



# QUEEN OF APOSTLES CATHOLIC CHURCH

*O God, who on this day,  
through your Only Begotten Son,  
have conquered death and unlocked for us  
the path to eternity, grant, we pray,  
that we who keep the solemnity of the  
Lord's Resurrection may, through the renewal  
brought by your Spirit, rise up in the light of life.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
Who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the  
Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.*

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## CLERGY

Fr. Leopoldo M. Vives, DCJM, Pastor  
Fr. Javier O'Connor, DCJM, Parochial Vicar  
Fr. Ignacio de Ribera, DCJM, In Residence  
Deacon Richard C. Caporiccio

## SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Vigil Masses on Saturday: 5:00 pm, 7:00 pm (in Spanish)  
Sunday: 7:30 am, 9:00 am, 10:30 am,  
12 Noon, 2:00 pm (Ghana Community)

## WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Monday-Friday: 6:30 am and 9:00 am  
No 6:30 am Mass on Federal Holidays  
Saturday: 8:00 am

## HOLY HOUR SCHEDULE

Thursday: 7:30-8:30 pm

## CONFESSION SCHEDULE

Monday-Friday: 7:00-7:30 am  
Wednesday: 6:30 pm until last penitent  
Thursday: 7:30-8:30 pm during Holy Hour  
Saturday: 4:00-5:00 pm and 6:00-7:00 pm  
Sunday: 8:30-9:00 am and 10:00-10:30 am

## EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Monday 7 am through Saturday 7:45 am

## QUEEN OF APOSTLES CATHOLIC SCHOOL

4409 Sano Street,  
Alexandria, VA 22312  
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## Queen of Apostles Vision Statement

To be a family of families committed to growing in discipleship of Christ and eager to invite others to join our family.

## Joining Our Parish Family

Welcome to Queen of Apostles! We warmly invite you to join our parish family. So that you might receive all of our parish communications, and so that our clergy and staff may respond appropriately to your various sacramental needs, we encourage you to register at Queen of Apostles through the Parish Office. Parish registration forms are available in the Church vestibule and at the Parish Office, located at 4329 Sano St. (next door to the church). Please notify the Parish Office of any family status changes or if you have moved outside of the parish by calling (703) 354-8711, or e-mail [general@queenofapostles.org](mailto:general@queenofapostles.org).

*Mary, Queen of Apostles, pray for us.*

**RCIA** Congratulations to the RCIA adults who were Baptized, Confirmed, and received First Eucharist during the Easter Vigil. Now called Neophytes, they continue their faith journey, Mystagoga, by attending RCIA classes and participating in the life of the parish and universal church.

RCIA in English and Spanish will not meet on **Apr. 22** or **Apr. 24**. On Sunday, **May 5** during the 12 noon Mass, candidates who are seeking full Communion within the Catholic Church will make a Profession of Faith and receive the Sacraments of Confirmation and Holy Communion.

**Altar Server Captains** Captains and their families are invited to attend the Saturday, **Apr. 27** Liturgy Workshop: Why Liturgical Tradition Matters, 12-1 pm in Hannan Hall, Queen of Apostles. Dr. James Starke in the Diocesan Office of Divine Worship will lead the presentation.

**Emmaus** High school and 8th grade students are invited to join Emmaus on Saturday evenings, 8:15-10 pm at Christendom Graduate School (CGS) located at 4407 Sano Street for fellowship, activities, faith discussions, and prayer. For more information email [s.calvino@queenofapostles.org](mailto:s.calvino@queenofapostles.org), or text QofA to 84576 to join our contact list and receive information about upcoming events.

**All Saints Car Raffle - April 30 Deadline** Thanks to all those who have returned their car raffle tickets—special thanks to those who have requested extras to sell to their relatives, friends, co-workers, bowling team, etc. If you would like more tickets, visit the parish or school offices, or email [gofaraffle@gmail.com](mailto:gofaraffle@gmail.com). Reminder that tickets are due by **Apr. 30!** Proceeds benefit our parish school as well as our parish youth mission to Bánica, Dominican Republic. Thank you for your support!

