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### PARISH CALENDAR

**Sunday, October 11 - Saturday, October 17, 2009**

C = Church CH = Caulfield Hall CGS = 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>	Donut Social, after 8 & 10 am Masses, CH.
<b>Monday</b>	Columbus Day. 8 am Mass only. The parish office is closed.
<b>Tuesday</b>	High School FF, 7 pm, SC. Adult Faith Formation, 7 pm, SC. Confirmation Parents, 7 pm, CH. Faith Inquiry, 7:30 pm, SMR.
<b>Wednesday</b>	Parents' Exchange, 10 am, SC. Evangelization Outreach, 7:15 pm, SC. St. Vincent de Paul, 7:30 pm, CH. School Yearbook, 7:30 pm, NMR. Sodality Board, 7:30 pm, SMR.
<b>Thursday</b>	Contemporary Ensemble, 8 pm, C. Confirmation Parents, 7 pm, CH. Boy Scout Troop 461, 7 pm, DCR. Cantors, 7:15 pm, C. Pastoral Council, 7:30 pm, SMR. Adult Choir, 8 pm, C.
<b>Saturday</b>	SPRED, 9 am, SC. RCIA, 9:30 am, SC. Anointing of the Sick, 10 am, C. Canned Food Drive, after 5 pm Mass. CGS.

### MASS INTENTIONS

**Sunday, October 11 - Saturday, October 17, 2009**

<b>Sunday</b>	Parishioners, Fr. Helwig/L, Henry Leisy, Eunice Shriver/D.
<b>Monday</b>	Edward Kennedy/D.
<b>Tuesday</b>	John Daly/D, Bernadette Klecker/D.
<b>Wednesday</b>	Donald Brady/D, Raymond Klecker/D.
<b>Thursday</b>	Steven Miller/D, Hank Silva/D.
<b>Friday</b>	Robert Scheltes/D, Frances Giron/L.
<b>Saturday</b>	Tina Dempsey/D, Minnie Sorbara/D.

### READINGS for October 18, 2009

Reading I	Isaiah 53:10-11
Reading II	Hebrews 4:14-16
Gospel	Mark 10:35-45

### CELEBRANTS for October 18, 2009

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

### IN OUR PARISH

A number of new **respect life pamphlets and novena cards** are available in the pamphlet carousel in the gathering space of church. Pamphlet topics include: human dignity and building a culture of life, infertility, contraception, assisted suicide, and marriage as the union of one man and one woman. The Novena to Saints Anne and Joachim is for all married couples, expectant mothers and married couples who are having difficulty conceiving.

Interested in learning more about the Church's teachings on the great gift of life and human sexuality? Want to get information on important issues which impact the dignity of life? Interested in becoming more involved in pro-life activities? If so, sign up for the newly launched **email newsletter from the Archdiocesan Department of Life Issues**. Send an email to Michelle Carper at [mcarper@adw.org](mailto:mcarper@adw.org); put "Life Issues" in the subject line.

All parishioners are invited to **share coffee, donuts, and friendship** after the 8:00 am and 10:00 am Masses this Sunday, October 11. The Pastoral Council and Youth Group sponsor these coffees once a month as a way to deepen our sense of community within the parish and offer service to the outside community. The Youth Group will be taking donations at the coffee to benefit a local charity.

This weekend begins the annual De Chantal Youth Ministry **Canned Food Drive**. Make sure to get a paper bag from a teen on your way out from Mass, fill it with non-perishables, and return it to church next weekend, October 17/18. Donations will go to Manna Food Center and our sister parish, the Shrine of the Sacred Heart. Thank you for your generosity!

This Monday, October 12, is **Columbus Day**, a federal holiday. The only Mass at St. Jane will be celebrated at 8:00 am. The parish office will be closed.

Do you have questions about your faith? Do you want to deepen your faith? Join the **inquiry group** which meets the second and fourth Tuesday of every month (October 13 and 27) at 7:30 pm in the Scanlan Meeting Room. For more information, call Deacon Chester Chen at 240-994-2016.

