



PARISH CALENDAR

Sunday, January 18 - Saturday, January 24, 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*

Sunday	ADW Environmental Comm., 2 pm, CH. Contemporary Ensemble, 4:15 pm, CH.
Monday	Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday. 8 am Mass only. The parish office is closed.
Tuesday	Marriage Preparation, 7:30 pm, SC. Inauguration Day. 8 am Mass only. The parish office is closed.
Wednesday	Grade 2 Brownies, 3 pm, DCR. History of Christianity, 7 pm, SC. Cantors, 6:30 pm, SCH. Holy Hour for Life, 7 pm, C. Endowment Board, 7 pm, RBR. Finance Council, 7:45 pm, RBR. Sodality Board, 7:45 pm, SMR.
Thursday	Contemporary Ensemble, 8 pm, C. Grade 5 Junior Girl Scouts, 3 pm, DCR. Boy Scout Troop 461, 7 pm, DCR. Cantors, 7:15 pm, C. Adult Choir, 8 pm, C.
Saturday	SPRED, 9 am, SC. RCIA, 9:30 am, SC.

MASS INTENTIONS

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Sunday	Parishioners, Janie Darby/D, Jeffrey Lewis/D, Mary Marilley/D.
Monday	Sam Daniel/D.
Tuesday	Jacek Jarzynski/D.
Wednesday	John Devlin/D, Carmen Demaria/D.
Thursday	The Unborn, Joseph Royal/D.
Friday	Thomas Crawley/D, Special Intention.
Saturday	John Scaduto/D, Paul Hayzlett/D.

READINGS for January 25, 2009

Reading I	Jonah 3:1-5, 10
Reading II	1 Corinthians 7:29-31
Gospel	Mark 1:14-20

CELEBRANTS for January 25, 2009

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

IN OUR PARISH

This weekend our parish, along with thousands of other parishes across the nation, will **sign postcards urging Congress to oppose the "Freedom of Choice Act" (FOCA)** and retain existing laws against government funding and promotion of abortion. Sign a postcard to your U.S. Representative and your two U.S. Senators. Let your voice be heard! Thank you for standing up for life at this important time!

This Monday, January 21, is **Martin Luther King, Jr. Day**, a federal holiday. The only Mass at St. Jane will be celebrated at 8:00 am. The parish office will be closed.

This Tuesday, January 20, is **Inauguration Day**, a federal holiday in the DC metropolitan area. The only Mass at St. Jane will be celebrated at 8:00 am. The parish office will be closed.

Many of our parishioners either have or soon will receive a mailing from Archbishop Wuerl. He will ask that you make a pledge to the **2009 Archbishop's Appeal**. The Appeal not only funds the operations of the Archdiocese, it funds services that are of great help to the ministries here in our parish, for example, the education of our seminarians and tuition assistance in our school. This year, the theme of the Appeal is, "For the Glory of God." Clearly, everything that we do to live out our faith gives glory to God. Our contributions to our parish and our Archdiocese multiply the glory that we give to our God by enabling ministries and services that touch thousands of lives. Please prayerfully consider a pledge to the 2009 Archbishop's Appeal. Inserted in this weekend's bulletin is the final report of the 2008 Appeal.

In preparation for the March for Life, all parishioners are invited to **Eucharistic Adoration and a Holy Hour for Life** this Wednesday, January 21, at 7:00 pm, in church. Your presence and prayers are needed.

The **Youth Group** will be going to the Rally for Life and Youth Mass, and March for Life on January 22. Any youth wishing to join them should meet at the Grosvenor-Strathmore metro station before the group leaves at 6:45 am in order to make it to the Rally for Life and the Youth Mass. From the Youth Mass they will make their way to the DC Mall for the March. If you have any questions, contact Raúl Yépez at 301-530-1640 ext. 13 or RAYepez@gmail.com.

Our choirs are beginning a new season. If you like to sing, you may join us in January. The Contemporary Ensemble rehearses on Wednesday nights from 8:00–9:30 pm in the church, and sings on Sundays for the 5:00 pm Mass. The Adult Choir rehearses on Thursday nights from 8:00–10:00 pm, and sings for the Sunday 10:00 am Mass. All voice parts are welcome. Contact Henry Bauer, Director of Liturgy and Music, at 301-530-1550 or henry.bauer@stjanedechantal.org to sign up.

