



### PARISH CALENDAR

**Sunday, January 4 - Saturday, January 10, 2009**

*C = Church CH = Caulfield Hall GS = Gathering Space  
CRH = Christopher Hall SMR = Scanlan Meeting Room  
DCR = De Chantal Room NMR = Nalls Meeting Room  
RBR = Rectory Board Room SCH = School  
SC = Seton Center for Religious Education*

<b>Sunday</b>	FOOT, 10 am, SC. Sodality Mass, 10 am, C. Contemporary Ensemble, 4:15 pm, CH. Youth Mass, 5 pm, C. Youth Ministry, 6 pm, SC/CRH.
<b>Monday</b>	Youth Ministry Faith Formation, 7 pm, SC. Marriage Preparation, 7:30 pm, SC.
<b>Tuesday</b>	Grade 2 Brownies, 3 pm, DCR. Grades K-6 FF, 4:15 pm, SCH. Grades 7 & 8 FF, 7 pm, SCH. History of Christianity, 7 pm, SC. Baptism Preparation, 7:30 pm, SMR.
<b>Wednesday</b>	Cantors, 6:30 pm, C. Contemporary Ensemble, 8 pm, C.
<b>Thursday</b>	Parents' Exchange, 10 am, SC. Grade 5 Jr Girl Scouts, 3 pm, DCR. Boy Scout Troop 461, 7 pm, DCR. Cantors, 7:15 pm, C. Adult Choir, 8 pm, C.
<b>Friday</b>	Grade 4 Jr Girl Scouts, 12:30 pm, DCR. Cub Scout Pack 461, 7 pm, DCR/CRH.
<b>Saturday</b>	SPRED, 9 am, SC. RCIA, 9:30 am, SC. St. Francis de Sales, 9:30 am, RBR.

### MASS INTENTIONS

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<b>Sunday</b>	Parishioners, Charlotte Canales/D, Special Intention, Diane LaFonta/D.
<b>Monday</b>	Champa Soyza/L, Ann Gouker/D.
<b>Tuesday</b>	Jerry Swift/D, Nancy Cahill/D.
<b>Wednesday</b>	Mary Kalcich/L, Gerard Etienne/D.
<b>Thursday</b>	Jerry Swift/D, Mary Kahl/D.
<b>Friday</b>	James Nolan/D, Kristin Redman/D.
<b>Saturday</b>	Gertrude Kenneke/D, Betty Haser/D.

### READINGS for January 11, 2009

Reading I	Isaiah 42:1-4, 6-7
Reading II	Acts 10: 34-38
Gospel	Mark 1:7-11

### CELEBRANTS for January 11, 2009

5:00 pm (Vigil)	Father Alves
8:00 am	Father Nguyen
10:00 am	Father Alves
12:00 nn	Monsignor Essex
5:00 pm	Father Nguyen

### IN OUR PARISH

Please return all **Epiphany Food Drive** bags to church by 5:00 pm, this Sunday, January 4. Thank you for sharing your gifts for those in need this season during this Christmas season.

The General Assembly of the State of Maryland is in session each year for only three months (mid-January to mid-April). During that time, thousands of bills are presented for discussion and enactment. Many are of interest to us as Catholics. They cover areas such as education, family life and social concerns. Please use the insert in today's bulletin to sign-up for **Legislative Action Alerts**. You will receive emails from the Maryland Catholic Conference about issues that impact us. You will then have the opportunity to add your voice of faith to the public square. Thank you for your attention to this important matter.

Complete details regarding the registration process and fees (including the mailing address for forms/fees) for **CYO 2009 Spring Softball** (Grades 3-8 Girls), Soccer (Grades 1-2 Boys and Girls), and Track (Grades K-8 Boys and Girls) can be found under the appropriate links on the St. Jane CYO website at [www.stjanecyo.com](http://www.stjanecyo.com). A session for turning in registration forms and fees for Spring 2009 softball, soccer, and track will be held on Thursday, January 8, 7:30-8:30 pm, in the Multipurpose Building. (Inclement Weather Note: If Montgomery County schools cancel evening activities on January 8, the CYO form turn-in session will not be held that evening.) Late registrations for spring softball and soccer will be accepted on a space-available basis, but a \$25.00 late fee will apply to any registration not completed by Friday, January 30. Also, the CYO will offer a Winter Basketball clinic (Grades 1-2) and Spring T-Ball (Grades 1-2) and Soccer (Kindergarten) clinics that will have separate registration processes. Questions or further information, contact Paul Bollwerk at [bollwerk@erols.com](mailto:bollwerk@erols.com), or see [www.stjanecyo.com](http://www.stjanecyo.com).

