



PARISH CALENDAR

Sunday, July 26 - Saturday, August 1, 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 Contemporary Ensemble, 4:15 pm, CH.
Tuesday Faith Inquiry, 7:15 pm, SMR.
Thursday Boy Scout Troop 461, 7 pm, DCR.

MASS INTENTIONS

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Sunday Parishioners, Madelyn Manganiello/D,
Domenic Pulvirente/D, King Lon Chin/D.
Monday Jerry Swift/D, Joan McVay/D.
Tuesday Bernadette Klecker/D, Jim Sullivan/D.
Wednesday Joseph Fincutter/D, Anton Suttora/D.
Thursday Ray Dondzila/D, Charlotte Bower/D.
Friday Ray Dondzila/D, Jim Sullivan/D.
Saturday Alda Amorin/D, Maureen Boland/L.

READINGS for August 2, 2009

Reading I Exodus 16:2-4, 12-15
Reading II Ephesians 4:17, 20-24
Gospel John 6:24-35

CELEBRANTS for August 2, 2009

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

IN OUR PARISH

Do you like to sing? The **Contemporary Ensemble** is looking for new members for this next year. If you would like to try out the choir and for them to try you out this summer, join us this Sunday, July 26, at 4:00 pm in Caulfield Hall to rehearse for the 5:00 pm Mass. During the year, the Contemporary Ensembles sings for the Sunday, 5:00 pm Mass, except for the second Sunday of the month. Rehearsals are on Wednesdays from 8:00-9:00 pm in church. To sing with the Contemporary Ensemble one must have a love of singing and make a firm commitment to attending all scheduled rehearsals and warm-ups as well as performances. If you would like to join in July, contact Henry Bauer, the Director, at 301-530-1550, so that music may be ready for you.

Do you have questions about your faith? Do you want to deepen your faith? Join the **enquiry group**, which meets the second and fourth Tuesday of every month (July 28) at 7:30

pm in the Scanlan Meeting Room. Everyone is welcome. For more information, call Deacon Chester Chen at 301-530-2804.

Fr. Charlie Cortinovis, who was just ordained a priest for the Archdiocese of Washington, and who served here as a summer seminarian two years ago, will celebrate the 8:00 am Mass on Wednesday, July 29. It will be a pleasure to welcome Fr. Charlie back to St. Jane de Chantal.

Are you interested in becoming Catholic? Are you an adult Catholic who needs to be confirmed? Join the RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults). The RCIA is a place to learn about the Catholic faith and prepare for the sacraments of baptism, confirmation and Eucharist. If you are interested in learning more about the RCIA, contact Sr. Sally at 301-530-1640 or sister.sally@stjanedechantal.org.

It has long been a custom in the Catholic Church to **have a Mass offered for someone who is deceased or for a special intention** (i.e. for the recovery of one who is ill, an anniversary or birthday, for a special prayer). The priest then makes it his intention during Mass to remember the particular request made. Each week in our parish bulletin you will see the Mass requests made for that week. A Mass offered for the intentions of someone living is denoted by an "L" after their name. A Mass offered for a deceased person is denoted by a "D". If you would like to have Mass offered, you may stop by the parish office during regular business hours. Cards are provided by the church to send to the family of the deceased or to the person for whom the Mass is offered. It is also customary that a stipend or offering is made at the time of the request. The normal offering for a Mass, per Archdiocesan guidelines, is \$10.00. The priest does not normally announce the intention at Mass. The reason for this is that the intention is his prayer for the Mass but not necessarily the prayer of the entire community, since each one present brings to the Eucharist his or her own prayers or special intentions to offer to God.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN PRAYER

... **those who are sick**, especially Ray Timm, Helen White, Alice Tatge, Isabelle Fitzpatrick, John Pekar, Godfrey Viegas, Fr. Helwig, Ted LeBlanc, Roger Folstrom, Catherine Tatge, Gertrude Peterson, Teresa Kaulius, and all those in our nursing homes and hospitals.

... **those who have died**, especially Lorraine Rooney.

