



QUEEN_{OF} APOSTLES

CATHOLIC CHURCH

4401 Sano Street, Alexandria, VA 22312
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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. Igancio de Ribera, DCJM, In Residence
Deacon Richard C. Caporiccio

SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday: 5:00 pm, 7:00 pm (Spanish)
Sunday: 7:30 am, 9:00 am, 10:30 am, 12 noon,
2 pm (Ghanaian Catholic Community)

WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Monday-Friday: 6:30 am, 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: after the 6:30 am Mass
Wednesday: 6:30 pm until last penitent
Thursday: 7:30-8:30 pm
Saturday: 4-5:30 pm and 6-7:30 pm
Sunday: 10 am until last penitent

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Monday at 7 am through Saturday at 7:45 am,
in the Adoration Chapel

QUEEN OF APOSTLES CATHOLIC SCHOOL

4409 Sano Street, Alexandria, VA 22312
Kathy Littlefield, Principal
Maria Fox, Secretary
703-354-0714
www.queenofapostlesschool.org

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).

Second Collection Next weekend's Second Collection will go to West Virginia's Catholic Charities to aid our brothers and sisters affected by the flooding earlier this month. We appreciate your generosity.

Subscribe to Our Weekly Parish E-Newsletter To sign up please visit: <https://queenofapostles.org/news/>

Alma de Cristo



Alma de Cristo,
santifícame.
Cuerpo de Cristo,
sálvame.
Sangre de Cristo,
embriágame.

Agua del costado de Cristo, lávame.
Pasión de Cristo, confórtame.
¡Oh, buen Jesús!, óyeme.
Dentro de tus llagas, escóndeme.
No permitas que me aparte de Ti.
Del maligno enemigo, defiéndeme.
En la hora de mi muerte, llámame.
Y mándame ir a Ti.
Para que con tus santos te alabe.
Por los siglos de los siglos.
Amén.

Baptism



"Holy Baptism is the basis of the whole Christian life, the gateway to life in the Spirit, and the door which gives access to the other sacraments. Through Baptism we are freed from sin and reborn as sons of God; we become members of Christ, are incorporated into the Church and made sharers in her mission." (Catechism of the Catholic Church 1213)

Preparation

The Sacrament of Baptism for children ages six and under is regularly celebrated every third Sunday of the month in English, and every first Sunday of the month in Spanish.

Parents are required to be registered and active members for at least one month prior to starting the preparation process. Parents and godparents must attend a pre-Baptismal instruction class.

All necessary forms and paperwork, including the Baptism Registration form, a copy of the child's birth certificate, and the godparents' sponsorship certificates, must be submitted to the Parish Office prior to attending the class.

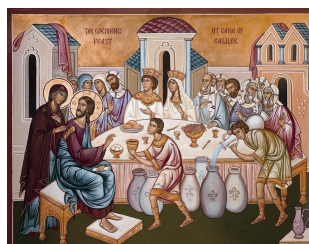
Requirements for Godparents

Careful thought should be given to the choice of godparents. The godparent is to be added spiritually to the immediate family of the one to be baptized and also represents the Church. Professing and living their Catholic faith, the godparents are to help the parents bring up their child to profess and live that same faith. The Code of Canon Law lists the requirements for godparents.

Godparents must obtain and submit a sponsorship certificate from the parish in which they are registered prior to attending the pre-Baptismal class (if attending a class at their parish, they can submit a letter of attendance).

Please call the Parish Office at (703) 354-8711 or email general@queenofapostles.org for preparation and scheduling. Please note classes and baptisms may be subject to change.

Matrimony



"The sacrament of Matrimony signifies the union of Christ and the Church. It gives spouses the grace to love each other with the love with which Christ has loved his Church; the grace of the sacrament thus perfects the human love of the spouses, strengthens their indissoluble unity, and sanc-

tifies them on the way to eternal life." (Catechism of the Catholic Church 1661)

Preparation

We congratulate you both and warmly welcome you to be married here at Queen of Apostles!

The Diocese of Arlington requires a preparation program to be initiated not less than six months prior to the wedding date, during which time you will meet with a priest and attend the Diocesan Conference for the Engaged.

