



PARISH CALENDAR

Sunday, May 11 - Saturday, May 17, 2008

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	DCYM, 6 am, SOME. Mothers' Day Carnation Sales, after all Masses, C. Contemporary Ensemble, 4:15 pm, CH.
Monday	Grade 5 Jr Girl Scouts, 3 pm, NMR. Youth Ministry Faith Formation, 7 pm, SC. Marriage Preparation, 7:30 pm, SC.
Tuesday	Grade 2 Brownies, 3 pm, NMR. Grs K-6 Faith Formation May Crowning, 4:15 pm, C. Gr 7-8 Faith Formation May Crowning, 7 pm, C.
Wednesday	St. Vincent de Paul, 7:30 pm, CH. Sodality Calendar Planning, 7:45 pm, SMR. Contemporary Ensemble, 8 pm, C.
Thursday	Gr 6 Jr Girl Scouts, 3 pm, NMR. Boy Scout Troop 461, 7 pm, DCR. Pastoral Council, 7:30 pm, SMR. Adult Choir, 8 pm, C.
Saturday	SPRED, 9 am, SC. Adult Choir, 9 am, C. Cub Scout Pack 461, 6:30 pm, DCR.

MASS INTENTIONS

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Sunday	Parishioners, Martina Wagner/D, Lynne Carbonne/D, William Roth/D.
Monday	Elva Cox, Martina Wagner/D.
Tuesday	Regis Kelley/D, Richard Walker/D.
Wednesday	Jeanne Barton/D, Edith Sedney/D.
Thursday	Malka Lipman/D, Al McNeill/D.
Friday	Margaret Kovalic/D, Wilma Blocklin.
Saturday	Frank Kovalic/D, Peyton Pitney/D.

READINGS for May 18, 2008

Reading I	Exodus 34:4b-6, 8-9
Reading II	2 Corinthians 13:11-13
Gospel	John 3:16-18

CELEBRANTS for May 18, 2008

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

IN OUR PARISH

Over the past year, we have introduced the **Faith Direct** program which allows you to support St. Jane de Chantal Parish offertory and second collections by using direct debit via credit card or bank account, like many of us do for other payments or charitable giving. It gives you the opportunity to support our parish even if you are absent from Mass for summer travel or illness. And, it addresses the situation many families face on their way to Mass: where did I put my envelopes?! This method of providing parish support offers parishioners an easy way of living our call to stewardship. **Faith Direct** also provides St. Jane with a predictable cash flow that greatly assists us with planning our parish needs and programs. You can enroll in **Faith Direct** by completing the enrollment form being mailed to parishioners this week, or by going online to www.faithdirect.net and using our church code, MD30 (Maryland thirty). Thank you for your financial and prayerful support of our parish. If you have any questions you might have regarding this program, contact the parish office (301-530-1550) or **Faith Direct** (1-866-507-8757; toll free). Please enroll!

Thank you for your participation in the **Hunger to Hope Food Drive**, a campaign to commemorate the visit of Pope Benedict XVI to the Archdiocese of Washington. Parishes and schools throughout the Archdiocese participated in the event, and Catholic Charities collected 227,837 pounds of non-perishable food items that will benefit individuals and families who struggle daily with food insecurity. Our parish's collection has been given to the Capital Area Food Bank, who will distribute all Hunger to Hope donations to their member agencies who feed over 385,000 people annually, at no cost.

The Pro-Life Committee will be selling carnations and **corsages for Mothers' Day** after all Masses this weekend, May 10/11. Proceeds will benefit Right to Life of Montgomery County.

The next **Parents' Exchange** meeting will be held Wednesday, May 14, from 10:00-11:00 am, in the lower level of the Seton Center. The children (with assistance) will plant flowers as a service project, so come dressed to get dirty! There will be cookies, juice, toys for the children, and conversation for the adults. The playgroup has resumed and the group hopes to have some glorious Spring days for playing in the park. The field trip group is also enjoying Spring, and recently visited the cherry blossoms at the tidal basin, the Croyden Creek Nature Center, and the butterflies at the Natural History Museum. For further information, call Mary Hornyak at 301-897-2992.

Registration for next year's Faith Formation will be held after all the Masses the weekend of May 17/18. Faith of Our Toddlers (3 and 4 year olds) meets at 10:00 am on Sundays; Grades K-6 meet Tuesday afternoons from 4:15- 5:30; Grades 7 and 8 meet Tuesday evening from 7:00-8:15; and High School meets Monday nights from 7:00-9:00.

The **Seton Center Library** will be closed beginning May 18 and will reopen in September. During the summer weekdays when the Seton Center is open, the library is open. Call 301-530-1640 or 610-324-0964 before coming to be certain someone will be there to let you in. If you have a video or book to return, place it in the Drop Bag in the Usher's closet in church (on the left as you enter).