IN OUR FAITH FORMATION PROGRAMS

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

Registration is taking place for next year's Faith Formation program. Registration forms can be obtained at the Seton Center or on the parish website at www.stjanedechantal.org under the Faith Formation link. Registration fees must

accompany the registration forms. For more information, contact the Seton Center (seton.center@stjanedechantal.org) or Sr. Sally (sister.sally@stjanedechantal.org).

Catechists and catechist aides are needed for next year's Faith Formation program. Catechists are needed in grades K,1, 6, 7, 8, FOOT (Faith of our Toddlers for 3 and 4 year olds) and SPRED (Special Religious Education). Adult co-catechists or catechist aides are needed in every grade. FOOT meets Sunday mornings during the 10:00 am Mass; SPRED meets Saturday mornings from 9:00-10:30 am; grades K-5 meet Tuesday afternoons from 4:15- 5:30 pm; and grades 6-8 meet Tuesday evenings from 7:00-8:15 pm. Anyone volunteering must complete a background check and attend the archdiocesan seminar, *Protecting God's Children*. If you are interested or would like more information, contact Sr. Sally at 301-530-1640 or sister.sally@stjanedechantal.org.

Interested in becoming a catechist? The Hearts Aflame Catechist Formation Program of the Archdiocese of Washington provides both initial and comprehensive formation for parish catechists and elementary school teachers of religion. The Archdiocesan catechist certification is awarded to those who satisfy the requirements of the Hearts Aflame Program. There are several ways to fulfill the Hearts Aflame requirements to be a certified Catechist in the Archdiocese of Washington. 1) A catechist can successfully meet the needs of some requirements by taking the Online Assessment exams and potentially placing out of the requirements and receiving credit. The exams can be found at www.adw.org/education/catechist_certification.asp. 2) Hearts Aflame courses are scheduled for this summer around the Archdiocese. All courses are open to parish/school catechists and other adults interested in learning about the Catholic faith. The entire semester of course offerings can be viewed online at www.adw.org/news/default.asp. 3) There are over 40 courses available through the University of Dayton's Virtual Learning Communities of Faith Formation. Visit www.vlc.udayton.edu to find out more about the courses offered and to register to take the courses online. For more information on Hearts Aflame and becoming a catechist, please feel free to contact Sr. Sally (301-530-1640) or the Archdiocesan Office for Religious Education (301-853-4506), or visit www.adw.org/education/hearts_aflame.asp.

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.

The school will be closed for the summer. Messages will be checked periodically throughout the summer (301-530-1221). Have a wonderful summer and see you September 1!

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.

On July 5, the Archdiocese of Washington began airing the **Sunday TV Mass** at 10:30 am on WDCW-50 ("The CW"). Following is a list of where you can find CW on stations in the Washington metropolitan area: Antenna (no cable) channel 50; Comcast: Washington, DC channel 23 / Montgomery County channel 23 / Prince George's County channel 3 / Southern MD channel 3; Cox: Northern Virginia channel 3 / Fredericksburg channel 15; RCN channel 15; Verizon channel 3. Please confirm channels with your TV service provider. If you would like to join the TV Mass congregation - Masses generally are taped on selected Thursday evenings, at 7:30 pm, in the Crypt Church of the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception. Upcoming dates: July 23, August 27, September 10. For more information, visit www.adw.org/prayer/default.asp.

Give the gift of life! The Knights of Columbus Rock Creek Council will host a **Red Cross Blood Drive** on Sunday, July 26, from 9:30 am to 1:30 pm, at 5417 West Cedar Lane in Bethesda (lower lounge). There is an acute need for blood in the summer, so your contribution can literally help save lives. To schedule an appointment, contact Julie Carter at Carterbuck@aol.com or 240-426-1220.

