

At the School of Mary, “Woman of the Eucharist”



Right after the Consecration the priest says, “The Mystery of Faith.” This is what we celebrate today in this Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ, “the source and summit of the Christian life” (Vatican II, Lumen Gentium 11). “Consequently the gaze of the Church is constantly turned to her Lord, present in the Sacrament of the Altar, in which she discovers the full manifestation of his boundless love” (St. John Paul II, encyclical *Ecclesia de Eucharistia*, 1).

Is this the way I approach the Eucharist? Is the Eucharist the source and summit of my life? Do I turn to the Eucharist to discover and experience Jesus’ boundless love?

The Center for Applied Research in the Apostolate at Georgetown University found in 2013 that 50% of the Catholics don’t know the Church’s teaching about the real presence of Jesus in the Eucharist. Yet 63% of Catholics, whether they know or don’t know this teaching, believe in the Eucharist. This survey raises the question as to whether we strive to fully embrace the Church’s faith in the Eucharist and to live it out.

The Compendium of the Catechism of the Catholic Church teaches that “The Eucharist is the very sacrifice of the Body and Blood of the Lord Jesus which he instituted to perpetuate the sacrifice of the cross throughout the ages until his return in glory. Thus he entrusted to his Church this memorial of his death and Resurrection. It is a sign of unity, a bond of charity, a paschal banquet, in which Christ is consumed, the mind is filled with grace, and a pledge of future glory is given to us” (# 271).

In his encyclical *Ecclesia de Eucharistia* (April 2003), St. John Paul II invited us to be inspired by Mary’s to grow in our Eucharistic life: “Is not the enraptured gaze of Mary as she contemplated the face of the newborn Christ and cradled him in her arms that unparalleled model of love which should inspire us every time we receive Eucharistic communion?” (*Ecclesia de Eucharistia*, 55).

Following this invitation I would like to encourage you to renew your Eucharistic faith and devotion, to become after Mary “men and women of the Eucharist”; to be inspired by her in how we prepare for Holy Communion and how we adore and give thanks to Jesus after receiving him as we spend some time with him in prayer after communion; to visit frequently the Adoration Chapel to adore Mary’s Son; to foster in children a tender and deep Eucharistic devotion; and to make the spiritual communion one of our favorite prayers:

“I wish, Lord, to receive you with the purity, humility and devotion with which your most holy Mother received you, with the spirit and fervor of the saints.”

Nourishing Our Souls with Holy Scripture

Readings for Next Week:
Tenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

1 Kgs 17:17-24 Ps 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11, 12, 13
Gal 1:11-14A, 15AC, 16A, 17, 19 Lk 7:11-17



Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

Masses this Week

Monday, May 30:

9:00 am +Joseph and Annelle Thach

The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary - Tuesday, May 31:

6:30 am +Patricia Ferchland

9:00 am +James Stio

St. Justin - Wednesday, June 1:

6:30 am +David Negrelli

9:00 am +Roy T. Jenkinson

Thursday, June 2:

6:30 am +John Bartholme

9:00 am +George Davis

The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus - Friday, June 3:

6:30 am +John Bartholme

9:00 am +Louise Stutzman

6:00 pm Mass for the Solemnity of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus

The Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Saturday, June 4:

8:00 am +Thomas McAuliff

5:00 pm (L) Pat and Jerry Curry

7:00 pm + Martha Peredo Muñoz

Tenth Sunday in Ordinary Time, June 5:

7:30 am +Marjorie De Francis

9:00 am +Dolores Perez

10:30 am Living and Deceased Parishioners

12:00 noon +Lucia and José Antonio Venero



Corpus Christi Procession - This Sunday after the 12 noon Mass

Parishioners and especially those who received the Sacraments of Initiation this Easter are invited to participate in the Corpus Christi Procession this Sunday. Students and adults who received Sacraments this year are asked to wear the robe or dress clothes. The Procession that follows the 12 noon Mass is a parish witness to the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ. Additionally, Adoration Chapel Adorers will receive a special blessing during the Mass.



Disciples of the Hearts of Jesus and Mary **DCJM Appeal** The Disciples want to thank you for your great generosity. Your generous donations will support the formation of our seminarians preparing for the priesthood. We will keep your intentions in our prayers.

“You give them something to eat.” Do these words of Christ challenge you to give your all for Him as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life? Contact Fr. Juan at general@queenofapostles.org, or Fr. J.D. Jaffe at (703) 841-2514, or j.jaffe@arlingtondiocese.org.

