



FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

HIM ALONE
shall you serve

MATTHEW 4:10

St. Jane Frances de Chantal Church

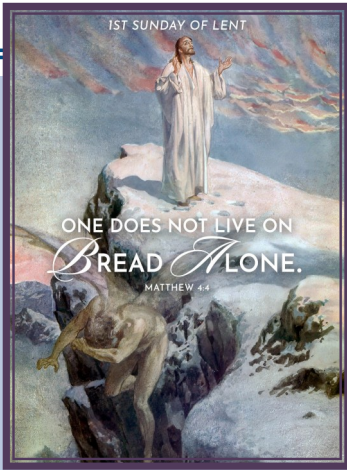
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February 22, 2026 – First Sunday of Lent

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

FOR THE FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT /YEAR A



FEBRUARY 22, 2026

Readings in *Worship* hymnal # 1027

Entrance Antiphon: Ps 91:15-16

When he calls on me, I will answer him; I will deliver him and give him glory, I will grant him length of days.

Reading I: Gn 2:7-9; 3:1-7

This reading has connections to the second reading as well as the Gospel. The story is taken from the second account of creation in Genesis (the first account, Genesis 1:1-2:2, is read at the Easter Vigil.)

Tempted by the devil, the very first humans reveal a pattern that is repeated in every generation: We sin.

Psalm Response: Ps 51

A lament, the most famous of the seven Penitential Psalms, prays for the removal of the personal and social disorders that sin has brought.

Reading II: Rom 5:12-19

Reflecting on what seems to be an almost ingrained pattern in human existence, Paul uses fairly convoluted arguments to show how what happened in Jesus is much more than what happened in Adam and Eve. Not only did Christ overcome the effects of sin in the world, the grace of God went further. We are not merely restored to the state of humanity before sin; we have been elevated to reign with Christ.

Entrance Hymn..... Save your people, O Lord | J. Farrell

Refrain

Save your peo-ple, O Lord. Show us the way to come home. We have been wan-der-ing far from your love. Save your peo-ple, O Lord.

Verses

1. One thing I ask, O
2. For you will hide me in the
3. Lis-ten, O Lord, to the
4. Thus will I bless you all the

1. Lord, this I seek: to dwell for - ev - er in your
2. shel-ter of your wings and from the ar - rows of my
3. sound of my call, for I ac - knowl-edge my of -
4. days of my life. Lift - ing my hands, I call your

1. house, that I may gaze on your love - li - ness
2. foes. You set me high on a moun-tain-top,
3. fense. Wash me and I shall be pur - i - fied.
4. name: "O Lord, re - mem-ber your in - her - i - tance.

to Refrain

1. all the days of my life.
2. saved me from my dis - tress.
3. I shall be whit - er than snow.
4. Save your peo - ple, O Lord!"

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..... (Sun. 5pm) This Is the Time of Fulfillment | # 472

Responsorial Psalm Psalm 51 | G. Grisi

G.G.

Have mer - cy O Lord, cleanse me from all my sins.

Responsorial Psalm (Sun. 5pm) Psalm 51 | # 54

Gospel Acclamation | G. Grisi

G.G.

Praise to You, Lord Je - sus Christ, King of end-less glo - ry.

.....(Sun. 5pm) from Mass of Creation – M. Haugen

Praise to you, Lord Je-sus Christ, king of end - less glo - ry!

Preparation of the Gifts Jesus, Tempted in the Desert | # 459

.....Parish Choir: Thy Matchless Love - Fedak
 (Sun. 5pm) The Cross of Jesus | # 465

Preface Acclamation..... From Missa De Sanctis

San - ctus, San - ctus, Sa - ctus, Do - minus De - us Sa - ba - oth. Ple - ni sunt coe - li et ter - ra glo - ri - a Tu -

Gospel: Mt 4:1-11

The story of Jesus' temptation is intended in Matthew's version to show that he not only resists sin, where Adam and Eve did not resist, he resists three times, where they fell after Satan's first attempt.

Communion Antiphon: Ps 91:4

The Lord will conceal you with his pinions, and under his wings you will trust.



St. Jane Frances de Chantal

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NEW to St. Jane Frances de Chantal Church?
We **INVITE** you to become an active part of our parish!

REGISTER
as a
PARISHIONER



stjanedechantal.org/register

Musical notation for the first line of the Mass of Creation, including the lyrics: a. Ho - san - na in ex - cel - sis. Be - ne dic - tus qui ve -

Musical notation for the second line of the Mass of Creation, including the lyrics: nit in no - mi - ne Do - mi - ni. Ho - san - na in ex - cel - sis.

.....(Sun. 5pm) from Mass of Creation | # 365

Memorial Acclamation From Missa de Sanctis
.....(Sun. 5pm) from Mass of Creation | # 366

Great Amen:.....

Musical notation for the Great Amen, including the lyrics: A - men! A - men! A - men

.....(Sun. 5pm) from Mass of Creation | # 367

Fraction Rite (Sun. 8am) Agnus Dei | # 311

..... Parish Choir: Missa Pontificalis Secunda – Perosi
.....(Sun. 12pm) Missa de Sanctis:

Musical notation for the beginning of the Agnus Dei, including the lyrics: A - gnus De - i qui tol - lis pec - ca - ta mun - di mi - se - re - re

Musical notation for the middle of the Agnus Dei, including the lyrics: no - bis. A - gnus De - i qui tol - lis pec - ca - ta

Musical notation for the end of the Agnus Dei, including the lyrics: mun - di do - na no - bis pa - cem

..... (Sun. 5pm) from Mass of Creation – M. Haugen

Musical notation for the beginning of the Agnus Dei, including the lyrics: Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the

Musical notation for the middle of the Agnus Dei, including the lyrics: world, have mer - cy on us.

Musical notation for the end of the Agnus Dei, including the lyrics: world, grant us peace.

Communion Antiphon (during Communion Procession):

Musical notation for the beginning of the Communion Antiphon, including the lyrics: III The Lord will con - ceal you with his pin - ions, and

Musical notation for the end of the Communion Antiphon, including the lyrics: un - der his wings you will trust.

Communion Procession (Sun. 5pm) We Remember | # 938

Meditation Hymn Humbly We adore Thee
..... Parish Choir: Miserere Mei - Lotti
..... (Sun. 5pm) Blessed Be Your Name – M. Redman

Concluding Hymn..... The Glory of These Forty Days | # 467
..... (Sun. 5pm) Lead Me, Guide Me | # 657

“I AM...”

ON SUNDAYS IN LENT, JOIN US IN MEDITATING ON THE IDENTITY OF OUR SAVIOR, THROUGH

ADORATION ♦ PREACHING ♦ VESPERS & BENEDICTION

**EVERY SUNDAY IN LENT
4:00-4:45PM**

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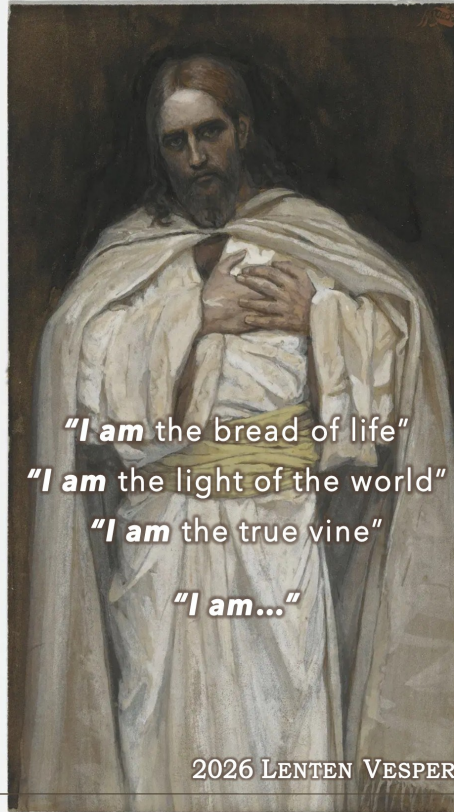
Preached by
our Dominican
Student Brothers



Br. Pius Henry, O.P.



Br. Jeremiah Tobin, O.P.



ALTAR SERVERS FEB. 21 & FEB. 22

SATURDAY

5:00 pm C. Krimitzas,
A. Krimitzas,
G. Sadler

SUNDAY

8:00 am M. Driscoll,
D. Driscoll,
E. Noguchi

10:00 am K. Mydlarz,
A. Matelis,
N. Matelis

12:00 pm L. Wolf,
D. A. Mukono,
La. Wolf

5:00 pm M. Wilkerson,
V. Ugoh,
R. Ugoh

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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

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BULLETIN SUBMISSION DEADLINE

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

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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.

LENT IN OUR PARISH

Lenten Penance Service | March 3

7:00 pm in Church.
More confession schedules
this Lent to follow.

Palm Sunday | March 29

Masses: 8:00 am, 10:00 am, 12:00 pm
and 5:00 pm.

The 10:00 am Mass will be livestreamed
and begins at 9:50 am near the
Mary Garden for the customary entrance
with procession (weather permitting).

Holy Thursday | April 2

There will be no morning Masses.
7:00 pm for the Mass of the
Lord's Supper.

Good Friday | April 3

There will be no Masses.
Stations of the Cross: 12:00 pm in
Church, 3:00 pm at Outdoor Chapel.
7:00 pm in Church for the Solemn
Service of the Lord's Passion,
Veneration of the Cross, & Holy
Communion. No Masses on Good Friday.

Holy Saturday | April 4

There will be no
8:30 am or 5:00 pm Masses.
The Easter Vigil Mass will be at 8:00 pm.

Easter Sunday | April 5

Easter Sunday Mass will be at
8:00 am - Church
* 10:00 am - Church
12:00 pm - Church
* Livestreaming at
youtube.com/@StJaneDeChantal,
Easter Egg Hunt after the 10am Mass.

THERE WILL BE NO MASS AT 5:00 PM.

LENTEN ACTIVITIES @ ST JANE

SOUPS AND STATIONS

Join us each Friday evening during Lent (except Good Friday), beginning February 20 for Soup and Stations. A lite soup and bread dinner will begin at 6 pm in Caulfield Hall and will be accompanied by a spiritual reflection. This season, we will focus on "**Particular Catholic Beliefs and Practices**". Then at 7 pm, we will pray the Stations of the Cross together in the Church.

LENTEN VESPERS SERVICE

All are invited to join us for a Vespers service every Sunday afternoon in Lent, beginning February 22 - from 4:00 to 4:45 pm in the church. Led by Br. Pius Henry and Br. Jeremiah Tobin, our Dominican Student Brothers, we will reflect through Scripture, prayer, and music, with time for Adoration and Benediction. The vespers will also be livestreamed, and a playlist will be made available on our parish YouTube channel at www.youtube.com/@StJaneDeChantal/playlists.

MEN'S MINISTRY — LENTEN WEEKLY FELLOWSHIP

The Men's Ministry invites all men of the parish to join us every Saturday morning beginning February 21 - for six consecutive weeks during Lent. Doors open at 6:30 am in Caulfield Hall for coffee, donuts and fellowship. This will be an excellent activity for the men of our parish this season of Lent! For any questions, send an email to Tim Gleeson at tpgleeson@verizon.net.

LENTEN FOOD DRIVE

Hunger continues to be a daily burden for children and families in our community. St. Jane de Chantal Parish is hosting its Lenten Food Drive on Saturday, March 14 from 10:00 am to 12:00 noon, at the front door entrance of the church facing Old Georgetown Rd. The food will benefit Bethesda Help, Catholic Charities and Sacred Heart Parish. All three locations are in need of the following items: Grains, Oatmeal (individual packets are helpful), Cereal, White and brown rice, Macaroni and cheese, Pasta, Canned protein-tuna, chicken, salmon, Canned fruit-peaches, pineapples, mandarin oranges, etc., Canned vegetables- beans, corn, etc., Spaghetti Sauce-canned or in plastic jars (No glass), Peanut butter, and jelly. Grocery store gift cards are also greatly appreciated! For those who wish to make monetary contributions to help in these efforts, please make a check payable to: St. Martin's Cloak, or visit <https://giving.parishsoft.com/App/Giving/stjanebethesda>, and make a "One-Time" gift to St. Martin's Cloak with notes indicating donation for Lenten Food Drive. Donations are greatly appreciated. Our volunteers will collect the food from your car for your convenience.

SODALITY LENTEN MORNING OF RECOLLECTION

Sodality invites the women of the parish to gather on Saturday, March 21st after the 8:30 am Mass, in Caulfield Hall, for a Lenten Morning of Recollection. The program will run from 9:00 am - 11:00 am with Father Mark Hughes, who will guide us in looking at human sinfulness and how Lent can make us holier. For any questions, please email sodality@stjanedechantal.org. We hope you can join us!

CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES RICE BOWL

Ending Hunger With CRS Rice Bowl: This Lent, our community will participate in CRS Rice Bowl—connecting our prayers, fasting and almsgiving to encounter God through our global family. We'll meet, pray for and learn from families in Ghana, Guatemala and Timor-Leste who are rising above the challenges of hunger and malnutrition. Pick up your rice bowl from the church narthex tables beginning Ash Wednesday, February 18. There are other easy ways to give. You can convert your Rice Bowl gift to a check payable to St. Jane de Chantal Church, with memo notations: CRS Rice Bowl and place it in the offertory baskets. Learn more at crs-ricebowl.org.

LENT

TRIDUUM

EASTER

Dear Parishioners,

It used to be that churches were considered by most people as having a sacred character and that the undisturbed use of them by worshippers was a right that needed to be respected. That is no longer the case, as we at St. Jane de Chantal Parish know all too well. Recent incidents at other churches have shown that there are individuals and groups who believe that churches and synagogues are no longer off limits for protests and demonstrations and that disrupting a service in progress will attract for them a great deal of attention.

While there is no indication that anyone is planning such a demonstration or disruption at our parish, it is best to be prepared. I ask you to take a look at the following steps to take in case there is a protest or planned disruption of mass. How the congregation should handle such a situation falls into two categories:

CHURCH SAFETY & SECURITY DISCUSSION TOPICS

Do's - AND - DON'TS

THINGS TO KNOW BEFORE AN EVENT ...

- Intruder(s) Are Violating Federal and State Laws
- They Will be Recording or Livestreaming the Event to Use in Support of Their Causes and to Embarrass the Church
- Address Info for 911 Call to Police: St. Jane de Chantal Church, 9601 Old Georgetown Rd Bethesda MD 20814
- Shelter-in-Place Locations & Emergency Egress Paths
- Family Plan/Discussion of What to Do in an Emergency

DO NOT ...

- Allow Minor Children to Wander Facility Unescorted
- Respond In-Kind to Insults, Profanity or Taunts
- Escalate the Conflict or Add to the Disturbance
- Debate, Argue, or Initiate Any Form of Physical Contact/Violence
- Attempt to Physically Detain or Remove Intruder(s)
- Run/Rush to Exit – Your Personal/Family Safety is Paramount

THINGS YOU CAN/SHOULD DO ...

- Remain Calm and Listen for Celebrant/Security instructions
- Ignore Insults and Comments; Do Not Argue or Debate
- Move Away From Intruders and/or Exit the Church
- Demand They Clear Isles and Do Not Block Your Exit
- Escort/Secure Children Separated from Families
- Shield Clergy, Elders, Family from Yelling/Taunts
- Call 911 for Immediate Police Response; Stay on the Line; Go Outside to Flag Down Responding Police/EMS
- Pull the Narthex Police Silent Alarm (Coming in Feb '26)
- Cooperate Fully with Police Response & Interviews

THINGS YOU CAN SAY ... {Calmly and Politely}

- “You Are Disrupting our Workshop Service; Please Leave Immediately.”
- “You Are Trespassing on Private Property; Please Leave Immediately.”
- “You Are Committing a Crime, and the Police Have Been Called.”
- “You Are Illegally Detaining Me.”
- “Please Do Not Crowd, Push or Touch Me.”
- “You Are Frightening My Family/Children; Stay Away From Us.”
- “You May Join Our Service, But You Must Follow Along Quietly.”
- “I’m Happy to Listen to Your Concerns Outside After Mass Ends.”

Note: More to come on other security matters.

Hopefully, we will never have such a situation in our church, but it is best to be prepared. Over the course of the next few months, I hope to share with you other actions to take in case of other difficult situations or urgent conditions. Your attention to these things is greatly appreciated.

Fr. Samue Giese
Pastor

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. 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.

BAPTISM & CONFIRMATION SPONSOR FORMS/LETTER REQUESTS

Many parishes require those who would serve as a sponsor/godparent for Baptism or Confirmation to obtain a letter of good standing from their own parish or to obtain the signature of the pastor on a form declaring that the prospective sponsor/godparent is a registered and active member of the parish. Those seeking a letter of good standing or the signature on a form **must be a registered and active member of St. Jane de Chantal parish for six months prior to the request.** Also, children of registered parishioners who are 22 years or older need to be registered in their own name and be active too for a letter or signature on a form to be furnished.

THANK YOU FROM THE GABRIEL PROJECT

The Gabriel Project Cluster of Montgomery County volunteers thank St. Jane Frances de Chantal parishioners who generously supported our Pro-Life efforts with the January Gabriel Project CRIB! Every donation gives critically needed help to low-income mothers and their little children. Know that you are making a difference in their lives. If you have any questions or would like to find out how you can volunteer, please check out our website at www.gpmoco.com or contact the parish representative, Cynthia Masison at c_masison@yahoo.com. Donations are welcome year-round. Thank you again, God bless you!

JOB SEARCH ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

The job search program conducted by the Pastoral Council's Social Concerns Committee to help Parishioners is now in motion. If you are interested in helping others find a new job/career opportunity, OR you are seeking help in finding a new job, please contact the , Wes Chin via email (wmchin987@gmail.com) or a note sent to Wes thru the parish office or in the weekend collection basket. Just include your name (first name only if you wish) and contact information. **Current jobs wanted are:**

- ◆ **Former Fed Office Mgr, Executive Assistant** - 10+ yrs exp, seeking full time personal assistant, Office Mgr position.
- ◆ **Info Tech Specialist- Acct Mgr**, 8 yrs exp sys admin, B.S. Info Science , looking for entry level Programming Position.

- ◆ **Global Executive Consultant in Emerging Tech:** Business Dev, Adaptation, Smart Cities & GovTech MA Public Policy, MPP08'. Harvard Kennedy, 15 yrs exp leading multi-national digital transformation initiatives seeking similar position.
- ◆ **Finance Executive Program Manager:** MBA Johns Hopkins, BS Finance, 20 yrs exp in Finance & Accounting mgmt., Budgeting, - Gov't contractor supervisor seeking Gov or private position.
- ◆ **Accountant Tax Prep:** MBA Accounting AU, seeking part-time or full-time in accounting (tax prep, etc.)
- ◆ Former **Fed IT Proj Mgr** (20+ yrs) Pursuing a position in **Finance, Business, Accting, Budgeting, or Data Analytics.**
- ◆ **Urban economist and public affairs strategist** (17+ years) advising U.S. and Internat'l clients on sustainability and public policy. MS in Urban Econ; former college professor (12 yrs). Seeking external affairs/communications roles.
- ◆ Current **Pharmacy Technician** with exp (10 yrs) and BS in food service tech. Former Gen Mgr, Sales, and Quality Assurance Mgr looking for job in **food service Industry.**
- ◆ Former **Software Dev Mgr**, team leader with MS in Math, Comp Science, and AI PHD candidate, 25 yrs of systems dev and programming while mentoring other IT pros, looking for another **job in Info Tech.**

2025 CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS

The St. Jane de Chantal Parish Office has finalized and mailed out all 2025 Donor's Contribution Statements for this year's tax preparation season. We appreciate your patience for the week long delay, as our goal was to ensure that all statements and tax acknowledgement receipt letters are error-free prior to mailing. If you have any questions about your statement, or did not receive your statement or letter by the end of this week, please send an email to Mae Villa-Agustin at mae.villaagustin@stjanedechantal.org.

ST. JANE DE CHANTAL LADIES OF CHARITY WELCOMES NEW MEMBERS

The Ladies of Charity (LOC) are associations of women worldwide who participate in the Vincentian mission of prayer and community service. New and existing parishioners have opportunities to actively participate in two community outreach ministries that were launched in 2024. These ministries include:

- 1) Participating in the monthly Catholic religious services provided by the St. Jane de Chantal parish priests to residents of two assisted living homes in Bethesda served by the St. Jane de Chantal parish priests, and the opportunity to be trained as Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Eucharist to serve residents, upon request; and
- 2) Managing a religious items store that was created as a new ministry in 2024 in collaboration with the Pastor, Father Samuel Giese to give convenient access to basic religious articles and prayer books to parishioners, serving their spiritual needs. Members of St. Jane de Chantal LOC meet



three times a year for unit business. Besides the local parish, involvement in St. Jane's LOC affords opportunities to also participate in the Archdiocese of Washington (ADW) events including St. Ann's Center for Children, Youth and Families through their annual May Crowning of the Blessed Mother and St. Louise de Marillac Luncheon. The ADW LOC also hosts a fall General Assembly/Retreat open to all ADW LOC members. The Vincentian spirituality of St. Vincent de Paul and St. Louise de Marillac underpin the LOC charitable efforts. All members are invited to attend the annual LOC of the USA National Assembly held in the early fall in various parts of the country. In September 2025 the National Assembly was held in Bethesda and attended by five members of St. Jane's LOC, two of whom were involved in the planning. Almost 200 LOC members attended the National Assembly from across the US. The theme of the Assembly "Choose Hope" was inspired by the Jubilee Year declared by Pope Francis. The first Ladies of Charity in the United States was established in 1857. Today the Ladies of Charity have 6,400 members in the US and over 200,000 worldwide in 56 countries. Please contact Merlyn Rodrigues if interested in joining us at rodrigues.merlyn1@gmail.com or 301-299-4287.

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, Larry Blume, Dallas Gilbert, Rosa Lecuona, and Bill Jacques.

. . . those who have died, especially 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, Frank Kalisz, Marcia Naranjo, Bob Flynn, Thomas Jansen, Michele Cole, Jacob Varghese, Joseph Malone Jr., Jaime Cuzzi, Connie Relacion, Mee Yee Lee, and Theodora Spadacino.

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/faith-formation/ for information on the various programs, registration forms and calendars.

ST. JANE DE CHANTAL'S SPRED PROGRAM

For Over 40 Years, St. Jane de Chantal's Special Needs Religious Education Program (SPRED) continues to offer people with intellectual differences and their families an opportunity for fellowship, prayer, and other fun activities.

The program meets several Saturday mornings a month, with current participants ranging between 33 to 54 years old. Although Education is in their name, SPRED focuses on fellowship, and a community that comes together and celebrates what makes everyone great. New members are always welcome! To learn more, or if you would like to participate in this program, please Contact Bill Lawler William.lawler@blankrome.com. or the Seton Center 301-530-9100.

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.



SAVE The DATE!

For The

26TH ANNUAL DE CHANTAL OPEN Friday, May 15, 2026

IN OUR ARCHDIOCESE

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

2026 VOCATIONS MASS FOR STUDENTS IN 6TH GRADE

Sixth-grade students are encouraged to attend the Vocations Mass for Students in 6th Grade on Thursday, March 26, 2026. At 9:30 a.m., there is an optional "seated tour" for students. A Basilica staff member will talk about the chapels, mosaics, and other parts of the Basilica that can be seen from the pews. Mass begins at 10:30 a.m. Seminarians, priests, and religious sisters and brothers will be present after Mass to meet, speak with, and answer students' questions. For more information, please contact the Office of Priest Vocations at vocations@adw.org. Or, call 202-636-9020. Please visit <https://dcpriest.org/event/2026-vocations-mass-for-students-in-6th-grade/>.

16TH ANNUAL LOURDES ANOINTING MASS FOR THE SICK

Lourdes Anointing Mass for the Sick The Federal Association of the Order of Malta cordially invites the sick, disabled, and elderly of the archdiocese to receive the Sacrament of Anointing at the 16th annual Lourdes Anointing Mass on Saturday, March 21st, 2026 at 10:30 AM at Our Lady of Mercy Church in Potomac (9200 Kentsdale Dr., Potomac, MD 20854). Our Lady of Mercy is completely

accessible for mobility aids and there is plenty of free parking. Members of the Order of Malta will be present to help people throughout the morning. There will be an anointing and a blessing with Lourdes water for the sick, disabled, and the elderly in attendance. Family, friends, and caregivers are invited. A light luncheon reception will be offered to everyone after Mass in the Parish Hall. There is no charge for the day. If you have any questions, please contact: Barbara Ritschel (202) 674-2931 or email her at barbaraff@live.com.

ANNUAL ROSE MASS

A Special Salute to Healthcare Workers

The Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Washington and The John Carroll Society invite you to join us on Sunday, March 15, 2026, at 10:30 AM EDT for the 34th Annual Rose Mass honoring healthcare professionals at the The Church of the Little Flower in Bethesda, Maryland. For more information visit <https://adw.org/event/annual-rose-mass/> or contact The John Carroll Society at: johncarrollsociety1951@gmail.com.

POST CANA FOR WIDOWS AND WIDOWERS

The Washington Archdiocese Post Cana for Widows and Widowers group is hosting a half day of Lenten Reflection on Tuesday, March 10th at Our Lady of Grace in Leisure World, Silver Spring. Mass will begin at 11:00 am, followed by lunch in the parish center. Post Cana moderator, Father Tom LaHood, Holy Redeemer's pastor, will be our celebrant and will also join us for lunch – catered by Luis Javel from AYS Hospitality. Reservation fee is \$25 for members and \$30 for interested participants. Please send your check made out to **Post Cana** to: Herb Biegel at 13509 Maidstone Lane, Potomac, MD 20854 Or drop off your check at Our Lady of Grace parish office by Friday March 6th. For any questions, contact Mary Dugan at 301-873-3902.

MARYLAND MARCH FOR LIFE

Join us again on March 16, 2026 for this year's Maryland March for Life. Starting at St. Mary's Church and School in Annapolis, we will march through the streets and rally before the State House to show our legislators we are STRONG and COURAGEOUS for life! The MMFL is a grass roots, non-partisan, non-sectarian organization that is comprised of the many pro-life and pro-family groups throughout the state of Maryland. The Maryland March for Life does not seek to supplant existing pro-life organizations, but rather seeks to strengthen them by encouraging better cooperation and communication. For more information, visit www.mdsmarchforlife.com

PILGRIMAGE TO SHRINE OF OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE

Experience the Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe- the most visited Marian shrine in the world. See the miraculous tilma of St. Juan Diego (an image created by God) and attend a pilgrim Holy Mass with the Bishop at the Basilica. Accompany Bishop Kevin J. Sweeney (Diocese of Paterson, NJ) along with Fr. David Wells (St. Martin of Tours, MD) and his brother, Kevin Wells (author of "Priest and Beggar") on a 4 day pilgrimage to Mexico City. This life-changing pilgrimage will take place from Friday, September 18- Monday, September 21, 2026. Go to Tepeyac Hill where the Blessed Mother appeared to St. Juan Diego and see so much more. Next, travel to the Sisters of Mary at the World Villages for Children (WVC) Girlstown in Chalco,

Mexico, to witness how the Sisters are transforming the lives of impoverished children in the most desperate circumstances through education, faith formation and vocational training. Act Fast! Limited Space Is Available. Register online by August 18, 2026 at: <https://worldvillages.org/events/sweeney-wells>. For tour inquiries email: pilgrimages@worldvilages.org or Call: 1-800-662-6316.

BETHESDA HELP NEEDS YOU!

Want to directly impact the life of a neighbor who's fallen on hard times? Bethesda Help needs you! Food and financial assistance requests are up, and to meet this need we need Drivers to deliver food and Officers of the Day (ODs) to take calls from clients. As an OD you'll speak to clients to assess their need, and as a Driver you'll deliver food to their homes. You'll witness the profound impact a food delivery or some financial assistance can make on those in crisis. Please consider volunteering with us one or two days a month. Call us at (301) 365-2022, or email us at info@bethesdahelp.org. It's time you'll be glad you shared!

MARCH 12, VIRTUAL REFLECTION FOR GRIEVING PARENTS

Parents who are grieving the loss of a child of any age from any cause, please join us online for an evening of reflection, prayer, and conversation on Thursday, March 12 beginning at 7:00 pm. To receive the virtual link, please complete the registration form. For more information, please contact the Office of Family Life at 301 853-4546 or flm@adw.org.

LENTEN DAY OF REFLECTION, "JUSTICE FLOWS FROM FAITH,"

The Archdiocese of Washington and the Archdiocese of Baltimore invite you to a Lenten Day of Reflection, "Justice Flows from Faith," led by Rev. Allan Figueroa Deck, SJ, and inspired by his book Justice Flows from Faith. The event will take place on Saturday, March 21, 2026, from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at the Church of the Resurrection of the Lord in Laurel, MD. This day of prayer and formation is designed to deepen the connection between the Eucharist, faith, and justice, and to equip participants to form small faith communities committed to communion, mission, and human dignity. Register at <https://bit.ly/CUARESMA2026>.

STEWARDSHIP

*What temptations lure us from the path of discipleship?
Possessions? Pride? Power?*

*Oh Lord, create for us a clean heart
and renew a steadfast spirit within us! (Ps 51)*

POOR BOX: ST. MARTIN'S CLOAK

The Poor Box this weekend, February 21 and 22 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. St. Martin's Cloak partners with various religious and civic organizations in Montgomery County to provide this emergency support. You may also make your gifts online at <https://giving.parishsoft.com/App/Giving/stjanebethesda>.

PARISH CALENDAR

Sunday, February 22 – Saturday, February 28, 2026
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, FEBRUARY 22

8:00 am Mass C
10:00 am Mass C
11:00 am OCIA Meeting SC/Library
12:00 pm Mass C
4:00 pm Lenten Vespers C
5:00 pm Mass C
7:00 pm Winter Scripture Study Groups V

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 23

8:30 am Mass C
3:00 pm GS Junior Troop 34230 Meeting SC/LL

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 24

8:30 am Mass C
6:00 pm Faith Formation (Gr.1-8) SCH
7:00 pm Winter Scripture Study Groups SC/Library

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 25

8:30 am Mass C
4:15 pm Church of St. Louis CCD SC/LL;UL
7:00 pm KOC Meeting (French) SC/LL
7:30 pm Contemporary Ensemble Rehearsals MR

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 26

8:30 am Mass C
9:30 am Winter Scripture Study Groups V
3:00 pm GS Brownie Troop Meeting SC/LL
7:30 pm Parish Choir Rehearsals C

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 27

8:30 am Mass C
11:00 am French Senior Mass C
12:00 pm French Senior Lunch CH
6:00 pm Soups and Stations CH;C

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 28

6:30 am Men's Lenten Fellowship Meeting CH
7:00 am Walking with Purpose Meeting SC/Library
8:30 am Mass C
10:00 am My French Classes SCH; SC/UL
3:45 pm Confessions C
4:00 pm GS Troop 34136 & 34243 Meeting SC/LL
4:30 pm Church of St. Louis 1st Communion Prep CH
5:00 pm (Sodality) Vigil Mass C
6:30 pm French Mass (Church of St. Louis) C

POPE FRANCIS

"Satan wants to divert Jesus from the way of obedience and humiliation — because he knows that in this way, on this path, evil will be conquered — and to lead Him down the false shortcut to success and glory. But the devil's poisonous arrows are 'blocked' by Jesus with the shield of God's Word (vv. 4, 10), which expresses the will of the Father. Jesus does not speak a word of his own: He responds only with the Word of God. Thus the Son, filled with the power of the Holy Spirit, comes out of the desert victorious."

Pope Francis,
homily, 5 March 2017,
Saint Peter's Square

READINGS

Mar. 1

Reading I
Gn 12:1-4a

Reading II
2 Tm 1:8b-10

Gospel
Mt 17:1-9

INTENTIONS

Sun., Feb. 22 – Sat., Feb. 28

Sunday 8:00 am Parishioners
10:00 am Hess-Fitzgerald Family
12:00 pm Hilda Murillo /D
5:00 pm John Allen /D
Monday 8:30 am Elizabeth Black /D
Tuesday 8:30 am Gina Marie Tennant Intentions/L
Wednesday 8:30 am Joe Dias /L
Thursday 8:30 am Susan Silhol /D
Friday 8:30 am Cammie Morris /D
Saturday 8:30 am Ethel James &
Dodwell Soyza /D
5:00 pm Margaret Raphel /L

Through the obedience
of the one, the many will
be made righteous

Romans 5:19

ALTAR SERVERS

Sat., Feb. 28 – Sun., Mar. 1

Saturday 5:00 pm C. Donlon, P. Almy, B. Flynn
Sunday 8:00 am M. Baker, E. Noguchi, K. Nguyen
10:00 am V. Gujda, T. Kiiza, K. Mydlarz
12:00 pm D. Irebe, M. Almy, D. A. Mukono
5:00 pm P. Wilkerson, G. Thomas, L. Thomas