The next **Parents' Exchange** meeting will be held this Wednesday, October 14, from 10:00 to 11:00 am, in the lower level of the Seton Center. We pray, discuss a spiritually oriented educational topic, and have a morning snack. There will be playtime for the children (toys are provided) and conversation for the adults. Babies and toddlers are welcome. For more information, call Colombe Bories at 240-403-7435.

A communal celebration of the **Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick** will be held Saturday, October 17, at 10:00 am. The Anointing of the Sick consists of a Liturgy of the Word, anointing of sick persons with blessed oil, and reception of Holy Communion. This liturgy is for those who have a physical or

mental illness that is new or ongoing. Those in good health as members of the Church are invited to come and pray for our sick brothers and sisters. If you know of anyone who is sick and would like to attend this liturgy, please invite them.

St. Jane's Pro-Life Committee will be selling **Christmas cards** after all Masses the weekend of October 24/25. Proceeds will benefit Right to Life of Montgomery County.

It's time to get *Back in the Saddle Again*, De Chantal! Save the date for **St. Jane de Chantal School's premier fundraiser gala and auction**: January 30, 2010. All parishioners are welcome to attend. There are also numerous opportunities for you to get involved and help support the school: donate an item or service for the live or silent auction; purchase an ad in the program; become an event sponsor or underwrite a portion of the night. The majority of funds raised at this year's event will be earmarked for technology improvements, including a number of new Smart Boards for the classrooms. Additional monies raised at the Gala will also contribute to innovative student programs and the Monsignor Christopher Scholarship Fund. For more information, visit [www.dechantalgala.com](http://www.dechantalgala.com). Peruse our wish list for donation ideas and preview select auction items. You can donate an item or purchase an ad right online! Soon, through this website, you'll be able to link to our sponsors' sites and even register for the event, so check back frequently.

#### PLEASE REMEMBER IN PRAYER

. . . **those who are sick**, especially Ray Timm, Helen White, Isabelle Fitzpatrick, John Pekar, Godfrey Viegas, Fr. Helwig, Ted LeBlanc, Roger Folstrom, Catherine Tatge, Gertrude Peterson, Teresa Kaulius, Deacon Jerome Donlon, Mary Bailey, Susan Kuhn, Al and Mary Jane Richman, and all those in our nursing homes and hospitals.

#### 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.*

#### 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 each classroom is studying, and more.*

The school is offering an **"Early Bird Special"** for parishioners who have a child attending kindergarten next year (Fall 2010). Please send a letter with your child's name and birth date and we will save a spot. Open House will be held February 1, 2010. We will have forms and tuition agreements at that time. A \$475 Registration Fee is required to hold a space for our registered parishioners.

Congratulations to the newly elected **Student Council**

**officers:** Lily Sanborn, president; Nick Janaskie, vice-president; and Allie Hayzlett, secretary.

Recently, the **eighth grade** class went on a special retreat to Camp Maria. The purpose of this retreat was to build relationships between each of the students and teachers. Father Paul participated by hearing confessions and celebrating Mass overlooking the bay just before our departure. Mrs. Theim, Mr. Molloy, and Mrs. Hamilton also had a wonderful experience getting to know the students better and preparing them for high school experiences.

Once again, St. Jane de Chantal is participating in **Giant's A+ Bonus Bucks program**. Last year we earned \$7,098.06 in cash! To ensure that St. Jane de Chantal earns proper A+ Bonus Bucks, supporters must (re)designate our school. Remember, even if you designated a school last year, you must re-designate this year. This simple effort is the only step necessary for a school to begin earning your points! You can (re)designate online at [www.giantfood.com](http://www.giantfood.com). Our school code for Giant is 00643.

St. Jane de Chantal parish school is collecting General Mills box tops for the **Box Tops for Education program**. The money raised will go toward the purchase of physical education equipment. You may drop off your box tops at the school office or send them to Lisa Tehan, Physical Education, St. Jane de Chantal School, 9525 Old Georgetown Road, Bethesda, Maryland 20814.

