



QUEEN OF APOSTLES CATHOLIC CHURCH

*Gladden us with holy joys, almighty God,
and make us rejoice with devout thanksgiving,
for the Ascension of Christ your Son is our
exaltation, and, where the Head has gone before
in glory, the Body is called to follow in hope.
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

Fr. Leopoldo M. Vives, DCJM, Pastor
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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

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Monday 7 am through Saturday 7:45 am

QUEEN OF APOSTLES CATHOLIC SCHOOL

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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. 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.

RCIA The last day of RCIA in English is **Jun. 3** and the last day of RCIA in Spanish is **Jun. 5**. Those who received sacraments, especially the newly baptized, are invited to participate in the 12 Noon Corpus Christi Mass and procession on **Jun. 23**.

Adult Confirmation will be conferred on Sunday, **Jun. 9** at 2:30 pm at the Cathedral of St. Thomas More in Arlington. Adults and sponsors are to meet at the Cathedral by 1:30/1:45 pm.

If you are an adult and do not have the Sacraments, please send a message to s.gray@queenofapostles.org. RCIA classes will begin in **September**.

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

Altar Servers Thank you for committing to this ministry and serving the parish and our Lord in the Eucharist. The server schedule for **May 4-Sep. 8** has been sent out.

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.

*May the God of our Lord Jesus Christ,
the Father of glory,
give you a Spirit of wisdom and revelation
resulting in knowledge of him.*

Thank You for your generous contribution to the Poor Box. This weekend's collection will go toward the **Parish Needs**. Next weekend's collection will go toward the **Parish Needs**.

Bulletin Deadline The deadline for submitting announcements for the **Jun. 9** bulletin is Monday, **June 3** by 9 am. Please email announcements to Mayra Saunders at m.saunders@queenofapostles.org.

Religious Education The last day of Religious Education is Sunday, **Jun. 2**. Thank you to the catechists, aides, and volunteers who offer their time and talents to teach the parish youth.

Do not delay in registering your children for Religious Education - some classes are nearing capacity! Religious Education classes are for public school and homeschool students in kindergarten (age 5) - high school. Parents of current students can pick up the registration form on-site during RE class time. Tuition for parish members is \$70 for 1 child; \$120 for 2 children and \$150 for 3 children in the same family. The tuition payment by cash or check is expected at the time of registration.

Religious Education classes meet on Sundays, 9-10:15 am at QofA School. The first day of class is **Sep. 8**. 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 during the school year. Generally, baptized children receive First Penance/First Holy Communion in grade 2 and higher and Confirmation is received in grade 8 and higher. A student is to show evidence of desire and preparation for a Sacrament. New students need to provide birth and baptismal certificates to register. Parents of unbaptized children under the age of 5 are asked to contact the parish office.

Called to be a Catechist, Aide, Volunteer? For the **2019-2020** Religious Education school year, we are seeking practicing Catholics who have a love of the Catholic faith and want to help develop the faith in our youth. Catechists are to have a basic understanding of Catholic teaching, Scripture, and Tradition and a commitment to the Church's liturgical and sacramental life, and moral teachings. Catechists (teachers), aides (assist the catechists), and volunteers (assist with registration, setup, etc) are needed on Sunday mornings for the **Sep. 8, 2019 - Jun. 7, 2020** program. Prayerfully consider if you are called to respond to Jesus and serve as a disciple by helping teach the faith. We provide you with materials, support, and opportunities to attend Diocesan workshops. Attendance at a Virtus seminar and completion of Virginia Background Check paperwork are required. If interested, please contact Susan Gray at (703) 354-8711 or s.gray@queenofapostles.org.

Pastor's Letter

Giving Thanks, Bearing Fruit

This Sunday we celebrate the Ascension of the Lord. And we are preparing in prayer with Mary for the Solemnity of Pentecost, the gift of the Holy Spirit. Great mysteries to contemplate and celebrate.

If you allow me, I would like to devote today's letter to share some thoughts about the coming changes in the Parish. As you know, on July 1st Fr. Juan Espino will become pastor. Fr. Ignacio made some remarks last Sunday at all the Masses and announced that after these six years at Queen of Apostles the Superior General of the Disciples has given me a new assignment in Denver, CO.

