

QUEEN OF APOSTLES

CATHOLIC CHURCH

Our Lady of Mount Carmel, thou who,
with special mercy, look upon those clothed in thy
beloved habit, cast a glance of pity upon me.
Fortify my weakness with thy strength;
enlighten the darkness of my mind with thy wisdom;
increase my faith, hope and charity.
Assist me during life, console me by thy presence
at my death, and present me to the August Trinity
as thy devoted child, that I may bless thee
for all eternity in Paradise. Amen.

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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, 2:00 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

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Monday 7 am through Saturday 7:45 am

QUEEN OF APOSTLES CATHOLIC SCHOOL

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



Oueen 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.



Interested in Becoming Catholic? Are you Missing Sacraments? Are you in a Sacramental Marriage? The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is the process through which adults join or complete their initia-

tion into the Roman Catholic Church.

RCIA is for three groups of adults:

- 1. Those who are not baptized.
- 2. Those who were baptized into another Christian denomination and wish to enter into full communion with the Catholic Church.
- 3.Baptized Catholics who were not fully formed in the Catholic faith and have not completed their initiation: those who have not received the Sacraments of Confirmation and/or Eucharist.

Fr. Javier O'Connor leads RCIA classes in English on Mondays, beginning **Sep. 17**, and in Spanish on Wednesdays, beginning **Sep. 19**, 7:30-9:00 pm. Classes are held at Christendom College/Notre Dame Graduate School (4407 Sano Street, Alexandria, VA). Please register by contacting the parish office at (703) 354-8711 or emailing s.gray@queenofapostles.org for more information. An inquiry form will be sent. You can also stop by the parish office to complete the form.

For couples not married in 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 and set an appointment to meet with a priest.

Altar Server Picnic on July 26 Bishop Burbidge invites altar servers to the Diocesan Altar Server Picnic, Thursday, Jul. 26, 10 am-2 pm at Lake Fairfax Park in Reston. Enjoy the outdoors by playing sports and games with other servers. Lunch is provided. If interested in attending, please contact s.gray@queenofapostles.org by Jul. 16 to obtain a permission form.

Thank You for your generous contribution to the Poor Box. This weekend's collection will go toward **ACCA** and the **Missionaries of Charity**. Next weekend's collection will go toward **Christ House**.

Religious Education Registration for the 2018-19 Queen of Apostles Religious Education school year is open to students in kindergarten (age 5) through high school. Classes, taught in English, meet on Sundays, 9-10:15 am in the School, Sep.-Jun. Parish and returning families are given priority in Religious Education enrollment. Registration forms are available at the parish office and at https://queenofapostles.org/religiouseducation. New students need to provide birth and baptismal certificates. Tuition may be paid by check or cash. Tuition until Aug. 1: \$70 for 1 child; \$120 for 2 children; \$150 for 3 children from the same family. Please do not delay in registering as some grades will reach capacity soon. 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 in the school year. A student is show evidence of desire and preparation for a Sacrament. Generally, First Penance/First Holy Communion is received in grade 2 and higher. Confirmation is received in grade 8 and higher. Thank you for considering the Religious Education Program at Queen of Apostles.

Families with unbaptized children who are under the age of 7 years old should contact the parish office to make arrangements for baptism as soon as possible.

Called to be a catechist, aide, volunteer? Do you have a deep love for the Catholic faith and desire to share it with others? Consider serving as a catechist! Though it may be helpful, previous teaching experience is not necessary. Don't be afraid that you don't know every detail of your faith— part of being a catechist involves an openness to learning as you teach. As a catechist, you make a weekly commitment to guide a class. Our Religious Education Program uses the Faith and Life series which provides calendars, lessons plans, and activities. If interested in teaching the Catholic faith to youth during the **2018-19** school year, please call (703) 354-8711, or email s.gray@queenofapostles.org. Those who are 18 years and older are required to have a Virginia Background Check and attend a Virtus seminar. Please contact the parish office.

Early Bulletin Deadline The deadline for submitting announcements for the **Jul. 22** and **29** bulletins is Monday, **Jul. 16** by 9 am. Please email announcements to Mayra Saunders at m.saunders@queenofapostles.org.