#### 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.*

Please join the faithful from across the Archdiocese of Washington for the annual **Archdiocesan Marian Pilgrimage** to the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception this Sunday, October 11. The Rosary begins in the Upper Church at 2:30 pm and will be followed by Mass at 3:00 pm. The theme is "Mary, Mother of the Church and of our families" and the principal celebrant and homilist is Bishop Martin D. Holley. The Basilica is located at 400 Michigan Avenue, NE, Washington, DC (Brookland-CUA Metro; free parking).

The archdiocesan **Office of the Permanent Diaconate** is interested in speaking with men who have an interest in becoming a permanent deacon. Learn more about the diaconate online at [www.adw.org/vocations/deacons.asp](http://www.adw.org/vocations/deacons.asp). The site includes contact information, current admissions criteria for the Archdiocese of Washington's permanent deacon formation program and a brief description of a deacon's role in the Church today.

On Saturday, October 17, the inaugural **John Paul the Great Legacy Project** will be held at the Pope John Paul II Cultural

Center in Washington, DC. This day-long event features Mass celebrated by Bishop Salvatore Cordileone, Bishop of Oakland, a variety of speakers, and opportunities for fellowship. The aim of the Project is to make known and celebrate the many ways in which his Holiness, Pope John Paul II, impacted the Catholic Church and society as a whole. For more information and to register, visit [www.jptglegacyproject.com](http://www.jptglegacyproject.com).

**Teens from 7th -12th grade**, and parents, are invited to attend "Mixed Messages: Untangling the Myths about Sex and Love" on Wednesday, October 21, 7:00-8:30 pm, at St. Patrick Church in Rockville. China Briceno, a dynamic chastity speaker, will talk to the teens while parents will have a brief presentation and time to ask questions about supporting your child in living a chaste life. The parent session includes refreshments. For more information, visit [www.adw.org](http://www.adw.org) or contact Michelle Carper at 301-853-4555 or [mcarper@adw.org](mailto:mcarper@adw.org).

The tenth annual **World Priest Day**, sponsored by Worldwide Marriage Encounter and in conjunction with the Serra Club's Priesthood Sunday, will be held on October 25. This is a day for families to celebrate and honor their Catholic priests as an opportunity for all parishioners to thank, affirm and share their love and support for all of our priests. For more information about how you can participate, please visit [wpd.wmme.org](http://wpd.wmme.org) and/or [www.priestsunday.org](http://www.priestsunday.org).

**Have you ever felt called to the priesthood?** If so, consider attending the annual Mass and discernment dinner with Archbishop Donald Wuerl, Sunday, November 8, 4:00-7:00 pm, at St. Peter Church, 313 Second Street SE, Washington, DC. Participants should be single men in their 20s-40s who are practicing Catholics. The evening includes Mass, dinner and a chance to discuss the priesthood with other young men from the Washington, DC area. For more information and to register, contact Msgr. Robert Panke, director of priest vocations and formation, at 301-853-4580 or [vocations@adw.org](mailto:vocations@adw.org).

### IN OUR AREA

**Project Rachel** will host a *Day of Prayer and Healing* on Saturday, October 17. For more information on location and time, contact Julia Shelava at 301-853-4565 or [ProjectRachel@adw.org](mailto:ProjectRachel@adw.org). Project Rachel is a post-abortion healing ministry sponsored by the Archdiocese of Washington that offers compassionate help to men and women who have experienced emotional and or spiritual pain after abortion. Trained staff refers callers to licensed counselors or to priests specially trained in post-abortion concerns.