An opportunity for all parishioners to **participate in evangelization** is available online at [www.catholicscomehome.com](http://www.catholicscomehome.com). This site offers easy and effective tools for welcoming former and inactive Catholics to become active members. We all know people who do not seem to be aware of their relationship with the Lord, and who could benefit from our encouragement in the friendly spirit demonstrated by this excellent website.

### PLEASE REMEMBER IN PRAYER

... **those who are sick**, especially Ray Timm, Helen White, Isabelle Fitzpatrick, Karen Fisher, John Pekar, Georgia Kolf, Mary Jane Kelly, Robert LeBlanc, Loretta Olson, Ted LeBlanc, Blanche Renairi, Eleanor Dillon, Maggie deBettencourt, Gertrude Peterson, Burley Colburn, Joe Commisso, Carol Paroby, and all those in our nursing homes and hospitals.

... **those who have died**, especially Mary Vroom.

## IN OUR FAITH FORMATION PROGRAMS

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

There will be a **confirmation session** for children preparing for confirmation Tuesday, January 6 at 7:00 pm in Caulfield Hall.

## IN OUR 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 happening in each classroom, and more.

The school is offering an **"Early Bird Special"** for parishioners who have a child attending kindergarten next year. Please send a letter with your child's name and birth date and we will save a spot. Open House will be held February 2, 2009. Forms and tuition agreements will be available at that time. No money is required to hold a space for our registered parishioners. There are only a few spots left in kindergarten for 2009-2010. Please let other parishioners know if they have an incoming kindergarten student but may not have read the church bulletin to contact the school if they are interested. Financial aid is available to parishioners who have a demonstrated need.

On December 17 the school community gathered in the church to watch the annual **Christmas Pageant**. The play included grades Kindergarten through fourth and the choir. The church was filled with the sounds of the dressed-up children singing and telling the story of the very first Christmas. From the littlest kindergartner dressed as a lamb, the first grade angels, second grade stars, third grade shepherds, to the fourth graders dressed as angels, all contributed to the play. The students performed again in the evening for all of the parents, relatives and friends. This was our special gift to them. Merry Christmas!

We are all very excited for the **Christmas break**. Although we will be away from St. Jane de Chantal, we take this time to wait in patience for the coming of Jesus. We spent the day before our break as a true family. Since we will not all be together to celebrate Jesus' birthday, the whole school gathered in the church to rejoice as a community. After Mass, we assembled in Christopher Hall for a Christmas sing-along. We enjoyed singing songs such as: *The Twelve Days of Christmas*, *Let it Snow*, and *Jingle Bells*. Now that we are all in the spirit of Christmas we leave de Chantal on a great note and are looking forward to coming back in the New Year. Happy Holidays!

## IN OUR ARCHDIOCESE

Visit the Archdiocese of Washington web page at [www.adw.org](http://www.adw.org) for more information on education, family, youth, social concerns and other events in the archdiocese.

**Here come the Irish!** The University of Notre Dame Chorale

will perform at Little Flower Church as part of the Little Flower 2008-2009 Concert Series on Friday, January 9, at 7:30 pm. The concert choir of the University of Notre Dame, the Chorale is an ensemble of 55 voices specializing in choral works from the Renaissance to the present. Admission is free. Plan to attend this wonderful performance of gifted young voices. Invite your neighbors and be sure to tell your Notre Dame alum friends about the concert.

**Christ in the City** is a ministry of the Office of Young Adult Ministry that specifically focuses on spiritual growth and provides an opportunity to establish a relationship with Christ truly present in the Eucharist. On the second Thursday of each month, young adults from across the city congregate at St. Patrick's Church to pray and worship. Stop in for a few minutes or join them for the entire service. 7:00 pm Rosary; 7:30-8:30 pm Eucharistic Adoration, Sermon, Praise and Worship, and Confession. Upcoming date: January 15. St. Patrick's is Metro accessible (Metro Center 11th Street exit or Chinatown 9th street exit). Free parking is available at the parking garage on 10th Street between G and H. Bring your ticket to the sacristy for validation. For more information or to be put on the email list, contact Fr. Robert Panke at 301-853-4580 or [rpanke@adw.org](mailto:rpanke@adw.org).