**Thank You** for your generous contribution to the Poor Box. This weekend's collection will go toward **Christ House**. Next weekend's collection will go toward the **Poor Sisters of St. Joseph**.

**Religious Education** Religious Education will not meet on **Apr. 21** (Easter Sunday). We wish our Religious Education families and volunteers a prayerful Holy Week and a joyous Easter!

Classes resume on **Apr. 28**.

Religious Education registration for public school and home-school students in kindergarten (age 5) - high school begins on **Apr. 28**. Parents of returning students can pick up the registration form on-site during RE class time. Tuition for parish members is \$70 for 1 child; \$120 for 2 children and \$150 for 3 children in the same family. The tuition payment by cash or check is expected at the time of registration.

Religious Education classes are on Sundays, 9-10:15 am. The first day of class is **Sep. 8**.

Because each year builds on the next year of faith formation, students must attend at least 2 consecutive years of Religious Education before a Sacrament is administered and have no more than three absences during the school year. Generally, baptized children receive First Penance/First Holy Communion in grade 2 and higher and Confirmation is received in grade 8 and higher. A student is show evidence of desire and preparation for a Sacrament. New students need to provide birth and baptismal certificates to register.

*O Most Sacred Heart of Jesus and  
Immaculate Heart of Mary, pray for us.*

**Called to be a Catechist, Aide, or Volunteer?** For the **2019-2020** Religious Education school year, we are seeking practicing Catholics who have a love of the Catholic faith and want to help develop the faith in our youth. Catechists have a basic understanding of Catholic teaching, Scripture, and Tradition and a commitment to the Church's liturgical and sacramental life, and moral teachings. Catechists (teachers), aides (assist the catechists), and volunteers (assist with registration, setup, etc) are needed for the **Sep. 8, 2019 - Jun. 7, 2020** program. Prayerfully consider if you are called to respond to Jesus and serve as a disciple by helping teach the faith. If interested, please contact Susan Gray at (703) 354-8711 or [s.gray@queenofapostles.org](mailto:s.gray@queenofapostles.org).



## Pastor's Letter

### The Meaning of the Resurrection

Dear Parish Family, Happy Easter!

Today we celebrate the Resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ. All the season of Lent has been the preparation for this great solemnity. During Lent we have considered the meaning of Baptism as a Passover from the Old Adam to the New Adam. Today I would like to continue with the same approach and reflect on the Resurrection as a transformation.

Through Baptism we become part of Jesus' Paschal Mystery: "We were indeed buried with him through baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might live in newness of life" (Rom 6:4).

Jesus, the Son of God, has brought humanity to perfect obedience to the Father. His sacrifice redeems us. And being the first born of a new humanity, in his Resurrection Jesus' humanity is filled with God's glory. This is a new beginning for all of us because now our humanity can be filled with God's glory. From now on, the story of every human person is called to be this transformation: first in the heart through the transforming grace of Baptism and the other sacraments. Finally, on the last day, through the resurrection of the body as we ratify in the profession of Faith: "I believe in the resurrection of the body."

Therefore, the Paschal Mystery is for us a radical transformation, a new beginning. The outpouring of the Holy Spirit hits our hearts, as he did with Mary and the Apostles. We are introduced into the communion of life and love between the Father and the Son in the same Spirit. This is our new life, and we are called to live accordingly.

We already have the life of heaven: communion with God. In Heaven it will also transform our flesh through the resurrection. But the main gift, sharing in God's life is already there through Baptism. And all the other sacraments renew that gift.

This is the great gift God has given us. I know that being holy is not that easy, and that we still suffer the weaknesses of the flesh and the consequences of Original Sin. But this should not become an excuse. God's power is infinite. He can free us from the slavery of sin. But we need to work for it. That was the effort of Lent: to break the slavery to sin in which we were. So now in Easter we will fully live this gift of Christ's life given to us.

If it is not happening this way in our own lives, what has to change?



### Divine Mercy Sunday

Next Sunday, **April 28** the Church celebrates Divine Mercy Sunday. In honor of this special Feast, the Adoration Chapel will be open from 8:30 am to 1 pm. At 1 pm, the Blessed Sacrament will return to the church where the Divine Mercy Chaplet will be prayed. Benediction and Reposition of the Blessed Sacrament will follow.