Pastor's Letter

An Approach Filled with Consequences: Responsible Parenthood

July 25, 2018. This day is marked in red in the calendar of the Catholic Church. It is *Humanae Vitae*'s 50th anniversary. A prophetic text.

In the early 60's the world population reached 3 billion, and the population growth was over a yearly 2%. Neo-Malthusianism, prophesying a potentially exponential growth of the population while the growth of the food supply was linear, strongly advocated for contraception. The discussion about overpopulation was a lively one.

The II Vatican Council echoed this discussion, leaving the authoritative decision to pope Paul VI. After analyzing conjugal love as fully human, total, faithful and exclusive, and fecund, he examines the concept of Responsible Parenthood. This is his teaching in n.10:

Responsible parenthood has varied and interrelated aspects:

- * With regard to the **biological processes**, responsible parenthood means an awareness of, and respect for, their proper functions (respecting biological laws)
- * With regard to man's **innate drives and emotions**, responsible parenthood means that man's reason and will must exert control over them.
- * With regard to **physical, economic, psychological and social conditions**, responsible parenthood is exercised by those who prudently and generously decide to have more children, and by those who, for serious reasons and with due respect to moral precepts, decide not to have additional children for either a certain or an indefinite period of time.
- * Responsible parenthood, as we use the term here, has one further essential aspect of paramount importance. It concerns the **objective moral order** which was established by God [...] responsible parenthood requires that husband and wife, keeping a right order of priorities, recognize their own duties toward God, themselves, their families and human society.

From this it follows that they are not free to act as they choose in the service of transmitting life, as if it were wholly up to them to decide what is the right course to follow. On the contrary, they are bound to ensure that what they do corresponds to the will of God the Creator. The very nature of marriage and its use makes His will clear, while the constant teaching of the Church spells it out.

In other words, Responsible Parenthood means that there is a common good which the spouses serve. It is not just about their emotional satisfaction. Sexual intimacy has consequences on the couple, their family and the human society.

Responsible Parenthood reminds that husband and wife are stewards of God's blessing: "be fertile and multiply" (Gen 1:28). Children are God's most precious gift to the couple and humanity. Therefore the spouses ask God about their vocation to parenthood, either having more children or waiting, but always respecting God's plan.

Today's population is over 7 Billion. Nowadays we produce enough to feed 14 billion. Is it about overpopulation or rather about individualism and personal satisfaction?

Paul VI spoke the truth, like a real prophet. And he was treated accordingly: "Off with you, visionary, flee to the land of Judah!" (Am 7:12; first reading).

Humanae Vitae Anniversary Prayer

Almighty and All-loving God, in the beginning You created them male and female as a sign of the Covenant with Your people, the Covenant which You would later seal with the Most Precious Blood of Your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ. We thank You for the sublime gift that is the life-giving one-flesh union of husband and wife, and we ask You for the grace always to cherish, revere and foster it as You intended: the foundational good of human society and the icon of the union between Christ and his Church.

As we celebrate these fifty years of the Encyclical Humanae Vitae's articulation of the Church's timeless teaching, help us to be wise, bold and charitable messengers of this good news, so that a culture of love, life and marriage may flourish in our land. Open the minds and hearts of those far away from this truth, heal those harmed by its rejection, and strengthen those committed to living it out and inspiring others to do the same.

By means of this grace grant us peace with one another and happiness with You now in this life, and to know its perfect fulfillment forever in the life that is to come.

We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ Your Son, Head and Bridegroom of the Church, who lives and reigns with You in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God forever and ever. Amen.

Our Lady of Guadalupe, pray for us. St. John Paul II, pray for us. Blessed Paul VI, pray for us.

This Week In Our Parish

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time, July 15:

Notre Dame Graduate School 9:00-11:00 am

Hogares de Santa Maria

Hannan Hall 2:00-5:30 pm Ghana Group

Monday, July 16:

Notre Dame Graduate School 4:00-5:30 pm Youth Bible Study Cupertino Room 7:00-9:00 pm Hispanic Legion of Mary

Tuesday, July 17:

Hannan Hall
7:00-9:00 pm Choir Rehearsal
Hannan Hall
7:30-9:00 pm ACCA Meeting

Wednesday, July 18:

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

Thursday, July 19:

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

Friday, July 20:

Adoration Chapel 11:00-11:30 am Children's

Adoration Hour

Adoration Chapel 3:00-4:00 pm Divine Mercy Chaplet

Saturday, July 21:

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

Lord, let us see your kindness, and grant us your salvation.