There are a number of preliminary steps you should take if you are considering marriage at Queen of Apostles. First, parish registration is required if you live within the parish boundaries of Queen of Apostles, or written permission from the pastor of the parish in where you are registered.

Weddings are celebrated at Queen of Apostles on most Fridays and Saturdays during the year at 10:00 am, 12 noon, and 2:00 pm. Rehearsals are scheduled for the previous evening with a QofA wedding coordinator. Reservations for wedding dates are made by the priest based on the availability of the church.

Contact the Parish Office for an initial clergy meeting at (703) 354-8711.



Teach Us To Pray

Today's readings have some beautiful lessons about prayer. The first is how God let prayer "change" his mind. Abraham is praying to God so that he would spare the sinful cities of Sodom and Gomorrah. Abraham knows that God has a weak point: his mercy. So he begins haggling from 50 down to 45, 40 ... to 10. Unfortunately for the cities, Abraham was not audacious enough to ask God: even if there is not one that is just,

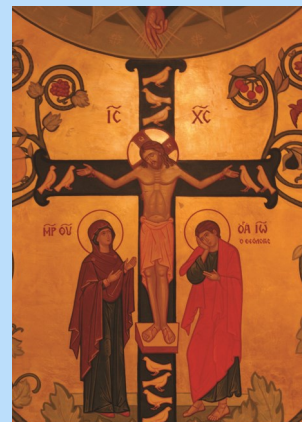
would you spare them for the sake of your mercy? In any case, this story is a beautiful one about prayer of petition and trust in God's mercy.

The second lesson is the Our Father. The disciples ask Jesus, "Lord, teach us to pray just as John taught his disciples" (Lk 11:1). Then Jesus teaches them the Our Father, the most beautiful and fundamental prayer we have. The first prayer we learned when we were still toddlers.

The third lesson is Jesus himself praying. Once I saw St. John Paul II praying. I will never forget the deep impact his recollection and devotion made in me. Watching him praying I felt myself drawn into prayer too. Maybe many of you had the opportunity of seeing St. John Paul II or Mother Teresa of Calcuta praying. If that is the prayer of the saints, how would be Jesus' prayer? How would be this prayer of the only begotten Son of God?

Prayer is the fundamental rhythm of Christian life. Without prayer our faith becomes hollow. Without prayer the commandments become a set of burdening rules instead of the path of life and light. Prayer is the expression of our sonship with God. We need prayer.

Therefore today, with the apostles, we approach Jesus and ask him "Lord, teach us to pray". Our first step in prayer will be to contemplate Jesus, the teacher of prayer, in his own prayer to the Father. We will be carried up by his prayer. The Holy Spirit, who inspired Jesus' prayer will inspire us as we say, "Our Father."



Prayer for Vocations

Almighty Father,

Raise up abundant and holy vocations to the priesthood and to religious life. Call forth youth who, having found the pearl of great price, follow Jesus joyfully in poverty, chastity and obedience.

Make them fervent guardians of the Eucharist and gentle ministers of your mercy in the sacrament of Reconciliation.

Instill in them the generosity and fidelity with which Mary consecrated herself to her mission of Mother of your Son.

Mary, Queen of Apostles, pray for us.

Towards a Family Friendly Parish (TFFP)

Save the Dates for Upcoming Talks:

"Serving the Poor"

Art Bennett, President and CEO, Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Arlington
Friday, August 26, 2016

"Family and Society"

Sr. Clare Hunter, Director, Respect Life Office of the Diocese of Arlington
Friday, September 23, 2016



This Week in Our Parish

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time, July 24:

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

Saint James, Apostle - Monday, July 25:

No activities scheduled

Saints Joachim and Anne, Parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Tuesday, July 26:

No activities scheduled

Wednesday, July 27:

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

Thursday, July 28:

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

Saint Martha - Friday, July 29:

Adoration Chapel 1:00 am-12 noon Children's Adoration Hour
Adoration Chapel 3:00-4:00 pm Divine Mercy Chaplet
NDI 4:30-6:00 pm High School Bible Study
School 6:00-8:00 pm Open Gym Night
Cupertino Room 7:00-9:00 pm Hispanic Legion of Mary