High School Young Men: Quo Vadis - Where are You Going? What is the Father's will for you? Want to learn more? Find out August 9-12. Quo Vadis Days will give you the opportunity to learn more about discernment of your vocation. A five-day camp for high school young men, activities will include prayer, hiking, games, sports, talks and lots of great food. Sign-up now as space is limited. For more information, please contact Fr. Rob Walsh, Assistant Director for Priest Vocations, rwalsh@adw.org and 301-853-4580.

Are you ready to take the next step in your spiritual development? Do you have plenty of questions about your faith, but not enough answers? Enroll today in Education • Parish • Service, which has been educating adult Catholics to understand, live and share their faith for 30 years. This September, **EPS** will offer *God's Covenant and Community*, an introduction to the Catholic approach to interpreting Sacred Scripture (Tuesdays, September 8-October 27, 10:00 am- 2:30 pm, including Mass), and *Liturgy, the Heart of Catholic Evangelization*, the history of Catholic liturgy and principles of liturgical planning and practice, (Tuesdays, September 8-October 13, 7:15-9:00 pm). Classes are held on the campus of Trinity University, 125 Michigan Avenue, in Northeast Washington, D.C. For additional upcoming courses, see <http://eps.trinitydc.edu> or contact Ann Kitterman at kittermana@trinitydc.edu or call 202.884.9030. EPS relies solely on donations.

All are invited to attend a **Eucharistic Congress** on September 11-12, at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception. The Congress, entitled *Sacrifice of Enduring Love*, is sponsored by the Council of Major Superiors of Women Religious (CMSWR). There is no charge for

admission to the two-day event that will explore three vocations in depth — the priesthood, religious life, and marriage. Speakers include: Cardinals Justin Rigali, Seán O'Malley, and Marc Ouellet, and Archbishops Pietro Sambi, Donald Wuerl, and Edwin O'Brien. In addition to other displays, a piece of the actual tilma of St. Juan Diego will be exhibited. For more information about the Congress, visit www.cmswr.org or write: P.O. Box 4467, Washington, DC 20017.

Each year, the Archdiocese of Washington sponsors the "Run for Vocations" team for the **Marine Corps Marathon**. Consider joining us for the marathon, half-marathon and 10K race, to be held on October 25. All levels of runners and walkers are most welcome. This is a unique experience to get into the best shape of your life, accomplish an amazing goal, meet new people, and support our seminarians. For more information and to register, contact Msgr. Rob Panke at vocations@adw.org or call 301-853-4580.

Spiritual growth is a hope for most of us who are serious about our relationship with God. To respond to this desire, the Washington Theological Union trains students in the art of Christian Spiritual Direction for women and men, lay and religious. If you feel called to be a spiritual director, the WTU **Spiritual Direction Studies Program** may be the place to start. If interested in pursuing this training, contact Sr. Carol Ries at ries@wtu.edu or 202-541-5220. If you would like to receive spiritual direction for your own spiritual growth, you can request a list of local directors from Sr. Carol.

Marriage Matters® but do you know why? There's been a lot of media buzz recently about marriage. Find out what the Catholic Church teaches about it, and why it's important. The Archdiocese of Washington's new educational initiative called Marriage Matters® is online at www.MarriageMattersDC.org.

Thinking of getting married? Visit www.ForYourMarriage.org for great tips, must-have conversations, personality inventories and to follow a blog about preparing for marriage. Sponsored by the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops.

St. Mary's School in Rockville, Maryland is looking for alumni from the classes of 1953-2009. Visit www.stmarysrockville.org/school/alumni.htm to update your contact information. Questions? Contact Kelly Barrett '99 at 301-762-4179 or SaintMarysAlumni@gmail.com.

IN OUR AREA

Has your marriage become cold or unloving? Are you making plans to move out, considering separation or even divorce? There is a Catholic program called (Retouaille) (French for "rediscovery" and pronounced Re-tro-vi) that can help you rediscover one another. The next weekend is September 11-13. For more information, call 410-647-0350 or 301-468-6764, or visit www.HelpOurMarriage.com. To receive information in the mail, email TomNCarol@comcast.net. All calls and inquiries are confidential.