Revelation: Summertime Bible Study for Teens/Emmaus, Mondays, Through August 13 Attention teenage and young adult students: Have you ever wondered about the end times and what the Church teaches about them? Have you ever read parts of the Book of Revelation, wondered what its cryptic passages mean, and how Revelation is relevant to your life? Then join this bible study in discussing Revelation: The Lion and the Lamb on Mondays, 4-5:30 pm, through Aug. 13 at Christendom Graduate School (4407 Sano Street, Alexandria). Students are asked to bring snacks to share. For more information or to register, email anne.souser@gmail.com or s.gray@queenofapostles.org, or call the parish office at (703) 354-8711.

Rising high school students are invited to join Emmaus, a high school and young college ministry at Queen of Apostles. Emmaus meets with Fr. Juan on Saturday evenings, 8:30-10 pm at Christendom College/Notre Dame Graduate School (4407 Sano Street) for fellowship, activities, faith discussion, and prayer.



Pro-Life Rosary Please join us every third Saturday after the 8 am Mass to pray the Rosary in front of the abortion clinic at 101 S. Whiting Street. We pray for all unborn children in danger

of being aborted and for parents contemplating abortion, that they may say yes to the gift and sanctity of life.

Vocations

"Before the foundation of the world God chose us in Christ." For what vocation has God chosen you in Christ? Might it be to serve the Church in the consecrated life or priesthood? Contact Fr. Juan at general @queenofapostles.org or Fr. J.D. Jaffe at j.jaffe@arlingtondiocese.org or (703) 841-2514.

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time That the call to serve Christ and His Church in the priesthood and consecrated life will fall on the rich soil of hearts prepared by prayer, hard work, and generous service to others, we pray to the Lord.

Hispanic Pilgrimage to Pray for Vocations Join the Hispanic Pilgrimage to Pray for Vocations on Saturday Jul. 21 to the Shrine of St. Anthony in Ellicott City, MD. The day will include prayer, rosary, Mass, Stations of the Cross, confessions, songs, and games. The bus will depart Queen of Apostles Church at 8:30 am and return by 4 pm. Cost is \$20 per person, and includes transportation. Bring your lunch, and bring money to pay for dinner on the way home. For more information or to register, contact Madre María González at (703) 354-0395 or pssjalexandria@gmail.com.

Spend Sunday with the Sisters - For Women Discerners Ever thought about religious life? Come pray, chat and brunch with the Daughters of St. Paul to learn more about it. Sunday, **Aug. 12**, 9:30 am-1 pm, at their convent in Alexandria. Morning includes Mass, brunch and a reflection. Cost is \$15. Deadline to register is Friday, **Aug. 3**. For more information and to register contact the Office of Vocations at vocations@arlingtondiocese.org or (703) 841-2514.



Urgent Need for Scheduled Adorers
Adorers are urgently needed from 1 am to 2 am
Tuesday morning. Adorers are also needed
from 1 am to 2 am Thursday morning. Please
contact Alexa Urban at moleski47@gmail.com if

you can support any of these hours.

Adorers are urgently needed Monday 1-2 pm, Thursday 2-3 pm, and Friday 3-4 pm. Please contact Rosalie Mainey at rosalieam@msn.com if you can support any of these hours.



Divine Mercy

"When you reflect upon what I tell you in the depths of your heart, you profit more than if you had read many books. Oh, if souls would only want to listen to My voice when I am speaking in the depths of their hearts, they would reach the peak of holiness in a short time."

(Jesus to St. Faustina, Diary, 584)

Nourishing Our Souls With Holy Scripture

Readings for Next Week

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jer 23:1-6 Ps 23:1-3, 3-4, 5, 6 Eph 2:13-18 Mk 6:30-34

ACCA Annandale Christian Community for Action will be holding a meeting at Queen of Apostles on Tuesday, **Jul. 17** at 7:30 pm in Hannan Hall. All are invited to attend the meeting and learn about the activities of the organization. In addition, the Fred and Emily Ruffing scholarships will be presented to college bound students with disabilities.

