



QUEEN OF APOSTLES CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Alexandria, VA 22312
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www.queenofapostles.org

CLERGY

Fr. Leopoldo M. Vives, DCJM, Pastor
Fr. Juan Espino, DCJM, Parochial Vicar
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 pm (Ghana Community)

WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

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

HOLY HOUR SCHEDULE

Thursday: 7:30-8:30 pm

CONFESSION SCHEDULE

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

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Monday 7 am through Saturday 7:45 am

QUEEN OF APOSTLES CATHOLIC SCHOOL

4409 Sano Street,
Alexandria, VA 22312
Jodi Reagan, Principal
Maria Fox, Secretary
(703) 354-0714
www.queenofapostlesschool.org



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. Registration will also be needed to receive a certificate of eligibility to be a Godparent for Baptism; to be a Sponsor for Confirmation; to enroll your child in Religious Education; to begin Baptismal preparation for your child (unless permission is received from your parish); and to prepare for Marriage. 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.

Mary, Queen of Apostles, pray for us.

First Holy Communion and Confirmation Certificates

Students who received First Holy Communion or Confirmation in June may pick up their certificate from the parish office (4329 Sano Street) on Mon., Tues., Thurs., or Fri. from 9 am - 5 pm.

Interested in Learning about the Catholic Faith? Are you Missing a Sacrament? Are you in a Sacramental Marriage? Join RCIA, Sep. 18/20

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is the process through which adults join or complete their initiation into the Roman Catholic Church.

Can you answer "Yes" to any of these questions?:

Are you unbaptized and recognized a desire and need for the Church in your life?

Are you baptized Catholic or in another Christian denomination but have not received formal catechesis? Are you missing the Sacraments of Reconciliation, Eucharist, and/or Confirmation?

Do you attend Mass and want to take the next step in becoming Catholic?

Queen of Apostles offers RCIA classes in English and Spanish. Classes will be held at Christendom College/Notre Dame Graduate School (4407 Sano Street, Alexandria, VA).

RCIA-English will be held on Mondays, 7:30-9 pm starting on **Sep. 18**.

RCIA-Spanish will be held on Wednesdays, 7:30-9 pm starting on **Sep. 20**.

Please register by **Sep. 8** by contacting the parish office at (703) 354-8711 or emailing s.gray@queenofapostles.org for more information. An inquiry form will be sent, or, stop by the parish office (4329 Sano Street) to complete the form.

We will need your birth and baptismal (if applicable) certificate/s.

For couples married outside of the Church, our priests are willing to help you prepare for the Sacrament of Matrimony, an important step to receiving the other Sacraments and living the Catholic faith. Please contact the parish office at (703) 354-8711 and set an appointment to meet with a priest.



Religious Education QofA's Religious Education program welcomes students from kindergarten (age 5) through high school. Grades are close to capacity - please do not delay! The first day of class is Sunday, **Sep. 10**, 9 am with doors opening at 8 am. Please arrive no later than 8:30 am for sign-in. Priests will meet with parents at 9 am.

Registration fees: \$70+\$20 for 1 child; \$120+\$20 for 2 children; \$150+\$20 for 3+ children in the same family. We accept cash and check payable to Queen of Apostles. Registration fees do not include fees associated with sacraments.

New students need to provide birth and baptismal certificates. Families with unbaptized children under the age of 7 years old are asked to call the parish office at (703) 54-8711.

Students are assigned to the Religious Education grade that parallel his/her public school grade. Students must attend two consecutive years of Religious Education before a sacrament is administered (Generally, First Penance/First Holy Communion are received in grade 2 and higher; Confirmation is received in grade 8 and higher).

Thank you for considering Queen of Apostles Religious Education Program. It is an opportunity for your child to grow and live the Catholic faith by learning to pray, knowing the Bible, learning Scripture, and preparing for and living the Sacraments.

Praying College Moms Praying College Moms is a Catholic 501 (c) 3 religious organization established in 2012 that provides outreach and resources to parents of college-age children. The Praying College Moms local groups provide invaluable service in their faith communities, such as mentorship, encouragement, perspective, resources and networking with others who are going through the same experiences. In addition to our Bible study and prayer groups, we have socials and activities to deepen our friendships so our members can join together for a strength of purpose. We are currently active at Our Lady of Good Counsel, St. Bernadette, St. John Neumann, St. Mark, St. Timothy and Corpus Christi, all in the Arlington Dioceses. For more information about Praying College Moms visit <http://www.prayingcollegemoms.org>.