St. Jane de Chantal Sodality is gathering recipes to put together a **cookbook of family favorites** to debut in time for

Mother's Day 2009. During the month of January they are collecting recipes for soups and stews, slow cooker and one dish meals, pot pies, snowbound snacks, and hot chocolate and cider. Submit your recipes to sodality.recipes@yahoo.com, or drop it in the collection box in the narthex of the church. Questions? Contact Maureen Morris at 301.365.9036.

Please join us for the debut concert of the **St. Jane de Chantal Trio**, formed by parishioners 'cellist Matt Tifford, pianist Virginia Lum, and violinist Sonia Haynes. Relax and enjoy this lovely evening of trios at the end of the week, Friday, February 6, at 7:30 pm. Then meet our newest St. Jane de Chantal music ensemble over delicious refreshments.

All Scouts and their families are invited to join the **Scout Sunday** celebration at the noon Mass on Sunday, February 8. Scouts who wish to volunteer for the flag ceremony or participate in the Mass should contact their troop leader. Those involved in the flag ceremony or the Mass should arrive by 11:15 am. A reception for Scouts and their families will be held in Caulfield Hall after Mass. For more information, contact Evelyn Kappeler at Kappeler@cavtel.net.

The music ministry is looking for singers to join the **Triduum Choir**, which will lead the singing for the three Liturgies of Holy Week: Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Easter Vigil (April 9-11 at 8:00 pm). There will be four rehearsals: Sundays, February 15, March 15 and 22, and April 5, from 11:30 am to 2:00 pm in Caulfield Hall. Breakfast will be served before rehearsal from 11:00-11:30 am. Attendance at all four rehearsals is mandatory. If you have always wanted to join one of the parish choirs but could not make a regular commitment to weekly rehearsals and Masses, here is an opportunity to sing for a limited engagement. Interested persons should have a pleasant singing voice. All voice parts are needed. Each person will receive a CD to practice their parts between rehearsals. To sign-up, contact Henry Bauer, Director of Liturgy and Music, at 301-530-1550 or henry.bauer@stjanedechantal.org by Sunday, February 1, so that music may be ordered in time for the first rehearsal.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN PRAYER

. . . **those who are sick**, especially Eileen York, Teddy York, Tessa York, Richard Hession, John Quigley, Ray Timm, Helen White, and all those in our nursing homes and hospitals. *As we begin a new year, we also begin a new sick list. If you would like a name added to the list, call the parish office at 301-530-1550.*

. . . **those who have died**, especially Rachel Walter and Raymond Celada.

IN OUR FAITH FORMATION PROGRAMS

Visit the Faith Formation page at www.stjanedechantal.org for information on the various programs, registration forms and calendars.

IN OUR SCHOOL

Check out the St. Jane de Chantal School website at www.dechantal.org to get information on admissions, see what happening in each classroom, and more.

Open House will be held Monday, February 2, from 9:00 to 11:30 am. Presentation for new families at 9:30 am. Forms and tuition agreements will be available at that time. Financial aid is available to parishioners who have a demonstrated need.

Our school had a visit from **WMZQ** radio station in November. The morning disc-jockeys visited classrooms from kindergarten through third grade and recorded the Pledge of Allegiance as the children recited it. The class recordings began being aired on January 9, at 7 am. For the next eight business days (Monday-Friday) a class can be heard reciting the pledge.

The newly established **Journalism Club** at St. Jane de Chantal published their first *Panther Press* newspaper. The Journalism Club is dedicated to the work and memory of Mrs. Nellie Lide. There is a beautiful plaque dedicated to her in the hallway of our school. We owe our special thanks to Girl Scout Troop #4919 which donated the plaque, a digital camera, a photo printer, as well as funds and supplies to the Journalism Club.

Junior high students participated in the annual essay contest sponsored by the **National Society Daughters of the American Revolution**. The topic this year focused on the importance of the Gettysburg Address. Students wrote 1,000-word essays about its significance during the Civil War and its impact on our nation today. The Goshen Mills Chapter winners are Jack Renzi in 7th grade and Sean Linehan in 8th grade. Their essays will now be judged in the Maryland state competition.

