faith Direct will soon be upgrading to ParishSOFT Giving—our new, secure giving platform. This upgrade will happen automatically and securely on October 21. **No action is required from you.** Your gift schedules and payment details will carry over seamlessly. What's new about ParishSOFT Giving?

ParishSOFT
by Ministry Brands



- ♦ **Weekly Giving:** If you selected weekly giving, your gifts will now be deducted each week instead of in one monthly batch.
- ♦ **More Flexibility:** Adjust your giving schedule to any date that works for you—not just the 4th or 15th.
- ♦ **More Ways to Give:** Now you can donate using PayPal, Venmo, Apple Pay, or Google Pay.

We're committed to making this a smooth transition. To support our donors during the transition from Faith Direct to ParishSOFT Giving, helpful support articles and contact information are available on our parish website at stjanedechantal.org/news/faith-direct-transitioning-to-parishsoft-giving. These resources cover common questions, account setup, gift management, and donor support processes. For any questions, contact our Donor Support team by emailing donorsupport@parishsoft.com or call 866-507-8757 (Monday–Friday, 8 AM–5 PM) and mention our St. Jane Parish ID “**MD30**”. Before the upgrade takes place in October, you can still sign up with a new account today via faith.direct/MD30.

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

... those who are sick, and all those in our nursing homes and hospitals, especially Beth B, Alexie Longoria, Redentor Bautista, Colleen Patton, Ernest Yambot, Pedro Gonzalez, Kathleen Lagerloft, Ashley Mican, Kim B., Cynthia Wesson, Vivi Allen, Sally-Ann Thomas, Ronald Campbell Jr., Chaz Decoteau, Tyren Jones, Michele Cole, Jessica Stevenson, Carol Blume, and Larry Blume.

... those who have died, especially Hunter & Jeannette Bryant, Marie Kelley, Karen Fisher, Philippe Pradel, Mary Hyland, Caroline Tice, Sandra MacDonald, Storrow Sommer, Barbara White, Pauline Kuta, Patricia Broderick, Mary Commins, Mark Navolio, Jack Fitzgerald, George Wahl, Kevin Maloney, Frederick Barronn III, Mary Ellen Maher, Joseph R. Manno, Jean V. Bort, Josefina Sistoza, Alan Kelley, and Frank Kalisz.

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.

INTERESTED IN BECOMING AN ALTAR SERVER?

If you missed the altar server training session on Saturday, October 4th, Father Morgan will hold two more training sessions for new altar servers this Tuesday, October 7 from 5-6 pm, and Wednesday, October 8th from 3-4 pm in Church. Attendance to only one session is necessary. This class is open to all parishioners and De Chantal students aged 5th grade and up. Please RSVP by emailing Fr. Morgan at fr.morgan@stjanedechantal.org. For any questions, contact the parish office at 301-530-1550.

IN OUR FAITH FORMATION PROGRAMS

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

SACRAMENT ONLY REGISTRATION IS OPEN

Does your child attend a Catholic School other than St. Jane de Chantal, and needs to receive their sacraments at our parish? We welcome any 2nd or 8th grader who needs to receive their 1st Reconciliation (2nd grade), 1st Holy Communion (2nd grade), or Confirmation (8th grade) at St. Jane de Chantal Church this school year to register via tinyurl.com/2526StJaneSacramentOnly. If your child is enrolled in public school or a non-Catholic private school, in order for your child to be eligible for the sacraments, you must enroll your child in the Faith Formation classes and register at stjanedechantal.org/childrens-faith-formation. Questions? Contact the Office of Religious Education at 301-530-9100, or email, seton.center@stjanedechantal.org

CHILDREN'S LITURGY RESUMES OCTOBER 18!

During Saturday's 5pm Vigil Mass' Liturgy of the Word, children ages 4 - 8 will be invited to Caulfield Hall. Teen volunteers and adult Catechists will escort the children downstairs. They will enjoy Gospel lessons and enrichment with music, play, and art and will be returned to their parents in the church during the presentation of the gifts. No registration is needed, and all children are welcome as long as their parents are attending the Saturday 5pm Vigil Mass.

VOLUNTEER AID NEEDED FOR GRADES 5TH AND 6TH

The office of Religious Education is looking for teaching aides for this year's 5th, and 6th grade Faith Formation programs to assist our volunteer catechists in the classroom. Please consider volunteering as a Catechist Aid, and share your faith with others. Volunteers must have VIRTUS Certification, which will be reimbursed. No teaching experience is necessary. You need just patience and the fire within to share Christ's love. It is a challenging but rewarding experience. If you are interested or have questions, please contact the Seton Center at 301-530-9100 or email at Seton.center@stjanedechantal.org.

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.