The Adult Choir will join with the Choir of the Congregation Beth El in a concert of psalmody showing the way we use the Psalter, our common prayer book, in the Catholic and Jewish traditions. The concert is Sunday, May 18, at 2:00 pm in the church as part of our **Concert and Arts Series**. The concert is free, but a free-will offering will be taken up. A reception will follow the concert.

On May 23, **Bro. Pius Pietrzyk, OP**, who has served our parish for 18 months as a deacon, will be ordained a priest. We offer him our congratulations and prayers. Fr. Pius will celebrate a Mass of Thanksgiving here at St. Jane de Chantal on Sunday, May 25, the Solemnity of Corpus Christi, at 12:00 noon. Following the Corpus Christi procession, the Sodality will sponsor a reception for Fr. Pius in Caulfield Hall, during which he will give his First Blessing. All are invited to his "First Mass" and reception.

The students of Henry Bauer will present their **Spring Piano Recital** on Friday, May 23, at 7:30 pm, in the church. Everyone is welcome to attend.

All of this year's **First Communicants** are invited to be a part of this year's Corpus Christi Procession on Sunday, May 25, at the 12:00 noon Mass. Please come to that Mass that day dressed in your First Communion outfits and be leaders of the procession from the inside of church to the altar outside in the plaza between the school and the church.

The Archdiocesan **CYO's on-line registration** system is available for those wishing to register for Fall 2008 soccer and 2008-09 All-Sports (Grades 1-8). Complete information regarding on-line registration can be found under the "On-line Registration" link at www.stjanecyo.com. Registrations for Fall 2008 soccer or All-Sports will be accepted by mail on a space-available basis, but a \$25.00 late fee will apply to any registration not completed by Friday, May 30. Questions, further information, or fee assistance, contact Paul Bollwerk at bollwerk@erols.com, or see www.stjanecyo.com.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN PRAYER

. . . **those who are sick**, especially Ray Timm, Helen White, leisa Ketchum, Isabelle Fitzpatrick, Karen Fisher, John Pekar, Georgia Kolf, Mary Jane Kelly, Connie Lynch, Robert LeBlanc, Loretta Olson, Ted LeBlanc, Enoch Dillon, Blanche Renairi, and all those in our nursing homes and hospitals.

. . . **those who have died**, especially Adelia Fernandes, Jane Brown and William Howland.

IN OUR SCHOOL

Check out the St. Jane de Chantal School website at www.dechantal.org to get information on admissions, visit pages posted by the individual classrooms, and more.

There are still a few **openings at St. Jane De Chantal School** for the 2008-2009 school year. Please call the school office at 301-530-1221 for more information.

On Monday, April 28, Christopher Hall was transformed into a **tropical rainforest!** The students learned about the various and unique species of animals living in the rainforest. Everyone saw a documentary showing these species and many others. The school learned how to save the rainforest by not cutting down trees, reducing pollution, and saving animals' habitats. The program ended with an exciting song about this diverse place.

April 30 and May 1, the **sixth grade** hosted their annual play. This year the performance was *High School Musical*, a popular new production. The stage was transformed into many places like basketball courts, cafeterias, a theater and classrooms. "We're All in This Together" as the 6th grade "Bopped to the TOP" and dazzled their audience! The cast performed their roles with lots of personality and zeal. This is always a very lively and exciting De Chantal activity.

May is **Asthma and Allergy Awareness Month** and it is a great time to think about the symptoms, diagnosis, and treatment options for kids with asthma and allergies. The students at St. Jane De Chantal have learned about food allergies. They understand their importance and respect children who live with food allergies every day. Thank you to our classmates and for being a P.A.L (Protect A Life from Food Allergies).

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 young adults from all over the metro area for adoration of the Blessed Sacrament every second Thursday of the month. The evening includes the Rosary, followed by Adoration and an opportunity to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Christ in the City is held 7:00 - 8:30 pm at St. Patrick's Catholic Church, 619 10th Street, NW, Washington, DC, one block from the Metro Center and Gallery Place Metro stops. Validation is available for free parking at the garage on 10th Street, between H and G Streets, NW. For more information, contact Msgr. Rob Panke at 301-853-4580 or rpanke@adw.org. Upcoming dates: May 13, June 10, September 9.

Archbishop Timothy P. Broglio of the Archdiocese for the Military Services, USA, invites you to attend the 14th Annual **Memorial Day Mass**, to take place Sunday, May 18, at 4:30

pm, at the Basilica of the National Shrine, 400 Michigan Avenue in Northeast Washington. The sacrament of penance will be available from 3:00-3:45 pm, followed by the recitation of the Rosary. The Mass honors men and women of the Armed Forces who have given their lives in the service of this country. Tickets are not necessary for this event; please arrive by 4:20 pm for seating purposes. The Mass will be aired by EWTN several times over the Memorial Day weekend. Check your local listings.

Have you ever felt called to the priesthood? If so, consider attending the annual Young Adult Discernment Dinner on Sunday, May 18, from 5:00-8:00 pm, at the Shrine of the Most Blessed Sacrament, 6001 Western Avenue in Northwest Washington. The evening includes Mass, dinner and a chance to discuss the priesthood with other young men from the Washington, D.C. 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.

