

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

January 20, 2019



QUEEN OF APOSTLES CATHOLIC CHURCH

*Almighty ever-living God,
who governs all things,
both in heaven and on earth,
mercifully hear the pleading of your people
and bestow your peace on our times.
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

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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

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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. 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.

Vocations Crucifix All altar server and parish families are invited to host the Vocations Crucifix for one week during the school year. The Vocations Crucifix is a daily reminder to talk about religious vocations and the importance of these vocations to serve the Lord and others. If interested in hosting the crucifix, sign up at: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0544aca928a0fe3-queen> or contact Susan Gray at (703) 354-8711 or s.gray@queenofapostles.org.

Nazareth Girls & boys in grades 4-8 are invited to attend the bi-weekly Monday meetings in Hannan Hall. Doors open at 3:45 pm with activities beginning at 4 pm. Parent sign-out is at 5:30 pm. Students from QofA School, public school, and homeschoolers are welcome to join Nazareth to grow in the Catholic faith, learn about the sacramental life of the church, and make friends. Our first meeting of the new year will be Monday, **Jan. 14**.

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, or text QofA to 84576 to join our contact list and receive information about upcoming events.

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**.

Intelligent Lives - Film Screening Bishop O'Connell High School is happy to host a free viewing of Dan Habib's new film, Intelligent Lives on Wednesday, **Feb. 20**, at 7 pm. This film is a catalyst to transform the label of intellectual disability from a life sentence of isolation into a life of possibility for the most systematically segregated people in America. Intelligent Lives challenges what it means to be intelligent, and points to a future in which people of all abilities can fully participate in higher education, meaningful employment, and intimate relationships. The 70-minute film will be shown in the Bishop O'Connell auditorium, located at 6600 Little Falls Road in Arlington, and will be followed by a panel discussion. The event is open to the public. For questions, please contact Susan Rinaldi, Director of Expanded Services at Bishop O'Connell High School at Srinaldi@bishopoconnell.org.

Religious Education The Religious Education classes begin promptly at 9 am on Sundays. Doors open at 8:30 am. Please allow extra time to travel when there is inclement weather. We follow Fairfax County Public Schools regarding closings because of winter weather. If FCPS delays or cancels events on a Sunday, RE class for that Sunday is canceled.

Confirmation students: Grade 8 and high schools students who desire Confirmation have upcoming projects and deadlines: Sponsor Certificate of Eligibility, signed and sealed by the priest, is due **Jan. 20**. Service hours and typed report are due **Feb. 3**.

Sacraments of Initiation students: Parents and godparents of unbaptized students have a mandatory meeting with the priest on **Jan. 20** at 9 am, School Library. Also, the registration form and fee are due **Jan. 20**. The priest-signed and sealed Sponsor Certificate of Eligibility and Patron Saint Report are due **Jan. 28**.

Unbaptized students along with their godparents are to attend the Rite of Exorcism, Blessing, and Anointing on Sun, **Jan. 27** at 10:30 am.

Students and godparents are to attend the Rite of Election on Sun, **Mar. 10** at 2:30 pm at the Cathedral of St. Thomas More in Arlington, VA.

First Penance/First Holy Communion students: The date for First Penance for RE students is now **Mar 9** (rescheduled from Feb. 9) beginning at 9:30 am.

RCIA RCIA students along with their godparents are to attend the Rite of Exorcism, Blessing, and Anointing at Queen of Apostles: Sat, **Jan. 26**, 7 pm Mass (Spanish) or Sun, **Jan. 27**, 10:30 am Mass (English)

The Rite of Election (catechumens) and the Rite of Continuing Conversion (candidates) is on Sun, **Mar. 10** at 2:30 pm at the Cathedral of St. Thomas More in Arlington. Due to limited seating only RCIA, godparent/sponsor, and 1 guest may attend.

Young Adults Do you want to continue growing in your faith with your peers? Are you looking for fellowship with other young Catholics? We will be offering continuing faith formation and social events beginning in the New Year. Text QofA to 84576 to join our contact list and receive information about upcoming events.

Bulletin Deadline The deadline for submitting announcements for the **Jan. 27** bulletin was Monday, **Jan. 14**.

Pastor's Letter

Every Sunday is a New Beginning

We Last Sunday my letter's title was "New Beginnings." Indeed, God's encounter with humanity in the Incarnation was the beginning of the transformation of the whole creation. And we celebrate this every Sunday. Sunday is the first day of the week, it is the day of Creation: "In the beginning, God created..." (Gen 1,1). Sunday is also the 8th day, the beginning of the new time ushering us into eternity through Jesus' resurrection. The 8th day marks a new and transcendent beginning where there is no "ninth day."

Sunday is not the boring repetition of another week with the same routines. God is giving us a new beginning which brings purpose and new horizons to our stories. The bread and wine are transformed into the Body and Blood of Christ. We are transformed with them and the whole Church is transformed to transform the world: "Go forth and announce the Gospel"...

This introduction brings us to the point I would like to discuss with you today: our Capital Projects. Good communications and transparency are a priority for me and the Parish staff who so devotedly serve the parish family. Today I would like to give an update on the Capital Projects we are working on.

First, the Church. The **LIGHTING** project is moving forward slow but steadily. Being a big project we want to be sure that is not only efficient, but beautiful and a perfect fit for our unique architecture. So at this point a 3D rendering is being made to have a thorough foresight of the impact to our space. It is a work in progress and still will need some few weeks before it is finished. Lighting is our project number 1.

Other projects are second, although easier, and we are moving forward with them: the new **ORGAN** has been already ordered with a 50% down payment upon signing the contract. The manufacturer said that his expectation is to have it ready for late April. Work in progress! (How much I've come to like this "tag").

We are beginning to move forward with the project of new **CONFESSIONALS**, more comfortable, silent, acclimatized, and matching today's safe environment requirements. You understand that it is a very sensitive matter.

Second, new **PRIESTS' RESIDENCE**. Unfortunately we haven't moved yet. The good news is that we are very close to begin the works. We have the project plan, the contractor, the Chancery's approval, the County's permit... One month from now I expect the renovations will be a work in progress or completed (I like "completed" even more). We will make available more information about this project as it progresses, including pictures and renderings.

Last, but not least, the new **PARISH CENTER**. In conversation with the heads of ministries and others involved in our ministries life (Christendom and Knights of Columbus) we are working to put together a needs assessment to be able to reconfigure the space in a way that most efficiently responds to our needs.

Each project is a new beginning for the parish family: a moment of growth and maturity. A divine blessing and grace inviting us to grow in holiness. A further step to advance our vision of a diverse family of families (diverse both in ethnicity and in households: empty nesters, singles, widows, newlyweds, couples with children...).

January 26 Morning of Recollection

All are invited to join us for our Morning of Recollection on Saturday, January 26
in the church and in Hannan Hall.

Morning of Recollection Schedule

8:00 am	Holy Mass
8:45 am	Rosary in the church
9:30 am	Talk 1
10:15 am	Break - Coffee and Pastries
10:30 am	Talk 2
11:00 am	Exposition of the Most Blessed Sacrament
11:50 am	Blessing and Reposition

This Week In Our Parish

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time, January 20:

School 9:00-10:15 am Religious Education
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

Monday, January 21:

Adoration Chapel and Parish Office Closed
Cupertino Room 6:30-9:00 pm Hispanic Legion of Mary

Tuesday, January 22:

Hannan Hall 10:00-11:30 am Bible Study
Parish Office 5:45-7:15 pm Bible Study
Hannan Hall 7:00-9:00 pm Choir Practice

Wednesday, January 23:

Hannan Hall 7:00-9:00 Ghana Prayer Group
Notre Dame Graduate School 7:30-9:00 pm RCIA in Spanish

Thursday, January 24:

Hannan Hall 3:00-4:30 pm Children's Choir Practice
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, January 25:

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, January 26:

Parish Morning of Recollection, see page 3 for details
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

Please Note: The Adoration Chapel and Parish Office will be closed this Monday, **Jan. 21** in observance of the Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday. There will be one Mass celebrated at 9 am.

Saint Timothy and Saint Titus, pray for us.



Scheduled Adorers Urgently Needed

Please prayerfully consider devoting an hour of your time each week to support these urgent needs: Tuesday morning, 1 am to 2 am, Friday morning, 4 am to 5 am, and Saturday morning, 2 am to 3 am. Please contact Alexa Urban at (703) 241-1096 or moleski47@gmail.com.

Please prayerfully consider devoting an hour of your time on: Monday, Tuesday, or Wednesday night, 11 pm to 12 am. Please contact Nenita De Guzman at (703) 354-8711 or n.deguzman@queenofapostles.org.

Please also prayerfully consider devoting an hour of your time on: Monday afternoon, 3 pm to 4 pm. Please contact Rosalie Mainey at (703) 256-57665 or rosalieam@msn.com.

Vocations



“There are different forms of service but the same Lord;” Is your form of service to become a priest, deacon or consecrated religious? Contact Fr. Leopoldo Vives DCJM at general@queenofapostles.org, or Fr. Michael Isenberg at (703) 841-2514 or m.isenberg@arlingtondiocese.org.

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time That all those especially chosen by Christ for the unique paths of holiness as priests, deacons or in the consecrated life, will heed our Blessed Mother's counsel to do whatever He tells them in loving obedience, we pray to the Lord.

St. Therese Vocation Society Morning of Reflection

All are invited to join the St. Thérèse Vocation Society for their annual Morning of Reflection on Saturday, **Feb. 2** from 8:30 am-12 noon at St. Rita Catholic Church in Alexandria with Fr. Dort Bigg. The day will include continental breakfast, spiritual conference, Mass and Holy Hour. There is no cost but please RSVP with the Office of Vocations by **Jan. 25** at (703) 841-2514 or vocations@arlingtondiocese.org.

Sick and Homebound Ministry In the spirit of family of families in our parish, please consider joining Queen of Apostles' new Sick and Homebound Ministry in assisting others who have special needs, or are sick at home or in a medical or residential facility. The new ministry follows the Parish Mission Statement: *“to encourage the faithful to the faithful to use their time, talent and treasure for the glory of God...”* We especially need you to share your faith by signing up to spend time in prayer with others who are in need. For more information, please contact Maris Dionisio at (703) 751-8495.

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

2019 Bishop's Lenten Appeal Begins! At the end of this month many of us will receive a mailing regarding the 2019 Bishop's Lenten Appeal (BLA). The theme for the 2019 BLA is “Together in the Light of Christ.” After reflecting upon the blessings that God has given you, please prayerfully consider making a pledge to this important appeal that funds many programs and ministries that serves thousands of people in our diocese. Together, through the BLA, let us renew our personal commitment to furthering the Lord's work in our diocese.



Divine Mercy

“Souls that make an appeal to My mercy delight Me. To such souls I grant even more graces than they ask. I cannot punish even the greatest sinner if he makes an appeal to My compassion, but on the contrary, I justify him in My unfathomable and inscrutable mercy.”

(Jesus to St. Faustina, Diary 1520)

Nourishing Our Souls With Holy Scripture

Readings for Next Week

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Neh 8:2-4A, 5-6, 8-10 Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15
1 Cor 12:12-30 Lk 1:1-4; 4:14-21

Welcome Theresa Cook, New Parish Secretary!

Parishioners will be seeing a new face at the front desk of the parish office: Theresa Cook, a recent graduate from Christendom College and our newly hired Parish Secretary. We wish Lucia Nachon, our outgoing Parish Secretary, and her husband Kevin Ketchmark well as they move to Australia for a 3-year assignment. We will miss her dearly but we are confident in Theresa's abilities to continue her capable work serving the needs of our parish family. Please give Theresa a warm welcome as you contact or visit the office in the coming weeks.

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.

Saint Agnes and Saint Vincent, pray for us.

Diocesan Resource Page on Issues Affecting the Catholic Church

The Catholic Diocese of Arlington website includes a resource page where parishioners can access information regarding the recent events affecting the Church. Read the policies on child protection and responses to the crisis from Bishop Burbidge and the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops at www.arlingtondiocese.org/childprotection.



Queen of Apostles Catholic School News and Information

Congratulations to our 8th grade class for their effort on the High School Placement Test

We are pleased to announce the following students scholarship awards:

A. de Costa- Ranked in the top 1% in the nation has received the Salesian Scholarship from Paul VI

J. Battaglia- Ranked top 10% in the nation has received the Knights scholarship from Bishop O'Connell

L. Miller- Ranked top 10% in the nation has received the Knights scholarship from Bishop O'Connell

V. Montez- Ranked top 10% in the nation has received the Knights scholarship from Bishop O'Connell and scholarship invitation from Paul VI

Catholic Schools Week

Queen of Apostles Catholic School will be celebrating Catholic Schools Week beginning Sunday, **Jan. 27**. Please join us for some refreshments and our Open House from 11 am-12:30 pm. We will also have Open House times Monday, **Jan. 28** through Thursday, **Jan. 31** from 9 -11 am. Please stop by to visit with us. If you can not make any of these dates, please contact us at info@queenofapostlesschool.org or (703) 354-0714.

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time Masses this Week

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time - January 20:

7:30 am +Purificación M. Floren
9:00 am +Robert Granata
10:30 am Living and Deceased Parishioners
12:00 pm +Dolores Perez

Saint Agnes - Monday, January 21:

9:00 am +Boone Jeffrey De Jarnett

Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of

Unborn Children - Tuesday, January 22:

6:30 am +Charlie Barbagallo
9:00 am +Michael McGuire

Saint Vincent - Wednesday, January 23:

6:30 am +Inocencio Monillas, Jr.
9:00 am Special intention

Saint Francis de Sales - Thursday, January 24:

6:30 am +Christina Lynem
9:00 am +Margarita Elizabeth Denison

The Conversion of Saint Paul - Friday, January 25:

6:30 am +Renee Agcanas
9:00 am +John King

Saint Timothy and Saint Titus - Saturday, January 26:

8:00 am +Ernesto Altejar
5:00 pm +Raymond J. Welch
7:00 pm +Juanita Villanueva

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time - January 27:

7:30 am +Gavina E. Quibuyen
9:00 am +Christina Lynem
10:30 am Living and Deceased Parishioners
12:00 pm +Genoveva Hatfield

"Truly it is a blessed thing to love on earth as we hope to love in Heaven, and to begin that friendship here which is to endure for ever there."

St. Francis de Sales



Please pray for the members of our parish who are ill

Kevin Bonko, Olivia Castillo Asnis, Daisy Atiyeh, Beverly Spagnoli, Anna Anderson, Leo Monterroso, Daniel O'Donohue, Eteivina León-Duarte, Michelle Jacobeen, Pedro Baiza, Jean McDermott, Maria Reyes, Anne and James 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 Sprah, Consuelo Jocson, Cheryl McGlynn, Theresa Corcoran, Cordelia Carcamo