BLAZE IS BACK FOR ITS 4TH YEAR!**REGISTER YOUR DAUGHTER BY 10/6/2025**

Girls in their tween/teen years are filled with questions. They have doubts, they desire clarification, and they want to share their thoughts in a space that will allow them to build a personal, meaningful relationship with God and others. BLAZE provides a safe place for this growth. Through BLAZE, we emphasize how a girl's identity is rooted in Christ as God's chosen, beloved daughter. BLAZE is being offered to St. Jane de Chantal's 7th and 8th grade girls Tuesdays, in the library, during lunch. Our first meeting will be October 21st (it will run each Tuesday from mid-October to mid-April). Each week, participants will be led through an

ice breaker activity and a short lesson based on a lie found in the world and the truth found in Scripture. The girls will leave with a small takeaway gift that corresponds to the lesson. In addition, we are blessed to have Fabiola Zellek, a Virtus Certified Consecrated Woman of Regnum Christi with extensive youth ministry experience, helping out during our Bible Study sessions. Sign your daughter up for BLAZE by October 6th or learn more by contacting Tara Merola at tmerola@dechantal.org.

MARCH 14, 2026 - EMERALD EVENING GALA

Volunteers needed! The first gala planning meeting took place last Monday, September 29 at 7:00 PM. If you are interested in volunteering for this event, please email Kalyne Lozupone at stjanehsa@gmail.com.

CHARLESTON WRAP FUNDRAISER

Help support our school! Shop online and invite friends too! **Step 1:** Register! Simply scan the QR code or visit registercw.com to access your participant dashboard and unlock your participant link. You can check your progress anytime! **Step 2:** Share! Use the sharing tools to TEXT and email our the fundraising link to your friends & family. Don't forget to share your unique shopping link via social media too. Organization ID: 25817. Order by September 26.

ALUMNI REUNION: OCTOBER 11, 2025

The Class of 1975 is hosting its 50th Graduation Anniversary Party and want to include our border classes (1974 and 1976), so mark your calendars, spread the word, and plan to attend on Saturday, October 11th starting at 6:00 pm, at the Knights of Columbus Mansion in Bethesda. Please RSVP with your name and email address to receive updates about the event plans.

Class of 1974: Pat Keehan (patrickkeehan@hotmail.com)

Class of 1975: Dedie Giuliani (deeds2419@gmail.com)

Class of 1976: Ann Ernst Murray (murrayfive@verizon.net)

IN OUR ARCHDIOCESE

For more information on vocations, education, family, youth, social concerns, & other events in the Archdiocese of Washington, visit www.adw.org.

PREGNANCY & INFANT LOSS AWARENESS MONTH

This month of October, we pray for and console parents who have suffered the loss of a pregnancy or the death of an infant. To support your parish efforts to comfort parents who are suffering this often-disenfranchised grief, in October's Parish Briefings, we will provide printable resources for a *Healing Service for Pregnancy Loss and the Death of an Infant*, including an editable worship aid, printable Child Memorial Prayer Cards, and suggestions to help you get started. If you would like to host a healing service for your deanery, contact the Office of Family life and we will be happy to assist you. For more information and to host a regional healing service for pregnancy and infant loss, contact us at flm@adw.org or 301-853-4499.

LIFE-AFFIRMING INITIATIVES

The Archdiocese of Washington is committed to helping mothers and families thrive, where Pro-Life efforts begin at conception and continue through the life of the mother and

child. Learn about some of the ADW's Life-Affirming initiatives and other available resources online at <https://adw.org/life-affirming-initiatives/>. For any questions, contact the Office of Life Issues at 301-853-5318 or email at prolife@adw.org.

NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING CLASSES

Are you married or engaged and interested in learning about Natural Family Planning? On October 25, from 10:00 am – 12:30 pm, we invite engaged and married couples to join the Office of Family Life via Zoom for a [virtual introduction to the science and spirituality of Natural Family Planning](#) to learn more about Fertility Awareness Based Methods. The introductory class provides an overview of the science and spirituality of Fertility Awareness Based Methods (FABMs) to help you choose one that will work for you. See the USCCB's NFP website to learn more and to register for a class. Visit <https://www.usccb.org/topics/natural-family-planning/national-nfp-awareness-week>. For any questions, contact the Office for Family Life at 301-853-4499 or flm@adw.org.

MOTHERS AND DAUGHTERS:

BECOMING... WHO GOD CREATED YOU TO BE

A morning devoted to empowering the mother-daughter relationship for the journey through adolescence and beyond. Mothers and their daughters, grades 4 through 7, explore together how God created women in his image and likeness, full of strength and grace, to share God's life-giving nature. Saturday, October 18, 8:30 am – 1:00 pm at St. Bernadette Catholic School, Silver Spring, MD. \$40.00 per each mother & daughter pair (\$10.00 per additional daughter—please email flm@adw.org to register an additional daughter). See this link to register. For more information, please see the flier or contact the Office of Family Life at 301-853-4546 or flm@adw.org.