Please pray for the members of our parish who are ill

Catherine Hanniff, Kristin Burns, Francis Walter, Eduardo Vega, Deborah DuBrul, Kathleen Donohoe, Clarissa Trono De Guzman, Lyda Tanco, Mark Bush, Joseph Covas, Margaret Peiffer, David Stemcosky, Irma Mori, Rita Sulit, Jason Banis, Emma Collins, Teresa Sabina Piecyk, Juana Mejia, Lisa Nyce, Monique Brooks, Debby Sprah, Consuelo Jocson, Cheryl McGlynn, Teresa Subal-usky, Theresa Corcoran, Cordelia Carcamo, Donna Smith

This Week in Our Parish

Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi)

Sunday, May 29:

Church 1:00-1:50 pm Corpus Christi Eucharistic Procession
School 2:00-5:30 pm Ghana Group

Monday, May 30:

Parish Office 7:00-8:00 pm RCIA

The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary - Tuesday, May 31:

Cupertino Room 7:30-9:00 pm RCIA in Spanish
Hannan Hall 7:30-9:30 pm Choir Rehearsal

St. Justin - Wednesday, June 1:

Hannan Hall 7:00-9:00 pm Ghana Prayer Group
Parish Office 7:30-8:45 pm Baptism Class in English

Thursday, June 2:

Parish Office 6:30-8:00 pm Legion of Mary
Church 7:30-8:30 pm Holy Hour

The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus - Friday, June 3:

Adoration Chapel 11:00 am-12 noon Children's Adoration Hour
Adoration Chapel 3:00-4:00 pm Divine Mercy Chaplet
Hannan Hall 3:30-5:30 pm Nazareth Group
Outside 7:00-8:00 pm Potluck Picnic (weather permitting)
School 6:00-8:00 pm Open Gym Night
Cupertino Room 7:00-9:00 pm Hispanic Legion of Mary

The Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary - Saturday, June 4:

Hannan Hall 8:00 am-2:00 pm Banica Yard Sale
School 4:00-6:30 pm Spanish Prayer Group
School 7:00-9:00 pm Ghana Choir Rehearsal

Tenth Sunday in Ordinary Time, June 5:

Vestibule ACCA Food Collection
Hannan Hall 8:30 am-2:00 pm KofC Pancake Breakfast
Hannan Hall 2:00-5:30 pm Ghana Group

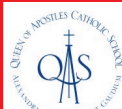


Mass for the Solemnity of the Sacred Heart of Jesus and Potluck Picnic

Please join us this **Friday, June 3** to celebrate the Solemnity of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus, which is central to the spirituality of our priests, the Disciples of the Hearts of Jesus and Mary. There will be a Mass at 6 pm, followed by a potluck picnic (weather permitting) outside. All are invited to join us in this special celebration!

Yard Sale to benefit the Banica Youth Mission: Saturday, June 4 from 8 am to 2 pm in Hannan Hall

Household and kitchen items, clothes, shoes, and so much more! Join us for lunch or come and pick up some freshly made empanadas, papusas or arroz con pollo made by the Poor Sisters of St. Joseph. If you would like to donate gently used household items, you may drop your donation off to Hannan Hall from 5:30 to 7:00 pm on Friday, June 3. Thank you for your generous support!



Queen of Apostles School is now enrolling for the 2016-2017 school year. The kindergarten class is filling up quickly, so don't delay registering your child. Application packets are available at the school and online at www.queenofapostlesschool.org. Tours are given daily from 8:30 am to 2:00 pm or upon request. You can arrange a tour through the school's website or by calling (703) 354-0714.



Congratulations to the following adults who received the Sacrament of Confirmation during Pentecost weekend: Catherine, Christopher, David, Gloria, Ruben, Sandra, and Sweet.

QUEEN OF APOSTLES 2016 SUMMER EXCHANGE PROGRAM STELLA MARIS

Two to Three more parish families are needed to host students from Spain Please consider opening your home to a student from Spain who will be participating in the Summer Exchange Program, **July 2-30, 2016** at Queen of Apostles. If your family cannot host a student for 4 weeks, hosting a student for 2 weeks is an option. Families hosting a student must complete a background check and attend a VIRTUS seminar. For more information contact s.gray@queenofapostles.org or call (703) 354-8711.

Sacramental Certificates and Registration for the 2016-2017 Religious Education (RE) Program Religious Education students who received Sacraments this year may pick up their certificate from the parish office. While in the parish office, you may also register for the 2016-2017 Religious Education school year. The first day of class is Sunday, **September 11, 2016**.

*"He is The Bread sown in the virgin, leavened in the Flesh,
molded in His Passion, baked in the furnace of the Sepulcher,
placed in the Churches, and set upon the Altars,
which daily supplies Heavenly Food to the faithful."
St. Peter Chrysologus*



Vacation Bible School We will be "Surfin' with the Holy Spirit" **Jun. 27 - Jul. 1** from 9:30 am to 12:30 pm. Registration is now open for youth ages 4 through 5th grade. For more information, visit queenofapostles.org/vacation-bible-school. Teens and adults interested in volunteering for VBS can still e-mail vbs@queenofapostles.org.

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You CAN Find Employment, Even in a Tough Job Market

Christians are Networking (CAN), a ministry of Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Arlington, pairs persons who are in search of a new career with volunteer HR professionals who will teach them essential networking, resume writing, and job interview skills. CAN is a tremendous resource, not only for persons seeking new jobs, but for returning military veterans and recent college graduates who are relative newcomers to the employment market. The CAN program is offered at four locations, including St. Philip Catholic Church in Falls Church and St. Martin de Porres Senior Center in Alexandria. For meeting times and other important details, please visit our website: www.cdda.net/programs_jobs.php

Thank you for your generous contribution to the Poor Box. This weekend's collection will go toward the **Parish Charity**. Next weekend's collection will also go toward the **Parish Charity**.