Attention Rising College Freshman The Associates of St. John Bosco invite incoming college freshman to attend a College Night at one of the following parishes: Jul. 18: Basilica of St. Mary in Alexandria; Jul. 25: St. Mary in Fredericksburg. College Nights are free to all students and provide resources and support for keeping your Catholic faith when entering college this fall. The Nights begin at 7 pm. Students are encouraged to wear their college t-shirt to the event! To register and for more info., visit our website at www.asjb.org.

Precious Blood, Ocean of Divine Mercy: Flow upon us! Precious Blood, Most pure offering: Procure us every grace! Precious Blood, Hope and refuge of sinners: Atone for us! Precious Blood, Delight of holy souls: Draw us! Amen.

Domestic Church Day with the Visit of St Elizabeth Ann Seton Join fellow Catholic couples and families

beth Ann Seton Join fellow Catholic couples and families for a Domestic Church Day on Saturday, Jul. 21 from 1:30-6:30 pm at the Saint John Paul II National Shrine. This halfday family retreat will include engaging catechesis for parents, teens, and children, an ice cream sundae bar, and the opportunity to pray together as a family. The keynote speaker for married and engaged couples is Fr. Larry Swink who will be giving a talk titled, "God's Plan for Marriage-Not Your Plan." The day will also include a special visit by Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton as part of our Visit of the Saints children's series. The cost is \$20 per family/\$10 per couple. Parking is free. To register, visit domesticchurchday.eventbrite.com.



Youth Mission to Bánica Thanks so much for your prayerful support of the 2018 Youth Mission to Bánica. Your prayers and financial support allowed our missionaries to follow in the footsteps of Christ by sharing our faith and our-

selves with the people there. We were able to build a safe, stable and brand new home for Yolanda, her husband and their 5 young children in the remote campo of Blas Martinez. We are also grateful for the opportunity to evangelize in the community of Higuerito with the Poor Sisters of St. Joseph. This mission would not have been possible without your support. May God bless you for your generosity!

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time Masses this Week

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time - July 15:

7:30 am +Lucia and José Antonio Venero

9:00 am +Roy Kasenge

10:30 am Living and Deceased Parishioners

12:00 pm (L) Genevieve Stangel

Our Lady of Mount Carmel - Monday, July 16:

6:30 am +Marie Jenner Yode 9:00 am +Elizabeth Caballero

Tuesday, July 17:

6:30 am +Marcel Dupuy 9:00 am +Joseph Covas

Saint Camillus de Lellis - Wednesday, July 18:

6:30 am (L) Mrs. Lim Bu Dan 9:00 am +Frank Mason

Thursday, July 19:

6:30 am +Fr. Charles W. Gerlott 9:00 am +Alfredo Cardenas

Saint Apollinaris - Friday, July 20:

6:30 am +John Bartholme 9:00 am Special Intention

Saint Lawrence of Brindisi - Saturday, July 21:

8:00 am +Deceased Members of the McAuliffe Family

5:00 pm +Maryanne Coralene 7:00 pm +Conchita Fernandez

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time - July 22:

7:30 am (L) Nenita de Guzman 9:00 am +Annemarie Lang

10:30 am Living and Deceased Parishioners

12:00 pm +Donald James Quinn

May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ enlighten the eyes of our hearts, that we may know what is the hope that belongs to our call.



Please pray for the members of our parish who are ill Maria Reyes, Daniel O'Donohue, Anne and James Kemble, Tesfa Haile, Kevin Bonko, Virginia Shea, Margaret Cihak, Marion Jacobeen, Joseph Lipari, Paul Cook, Rosa María Santos, Carmelita Mate, Leonor Cabrestane, Peter Lor, Roger Trozado, Jeanie Miller, Maddie Respicio-Cabatic, Helen Brooks, Ruth Foreman and Baby, Charles Ferris, Dominic Blansett, Daisy Atiyeh, Dick Owens,

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