WYNGATE MAPLEWOOD VACCINE CLINIC – OCT. 11

The Wyngate Maplewood Neighbors Helping Neighbors (WMNHN) Community Village will be hosting a community vaccine clinic on **Saturday, October 11, 9AM-12PM**, at the Foundation for Advanced Education in the Sciences (FAES) parking lot at the northeast corner of the Old Georgetown Road and West Cedar Lane intersection, 9101 Old Georgetown Rd. Available vaccines include those against flu, COVID, RSV, shingles, pneumococcal pneumonia, tetanus/diphtheria/pertussis (Tdap), and hepatitis B. Giant Pharmacy pharmacists will be on hand to administer the shots, and WMNHN volunteers will handle traffic direction, safety management, and registration. **Please sign up in advance by Thursday, Oct 9, 2025** at signupgenius.com/go/10C084FA8A92CA7F8CF8-58510854-appointments# or by scanning the QR code to ensure adequate supplies and personnel are available.



2025 NATIONAL ROSARY RALLY

This year's Rally will take place on Sunday, October 5, starting with the National Eucharistic Procession from St. Peter's Catholic Church on Capitol Hill at 1:30 pm to the rally site at Union Square, at the west end of Capitol Hill, between 3rd St. SW and the Capitol Reflecting Pool. If

YOUR GIFT

COMBINED FEDERAL CAMPAIGN

THEIR FUTURE

The Combined Federal Campaign is the official workplace giving campaign for federal employees and retirees.

Through the CFC, you can give to vetted charities, such as ST. JANE DE CHANTAL SCHOOL via payroll deduction.

Online pledge system is open between
September 11, 2025 - December 31, 2025

Please remember the *St. Jane de Chantal School Endowment Fund* if you participate in this seasonal charitable campaign. Go to: **GiveCfc.org** or scan the QR code.



CFC Code# 32653

unable to participate in the Eucharistic Procession, go directly to the rally site by 2:45 pm at Union Square. Our focus is going to be on prayer and short reflections instead of longer talks. The Patriotic Rosary will be prayed simultaneously with Rosaries across the nation as Rosary Coast to Coast at 4:00 pm. Nationally renowned speakers including a Bishop, Priests, a consecrated religious Sister and laypeople will address these intentions. Fr. Richard Heilman clarifies: "Importantly, this is not intended to be a political event. Our hope is to influence the direction of our country through prayer". For details, visit rosarycoasttocoast.com/national-rosary-rally.

73RD ANNUAL RED MASS

Join us via livestream on Sunday, October 5 at 9:00 a.m. for the 73rd Annual Red Mass via adw.org/event/red-mass. His Eminence Cardinal McElroy will be the Principal Celebrant. The Red Mass invokes God's blessings and guidance in the administration of justice under the power of the Holy Spirit and is a tradition that dates back many centuries to Rome, Paris, and London. The name comes from the color of the vestments worn by the celebrants and the color of fire, a symbol of the Holy Spirit. It is celebrated annually at the Cathedral of St. Matthew the Apostle, traditionally on the Sunday before the first Monday in October, which marks the opening of the Supreme Court's annual term. This Mass is the work of the [John Carroll Society](http://JohnCarrollSociety.org).

IN HER WORDS

St. Ann's Center for Children, Youth and Families invite all to a special event recognizing Homelessness Awareness Month with a short film and community conversation about mothers, homelessness, families and hope. This event takes place Tuesday, November 4 from 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm at the Nolan Center for the Performing Arts at Georgetown Visitation High School. The film will be followed by a panel led by Kim Daniels, J.D., Director of the Initiative on Catholic Social Thought at Georgetown University. A reception will follow the panel discussion. Event and RSVP details can be found here: <https://stanns.org/inherwords>.

IN HONOR OF OUR LADY OF FATIMA

The World Apostolate of Fatima, Archdiocese of Washington Division "The Blue Army" invites you to Rosary, Mass, Divine Mercy Chaplet, Precious Blood of Jesus Chaplet, and Brown Scapular enrollment on Monday, October 13 at 1:00pm in the Immaculate Heart of Mary Chapel, Basilica of the National Shrine, Michigan Ave, DC. For more information call 301-949-5710.

HOLY REDEEMER CLASS 1965 REUNION

The Class of 1965 from Holy Redeemer School, Kensington, MD is holding a 60th year reunion on October 25, 2025. Any member of the class of 1965 can contact Mike English at mfe0825@yahoo.com, Lois Veith-Boylan at boylan2@msn.com, Mary Dee Rosenberg-Prunchak at mprunchak@aol.com, and Tony Chite at tonycdeb@verizon.com for additional information

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)*

POOR BOX: MONSIGNOR CHRISTOPHER FUND

The Poor Box this weekend, October 4 and 5, will benefit the Monsignor Christopher Scholarship Fund, which provides need-based scholarships to our parish school. You may also make your reoccurring or one-time gifts online at <https://membership.faithdirect.net/md30>.