What's all this talk about revisions to the Mass? Msgr. Kevin Irwin, Dean of the School of Theology and Religious Studies at The Catholic University of America, will answer our questions about the **coming revisions to the Roman Missal**. All are welcome to this workshop sponsored by the local chapters of the National Association of Pastoral Musicians. It will be held Saturday, October 17, 8:30 am-12:30 pm at St. Agnes Church, 1910 N. Randolph St. in Arlington. Cost: \$15 per person (\$10

for members of NPM chapters); \$25 for parish group of 3 or more. For more information, email [watwood@allsaintsva.org](mailto:watwood@allsaintsva.org).

**Nellie Gray**, founder and organizer of the annual March For Life will be speaking at the Shady Grove Pregnancy Center's Fundraiser Brunch on Sunday, October 18, beginning at 12:30 pm, at the Pooks Hill Marriott. Seating is limited. For reservations, contact Mary Anne Feyder at 301-963-6223 or [development@pregnancy-options.org](mailto:development@pregnancy-options.org).

Do you wish you could talk to your spouse about something besides all the stresses in your life? A Worldwide **Marriage Encounter Weekend** gives you the time and tools to revitalize romance, deepen communication, and nourish the spirituality in your marriage. The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend will be held November 6-8, in Rockville. For more information and/or to register, contact John and Gail Gordon at 410-414-9667 or [gordon4514@aol.com](mailto:gordon4514@aol.com).

### Stewardship

*Our Joyful Return to the Lord*

*In today's Gospel, Jesus asks the rich young man  
to give away all that he has  
in order to have treasure in heaven.  
But he is unable to free himself from his possessions,  
and so he goes sadly away.  
Does what I own keep me from following Jesus.*

Offertory for October 4, 2009

320 Envelopes	\$15,612.00
Loose	\$ 3,369.00
Total	\$18,981.00
Attendance	1889

The second collection next Sunday, October 17/18, is the annual **World Mission Sunday collection**. World Mission Sunday gathers support for the pastoral and evangelizing programs and needs of more than 1,150 mission dioceses in Africa, Asia, the Pacific Islands, and remote regions of Latin America. The funds gathered on World Mission Sunday are distributed in the pope's name by the Society for the Propagation of the Faith—a Pontifical Mission Society.

Thank you for your contributions of \$1,281.00 to the Msgr. Christopher Scholarship Fund. The **Poor Box** next weekend, October 17/18, will benefit So Others Might Eat (SOME), which offers meals, showers, clothing, medical and dental care, and help for drug addiction. SOME also provides long-term housing, job counseling and ongoing counseling.

You can now contribute to St. Jane de Chantal School through the **Combined Federal Campaign** (St. Jane Frances de Chantal Catholic School #32653). Please consider pledging a donation to our school during the campaign season (September 1 to December 15).

**Put faith into action with the  
CATHOLIC ADVOCACY NETWORK**



Been hearing recently about health care reform, abortion, immigration, marriage, and Catholic schools? Want to know where the Church stands and how to get involved? Registration for the Maryland Catholic Advocacy Network, an outreach of the Maryland Catholic Conference, will be held after all Masses next weekend, October 17/18. The Catholic Advocacy Network is an e-mail network that keeps you informed on public policy issues and puts you in direct contact with lawmakers to share your views. Visit [www.mdathcon.org](http://www.mdathcon.org) for more information.

# POLICIES FOR CATHOLIC SCHOOLS 2009

## QUESTIONS & ANSWERS ● ARCHDIOCESE OF WASHINGTON

### **Why did the Archdiocese undertake this comprehensive school-planning?**

To strengthen Catholic schools across the Archdiocese of Washington and to ensure broader and more equitable support for them into the future.

### **On what did the planning focus?**

Updating and creating policies for Catholic identity, governance, academic excellence, and affordability and accessibility.

### **Who was involved?**

This process included an unprecedented level of consultation. Over 12,000 people – priests, educators, parents and other parishioners – were invited to participate. Over 500 attended an initial Convocation on Education in October 2007; 50 joined task forces; 12,000 received surveys, a number of whom were invited to join focus groups; and 1,000 people were invited to eight regional meetings to discuss draft policy options. Discussions were held with at least six consultative groups, including leaders of independent schools, as well as principals and priests.