Stewardship

Our Joyful Return to the Lord

*"The hand of the Lord feeds us," says the psalmist:
"he answers all our needs."*

*Both Elisha's servant in the first reading
and the disciples in the Gospel story
who witnessed the feeding of the five thousand
saw this happen and knew it to be true.
(See Psalm 145)*

Offertory for July 19, 2009

256 Envelopes	\$12,213.00
Loose	\$ 3,006.00
Total	\$15,219.00
Attendance	2226

The second collection this weekend, July 25/26, is the annual **Collection for the Church in Latin America**. Your gift helps fellow Catholics in Latin America and the Caribbean who are rich in spirit, but lacking in material resources, to participate more fully in the life of the Church. Collection proceeds support training for seminarians and religious men and women; pastoral care of the sick; formation for lay leaders; family and youth ministries; and religious education for all age groups. For more information, visit www.usccb.org/latinamerica.org. Please contribute generously.

The second collection next weekend, July 1/2, is our monthly collection to **help with the repair and maintenance of our parish facilities**. Upcoming projects include parking lot repairs.

Thank you for your contributions of \$453.00 to the St. Mary's, Barnesville, Prison Ministry Program at the Montgomery County Jail in Clarksburg. The **Poor Box** next weekend, August 1/2, will benefit the Msgr. Christopher Fund, which provides need-based scholarships to our parish school.

The first step toward leaving a legacy is to make sure you have an up-to-date will and estate plan. While it is important to consult a qualified attorney for help, following is language that could be used when **making a bequest to the Archdiocese of Washington, our parishes or schools**: "I give and bequeath to the Archdiocese of Washington, a Corporation Sole, for the benefit of (e.g., the Archdiocese of Washington, name of parish or school, etc.) [written amount, percentage of estate or description of property]." Learn more about ways to protect your family's future at www.adw.org, or call the Archdiocesan Office of Planned Giving at 301-853-7673.



When you go on vacation this summer, please remember that your parish expenses still continue and that we need your offerings in order to meet these expenses. If you will miss using your envelopes while you are away, please bring your contributions up to date.

An easy way to support our parish offertory and second collections is to enroll in *Faith Direct*.

Your contributions can be debited from your bank account or charged to your credit card. You can enroll online at www.faithdirect.net or call 866-507-8757 (toll free). Our parish code is MD30.

Marriage Matters®



All in the Family

One of a series • Archdiocese of Washington

One of the Church's favorite terms for the family is "the domestic church." "Hmmm. That's not *my* family," you might think.

Maybe you're more Grateful Dead than How Great Thou Art. Maybe you've got stained glass, but only because your windows need a good cleaning. Maybe you

For More Reading...

- ◆ *Letter to Families*, Pope John Paul II, 1994
- ◆ *Married Love and the Gift of Life*, United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, 2006
- ◆ *Catholic Household Blessings and Prayers*, United States Conference of Catholic Bishops
- ◆ *Love Letters to My Husband*, Gianna Beretta Molla

Kid Talk

- ◆ What do you think Jesus' family was like?
- ◆ How does your family worship Jesus together?
- ◆ How do you live your faith at home? At school?

kneel mainly to mop up spilled milk. No doubt there are some families who make excellent examples of the domestic church. But you're not one of them. Heck, it's about all you can do to mumble some kind of grace before dinner.

Are you the Smiths? Let's stop right there. Let's think about that dinner. Let's say you're the Smith family. You probably try to eat together on some kind of regular basis. If one person's mad at another, you try to say "sorry" and make up first, if only to avoid conditions incompatible with digestion. You each bring to the table the important and even the trivial parts of your day, and you talk about some of them. Then everyone will probably weigh in with opinions.

Whether it's the toddler thinking about

spitting peas or the breadwinner thinking about changing jobs, the family spin – the family value system – gets applied to the issue of the day. For example, maybe you laugh at the baby. Maybe you frown. Maybe, in the Smith family experience, job changes are opportunities for growth. Or maybe they simply represent greener pastures better avoided.