Join pilgrims from around the country for the **National Prayer Vigil for Life** at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception, Wednesday, January 21. The opening Mass will be celebrated at 7:00 pm in the Great Upper Church. Cardinal Justin Rigali, Chairman, USCCB Committee for Pro-Life Activities, will be the principal celebrant and homilist. This is the largest annual Shrine event with youthful crowds in excess of 8,000. Following Mass, there will be the National Rosary for Life, Confessions, Holy Hours and Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament throughout the night until the closing Mass at 7:30 am Thursday morning. For more information, visit [www.usccb.org/prolife/prayervigil](http://www.usccb.org/prolife/prayervigil).

The Archdiocese of Washington is hosting its annual **Youth Rally and Mass for Life** on Thursday, January 22, 7:30-11:30 am. The event will be held at the Verizon Center (formerly the MCI Center), 601 F Street, NW, Washington, DC. The rally will feature Steve Angrisano, Matt Maher and Band, Jessica Marie Tous and the Who Do You Say I Am band. Mass, celebrated by Washington Archbishop Donald W. Wuerl and other bishops from around the country, will start at 10:00 am. Priests will be available for confession from 8:00-9:30 am. Doors open at 7:00 am. Get there early to be sure to get a seat. Please allow extra time to allow for security (only small backpacks are allowed inside). Following the Youth Mass, join thousands of others on the National Mall for the noon National Rally for Life and the March for Life. For more information, call the Archdiocesan Life Issues Department at 301-853-4555, or visit [www.adw.org/service/jan22.asp](http://www.adw.org/service/jan22.asp).

**Mount St. Mary's University's** merit-based Archbishop Donald W. Wuerl Scholarship provides \$17,000 each year to a first-year (2009-10) student from the Archdiocese of

Washington. The Mount St. Mary's University Bishop's Scholarship is awarded by the bishops of designated dioceses to recognize Catholic students who have had distinctive academic achievement and have used their talents to enhance their parish, school and community. Applications for the Bishop's Scholarship must be submitted by February 1 to the Mount St. Mary's University Office of Admissions. Recipients of the Bishop's Scholarship must be accepted applicants to the university, have a 3.0 GPA and an 1100 SAT (Critical Reading and Math combined), and write a 500-word essay (instructions are on the application). To download an application, visit [www.msmary.edu/admissions/scholarships-aid/undergraduates/scholarships-grants/bishops.html](http://www.msmary.edu/admissions/scholarships-aid/undergraduates/scholarships-grants/bishops.html).

Archbishop Wuerl is sponsoring a **retreat for men in their 20's-40's who are considering a call to the priesthood**. The retreat will be held at Theological College, Friday evening, February 6 through Sunday, February 8 at noon. The retreat will allow men time away from the daily grind and provide an opportunity for prayer and reflection to examine God's call. If you feel Jesus may be calling you, why not give Him a weekend? It will cost you nothing more than your time. To register or for more information, contact Msgr. Rob Panke, Director of Priest Vocations, at 301-853-4580 or [vocations@adw.org](mailto:vocations@adw.org).

The Maryland Catholic Conference's annual **Lobby Night**, which brings together hundreds of Catholics to meet with their state lawmakers, will be held on President's Day, Monday, February 16 in Annapolis. Lobby Night 2009 will allow you to speak with your legislators on public policy issues concerning Catholic schools, poverty, immigration, support for pregnant women in crisis, the death penalty, and marriage. For more information, or to register for Lobby Night, visit [www.mdccathcon.org](http://www.mdccathcon.org) or call 410-269-1155 or 301-261-1979. To prepare for Lobby Night, the Maryland Catholic Conference will conduct a briefing session at St. Camillus on Saturday, January 31, 8:30 am-noon. At the briefing, Maryland Catholic Conference staff will discuss issues that will be considered by legislators in Annapolis during the coming session. Questions, contact Larry Couch, Legislative Policy Coordinator for the Archdiocesan Department for Social Concerns at [lcouch@adw.org](mailto:lcouch@adw.org) or 301-853-5343.