Pastor's Letter

Our Lady, Queen of Apostles

August is marked by the beautiful celebration of the Assumption of Mary (August 15). Eight days later, the Liturgy of the Church celebrates the Queenship of Mary. (August 22). Our parish celebrates its Feast Day on the Sunday between August 15 and 22.

Devotion to Mary, Queen of Apostles is one of the oldest devotions in the Church. Aware of Mary's singular role in the birth of the Church, the Acts of the Apostles highlight the presence of Mary with the disciples (Acts 1:14). Thus, Blessed James Alberione says, "The first devotion that we find in the Church is the devotion to the Queen of Apostles, as portrayed in the Cenacle... Let us return to the sources. At the sources we find Mary, Queen of the Apostles, and if it was so at the beginning of the Church, there is nothing more certain than to draw from the ancient Faith. The water is purer when it is taken from its source."

The title Queen of Apostles brings us back to Pentecost, which is represented in a very beautiful way in our church's sanctuary. Above is the Holy Trinity, the Father and the Son are depicted sending forth the Holy Spirit. Mary was already overshadowed by the Holy Spirit in the Incarnation. Then, when the Church –the body of Christ– was about to be born, Mary was once more filled with the Holy Spirit, who descended on the Apostles, sending them forth to preach the good news to all the nations.

The Daughters of St. Paul explain the devotion to Mary, Queen of Apostles in this way: "Mary is Queen of the Apostles because she was chosen to be the Mother of Jesus Christ and to give Him to the world; she was made the Apostles' Mother and our own by our Savior on the Cross; she was with the Apostles while awaiting the descent of the Holy Spirit, obtaining from them the abundance of supernatural graces they received on Pentecost."

We ourselves have shared in this gift of the Holy Spirit in the Pentecost of our Confirmation. By this sacramental gift we are sent forth to bring the joy of the Gospel to our world. "Under the protection of our Blessed Mother and guided by the Holy Spirit, our mission is to form disciples of Christ."

In this endeavor we can turn to Mary for protection as our Mother and Queen, with the beautiful words Pope Leo XIII wrote of Mary in the Cenacle: "With wonderful care she nurtured the first Christians by her holy example, her authoritative counsel, her sweet consolation, her fruitful prayers. She was in very truth, the Mother of the Church, the Teacher and Queen of the Apostles, to whom, besides; she confided no small part of the divine mysteries which she kept in her heart" (Leo XIII, *Adiutricem Populi*).

May Our Lady, Queen of Apostles bless you all in this beautiful Feast.

English Classes and Citizenship Classes begin in **September** at Queen of Apostles school! Multiple levels available. Classes are Monday/Wednesday from 7-9 pm. Registration: **Aug. 28** or **30** at 7 pm. Call Catholic Charities – Hogar Immigrant Services for more information at (571) 208-1572. Se habla español.

Clases de Inglés y de Ciudadanía empezarán en **septiembre** en la escuela Reina de Apóstoles! Clases son lunes y miércoles de 7-9 pm. Hay varios niveles de clases. Inscripción: **28** o **30** de **agosto** a las 7 pm. Llame a Caridades Católicas – Hogar Immigrant Services para más información al (571) 208-1572.

Catholic Charities Counseling Queen of Apostles has partnered with Catholic Charities to have a counselor, Ty Kramer, come to the parish to provide counseling services. Ty and his wife have recently moved to the area to work with Catholic Charities. He is originally from Chicago and moved here to serve the community as a Bilingual Therapist. He specializes in trauma work and has a lot experience working with abuse victims. Ty will be available for appointments at the parish office on Tuesdays between 11 am and 7 pm. Catholic Charities offers sessions on a sliding scale fee, in order to provide services to all those seeking assistance. For more information, or to schedule an appointment, please call our intake coordinator at (703) 224-1630.

This Week In Our Parish

Mary, Queen of Apostles - August 20:

Hannan Hall 9:45-10:30 am Choir Rehearsal
Hannan Hall 2:00-5:30 pm Ghana Group

Monday, August 21:

Cupertino Room 7:00-9:00 pm Hispanic Legion of Mary
Hannan Hall 7:00-9:00 pm Heads of Ministries Mtg.