*"My daughter, tell the whole world about My inconceivable mercy. I desire that the Feast of Mercy be a refuge and a shelter for all souls, and especially for poor sinners. On that day the very depths of My tender mercy are open. I pour out a whole ocean of graces upon those souls who approach the fount of My mercy. The soul that will go to Confession and receive Holy Communion shall obtain complete forgiveness of sins and punishment. On that day are opened all the divine floodgates through which graces flow. Let no soul fear to draw near to Me, even though its sins be as scarlet. My mercy is so great that no mind, be it of man or of angel, will be able to fathom it throughout all eternity. Everything that exists has come from the very depths of My most tender mercy. Every soul in its relation to Me will contemplate My love and mercy throughout eternity. The Feast of Mercy emerged from My very depths of tenderness. It is My desire that it be solemnly celebrated on the first Sunday after Easter. Mankind will not have peace until it turns to the Fount of My mercy."*

*Jesus to St. Faustina*

## This Week In Our Parish

### Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord - April 21:

Parish Office 9:00-11:00 am Stephen Ministry  
Notre Dame Graduate School 9:00-11:00 am  
Hogares de Santa Maria

Hannan Hall 2:00-5:30 pm Ghana Group  
Aforation Chapel 6:00-8:00 pm Prayer Group

### Monday within the Octave of Easter, April 22:

Parish Office Closed  
Hannan Hall 7:00-9:00 pm Young Adult Bible Study  
Cupertino Room 6:30-9:00 pm Hispanic Legion of Mary

### Tuesday within the Octave of Easter, April 23:

Hannan Hall 6:00-10:00 pm Choir Practice

### Wednesday within the Octave of Easter, April 24:

Hannan Hall 7:00-9:00 pm Ghana Prayer Group

### Thursday within the Octave of Easter, April 25:

Parish Office 6:30-8:00 pm Legion of Mary  
Hannan Hall 6:30-9:00 pm Caminantes de Emaus  
Church 7:30-8:30 pm Holy Hour  
School 9:00-10:30 pm St. Joseph Men's Group

### Friday within the Octave of Easter, April 26:

Adoration Chapel 11:00-11:30 am Children's  
Adoration Hour  
Adoration Chapel 3:00-4:00 pm Divine Mercy Chaplet  
Hannan Hall 7:00 pm-12:00 am GCC Prayer Mtg.

### Saturday within the Octave of Easter, April 27:

Hannan Hall Kitchen 7:30-10:30 am ACCA Rebuilding Together  
Hannan Hall 10:00 am-3:00 pm EMOHC & Liturgy Workshop  
Parish Office 1:00-6:00 pm Stephen Ministry  
School 4:00-6:30 pm Spanish Prayer Group  
School 7:00-9:00 pm Ghana Choir  
Notre Dame Graduate School 8:30-10:00 pm Emmaus

## Liturgy Workshops

### Presented by the Office of Divine Worship of the Diocese of Arlington

Saturday, Apr. 27

Queen of Apostles Catholic Church – Hannan Hall

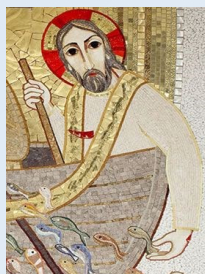
- 10:00-11:30 am – Workshop for EMHCs (Mandatory for new EMHCs but recommended for all in this ministry)
- 12:00 -1:00 pm – Presentation: Why Liturgical Tradition Matters (Open to all the faithful)
- 1:30-3:00 pm – Workshop for Readers (Optional but recommended for all Readers)

For more information, please contact the diocesan Office of Divine Worship at [liturgy@arlingtondiocese.org](mailto:liturgy@arlingtondiocese.org).