Each year the Maryland State Council of the Knights of Columbus awards several four year **college scholarships** to sons and daughters of members of the Knights of Columbus and to Catholic students in general, and several scholarships for students entering Catholic high schools. Interested parents and students may obtain specific information and application by writing to: Maryland State Council, Knights of Columbus, 10815 Stang Road, Owings Mills, Maryland 21117, or by visiting [www.kofc-md.org/state/committees/scholarships.htm](http://www.kofc-md.org/state/committees/scholarships.htm). The deadline for receipt of applications is March 1, 2009.

**The Basilica of the National Shrine** of the Immaculate Conception has openings for volunteer docents and receptionists. Hours and days are flexible, and training will be provided. Community services hours are available to high school juniors and seniors who participate in the program. The

Shrine is also in need of volunteer nurses and doctors to assist at large events at the Shrine. If you are interested, or would like more information, contact Sr. Miriam, R.S.M. at 202-526-8300 ext.111 or [smm@bnsic.org](mailto:smm@bnsic.org).

### IN OUR AREA

Is your marriage in trouble? If your relationship has grown cold and distant, if you are separated or thinking about separation or divorce, **Retrouvaille** (French for Rediscovery and pronounced Re-tro-vi) can help. Retrouvaille is a Catholic program designed to help hurting couples mend and heal their brokenness. The next Retrouvaille weekend will be held February 13-15. For more information, call 410-647-0350 or 301-468-6764, or visit [www.retrouvaille.org](http://www.retrouvaille.org). All calls and inquires are confidential.

### Stewardship

Our Joyful Return to the Lord

*The three wise men who came from the East  
to pay homage to the infant Jesus  
brought Him rich gifts of gold, frankincense,  
and myrrh as part of their worship.  
What gifts have I brought to this celebration  
to offer to the newborn Savior?*

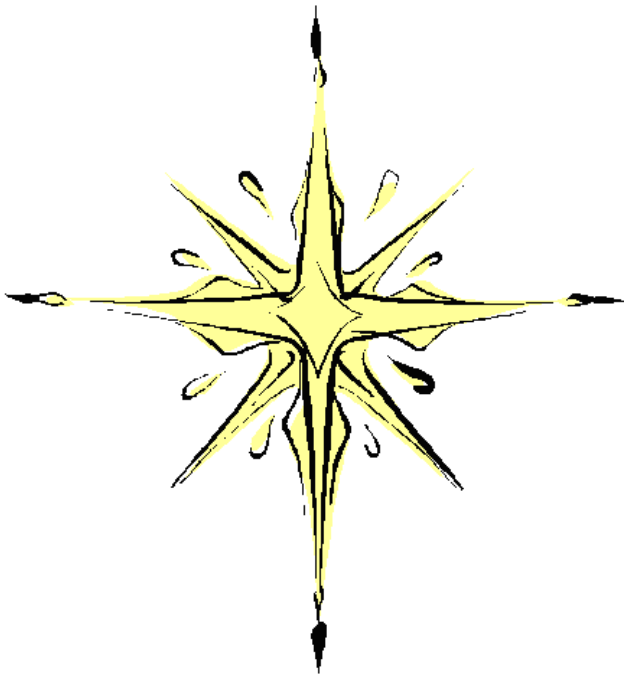
Offertory for December 21, 2008

302 Envelopes	\$12,066.00
Loose	\$ 3,302.00
Total	\$15,368.00
Attendance	2664

The second collection this weekend, January 3/4, is our monthly collection to **help with the repair and maintenance of our parish facilities**. Upcoming projects include roof repairs and painting in the church.

The second collection next weekend, January 10/11, will be the annual **National Collection for the Black and Indian Missions**. This collection has assisted missionaries, priests, sisters, catechists and devoted faithful working side-by-side in parishes and missions among the African American and Native American people, sharing the Gospel. Many churches and schools depend on the annual grants to continue their local programs and pastoral activities. Last year's collection provided support to some of the neediest people in 134 diocese across the United States, from the inner cities of the rural South to the cold Alaskan wilderness. Please consider joining in the important work of evangelization by giving generously to this collection and bringing Christ's Gospel of love and redemption to people across our nation.

Thank you for your contributions of \$192 to Anchor Mental Health. The **Poor Box** next weekend, January 10/11, will benefit Right to Life of Montgomery County.



*“Rise up in splendor, Jerusalem!  
Your light has come,  
the glory of the Lord shines upon you.”  
(Isaiah 60:1)*

*As the astrologers found that Star,  
so we too, need to open our eyes to the Light.  
Once we experience the light of Christ,  
we can let our lights shine  
for the whole world to see.*