# Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 29, 2018



# QUEEN OF APOSTLES CATHOLIC CHURCH

Jesus said, "Have the people recline." Now there was a great deal of grass in that place. So the men reclined, about five thousand in number. Then Jesus took the loaves, gave thanks, and distributed them to those who were reclining, and also as much of the fish as they wanted. When they had had their fill, he said to his disciples, "Gather the fragments left over, so that nothing will be wasted." So they collected them, and filled twelve wicker baskets with fragments from the five barley loaves that had been more than they could eat. (Jn 6:10-13)

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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



## **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.



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 <u>s.gray@queenofapostles.org</u> 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.

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

**Bulletin Deadline** The deadline for submitting announcements for the **Aug. 5** bulletin is Monday, **Jul. 30** by 9 am. Please email announcements to Mayra Saunders at <u>m.saunders@queenofapostles.org</u>.

**Religious Education** Registration is underway for the 2018-2018 Queen of Apostles Religious Education school year! Classes, kindergarten (age 5) through high school, are taught in English and meet on Sundays, 9-10:15 am in the School, **Sep. 9**, **2018-Jun. 2**, **2019**. Parish and returning families are given priority in Religious Education enrollment until **Aug. 1**.

Registration is closed to new students in grades 4, 5, 6, 8, and high school.

Registration forms are available in the parish office and at <u>https://queenofapostles.org/religious-education</u>. Tuition, due at the time of registration, 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. After **Aug.1**, a \$20 fee is added. 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 <u>s.gray@queenofapostles.org</u>. 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.

# Pastor's Letter

## Humanae Vitae: It Is Possible

Last Wednesday along with the Feast of St. James the Great, the Catholic Church celebrated Paul VI's Humanae Vitae 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary, whose teaching and impact I have been discussing in previous letters.

This Sunday's Gospel is from St. John chapter 6: the multiplication of the loaves and the fish. This scene precedes the revelation of the Eucharist during the upcoming Sundays. Elisha's servant and Jesus' disciples face the same dilemma: they have no means to feed the crowd.

Back to HV's teaching, maybe spouses feel likewise: overwhelmed. Is it possible to live responsible parenthood? We know that they are to ponder prayerfully if there are serious reasons to delay a new birth. If this happens, then – respecting the natural rhythm of fecundity – they await the proper moment to have intimacy.

They will never use contraception because they know better: excluding fecundity makes their union impossible. The spouses are separated, corporal intimacy becomes appropriation of the other, and God is put aside.

Ok, Father, you might say. But this is as impossible as to feed five thousand with five loaves...

Well, Jesus did. Didn't he?

- Father, I'm not kidding.
- Neither am I: "nothing is impossible for God" (Lk 1:37); even more, "everything is possible for the one who believes" (Mk 9:23).

And I would like to go even further. There is no other option. Why? Because love cannot be without fruit.

Let me recall the principle put forth by Paul VI: "Married love particularly reveals its true nature and nobility when we realize that it takes its origin from God, who is love" (HV 8). Let's take this seriously and consider the consequences.

The communion of love between man and woman is the image and likeness of God. Conjugal intimacy opens for husband and wife a real – sacramental – sharing in Jesus' love to the Church, in the communion of love between Father, Son and Holy Spirit. That's the real greatness of the sacrament of marriage. The union of the bodies is called to accomplish the communion of husband and wife as well as the communion between the couple and God.

How do I approach my wife when I acknowledge her dignity as person, and that she is opening for me a deeper communion with God? Certainly there is the drive of instinct. But human love is between persons, not just sexual desire or reproductive instinct.

How does the wife embrace her husband in a total gift of self? She knows that in that very union she is opening God's mystery for her husband as he opens it for her.

Thus, following St. Paul's advice: approach each other "in all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another through love..." (Eph 4:2). Now marriage and conjugal love show its greatness, its mystery. How beautiful human love is! Indeed, it is "very good" (Gen 1:31).



## Suscipe Prayer of St. Ignatius Loyola

Take, Lord, and receive all my liberty, my memory, my understanding and my entire will; all that I have and possess You have given all to me. To You, O Lord, I return it. All is Yours. Dispose of it wholly according to Your will.

Give me Your love and Your grace, for this is sufficient for me. Amen.