There's this everyday stuff, and then there's the culture that's uniquely the Smith's – the crown for your birthday, the family cheer when someone does well, the things you're allowed to laugh about and the things that you're not. Sharing all this is how each of you, over time, becomes a Smith, as each day you're each a little bit different for having shared a meal together that night. And though things like meals may seem

simple, they are an example of how husbands and wives provide the setting in which children will thrive.

In a way, the Smith family is indeed a mini-version of the bigger Church. After all, don't we bring the same stuff of our lives to Mass each week, hoping to become more like Jesus? Think about it: We try to make up with each other and God. We offer ourselves and we listen to God's wisdom – His family's spin on our lives – as conveyed in the readings. And we eat. We head back out to the world fed, seeing things a little

A Holy Home: Tips for making your "home church"

- ◆ Display a crucifix to remind you of Jesus
- ◆ Pray together before meals as Jesus did
- ◆ Teach your children to pray, ideally by your example
- ◆ Do good deeds for each other and for neighbors
- ◆ Pray for each other
- ◆ Attend Mass each week, together as a family
- ◆ Go to confession with your children
- ◆ Remember, the most important part of home is love





differently than we did before.

At church, as at home, in the very act of sharing the meal together we become family. So family and church are, really, similar in their ability to help us become a Smith. Or a Christian.

Our theology reflects these relationships. Marriage binds men and women forever. We are opposites, but we are exquisitely made for each other – unique yet only together able to create life and care for it. Mothers and fathers, in their distinctly maternal and paternal modes of love, together reflect the fullness of God's love, both in its masculine and feminine characteristics, and demonstrate every day for their children what it means to be a man, what it means to be a woman.

Everyone passes through some kind of family experience, and for Catholics, Jesus' ideas about love that we listen to on Sunday get tried out week after week at the little church of home. Our families, then, become the testing grounds of love – schools of love, really, where children learn to love and be loved. Together we make up the larger church, and then the human family, and so the little domestic expressions of love have a very big effect. Of course, as with society at large, we don't always like each person all the time. We don't always agree. But we aim for the same goal: to give and receive love. The knowledge that we are all aiming for the same thing goes far in spanning differences among us.

Ideally the home church has a strong leader – a shepherd, if you will – who is willing to oversee the spiritual growth and moral progress of the group. Ideally, that parent has read and re-read the Scriptures to get to know Jesus, and to let God permeate his life so much that he can teach the others. And ideally, the fa-

ther or mother demonstrates care so consistently that that those in the family trust in that person's leadership. Of course, sometimes such a parent does not exist. Or comes late to a prayerful life.

Pope Benedict XVI on the Family

"In the family each person, whether the smallest child or the oldest relative, is valued for himself or herself, and not seen simply as a means to some other end. Here we begin to glimpse something of the essential role of the family as the first building block of a well-ordered and welcoming society."

– May 14, 2009, Nazareth

Sometimes a child is a maverick by temperament or wants to set his own course. But Scripture tells us that – although things don't always progress perfectly – if we train our children in the ways of the Lord, at some point as adults they will gain their spiritual footing. After all, we all re-

member the prodigal son, who embraced his father only after trying to go it alone. So too, St. Monica. She prayed for 20 years before her wayward son, St. Augustine, experienced a change of heart.

As spouses sacrifice to create loving, stable homes for our children, we build up society itself, each family nestled among the others in a task as true as nature, as old as humanity. Not only that, our faith teaches us that the riches that married couples and our children enjoy together in this life are a sort of sneak preview of what God has in store for us in the next.

Children raised in intact married families are:

- ◆ more likely to attend college
- ◆ physically and emotionally healthier
- ◆ less likely to be physically or sexually abused
- ◆ less likely to use drugs or alcohol and to commit delinquent behaviors
- ◆ have a decreased risk of divorcing when they get married
- ◆ less likely to become pregnant/impregnate someone as a teenager
- ◆ less likely to be raised in poverty

Why Marriage Matters: 26 Conclusions from the Social Sciences, Bradford Wilcox, Institute for American Values