SECOND COLLECTION MAINTENANCE

The second collection this weekend, October 4 and 5, is our monthly collection to help with the repair, maintenance and increased sanitation of our parish facilities. You may also make your maintenance collection gift online at <https://membership.faithdirect.net/MD30>.

ST. JANE DE CHANTAL SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE

October 10th
November 11th

Please register at
dechantal.org/admissions

PARISH CALENDAR

Sunday, October 5 – Saturday, October 11, 2025

View "Complete Parish Calendar" at www.stjanedechantal.org.

C = Church ♦ CH = Caulfield Hall ♦ CGS = Gathering Space ♦ CLL = Church Lower Lobby
 CRH = Christopher Hall ♦ SMR = Scanlan Meeting Room ♦ MR = Music Room
 SCH = School ♦ NMR = Nalls Meeting Room ♦ DCR = De Chantal Room (cafeteria)
 OC = Outdoor Chapel ♦ RF (AF) = Reyes Athletic Field ♦ PG = Parish Grounds
 RBR = Rectory Board Room ♦ SC = Seton Center for Religious Education
 (LL) = Lower Level ♦ (UL) = Upper Level ♦ V = Online/Virtual

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 5

All day	Gabriel Project Crib—Baby Items Collection	CGS
8:00 am	Mass	C
9:00 am	Donut Social	CH
10:00 am	Mass	C
11:00 am	Donut Social	CH
11:00 am	OCIA Meeting	SC/Library
12:00 pm	Mass	C
2:00 pm	Blessing of Pets and Animals	PG
5:00 pm	Mass	C
6:00 pm	HSYG Meeting	SC/LL; Library
7:00 pm	Fall Scripture Study	V

MONDAY, OCTOBER 6

8:30 am	Mass	C
---------	------	---

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 7

8:30 am	Mass	C
5:00 pm	New Altar Server Training	C
6:00 pm	Faith Formation (Grades 1-8)	SCH
7:00 pm	Fall Scripture Study	SC/Library

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 8

8:30 am	Mass	C
3:00 pm	New Altar Server Training	C
7:00 pm	Knight of Columbus Meeting (French)	SC/LL
7:30 pm	Contemporary Choir	MR

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 9

8:30 am	Mass	C
9:30 am	Fall Scripture Study	V
7:30 pm	Parish Choir	C
7:30 pm	BS Troop 461 Meeting	DCR

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 10

8:30 am	Mass	C
9:00 am	School Open House (pre-register before Oct. 10)	SCH
11:00 am	Church of St. Louis French Senior Mass	C
12:00 pm	Church of St. Louis French Senior Lunch	CH
5:30 pm	BS Troop 461 PreCamp-Out	DCR

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 11

8:30 am	Mass	C
9:30 am	SPRED Meeting	SC/LL
10:00 am	My French Classes	SCH; SC/UL
3:45 pm	Confessions	C
5:00 pm	Little Bethlehem Group Olive Wood Art Sales	CGS
5:00 pm	Vigil Mass	C
6:00 pm	Young Adult Group Potluck Dinner	SC/LL
6:30 pm	French Mass (Church of St. Louis)	C

OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY

OCTOBER 7

On October 7, the Roman Catholic Church celebrates the Memorial of Our Lady of the Rosary. 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. 12

Reading I
2 Kgs 5:14-17

Reading II
2 Tm 2:8-13

Gospel
Lk 17:11-19

INTENTIONS

Sun., Oct. 5 – Sat., Oct. 11

Sunday	8:00 am	Parishioners
	10:00 am	Mary Mills /L
	12:00 pm	Eliot White /L
	5:00 pm	Donald Wijesinghe /D
Monday	8:30 am	Joseph Park /D
Tuesday	8:30 am	Charlie Kirk /D
Wednesday	8:30 am	Eric Larsen /D
Thursday	8:30 am	Priest Intentions
Friday	8:30 am	James Trone /D
Saturday	8:30 am	Edward Klein /D
	5:00 pm	Ian Haley /D

*All life has inestimable
value even the weakest
and most vulnerable.*

POPE FRANCIS

ALTAR SERVERS

Sat., Oct. 11 – Sun., Oct. 12

Saturday	5:00 pm	B. Burgess, V. Gujda, S. Waddell
Sunday	8:00 am	M. Baker, D. Driscoll, M. Driscoll
	10:00 am	K. Mydlarz, M. Almy, S. Gleeson
	12:00 pm	D. A. Mukono, 2 Servers Needed
	5:00 pm	L. Thomas, G. Thomas, 1 Server Needed