**Prayer for Priests by St. John Vianney** God, please give to your Church today many more priests after your own heart. May they be worthy representatives of Christ the Good Shepherd. May they wholeheartedly devote themselves to prayer and penance; be examples of humility and poverty; shining models of holiness; tireless and powerful preachers of the Word of God; zealous dispensers of your grace in the sacraments. May their loving devotion to your Son Jesus in the Eucharist and to Mary his Mother be the twin fountains of fruitfulness for their ministry. Amen.

# This Week In Our Parish

### Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time, July 29:

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

#### Monday, July 30:

Notre Dame Graduate School4:00-5:30 pm Youth Bible StudyCupertino Room7:00-9:00 pm Hispanic Legion of Mary

#### Tuesday, July 31:

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

#### Wednesday, August 1:

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

#### Thursday, August 2:

Friday, August 3:		
Church	7:30-8:30 pm Holy Hour	
Hannan Hall	6:30-9:00 pm Caminantes de Emaus	
Parish Office	6:30-8:00 pm Legion of Mary	

Saturday, August 4:		
Adoration Chapel	3:00-4:00 pm Divine Mercy Chaplet	
	Adoration Hour	
Adoration Chapel	11:00-11:30 am Children's	

School4:00-6:30 pm Spanish Prayer GroupSchool7:00-9:00 pm Ghana ChoirNotre Dame Graduate School8:30-10:00 pm Emmaus



**Family Rosary** The Queen of Apostles' Knights of Columbus Council 4522, Pope John Paul II, invite and encourage all parishioners to join us immediately following the 12 noon Mass this Sunday, **Jul. 29** where Sir Knight Fr. Leopoldo Vives will lead us in praying the Holy Rosary.

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. It is not too late to join! For more information or to register, email <u>anne.souser@gmail.com</u> or <u>s.gray@queenofapostles.org</u>, or call the parish office at (703) 354-8711.

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. During Masses on **Aug. 4-5** and **11-12** in the church vestibule area, Emmaus will collect new baby items to benefit the Adoption and Pregnancy Services of Catholic Charities. New items requested are disposable diapers, infant car seats with 5 point harness, newborn clothing, onesies, blankets, etc.



# Vocations

"Lead a life worthy of the calling to which you have been called, with all humility and gentleness." Have you considered a vocation to the priesthood or the consecrated life? Contact Fr. Juan at general @gueenofapostles.org or

Fr. J.D. Jaffe at j.jaffe@arlingtondiocese.org or (703) 841-2514.

**Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time** For a greater appreciation of the richness of every vocation to love Christ and that more men and women will respond to His invitation to follow Him as priests, deacons and consecrated religious, we pray to the Lord.



any of these hours.

**Urgent Need for Scheduled Adorers** Adorers are urgently needed from 1 am to 2 am Thursday morning. Please contact Alexa Urban at <u>moleski47@gmail.com</u> if you can support this hour.

Adorers are also 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



Bánica Mission Collection Next weekend our second collection will benefit the Bánica Mission. Since 1991, the Arlington

Diocese has provided clergy to two parishes in the rural highlands of the Dominican Republic. The two parishes, in the neighboring towns of Bánica and Pedro Santana on the Haitian border, minister to over 13,000 souls, most of whom live in extreme poverty. Your generosity will allow the diocese to continue to provide spiritual and material assistance to those who need it most. For more information on how you can support the Bánica Mission, please visit:

http://www.arlingtonmissions.org/banica-mission/

**Recovering Origins - A Unique Healing Retreat for Adult Children of Divorce** Come for a greater understanding of the wound of divorce and its effects and experience a new path to hope and healing. For more information and to register, please visit: <u>www.arlingtondiocese.org/</u><u>healingretreat</u>. Date: **Sep. 7-9**. For inquiries, contact (703) 841-2550 or email <u>familylife@arlingtondiocese.org</u>.



## **Divine Mercy**

"First, do not fight against a temptation by yourself, but disclose it to the confessor at once, and then the temptation will lose all its force. Second, during these ordeals do not lose your peace; live in My presence; ask My Mother and the Saints for help."

(Jesus to St. Faustina, Diary, 1560)

## Nourishing Our Souls With Holy Scripture Readings for Next Week

**Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time** Ex 16:2-4, 12-15 Ps 78:3-4, 23-24, 25, 54

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Queen of Apostles Catholic School Queen of Apostles Catholic School is now enrolling for the 2018-2019 school year. Application packets are available at the school and online at www.queenofapostlesschool.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.

**Procesión Internacional en honor a la Solemnidad de la Asunción de la Virgen María** Estan todos invitados a la procesión internacional que se realizará el sábado, **18 de Agosto** a las 5:30 pm para celebrar la Solemnidad de la Asunción de la Virgen María. Varias familias representarán a cada país con su Virgen. Rezaremos el Rosario en inglés y en español. La procesión partirá de la casa de las Hermanas Pobres de San José (4319 Sano St, Alexandria). Seguidamente se celebrará la Santa Misa en la iglesia y luego habrá un compartir en el gimnasio de la escuela. Se les invita a vestir sus trajes típicos de cada país. Los esperamos! Para información adicional, favor contactar a Carmen Dupuy al (571) 236-7239.

## International Procession in Honor of the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin

**Mary** Parishioners and non-parishioners of all nationalities are invited to Queen of Apostles' International Procession to be held on Saturday, **Aug. 18** at 5:30 pm to celebrate the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Several families will represent each country with their Virgin. We will pray the Rosary in English and Spanish. The procession will depart from the house of the Poor Sisters of Saint Joseph (4319 Sano St, Alexandria). Then the Holy Mass will be celebrated in Spanish in the church and a reception will follow in the St. Joseph Hall (school gym). Everyone is invited to wear their traditional attire from their native country. We look forward to you joining us! For additional information, please contact Carmen Dupuy at (571) 236-7239.

**Pro-Life Fundraiser** Join Father Staples, Father Stefan, and Priests, Deacons, Pastors, along with 80 other churches from around the state of Virginia as Father Staples bikes across America to raise \$100,000 for the **Paul Stefan Regional Maternity Housing and Educational Center**. This 23 bed, 40 room facility, inclusive of an education center, dinner hall, chapel, library and day care center, is nearly completed! To support, donate, and follow Father on his trip, go to: www.paulstefanhome.org.

# Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time Masses this Week

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Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time - July 29:		
7:30 am	+Jack Matava	
9:00 am	+Eugenio Lacay	
10:30 am	Living and Deceased Parishioners	
12:00 pm	+Douglas Ferry	
St. Peter Chr	<u>ysologus - Monday, July 30:</u>	
6:30 am	(L) Puani Alama	
9:00 am	+Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Thach	
St. Ignatius o	of Loyola - Tuesday, July 31:	
6:30 am	+Jacelyn Walter Graham	
9:00 am	(L) Grace and René Ruivivar,	
	49th Wedding Anniversary	
St. Alphonsus	<u>s Liguori - Wednesday, August 1:</u>	
6:30 am	+Guillermina Tri	
9:00 am	+Mary Van Berkum	
St. Peter Juli	an Eymard - Thursday, August 2:	
6:30 am	+Connie Argauer	
9:00 am	+Peggy Mooney	
Friday, Aug	1st 3:	
6:30 am	+Fr. John Hannan	
9:00 am	+Sergio Gutierrez	
St. John Via	nney - Saturday, August 4:	
8:00 am	(L) Abby Eggers	
5:00 pm	+Ed and Ethel Stoehr	
7:00 pm	+Rosario Pelayo	
Eighteenth S	unday in Ordinary Time - August 5:	
7:30 am	+Lesly Coronado	
9:00 am	+Dolores Perez	
10:30 am	Living and Deceased Parishioners	
12:00 pm	+Lucia and José Antonio Venero	
	The hand of the Lord feeds us;	
he answers all our needs.		
	Please pray for the memb	



Please pray for the members of our parish who are ill Pedro Baiza, BettyJo Lash, Jean McDermott, 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, 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, Kristi Burns, Kathleen Donohoe, Mark Bush, Margaret Peiffer, David Stemcosky, Rita Sulit, Jason Banis, Emma Collins, Juana Mejia, Lisa Nyce, Monique Brooks, Debby Spraht, Consuelo Jocson, Cheryl McGlynn, Theresa Corcoran, Cordelia Carcamo, Donna Smith