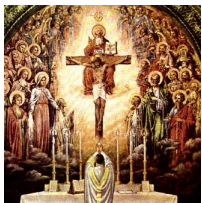
Saturday, July 30:

School 4:00-6:30 pm Spanish Prayer Group
School 7:00-9:00 pm Ghana Choir Rehearsal

Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time, July 31:

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

VBS Thank you to all our 2016 summer camp family and parish supporters. We are grateful for your generosity and participation. Our charity, the MaRiH Pregnancy Center, was overwhelmed by our material and financial contributions. See you next summer!

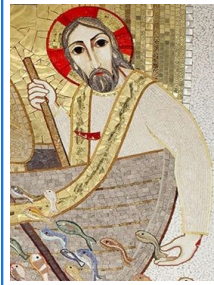


“A Biblical Walk Through the Mass” Summer Bible Study for High School Students:

Meet with Fr. Juan and other leaders every Friday in **Jul.** and **Aug.** from 4:30-6:00 pm for a high school bible study. Following the bible study, join other high school youth for open gym from 6:00 - 8:00 pm in the School Gym. To register and for more information, please contact Susan Gray at (703) 354-8711 or s.gray@queenofapostles.org. The Bible Study is held at Notre Dame Graduate School (4407 Sano Street).

Summer Program for Children with Disabilities

The parish is offering a new program seeking to provide a fun summer experience for disabled students aged 9-14. The program will run **Aug. 8-12** (9 am to 3 pm) in the school gym, and includes fun sports games, a healthy lunch, and arts and crafts. Teen Counselors are certified in First Aid and CPR (counselor-student ratio 2:1 or 1:1) and adults are always present. The cost is \$35. For an application please contact Michael Caballero (caballerom1@bishopireton.org) or Gabriel Sampaio (sampaio@bishopireton.org).



Vocations

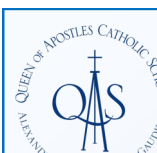
“Give us this day our daily bread.”

Are you being called to help feed the people of God 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.

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time That with every “Our Father” we will be mindful of His generous goodness and ask that the Holy Spirit be given to all those discerning their vocation in Christ, we pray to the Lord.

Hispanic Pilgrimage to Pray for Vocations Join the Hispanic Pilgrimage to Pray for Vocations in this Jubilee Year of Mercy, led by Madre Maria González, PSSJ, and conducted in Spanish. This year's pilgrimage will be on Saturday, **Jul. 30** to the Shrine of Our Lady of Czesstohowa in Doylestown, Pa. Transportation is provided. The bus will depart Queen of Apostles located at 4401 Sano Street in Alexandria at 6:30 am and return between 8-9 pm. Cost is \$20 per person. Bring your lunch and money to pay for dinner on the way home. For more information and to sign up, contact Madre María González or Eneyda Martinez at (703) 354-0395 or pssjalexandria@gmail.com.

RCIA If you are an adult and are curious about the Catholic faith, thought about becoming a Catholic, or, you were baptized Catholic, but have not celebrated the Sacraments, Queen of Apostles Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA) program begins in September, Monday nights. Adults from all faith traditions, or no religious background at all, are welcome to participate in our **Sep. 2016 - Jun. 2017** program of instruction and discussion. Please contact Susan Gray for more information and to register: (703) 354-8711 or s.gray@queenofapostles.org.



Employment Opportunities at the

School Queen of Apostles School is looking for a part-time computer teacher and a part-time physical education teacher for 2016-2017 school year. Both teaching positions are approximately 15 hours a week and the two positions can be combined. Prior teaching experience is preferred. Please send resumes to Kathy Littlefield at k.littlefield@queenofapostlesschool.org.

QofA School – Applications still be accepted

Space is available in some of the grades. For more information about the school and the application process, please visit www.queenofapostlesschool.org or call (703) 354-0714. Consider the many benefits of a Catholic education that includes strong Catholic values, an excellent academic curriculum, and a close school community.