Separated and Divorced Catholics of the Archdiocese of Washington will hold their Memorial Day weekend, May 23-25 at Loyola Retreat House in Faulkner, MD. The retreat master will be Fr. Joe Breighner. Total cost for the retreat is \$218.00. For information, call Patty at 301-231-9412 or the Loyola Retreat House at 301-870-351.

The Archdiocesan Office of Priest Vocations will sponsor two **retreats for young men** this summer at Our Lady of Mattaponi Youth Retreat Center in Upper Marlboro, Maryland. The Junior High Retreat, for young men entering 7th-9th grades, will be held June 24-25; cost: \$30. The Senior High Retreat, for young men entering 10th grade-freshman year of college, will be held June 16-18; cost: \$40. To register and for more information, contact one of our parish priests, or Msgr. Rob Panke, Director of Priest Vocations, at 301-853-4580 or vocations@adw.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 May 16-18. For more information, call 410-647-0350 or 301-468-6764, or visit www.retrouvaille.org. All calls and inquiries are confidential.

TAKE ACTION

During Pope Benedict XVI's visit, the House of Representatives passed the *Jubilee Act for Responsible Lending and Expanded Debt Cancellation of 2007* (H.R. 2634) with strong bipartisan support. The *Jubilee Act* represents an essential next step in alleviating the burdens of debt that plague many developing countries. The Senate Foreign Relations Committee is now reviewing the Senate version of the bill (S. 2166). Thank Senator Barbara Mikulski for being a

cosponsor of this important legislation, and ask Senator Benjamin Cardin to cosponsor the Senate version of the *Jubilee Act* (S. 2166) by visiting www.adw.org, and click "Service & Justice," then "Legislative Action Alerts," then "Issues," then "Legislative Alerts and Updates," then "Jubilee Act 2007." While major progress has been made in reducing poor country debt, a substantial number of the poorest countries continue to shoulder heavy debt burdens. These debt burdens draw precious government resources away from critical investments in health care, education, water and other sectors necessary to improve lives. For more information, contact Gerry Flood (202-541-3167, gfflood@usccb.org) or Fr. Andrew Small, OMI (202-541-3153, asmall@usccb.org).

Stewardship

Our Joyful Return to the Lord

In the second reading today,

St. Paul reminds the Corinthians,

*"There are different gifts, but the same Spirit;
there are different ministries, but the same Lord."*

How am I using my gifts for the common good?

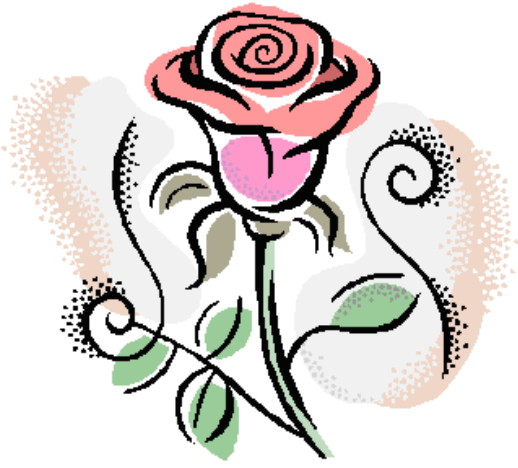
(See 1 Corinthians 12:4)

Offertory for May 3, 2008

340 Envelopes	\$16,490.00
Loose	\$ 2,944.00
Total	\$19,434.00
Attendance	2297

The **second collection** next weekend, May 17/18, is the annual collection for Catholic Relief Services. This collection makes possible the American Catholic Church's global mission to combat poverty, provide relief and development, assist refugees and immigrants, and advocate for justice and peace in situations of conflict and neglect of basic human rights. The collection funds the work of six agencies: Catholic Relief Services; Catholic Legal Immigration Network, Inc.; Migration and Refugee Services of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops; Justice, Peace and Human Development of the USCCB; Secretariat of Cultural Diversity of the USCCB; and the Holy Father's Relief Fund. For more information on the work of these agencies, visit www.usccb.org/crscollection.

Thank you for your contributions of \$731.17 to the Msgr. Christopher Scholarship Fund. The **Poor Box** next weekend, May 17/18, will benefit Shady Grove Pregnancy Center, which specializes in helping women who may be experiencing problems due to an unplanned or unwanted pregnancy by providing pregnancy counseling, pregnancy tests, referral assistance, a parenting program, material assistance and post-abortion counseling. For more information, visit <http://pregnancy-options.org>.



Loving God,
as a mother gives life and nourishment to her children,
so you watch over your Church.

Bless all mothers,
that they may be strengthened as Christian mothers.
Let the example of their faith and love shine forth.

Grant that we, their sons and daughters,
may honor them always
with a spirit of profound respect.

HAPPY MOTHERS' DAY