### **Bánica Mission Yard Sale: Saturday, May 4 from 8 am to 2 pm in Hannan Hall**

Featuring household items, clothing, empanadas (made with love by the Poor Sisters of St. Joseph), pupusas, hamburgers, hot dogs, desserts, drinks and snacks. Please consider donating gently used items for the yard sale from your Spring cleaning to support this year's mission. Donations gratefully accepted from 3-7 pm, Friday, **May 3** in Hannan Hall. Thank you for your prayerful support.

## Vocations



**“...He opens my ear that I may hear; and I have not rebelled.”**

Prayer and reflection are essential to discerning a vocation. Are you open to a vocation to the priesthood, diaconate or the consecrated life? Contact Fr. Leopoldo Vives DCJM at [general@queenofapostles.org](mailto:general@queenofapostles.org), or Fr. Michael Isenberg at (703) 841-2514 or [m.isenberg@arlingtondiocese.org](mailto:m.isenberg@arlingtondiocese.org).

### **Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord**

That the Risen Lord, made known to us through apostolic witness, will bestow upon us more men and women who will answer the call to proclaim His life, death and resurrection as priests, deacons, sisters and brothers, we pray to the Lord.

### **Mass for Hispanic Vocations with Bishop Burbidge**

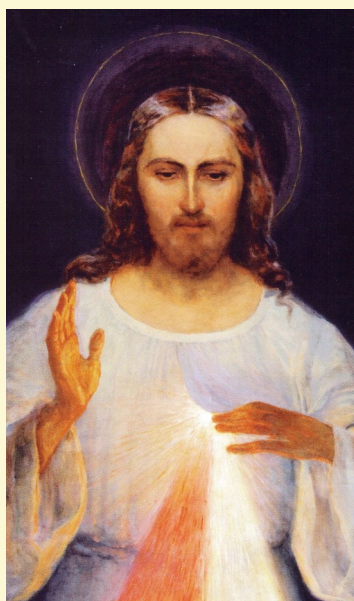
Join Bishop Burbidge to pray for more vocations especially from our Hispanic communities. This annual Mass will be celebrated in Spanish on Sunday, **May 12** at All Saints Church in Manassas at 1:30 pm. All are welcome.

## Eucharistic Adoration

### **Is God calling you to a weekly Hour with Him?**

Queen of Apostles is blessed to offer Perpetual Adoration 24 hours a day every week, from Monday 7 a.m. through Saturday 8 a.m. Please prayerfully consider serving our current needs:

- Tuesday, 1-2 am; Friday, 4-5 am; Saturday, 2-3 am  
Contact Alexa Urban at (703) 241-1096 or [moleski47@gmail.com](mailto:moleski47@gmail.com) for these hours of need
- Monday, Tuesday, or Wednesday, 11 pm to 12 am  
Contact Nenita De Guzman at (703) 354-8711 or [n.deguzman\[a\]@queenofapostles.org](mailto:n.deguzman[a]@queenofapostles.org) for these hours of need
- Monday, 3-4 pm  
Contact Rosalie Mainey at (703) 256-57665 or [rosalieam\[at\]msn.com](mailto:rosalieam[at]msn.com) for these hours of need



## Divine Mercy

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(Diary of St. Faustina, 699)

## Nourishing Our Souls With Holy Scripture

### Readings for Next Week

#### Divine Mercy Sunday

Acts 5:12-16

Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-2

Rev 1:9-11A, 12-13, 17-19

JN 20:19-31

#### KOVAR Collections (Tootsie Roll Campaign)

Before and after all Masses next weekend, the Knights of Columbus, Pope John Paul II Council #4522 will be collecting your generous donations towards support of KOVAR. KOVAR is a charitable 501(c)(3) corporation established by the Virginia Knights of Columbus in 1971, dedicated to serving Virginians with intellectual disabilities. KOVAR collects and distributes funds in the form of grants and loans to tax-exempt organizations that serve people with intellectual disabilities in Virginia. Thank you in advance for your generosity!

**Candle Ministry Volunteers Needed** We need additional volunteers to help replace the candles on the stands in the vestibule on the weekdays. Can you help one or two days a week? The candles are changed either after the 6:30 am Mass or before the 9 am Mass. Please contact the Parish Office to volunteer.