Meet Our Guest Hi, my name is Ana and I am 18 years old. My mom is Mercedes and we live in Madrid, Spain. I lived in Siren, North Wisconsin as a foreign exchange student.

It has been an incredible experience and I think everyone should have the opportunity to experience in life, and because of that I am really thankful to my mom who made it possible. I have learnt a lot of different things during this past school year. I have learn a new culture and have improve my second language, English.

I am a really social girl, or that is what my mom says. I make friends easily and I love visiting new places. I love everything that has to do with traveling and learning new cultures.

This would be a perfect experience to be able to come back to the States during summer, because I am in love with this country and the people that live here, and I love peanut butter! Best regards, Ana

Thank You Hosts Thank you to our parish host families who opened their homes and hearts to the guests from Spain during the 2016 Summer Exchange Program!

Host Needed A male, 40 yr. old teacher, married with four children from the Stella Maris School needs a host family during the first week of August. He will be studying English at an academy that is located in Annandale along Little River Turnpike/236. Do you live close to 236? Would you be able to host this teacher **Aug. 1-8**? Call the parish office at (703) 354-8711, if your family can host him and practice English with him.

Religious Education - Register before August 1

Registration is open for the Queen of Apostles 2016-2017-Religious Education school year. Classes, kindergarten (age 5) through high school, begin on **Sep. 11** and are taught in English. Classes are held on Sundays, 9:00-10:15 am, in QofA School. Please stop by the parish office (4329 Sano Street) to complete a registration form and pay tuition. If registering for the first time, please bring a copy of the child's birth and baptismal certificates. Tuition is \$70 - 1 child; \$120 - 2 children; \$150 = 3+ children in the same family. After **Aug. 1**, a \$20 fee is added. On the first day of class, Sep. 11, parents are to attend an Orientation Meeting with our priests.

Hear Ye, Hear Ye. Able Bodied Parishioners are needed to be Ushers!

Come join a wonderful ministry that is dedicated to serving the parishioners before, during and after Mass with a friendly face to greet parishioners, collect the Mass envelopes, pass out the weekly bulletin, and provide information and assistance to our parishioners as necessary. If you would like to join the Usher Ministry please contact Cesar Anchiraico at (949) 933-5185 or Joseph Lynem at (703) 628-3473.

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time Masses this Week

Saint James, Apostle - Monday, July 25:

6:00 am +Delano Tecson
 9:00 am +Thomas Carroll

Saints Joachim and Anne, Parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary - Tuesday, July 26:

6:30 am +Aimee Norris
 9:00 am (L) Dan and Mary O'Donohue, Wedding Anniversary

Wednesday, July 27:

6:30 am (L) Achu Franklin
 9:00 am +John Bartholme

Thursday, July 28:

6:30 am (L) Mr. and Mrs. Achu Romeo
 9:00 am +Gregory Nypaver

Saint Martha - Friday, July 29:

6:30 am (L) Stella Mah Achu
 9:00 am +Douglas Ferry

Saturday, July 30:

8:00 am +Joseph and Annelie Thach, Sr.
 5:00 pm (L) Fr. Tuck Grinnell and Fr. Pat Holroyd
 7:00 pm (L) Felipe and Betty Ortuño, 40th Wedding Anniversary

Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time, July 31:

7:30 am +Jocelyn Walter Graham
 9:00 am +Catherine Czaja
 10:30 am Living and Deceased Parishioners
 12:00 noon +Giancarlo Goyone

Nourishing Our Souls with Holy Scripture



Readings for Next Week:

Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Ecc 1:2; 2:21-23 Ps 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14, 17
 Col 3:1-5, 9-11 Lk 12:13-21



Please pray for the members of our parish who are ill

Timmy Burnway, Etelvina León-Duarte, J. Saunders, 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, Rita Sulit, Jason Banis, Emma Collins, Teresa Sabina Piecyk, Juana Mejia, Lisa Nyce, Monique Brooks, Debby Sprah, Consuelo Jocson, Cheryl McGlynn, Teresa Subalusky, Theresa Corcoran, Cordelia Carcamo, Donna Smith