### **When are the policies effective?**

Archbishop Wuerl approved the policies on August 15, 2009. They are effective October 1, 2009. Implementation of individual policies will take place between October 2009 and July 2010.

## **CATHOLIC IDENTITY**

### **What do these policies address?**

How a Catholic school will live out its Catholic identity. Catholic identity is expressed through a school's visible communion and cooperation with the bishop, appropriate celebration of sacramental life, teaching of the faith and an environment permeated with the spirit of the Gospel.

### **How does a school get named Catholic?**

All schools must receive approval by the Archbishop to be recognized as Catholic

under Church law, and must have a formal and defined relationship with the Archdiocese and Archbishop (1200-1210\*).

### **How does a school live out sacramental life?**

Sacramental and prayer life is central to a Catholic school. This includes religious instruction and attendance at school prayer and worship services. Sacraments shall be held in appropriate spaces suited to authentic worship (1220-1224).

Since sacramental preparation is so important, the policies outline responsibilities and indicate schools must collaborate with the students' pastors in sacramental preparation and celebration (1225-1226).

### **What are the guidelines for religious education?**

Religious education programs must be based on the *Catechism of the Catholic Church*, *United States Catholic Catechism for Adults*, the *General Directory of Catechesis* and the *National Directory of Catechesis*, and must follow national and Archdiocesan directives (1233).

Principals and religion teachers in Catholic schools must meet specific qualifications (1234, 1243-1244). The policies also affirm that all teachers and staff are to integrate Catholic identity and Church teaching across the curriculum, and agree to adhere to the teachings of the faith (1243-1244).

All schools must undertake a regular self evaluation of their Catholic identity (1242). The Archdiocese also will review each school's Catholic identity at least once every three years (1214).

### **What else do the Catholic identity policies cover?**

Mission statements, school-sponsored activities, promotion and fostering of vocations and the Church's teaching on social justice and service (1247-1248).

## **GOVERNANCE**

### **What are the types of school governance?**

A school - elementary or secondary - may be Archdiocesan-owned and operated or independent. Archdiocesan elementary schools have one of four types of governance (2430-2434):

- Parish-based: sponsored by a single parish
- Regional: sponsored by multiple parishes, with a formal, written agreement, such as Archbishop Neale School
- Incorporated regional: sponsored by multiple parishes and separately incorporated, such as Mary of Nazareth School
- Consortium: alliance of parish schools that is separately incorporated, such as the Consortium of Catholic Academies.

An independent school may be operated by a Religious community or a group of lay leaders that is a "canonically recognized entity" (2020, 2030). Independent schools must adhere fully to the Catholic identity policies of the Archdiocese (2121). The sponsoring organization is responsible for governance, academic quality, day-to-day operations and finances (2040, 2120).

### **What is the Archdiocese's role in recognizing a school as Catholic?**

A school must have approval of the Archbishop of Washington to call itself Catholic (1100). The Archdiocese, through its parishes, has direct responsibility for all aspects of parish- and Archdiocesan-owned schools and responsibility for recognizing the affiliation of independent schools as Catholic schools.

### **What is the process to become a Catholic school?**

A proposed Archdiocesan school would undergo a review of proposed programs; parish and parental support; projected enrollment; facilities, faculty and finances; impact on existing Archdiocesan schools, etc. (2210).

An independent school seeking recognition as a Catholic school must first submit

\* Denotes policy number

a proposal that details how the school will meet and adhere to Catholic identity standards and will follow guidelines provided by the Catholic Schools Office (2220). The school then must undergo a review process. These schools are responsible for their own operations, finances and programming.

### **What are the responsibilities of the leadership and boards?**

The governance policies outline the responsibilities of Archdiocesan Catholic school leadership, pastor, Board of Education, School Advisory Board, Board of Limited Jurisdiction (for incorporated schools or consortiums) as well as the lines of communication (2400, 2500).