*Christ indeed from death is risen,  
our new life obtaining.*

**Parish Office Closed** The Parish Office will be closed on Monday, **Apr. 22** in observance of Easter.

**Bishop's Lenten Appeal** The Bishop's Lenten Appeal (BLA) is still in full swing and we need your support. The BLA funds programs, services and ministries serving thousands of people in need and furthers the Gospel mission of Jesus Christ in our diocese. Our goal is 100% participation in the parish! Please help us attain that goal by taking a BLA pamphlet from the back of the church, or visit [arlingtondiocese.org](http://arlingtondiocese.org) to make your pledge in support of our parish and diocese today. Happy Easter!

**Calling all Gardeners** Lent is a time for intentional sharing with the least among us. And Spring is a time for gardening, where we can be active stewards of God's Creation and share the fruits of the soil. This Easter, the Laudato Si' committee invites fellow parishioners to join us in planning a parish garden, which will complement our composting activities. If you are interested in participating, please contact Margaret Kindling at [mkindling@verizon.net](mailto:mkindling@verizon.net).

**Rebuilding Together - April 27** ACCA will again be participating in repairing and rehabilitating two home in the area. The repairs help low income seniors, the disabled and families with children live in a better, safer environment. Many homeowners are faced with making a choice between home repairs and medicines, food or utilities. Volunteers are need to assist with the repairs. If you have some skills or just a willingness to help, contact Marie Monsen at [mamonsen@verizon.net](mailto:mamonsen@verizon.net) or Karen Barnoski at (703) 256-4088.

## Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord Masses this Week

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#### April 21:

8:00 am +General John Abrams

10:00 am Living and Deceased Parishioners, +John A. Viola

12:00 pm +Sesario Alvarez

#### Monday within the Octave of Easter - April 22:

6:30 am +John A. Viola

9:00 am +John A. Viola

#### Tuesday within the Octave of Easter - April 23:

6:30 am (L) Etelvina and Patricia León-Duarte

9:00 am +Mrs. Julie Barreto

#### Wednesday within the Octave of Easter - April 24:

6:30 am +Ed Tatami

9:00 am +Amy Lee

#### Thursday within the Octave of Easter - April 25:

6:30 am +Dorothy Mowiy

9:00 am (L) James Kinder

#### Friday within the Octave of Easter - April 26:

6:30 am +Elisa Dionisio

9:00 am (L) Rebecca Kistler Mohn

#### Saturday within the Octave of Easter - April 27:

8:00 am +Dr. and Mrs. William J. McAuliffe

5:00 pm +Julie Barreto

8:00 pm +Kristin Burns

#### Divine Mercy Sunday - April 28:

7:30 am Living and Deceased Members of the  
León-Duarte, Saunders, Lay, and Lor Families

9:00 am +Christina Lynem

10:30 am Living and Deceased Parishioners

12:00 pm +Teresa Walker

*Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good,  
for his mercy endures forever.*



#### **Please pray for the members of our parish who are ill**

George Cook, Betty Jane Davis, Kevin Bonko, Leo Monterroso, Daniel O'Donohue, Etelvina León-Duarte, Olivia Castillo Asnis, Maria Reyes, Anna Anderson, Michelle Jacobeen, Pedro Baiza, Jean McDermott, Anne Kemble, Tesfa Haile, Virginia Shea, Joseph Lipari, Rosa María Santos, Carmelita Mate, Leonor Cabrestane, Roger Trozado, Jeanie Miller, Maddie Respicio-Cabatic, Helen Brooks,

Charles Ferris, Dominic Blansett, Dick Owens, Linda Intihar, Melencio Morales, Reyes Duran, Luong Bui, Nick Tullier, Rose Maalouf, Nicole Pack, Barbara J. Banis, Numa Osuna, Jr., Timmy Burnway, Kristi Burns, Kathleen Donohoe, Mark Bush, Margaret Peiffer, David Stemcosky, Rita Sulit, Jason Banis, Emma Collins, Juana Mejia, Lisa Nyce, Monique Brooks, Debby Spracht, Consuelo Jocson, Cheryl McGlynn, Theresa Corcoran, Cordelia Carcamo