When the Disciples arrived to QofA, it was the 50th anniversary celebration with the theme *Giving Thanks, Bearing Fruit*. As we prepare for this transition, I would go back to this theme.

Giving Thanks. First, I would like to invite you to give thanks to God for these six years. Many of you have expressed how much QofA has benefited from the presence of the Disciples. I am grateful for all the ways in which the Parish family has grown and been blessed during this time.

The responsibility has been a great joy for me, but it is not my doing. It is the result of team work, and I was honored to work with so many generous parishioners and heads of ministries who are a great blessing for our parish family. The help of Fr. Ignacio and my brother Disciples, along with your welcoming and support, has made my mission an easy one.

At a personal level, my gratitude is also due to my Superior General and to Bishop Loverde and Bishop Burbidge. Bishop Loverde welcomed the Disciples to Arlington and entrusted this parish family to the Disciples and wanted me to be your pastor.

Bearing fruit. The Lord wants us to yield lasting and abundant fruit, and we can celebrate the bountiful sacramental life of the Parish, the growth of ministries, the joy of being a family... QofA is now going through an ambitious plan to maintain and update our facilities to be ready to serve the coming generations of parishioners. This project requires courage and generosity.

I am sure that with Fr. Juan's leadership the great QofA family will continue growing and be renewed by the continuous outpouring of the Holy Spirit. Yes, your pastor for six years is leaving. But our staff, volunteers, and ministries continue enriching our parish life, and the Disciples continue serving the parish family and inspiring it.

Today's Solemnity inspires me as I follow Jesus' call to a new mission. The Gospel is alive. These days, the sadness of the farewell makes us share in the Apostles' sadness when Jesus ascended to our heavenly Father. And with them we raise our eyes in prayer, waiting for the coming of the Holy Spirit. He will come, console and strengthen us for the new evangelization, so that "Under the protection of our Blessed Mother and guided by the Holy Spirit" we might continue growing as "a family of families committed to growing in discipleship of Christ and eager to invite others to join our family."



Disciples of the Hearts of Jesus and Mary - Please Support Us on June 8-9!

The Disciples of the Hearts of Jesus and Mary is a religious family.
Our mission in the church is lived out in two areas:

1. Pastoral: As "Priests for the Family," we accompany family members on their journey to holiness, made possible through the transforming power of the sacraments.
2. Academic: Dedicated to the formation of every person, we are present in Catholic schools, universities, and seminaries, serving both clergy and laity.

We depend on your generosity to carry out our mission. Currently, we have 12 men in formation, preparing to become DCJM priests. Your financial gifts help pay for their expenses, as well as assisting with our general operating expenses in Littleton and the other places we work.

A second collection will be taken up after all the Masses next weekend.
You may also give online now at dcjm.org. Thank you, and God bless!

This Week In Our Parish

The Ascension of the Lord - June 2:

Vestibule	ACCA Food Collection
Hannan Hall	8:30 am-1:30 pm Sunday Social
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, June 3:

Hannan Hall	3:45-5:30 pm Nazareth
Cupertino Room	6:30-9:00 pm Hispanic Legion of Mary
Hannan Hall	7:00-9:00 pm Young Adult Bible Study

Tuesday, June 4:

Hannan Hall	6:00-10:00 pm Choir Practice
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Wednesday, June 5:

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

Thursday, June 6:

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, June 7:

Adoration Chapel	11:00-11:30 am Children's Adoration Hour
Adoration Chapel	3:00-4:00 pm Divine Mercy Chaplet
School	6:00-8:00 pm Open Gym
Hannan Hall	6:00-9:00 pm Caminantes de Emaus
Hannan Hall	9:00 pm-8:00 am First Friday Adoration Vigil

Saturday, June 8:

Hannan Hall	10:00 am-1:00 pm GCC Council Meeting
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



Mother of Light Center First Annual Bazaar

Saturday, Jun. 8, 9 am to 3 pm
St. Anthony Catholic Church
(3305 Glen Carlyn Road, Falls Church)

Join us for the MOLC bazaar. Find great bargains and support a great cause at the same time! