



# The Good Shepherd

## World Day of Prayer for Vocations

*Amen, amen, I say to you,  
I am the gate for the sheep.*

*John 10:7*

### *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*

April 26, 2026 – Fourth Sunday of Easter

# THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

## FOR FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER /YEAR A



**APRIL 26, 2026**

### Readings in *Worship* hymnal # 1085

**Entrance Antiphon: Ps 33 (32):5-6**

The merciful love of the Lord fills the earth; by the word of the Lord the heavens were made, alleluia.

**Reading I: Acts 2:14a, 36-41**

Continuing the story of Peter's preaching, this reading shows the connection between powerful preaching and conversion. It also summarizes a theology of Baptism as the sacrament that incorporates us into Christ, forgives sin, and brings us the gift of the Holy Spirit.

**Psalm Response: Ps 23**

“The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.”

This most familiar of all the psalms is a hymn in two parts. The God of Israel is praised as a shepherd caring for the flock (verses 1–4) and as the host of a banquet (verses 5–6).

**Reading II: 1 Pt 2:20b-25**

During a time of persecution, this letter offers the example of Jesus as a model to help people deal with their suffering.

**Gospel: Jn 10:1-10**

The sheep hear and recognize the voice of the shepherd. The shepherd also lies down at

Entrance Hymn..... Good Shepherd, You Know Us | # 681  
 ..... ( Sun. 5pm) The King of Love My Shepherd Is | #712  
 Kyrie: ..... (Sun. 10am)

Lo - rd Ha - ve Mer - cy. Lo - rd Ha - ve Me - cy.  
 Chri - st Have Me - cy. Chri - st Have Me - cy.  
 Lo - rd Ha - ve Me - cy. Lo - rd Ha - ve Me - cy.

Gloria .....From Mass in Honor of St. Ignatius (Inside Hymnal back cover)  
 ..... ( Sun. 5pm) from Storrington Mass | # 257

Responsorial Psalm ..... Psalm 23 | G. Grisi

My shep - herd is the Lord, noth - ing in - deed shall I want. G.G.

..... ( Sun. 5pm) O. Alstott

**R.** The Lord is my shep - herd; there is noth - ing I shall want.

Gospel Acclamation ..... | G. Grisi

Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia. GG

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

Preparation of the Gifts ..... The King of Love My Shepherd Is | # 712

..... Parish Choir: Lord, I Would Follow Thee – Dayley  
 ..... ( Sun. 5pm) With a Shepherd’s Care | # 710

Preface Acclamation ..... From Mass in Honor of Saint Ignatius

.....(inside Hymnal back cover)  
 ..... ( Sun. 5pm) from Storrington Mass | # 260

Memorial Acclamation..... From Mass in Honor of Saint Ignatius

.....(inside Hymnal back cover)  
 ..... ( Sun. 5pm) from Storrington Mass | # 264

Great Amen ..... From Mass in Honor of Saint Ignatius

.....(inside Hymnal back cover)  
 ..... ( Sun. 5pm) from Storrington Mass | # 264

night across the opening to the sheepfold, blocking it so the sheep will not wander off or be attacked from outside, and thus the shepherd becomes the "gate."

**Communion Antiphon:**  
**RM 411**

The Good Shepherd has risen, who laid down his life for his sheep and willingly died for his flock, alleluia.

Fraction Rite. ....From Mass in Honor of Saint Ignatius  
.....(inside Hymnal back cover)  
..... ( Sun. 5pm) from Storrington Mass | # 265

Communion Procession .....Gift of Finest Wheat | # 939  
..... Parish Choir: Gift of Finest Wheat – G. Grisi, arr.

Meditation Hymn .....Worthy Is the Lamb – R. Holtz  
..... ( Sun. 5pm) Worthy Is the Lamb - R. Manalo

Concluding Hymn..... Go to the World | # 532  
..... ( Sun. 5pm) Canticle of the Sun | # 576

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**WORLD DAY  
OF PRAYER  
FOR VOCATIONS**

GOOD SHEPHERD SUNDAY  
APRIL 26, 2026



**ALTAR SERVERS FOR APRIL 25 AND 26**

**Saturday**

5:00 pm B. Flynn, S. Waddell, G. Sadler

**Sunday**

8:00 am D. Driscoll, M. Driscoll, E. Noguchi  
10:00 am M. Raimundo-Egeberg, N., & A. Matelis  
12:00 pm P. Almy, M. Almy, D. Irebe  
5:00 pm P. Wilkerson, H. Fotopoulos, G. Balignot



**Servers Needed** - Please sign up online via the Ministry Scheduler at [secure.rotundasoftware.com/29/web-terminal/login/stjanedechantal](http://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](http://stjanedechantal.org/register)



# Sodality PLANT SALE

The sale will include a large selection of colorful flowers, hanging baskets, and fragrant herbs all locally grown at a Maryland nursery.

Proceeds support the charitable works of the St. Jane de Chantal Sodality Guild.

FRIDAY, May 1 ♦ 10 am - 5 pm

SATURDAY, May 2 ♦ 8 am - 5 pm

SUNDAY, May 3 ♦ 9 am - 5 pm



## 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](mailto:parish.office@stjanedechantal.org) ♦ Web site: [www.stjanedechantal.org](http://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

Parish Council: DR. CYNTHIA TRACY, Chair

Finance Council: MRS. M. ANNE STRAND, Chair

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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](http://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.



Parotal Council	DeChantal School	
Liturgical Ministries <small>Lectors, Ushers, Altar Servers, Eucharistic Ministers, Altar Linens</small>		
Finance Council	Vocations	
St. Martin's Cloak	Young Adult Fellowship	
Faith Formation and Religious Education Programs		
Men's Ministry	Sodality	
Pro-Life Committee	Shepherd's Table	
Music Ministries <small>Adult Choir * Cantors * Contemporary Music Group</small>		
Evangelization	Parish Life	S.O.M.E.
School Board	Safety and Security	CYO
Bethesda Cares	Gabriel Project	
Garden Group	School Endowment Board	
Environmental Committee	Boy Scouts	Girl Scouts
Ladies of Charity	Rosary Group	Knights of Columbus

**St. Jane de Chantal's Ministries and Organizations**



*St. Jane Frances de Chantal*  
CATHOLIC CHURCH

## Time & Talent Fair

*This Weekend*  
**April 25 and 26**

Come and see how you can be a part of our wonderful St. Jane DeChantal community!

**We are each called to share our Time, Talents, & Treasure.**

*Without cost you have received;  
without cost you are to give.  
Matthew 10:8*

Join us in Caufield Hall this Saturday, April 25 after 5pm Mass, or on Sunday, April 26, after the 8am, 10am or 12pm Mass. Come and learn about our groups and the work we do in service to Christ, parish, and neighbors.

*Snacks and beverages will be offered during the Fair.*

# Outdoor Mass & Movie

## Saturday, May 2

6:30 pm Vigil-Mass at the Outdoor Chapel, followed by a Family Friendly Movie:

## King of Kings, 2025

Please bring your own chairs & blankets.

Movie snacks will be on sale to support the High School Youth Group.

### 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 in the Church gathering space, at the parish office, or online at [www.stjanedechantal.org/register](http://www.stjanedechantal.org/register), and send in your completed form or email this to [parish.office@stjanedechantal.org](mailto:parish.office@stjanedechantal.org).

#### WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

This Sunday, April 26 is the World Day of Prayer for Vocations, also known as "Good Shepherd Sunday. Will you make a special effort to ask the Lord for vocations to the priesthood and religious life? Pray for the priests who have ministered to you throughout your life, both living and dead. Encourage your children, grandchildren, or other young people to consider a vocation as a priest or religious brother or sister. Pray a rosary for more young men and women in our diocese to respond to God's call. Learn more at [adw.org/vocations/vocations/](http://adw.org/vocations/vocations/).

#### TIME & TALENT: LOST AND FOUND

Please stop by during the Time and Talent Fair to check out and claim items at the Lost and Found Table that you may have left in the Church by accident over the past year. If any items not claimed by the end of the Time and Talent Fair, will be donated.

#### TIME & TALENT: USED EYEGLASS COLLECTIONS

Do you need to dispose of some old eyeglasses that you no longer need? Bring them to the Time and Talent Fair this weekend! The Environmental Committee will have a collection box on their table during the fair, and will be accepting used eyeglasses for donations.

#### SCOUTS MASS

St. Jane de Chantal Church warmly invites parishioners and members of the community to join our local scouting groups for a special Scout Mass this Sunday, April 26 at 10:00 a.m. Mass will be celebrated by Father James Morgan as we gather to recognize and celebrate the faith, service, and leadership of our Girl Scouts, Scouts BSA, and Cub Scouts. Scout troops and packs are encouraged to attend in uniform and are welcome to bring a banner representing their group to participate in the opening procession. Families, leaders,

and parishioners are invited to be part of this joyful celebration as we honor the values of faith, service, and community that scouting helps instill. We look forward to welcoming a strong Scout presence and celebrating together as a parish community.

**ROSARIES IN MAY**

All are invited to pray the rosary for the unborn during the month of May. A sign-up sheet will be available in the gathering space of church beginning this Saturday, April 25, where you can pledge how many rosaries you will pray. For more information, call Lisa Tennant at 301-897-5412.

**MEN’S MINISTRY PROGRAM**

Men of the parish are invited to join us on Saturday, May 2, and every first Saturday of each month in Caulfield Hall for Men’s Fellowship, a program designed for all men of the community, doors open at 6:30 am for coffee, doughnuts, and fellowship. The meetings will begin at 7am and end at 8am. Stay tuned to our parish calendar for a schedule of all monthly meetings. It is never too late to start the program.

**JUNIOR SODALITY MAY CROWNING CEREMONY**

All parishioners are invited to participate in the Junior Sodality’s annual May Crowning of the Blessed Virgin Mary after the 10:00 am Mass on Sunday, May 3. We will walk in procession to Mary Garden across from the church immediately after Mass where the short ceremony of prayer and song will take place, and the girls will crown the Madonna statue with a wreath of flowers in Mary’s honor. Please plan to join us in celebrating this lovely tradition by which we venerate Mary in her special month of May.

**SODALITY EVENING MASS AND GATHERING**

Sodality invites all women of the parish to join us on Wednesday, May 6, 2026 for Mass at 7pm. Mass will be followed by refreshments in Caulfield Hall. The winners of the Jr. Sodality essay contest will share their essays, and there will be a short meeting and slideshow of this year’s Sodality events. This is a wonderful evening to connect with each other in faith and friendship, learn more about Sodality, and celebrate Sodality’s 2025-26 year!

**PARISH ACTIVITIES CALENDAR: YR. 2026-2027**

Each year, St. Jane de Chantal Church collaborates with all parish organizations and ministries in an effort to secure the appropriate facility space necessary for each group to conduct the various reoccurring events, activities, and meetings, as well as to avoid potential scheduling conflicts in utilizing our parish and school facilities for the incoming fiscal year. As we draw closer to the end of this year (June 30, 2026), we kindly request all parish organizations, scouting programs, and group leaders to begin planning their schedule of events and meetings between July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2027. Please submit your calendar of activities and events to the parish office at your soonest convenience or by June 12, 2026. You may also drop off a printed schedule or send it via email to [mae.villaagustin@stjanedechantal.org](mailto:mae.villaagustin@stjanedechantal.org). Unaffiliated organizations who are in annual agreement for facility usage within the property, may soon be contacted to process a “Renewal of Agreement” applicable for the incoming fiscal year term. Thank you for your cooperation.

**CAMPUS SAFETY & SECURITY CONSTRUCTION PROJECT**

As part of our ongoing campus safety and security improvements, we will be installing new permanent vehicle gates adjacent to the School and Soccer Field. To accommodate the heavy construction activity and our Staff and Students, the areas shown below will have restricted pedestrian and vehicle access during the project, which runs from May 2nd through May 15th.

**Please help us avoid mishaps and accidents by:**

- ◆ Keeping children away from the construction area, equipment and materials;
- ◆ Not driving or walking into or through restricted areas; and,
- ◆ Not moving or adjusting the temporary construction barriers or signs.

If you see anything of concern (e.g. hazards, damaged barriers/signs, etc.) in the project area, please report it immediately to the Parish Office. Once the project is complete, we will provide an update and a few permanent changes to the Campus traffic and parking patterns. Thank you for your patience and continued support of these important safety projects. For more details, visit <https://stjanedechantal.org/campus-vehicle-barrier-project>.



**JOB SEARCH ASSISTANCE PROGRAM**

The job search program conducted by the Parish 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 Wes Chin via email ([wmchin987@gmail.com](mailto: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:**

- ◆ **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.**
- ◆ **Accountant Book Keeper:** MBA Accounting AU, seeking part-time or full-time in accounting, Book Keeping.

- ◆ 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**.
- ◆ **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.
- ◆ 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**
- ◆ **Sr. International Executive** with Security Clearance, Diplomat, 20 yrs supervisory exp, Program Manager/Project Manager seeking private or public position, in diplomacy, government, business, or sales. Available immediately.
- ◆ **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.

### FLOWERS FOR LIFE

On the weekend of Mother's Day, May 9 and 10, the Pro-life Committee will have carnations, corsages, and bouquets available in the Church Gathering Space. Proceeds will benefit Right to life of Montgomery County.

### MOTHER'S DAY FLOWERS' VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Volunteers are needed on Thursday, May 7 in Caulfield Hall to help make corsages for Mother's Day weekend. No experience is necessary. We will teach everyone. Come and help the Pro-life movement while you enjoy fellowship and food! For further information, contact Lisa Tennant at 301-897-5412.

## 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,, Bill Jacques, and Kathy Magenheim.

. . . those who have died, especially Storrow Sommer, Barbara White, Pauline Kuta, Patricia Broderick, Mary Commins, Hunter & Jeannette Bryant, 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, Theodora Spadacino, Anne Sheehan, and Martha Michelle Naas.

## IN OUR LITURGY & MUSIC MINISTRIES

Visit the Music Ministries page at [www.stjanedechantal.org/ministries/music-ministry](http://www.stjanedechantal.org/ministries/music-ministry) for information on the many music ensembles at St. Jane.

### USHERS NEEDED

The office of Music and Liturgy is in need of Volunteers to assist as Ushers during the celebration of Mass - **especially for the 12 noon Sunday Mass**. If you are interested in serving in this role or have already served in the past, please prayerfully consider offering your ministry once again. Sign up today by emailing [giuliano.grisi@stjanedechantal.org](mailto:giuliano.grisi@stjanedechantal.org).

## IN OUR FAITH FORMATION PROGRAMS

Visit the Faith Formation page at [stjanedechantal.org/faith-formation/](http://stjanedechantal.org/faith-formation/) for information on the various programs, registration forms and calendars.

### RELIGIOUS ITEMS STORE- FIRST HOLY COMMUNION GIFTS

Looking for a meaningful gift for your First Communicant? You do not need to look any further. The Religious items pop-up store, managed by the Ladies of Charity, will be open in the narthex of the Church on Wednesday, May 6<sup>th</sup> between 4:00 and 6:00 pm during the First Holy Communion Rehearsals. The store will feature a display of First Holy Communion prayer books, First Holy Communion gift sets, Rosaries, Rosary bracelets and other select children's items. The Pop-up store will be accepting cash and checks only, credit card payment is not available at this time. Stop by the Religious items store and secure your gift before the First Holy Communion Mass on Saturday, May 9.

### OCIA PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

On March 1<sup>st</sup>, four catechumens and 2 candidates along with their godparents and sponsors participated in the Rite of Sending at Mass, then attended the Rite of Election and Call to Continuing Conversion at the Shrine of the Immaculate Conception with Cardinal McElroy that Sunday afternoon. Throughout March, catechumens took part in the Scrutinies, and the full OCIA group attended a retreat at the Dominican House of Studies. On Holy Saturday (April 4), candidates received first confessions after their rehearsals for the Easter Vigil. Catechumens and candidates received the Sacraments of Initiation that same evening. The group will meet again on April 26 for their final class this year. To inquire about the 2026-27 OCIA program, please visit <https://stjanedechantal.org/becoming-catholic-ocia>.

## IN OUR BLUE RIBBON SCHOOL

Check out the St. Jane de Chantal School website at [www.dechantal.org](http://www.dechantal.org) to get information on admissions, see what each classroom is studying, and more.

### FIELD DAY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Mrs. Tehan needs 60 volunteers to help set-up, run events and clean up for upcoming Field Day this May. Please email Mrs. Tehan ASAP if you would like to volunteer at: [ltehan@dechantal.org](mailto:ltehan@dechantal.org).

**DE CHANTAL SUMMER CAMP REGISTRATION**

The St. Jane de Chantal School Summer Camp Registration is now Open! View the flyer with registration details at <https://tinyurl.com/DeChantal-SummerCamp>.



# 25TH ANNUAL DeCHANTAL OPEN

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## To Be a Sponsor!

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Parish CYO Sports program



## Or Be a Player!

### May 15, 2026

Beautiful Falls Road Golf Course

Open to Golfers at any level!

Scan above to sign up solo or  
grab a few friends and make a team!

Any questions? Visit [stjanedechantalcyo.org/cyopen](http://stjanedechantalcyo.org/cyopen)

## IN OUR ARCHDIOCESE

For more information on vocations, education, family, youth, social concerns, & other events in the Archdiocese of Washington, visit [www.adw.org](http://www.adw.org).

### MARIAN PILGRIMAGE — FÁTIMA, SPAIN, LOURDES & PARIS

Father Robert Kilner, Pastor of Our Lady Star of the Sea, Solomons Island, MD, is leading a beautiful 12-day Marian Pilgrimage between June 9–20, 2026, visiting Fátima, Spain, Lourdes, and Paris — including the Chapel of the Miraculous Medal and the restored Notre-Dame Cathedral. Daily Mass, the Rosary, and candlelight processions are included throughout the journey. Space is Limited. Departure from Washington Dulles Airport. All are welcome to join us. For full details and registration, visit [www.JMJtours.com/fatima](http://www.JMJtours.com/fatima) or call 703-425-5400.

### MASS FOR PERSONS LIVING WITH MENTAL HEALTH CHALLENGES

All are welcome to the St. Dymphna Mass celebrated on Saturday, May 9th at 11 am at the Cathedral of St. Matthew the Apostle with Cardinal McElroy as the principal celebrant. We welcome all those living with mental health challenges, family members, friends and supporters to pray together as a community of faith in this journey of living with mental health challenges. Confessions will begin at 10 am. St. Dymphna patron of those living with mental health challenges, pray for us!

### ANNUAL HOPE BLOSSOMS COCKTAIL RECEPTION

Sister Nancy Downing, CND, and Co-Chairs Eric, Kyle, and Thomas Heidenberger along with the St. Ann's Center's Board of Directors cordially invite you to their annual **Hope Blossoms** awards cocktail reception taking place on May 13th from 6:00 - 9:00pm at the Columbia Country Club, Chevy Chase, MD. Join us in celebrating St. Ann's Center for Children, Youth and Families' over 160 years history and mission. For tickets and sponsorship information, visit <https://www.stanns.org/>.

## STEWARDSHIP

*Jesus says, "I came that they may have life,  
and have it to the full."*

*Good stewards are grateful for the gift of life  
and joyfully share their abundance with others.  
(John 10:10)*

### POOR BOX: MONSIGNOR CHRISTOPHER FUND

The Poor Box this weekend, April 25 and 26, 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://giving.parishsoft.com/App/Giving/stjanebethesda>.

### SECOND COLLECTION: CHURCH MISSIONS WITHIN THE U.S.

The second collection this weekend, April 25 and 26, will be the annual collection for Church Missions within the United States. This collection supports mission dioceses in this country that are unable to offer their people the basic pastoral ministries of word, worship, and service without outside help. It may also give grants to other dioceses in the U.S. for particular projects, and to organizations and religious communities engaged in missionary work. Second, it provides vulnerable Black and Native American communities with funds for supporting and strengthening evangelization programs that would otherwise be in danger of disappearing among these communities.

### NEW TAX BREAK FOR GIVING STARTS 2026

For years, only taxpayers who itemized could deduct charitable gifts. But starting in 2026, that's changing! Under a new federal tax law, almost everyone can deduct up to \$1,000 (\$2,000 for couples) to eligible nonprofits — such as the Parish Maintenance Fund, the St. Jane de Chantal School Excellence Fund, Msgr. Chris Scholarship Fund, Parish Offertory, Religious Education, and any other charitable giving designations. Please consult your tax advisor for details.

# ST JANE DE CHANTAL PARISH COUNCIL ELECTION BALLOT

The Parish Council Elections for new members for the upcoming term starting this September 2026 is now underway. Registered parishioners aged 18+ may vote. Ballots must be returned by Monday, May 4th.

Newly elected members will be appointed this June, 2026.

For Additional Information, call the Parish Office at (301) 530-1550.



## VOTE FOR THREE

/ /	<p><b>Analia Lourdes Pastran</b> I am a 40-year-old Catholic educator and community member with over 26 years of experience in faith formation and service, originally developed in Argentina. My journey began at age 14 as a catechist. My family and I are active parishioners at St. Jane de Chantal and I am involved in the Schoenstatt Movement in Washington DC.</p>
/ /	<p><b>Kevin Kittka</b> Currently a Parish Usher, Eucharistic Minister, and member of the Parish Men’s Group. A 4<sup>th</sup> Degree member of the Knights of Columbus, Past Grand Knight, Former District Deputy, Past Faithful Navigator, and currently a member of the 4<sup>th</sup> Degree Color Corps. Program Manager (Retired) supported Government and Industry in areas of Information Technology. BS in Business Administration and MS in Telecommunications Management. Motto: To Serve Others is to Serve the Lord.</p>
/ /	<p><b>Michael F. Houlihan (Mike)</b> <u>Education and Relevant Experience:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bachelor of Civil Engineering, Georgia Tech 1985</li> <li>• Master of Civil Engineering, Georgia Tech, 1987</li> <li>• Professional Civil Engineer, full-time from 1985 through 2024 and part-time 2024-current.</li> <li>• Full Time Middle-School Teacher, 2024-Present, The Heights School, Potomac MD; baseball coach, middle-school chess club sponsor.</li> <li>• School of Civil Engineering External Advisory Board Member, Georgia Tech, 2016-2022; Emeritus Member 2022-present; Undergraduate Student Mentor for Georgia Tech.</li> <li>• North Chevy Chase Pool Board Member (Vice President), 2012-2018</li> <li>• CCD Teacher at St Jane de Chantal, 2008-2024</li> <li>• Member of Men's Ministry, Lector, at St. Jane de Chantal</li> </ul> <p>Knights of Columbus, Rock Creek Council, 2011-Current; Grand Knight 2019-2020</p> <p><u>Additional Biographical Information:</u> Married to Jane since 1992; two children (Megan, Chris), Members of St. Jane de Chantal Parish since approximately 2004 although it was also our home parish from 1995-1998; have lived in North Chevy Chase since 1997. Avid cyclist, skier, baseball fan, and chess player.</p>

## WAYS TO VOTE

Drop completed ballots into “Vote-in-person” ballot boxes in the Narthex, or at the Time and Talent Fair.

Vote by sending completed ballot via email to [parish.office@stjanedechantal.org](mailto:parish.office@stjanedechantal.org).

Drop-off at the Parish Office, or mail to - **Attn: PC Elections**, 9701 Old Georgetown Rd., Bethesda, MD 20814

PARISH  
CALENDAR

**Sunday, April 26 – Saturday, May 2, 2026**  
For all upcoming events, visit [www.stjanedechantal.org](http://www.stjanedechantal.org).

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 SCH = School RBR = Rectory Board Room OC = Outdoor Chapel  
RF = Reyes Athletic Field PG = Parish Grounds SC = Seton Center for Religious Education  
(LL) = Lower Level (UL) = Upper Level V = Online/Virtual

**SUNDAY, APRIL 26**

8:00 am	.....	Mass	.....	C
8:00 am	.....	Time and Talent Fair	.....	CH
9:00 am	.....	Donut Social	.....	CH
10:00 am	.....	Scout's Mass	.....	C
11:00 am	.....	Time and Talent Fair	.....	CH
11:00 am	.....	OCIA Meeting	.....	SC/Library
11:00 am	.....	Donut Social	.....	CH
12:00 pm	.....	Mass	.....	C
1:00 pm	.....	Time and Talent Fair	.....	CH
5:00 pm	.....	Mass	.....	C

**MONDAY, APRIL 27**

8:30 am	.....	Mass	.....	C
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**TUESDAY, APRIL 28**

8:30 am	.....	Mass	.....	C
6:00 pm	.....	Faith Formation Classes	.....	SCH
6:00 pm	.....	1st Communion Parent's Meeting	.....	CH

**WEDNESDAY, APRIL 29**

8:30 am	.....	Mass	.....	C
4:30 pm	.....	Parish of St. Louis CCD	.....	SC
6:30 pm	.....	Endowment Board Meeting	.....	CH
7:00 pm	.....	Finance Council Meeting	.....	CH
7:30 pm	.....	Contemporary Ensemble Practice	.....	MR

**THURSDAY, APRIL 30**

8:30 am	.....	Mass	.....	C
7:30 pm	.....	Parish Choir Rehearsals	.....	C

**FRIDAY, MAY 1**

8:30 am	.....	Mass	.....	C
9:00 am	.....	First Friday Adoration	.....	C
10:00 am	.....	Sodality Plant Sale	.....	PG

**SATURDAY, MAY 2**

6:30 am	.....	Men's Fellowship	.....	CH
8:00 am	.....	Sodality Plant Sale	.....	PG
8:30 am	.....	Mass	.....	C
9:00 am	.....	First Saturday Fatima Devotions	.....	C
10:00 am	.....	My French Classes	.....	SC/UL
3:45 pm	.....	Confessions	.....	C
5:00 pm	.....	Vigil Mass	.....	C
6:30 am	.....	Outdoor Mass and Movie	.....	OC
6:30 pm	.....	French Mass	.....	C

POPE FRANCIS

“There is a dimension of the Christian experience, that perhaps we leave somewhat in the shadows: the spiritual and affective dimension. Feeling connected to the Lord by a special bond, as sheep to their shepherd.

At times we rationalize faith too much and we run the risk of losing the perception of the timbre of that voice, of the voice of Jesus the Good Shepherd, which motivates and fascinates. This is what happened to the two disciples of Emmaus, whose hearts burned as the Risen One spoke along the way.

It is the wondrous experience of feeling loved by Jesus.”

*Regina caeli*, Pope Francis, Saint Peter's Square, Fourth Sunday of Easter, 7 May 2017.

READINGS

May 3

**Reading I**  
Acts 6:1-7

**Reading II**  
1 Pt 2:4-9

**Gospel**  
Jn 14:1-12

INTENTIONS

Sun., Apr. 26 – Sat., May 2

Sunday	8:00 am	Parishioners
	10:00 am	Laura Rybak /L
	12:00 pm	Vera Costlow /L
	5:00 pm	Priest Intentions
Monday	8:30 am	Bejamin Weston /D
Tuesday	8:30 am	Judy Donohon /L
Wednesday	8:30 am	Michelle Naas /D
Thursday	8:30 am	Errol Cramer /D
Friday	8:30 am	The Rowe Family
Saturday	8:30 am	World Peace
	5:00 pm	Anastacia Hernandez /D

When he was insulted, he  
**RETURNED NO INSULT;**  
when he suffered, he  
**DID NOT THREATEN**

1 Peter 2:23

ALTAR SERVERS

Sat., May 2 - Sun. May 3

Saturday	5:00 pm	B. Flynn, C. Donlon, <b>1 Server Needed</b>
Sunday	8:00 am	D. Driscoll, M. Driscoll, M. Baker
	10:00 am	C. Mydlarz, V. Gujda, T. Kiiza
	12:00 pm	D. Irebe, D. Mukono, <b>1 Server Needed</b>
	5:00 pm	P. Wilkerson, L. Thomas, G. Thomas