IN OUR ARCHDIOCESE

Visit the Archdiocese of Washington web page at www.adw.org for more information on education, family, youth, social concerns and other events in the archdiocese.

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. 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.

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.

All parishioners are invited to participate in an **Ecumenical Prayer Service for Christian Unity**, Sunday, January 25, at 3:00 pm, at St. Mark Presbyterian Church, 10701 Old Georgetown Road in Rockville. This year's theme is: "That they may become one in your hand." (Ezekiel 37:15-19, 22-24a).

Separated and Divorced Catholics of the Archdiocese of Washington will meet next Sunday, January 25, at 7:30 pm, at St. Elizabeth Church in Rockville. For information, call Jackie at 301-515-3273 or visit www.rc.net/washington/sdc.

Parish cantors are invited to attend workshops on Saturday, January 31, at the Cathedral of St. Matthew in Washington, DC. Session I will be held from 9:30-11:45 am, and Session II from 1:00-3:00 pm. Cathedral musicians Jennifer Goltz and Tom Stehle will cover basic cantor skills in the morning and in-depth study and practice in the afternoon. Those who wish to sing in the afternoon should bring two copies of a responsorial psalm or communion song they might use in their own church. See www.npmdc.org for registration information.

EPS (Education+Parish+Service), which educates Catholics to understand, live and share their faith, will delve into the development of the Catholic liturgy as well as the Church's mission of evangelization, in two courses that begin in February. *Liturgy: The Heart of Catholic Evangelization*, runs Tuesdays, February 3 through March 10 from 10 am-12:30 pm. *The Essential Mission of the Church*, will be offered Tuesdays, February 10 through March 17, 7:00-9:15 p.m. EPS courses are held on the campus of Trinity University, 125 Michigan Avenue, in Northeast Washington. To register, contact Ann Kitterman at kittermana@trinitydc.edu or 202.884.9030, or visit eps.trinitydc.edu. EPS relies solely on donations.

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.

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.mdcathcon.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 or 301-853-5343.

Stewardship

Our Joyful Return to the Lord

In today's first reading, we hear Samuel respond eagerly, "Here I am! each time the Lord calls him.

May we, too, be listening for the call of God in our lives and be ready to say like the psalmist, "Here am I, Lord; I come to do your will." (See 1 Samuel 3:4; Psalm 40)

Offertory for January 11, 2009

306 Envelopes	\$12,697.00
Loose	\$ 3,865.00
Total	\$16,562.00
Attendance	2224

Thank you for your contributions of \$30,506 to the offertory collection through **Faith Direct** for the month of January. 40% of our regular contributors are currently contributing to the offertory and second collections through Faith Direct. Once a month your contributions to the collections you designate are either debited from your bank account or charged to your credit card (your choice). For more information on Faith Direct, or to enroll, visit www.faithdirect.net (our parish code is MD30) or call 866-507-8757 (toll free).

Thank you for your contributions of \$4,8933 to the annual **National Collection for the Black and Indian Missions**.

Thank you for your contributions of \$292 to Right to Life of Montgomery County. The **Poor Box** next weekend, January 24/25, will benefit our parish St. Vincent de Paul Society, which provides emergency financial and other assistance to parishioners and parish neighbors in need.

Dear Parishioners of St. Jane de Chantal,

Again, our favorite Guardian Angels from Bethesda arrived in the persons of Patti Bubar and her son, Mark, laden down with very large bags stuffed with packages. It seemed as if there was no end to the number of bags containing gorgeously wrapped gifts. No one was forgotten. There was a gift for every Sister on the Hill at Caritas Christi, our Mother House. All of the Sisters were very happy with their gifts and they helped make Christmas brighter and more festive.

The giver of many of the gifts was anonymous. You can be sure that the Giver is known to our Divine Lord. So, the anonymous giver is the on the Sister's prayer list.

We can't forget the persons who are really responsible for the Giving Tree Gifts: Terri Smith, Barbara Coppalo and their many "Angel" helpers.

A special "Thank You" goes to the Junior Sodality and their Moderator for the many books of stamps that came just in time for the Christmas mailing. That was so helpful!

May the New Year of 2009 bring your parish and all your loved ones peace, good health and all of God's special blessings. We are all very grateful to each of you.

Sister Mary Donald Cusick & the Sisters of Charity