Tuesday, August 22:

Hannan Hall 7:00-9:00 pm Choir Rehearsal

Wednesday, August 23:

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

Thursday, August 24:

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

Friday, August 25:

Adoration Chapel 11:00 am-12 noon 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, August 26:

Hannan Hall 8:00 am-12 noon CFC Men's Prayer Group
Hannan Hall 1:00-5:00 pm Couples for Christ
School 4:00-6:30 pm Spanish Prayer Group
School 7:00-9:00 pm Ghana Choir

Bishop Burbidge's Homilies Online Want to hear relevant, pastoral inspiration from our Shepherd? Selected homilies of Bishop Burbidge can be found on our YouTube page. Please visit youtube.com/arlingtondiocese.

Cook Needed for QofA Clergy

Job Purpose:

Having their dinners prepared will allow the priests to dine together strengthening their family/community life, and to be more available to serve the Parish before and after dinner.

Duties & Responsibilities:

- *Prepare dinner for the priests from Monday to Thursday.
- * Plan and prepare healthy and varied meals
- *Shop for groceries
- *Care for the cleaning of the kitchen

Technical Skills & Knowledge Profile:

- *Ability to embracing the vision of the Parish as a Family of Families and the priests' community as a family in the Family of Families.
- *Discrete and reserved in a way to respect the privacy of the Religious Community life
- *Ability to adapt to the Spanish menu and cooking style

Reports:

Office Supervisor

Type:

Part time (10-15 hours/week), Non exempt
The schedule is flexible. Meals can be prepared at home.

To Apply:

Contact Flora Wack at f.wack@queenofapostles.org



Vocations

"Woman, you have great faith."

It takes faith to hear God's call in our lives. And His call takes us on unexpected paths of deeper trust and love. Is God calling you to life as sister, brother, deacon or priest? Contact Fr. Juan at general@queenofapostles.org or Fr. J.D. Jaffe at j.jaffe@arlingtondiocese.org or

(703) 841-2514.

Mary, Queen of Apostles That more men and women will have the faith to hear God's call in their lives and respond with hope in His promise and love for the Savior by following Him as priests, deacons and in the consecrated life, we pray to the Lord.

Emmaus - Summer Activities Emmaus is a Queen of Apostles/DCJM youth ministry for students in high school through young college. Through activities, faith discussions, and prayer, it is a way for youth to experience and embrace continual conversion to Christ by walking as a disciple.

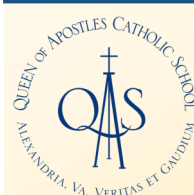
On **Aug. 25** from 4:30-6 pm, there will be a planning meeting and discussion about Emmaus and Nazareth activities for the fall season. All high schoolers are invited to come share their ideas. Please meet at Christendom College/NDGS (4407 Sano St.).

Open Gym - Come join us every first Friday of the month, **Sep. 1, Oct. 6** from 6-8 pm, to play sports and board games at the Queen of Apostles School Gym. Free pizza will be provided at the end of the meeting.

For more information, send a message to Vincent Guevara at youth@queenofapostles.org or call the parish office at (703) 54-8711.

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**.

Bulletin Deadline The deadline for submitting announcements for the **Aug. 27** bulletin is Monday, **Aug. 21** by 9 am. Please email bulletin announcements to Mayra Saunders at m.saunders@queenofapostles.org.



Queen of Apostles Catholic School

Queen of Apostles Catholic School is looking to fill the following positions:

- Math Teacher- full time
- Extended Day Director- part time
- Music Teacher- part time

If you or anyone you know is interested in one of these positions, please contact the school at (703) 354-0714 or at info@queenofapostlesschool.org.

Open House: **Aug. 25** - 3:00-4:30 pm
First Day of School: **Aug. 28**

Heads of Ministries Meeting Monday Aug. 28 It's an exciting new year in the life of Queen of Apostles! To prepare for the **2017-18** year, all heads of ministries - as well as all those who feel called to leadership roles in the parish - are invited to a Heads of Ministries meeting Monday, **Aug. 28**, from 7 to 8:30 pm in Hannan Hall. Prominent themes for the year that will inform our discussion include: the parish as a family of families, and welcoming and hospitality. RSVPs are required for this meeting. Please call the parish office or email stewardship@queenofapostles.org by Wednesday, **Aug. 23** to RSVP.