## **ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE**

### **What do these policies cover?**

These policies cover academic, instructional, assessment and professional standards, and student life and community.

All Archdiocesan schools shall implement Archdiocesan academic standards, instructional standards and assessment standards to regularly assess school excellence (3110, 3120, 3200, 3300).

Faith formation and religious instruction shall be based on Archdiocesan religion standards. Those, in turn, shall be based upon the *National Directory for Catechesis and Doctrinal Elements of a Curriculum Framework for the Development of Catechetical Materials for Young People of High School Age* (U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops) (3130-3132).

### **What about student testing?**

Archdiocesan schools will administer standardized tests to measure student growth and academic achievement in all subject areas, including religion. The Catholic Schools Office will provide guidelines to the schools for the proper interpretation and dissemination of test scores (3340-3341).

### **What qualifications are required for school administrators/faculty?**

Among the requirements, an administrator of an Archdiocesan school must be a practicing Catholic and certified catechist,

have a master's degree and certification (3410). The policies also outline degree and certification requirements for Archdiocesan teachers and other staff (3420, 3430).

### **What about school admissions?**

The policies note a preference for Catholic students for initial admission into Archdiocesan schools (3510), though non-Catholic students are welcome (1000). Catholic high schools shall determine their own criteria for admission, and give priority consideration to Catholic students who attend Archdiocesan elementary schools (3518).

### **What else is in this section?**

School safety, field trips, discipline, dress codes, student records, parent/student handbooks, home and school associations and school calendars (3540-3620).

*Looking to the future of Catholic education, we should do so with hope, confidence and enthusiasm.*

-Archbishop Donald W. Wuerl, 2008 Pastoral Letter on Education

For example, an Archdiocesan school may schedule no more than 10 half days per year without prior approval by the Catholic Schools Office. The first and last weeks of school shall consist of full days (3533-3534).

## **AFFORDABILITY AND ACCESSIBILITY**

### **What do these policies cover?**

These policies cover tuition assistance, budgeting, parish support for schools and school-level planning. They are designed to provide tuition assistance to as many families as possible, to more equitably distribute support for Catholic schools and to support healthy Catholic schools.

### **What are parish assessments?**

For years, parishes have contributed a portion of offertory income for Archdiocesan-wide support of Catholic schools. As of July 2010, parishes that formally support a Catholic elementary school shall contribute three percent of offertory to the Archdiocesan Tuition Assistance Program. Parishes that do not directly sup-

port a Catholic elementary school shall contribute nine percent. Since the Archdiocese recognizes that some parishes cannot afford this level of support, exemptions may be given (4120-4123). The variable assessment rate helps ensure more equitable support for Catholic education across all parishes.

### **What about tuition rates?**

Tuition rates are set at the parish or board level, and shall be established only after reviewing the recommendations of the principal, school board, finance council and other advisory bodies (4310-4320).

Each Archdiocesan school shall set one tuition rate for all Catholic parishioners in the Archdiocese of Washington who attend that school, whether they are in or out of parish. Parishes may make tuition assistance available to families with multiple children enrolled (4340, 4230). It is recommended

that rates for non-Catholic students reflect the full cost per student (4350).

### **What about budgets?**

Schools shall follow approved accounting, budgeting and fundraising guidelines (4400), and publish finance reports (4612).

### **What about school planning?**

With a goal of healthy, affordable and accessible schools, archdiocesan schools shall annually assess strengths and identify needed change in Catholic identity, governance, academic excellence, and affordability and accessibility. The outcomes shall be shared with the parish/school communities (4510-4512, 4621). Parishes also shall participate in collaborative planning to stabilize and improve schools. If appropriate, this may include a request for consolidation (4513-4520).

### **What are “geographically necessary” schools?**

To ensure a Catholic school education is available to as many people as possible geographically, a school may be designated “geographically necessary” and its families eligible for expanded tuition assistance. The designation would be based on several factors, including the number of nearby Catholic schools and available seats (4700).