**Hail Holy Queen, Mother of Mercy,
hail, our life, our sweetness, and our hope!**

Would you like to sponsor our 2016-17 Annual Report? In early October we will produce our 2016-17 Annual Report: a 16-page, full color document reviewing the major events and milestones of the past year, providing a detailed overview of parish financials, and discussing goals for the coming year. Sponsors can help to offset the cost for us to print and distribute this report to all of our registered parishioners. If you are interested in sponsorship opportunities, call the parish office at (703) 354-8711 or email stewardship@queenofapostles.org. Deadline to respond is **Sep. 1**.

Bible Study Classes will begin **Sep. 5**, Tuesdays at 10 am and 6 pm. Early bird registration \$25.

Join us for Ephesians: Discover Your Inheritance with Jeff Cavins

- *Discover what it means to be not just a son or daughter of God, but an heir to all he has to give.
- *Learn about the great mystery of how we can love one another as Christ loves the Church.
- *Find out that you have a place in God's "plan of sheer goodness".

Ephesians: Discover Your Inheritance is an 8-part Bible study that will enrich your faith, and show you how to live it out. Pick up your registration in the vestibule or the church office. You can also register online at www.qofabiblestudy.com.

Theology Courses at Christendom Graduate School Registration is open for fall theology courses at the Christendom Graduate School. Earn your MA in theology or take courses casually in your area of interest! The fall lineup at our convenient Alexandria campus includes Ecclesiology, Patristics, Theological Anthropology, Old Testament, Catechetical Program Administration. This semester only, we are also offering our Introduction to Theology course on campus Wednesday nights. Additionally, we have several online courses including real-time, interactive courses on the Psalms and the New Testament, taught by Fr. Sebastian Carnazzo. The semester runs from **Sep. 5 - Dec. 16**, and there is a special discounted rate for professional catechists, seniors, and religious who wish to audit courses. For more information, visit <http://graduate.christendom.edu/>, email us at graduate.school@christendom.edu, or call (703) 658-4304.

Mary, Queen of Apostles Masses this Week

Mary, Queen of Apostles - Sunday, August 20:

7:30 am (L) Concepción Nelson
9:00 am +Roy Kasenge
10:30 am Living and Deceased Parishioners
12:00 noon +Richard Wilkinson

St. Pius X - Monday, August 21:

6:30 am +Felisberta Belzarena
9:00 am (L) Jonathan Green

Tuesday, August 22:

6:30 am (L) Patrick Doolin
9:00 am +Paloma Soto and Blas Vives

St. Rose of Lima - Wednesday, August 23:

6:30 am +Antonio Belzarena
9:00 am +Mateo Rios and David Castro

St. Bartholomew - Thursday, August 24:

6:30 am +Francisco Javier Alvarez
9:00 am +Luz Betty Nieto Santillan de Velez

St. Louis - Friday, August 25:

6:30 am +Gustavo Velez Zapata
9:00 am +Josefina and Alfonso Jocson

Saturday, August 26:

8:00 am +Dr. and Mrs. William J. McAuliffe
5:00 pm +Mwahiri Mwavita
7:00 pm +Lola Gutierrez De Valda

Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time - August 27:

7:30 am +Rosa Linda Joven
9:00 am (L) Gertrude Van Louvan
10:30 am Living and Deceased Parishioners
12:00 noon +Vincent Cutajar

Nourishing Our Souls With Holy Scripture

Readings for Next Week:

Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

Is 22:19-23 Ps 138:1-2, 2-3, 6, 8
Rom 11:33-36 Mt 16:13-20



Please pray for the members of our parish who are ill

Rosa María Santos, Minnie Ruth Ford, Debbie DuBrul, Maddie Respicio-Cabatic, Helen Brooks Ruth Foreman and Baby, Charles Ferris, John Harchick, Jr., Dominic Blansett, Daisy Atiyeh, Dick Owens, Miriam Farfan, Linda Intihar, Melencio Morales, Reyes Duran, Luong Bui, Nick Tullier, Rose Maalouf, Nicole Pack, Barbara J. Banis, Numa Osuna, Jr., Timmy Burnway, Etelvina León-Duarte, J. Saunders, Catherine Hanniff, Kristi Burns, Kathleen Donohoe, Mark Bush, Joseph Covas, Margaret Peiffer, David Stemcosky, Rita Sulit, Jason Banis, Emma Collins, Teresa Sabina Piecyk, Juana Mejia, Lisa Nyce, Monique Brooks, Debby Sprahnt, Consuelo Jocson, Cheryl McGlynn, Theresa Corcoran, Cordelia Carcamo, Donna Smith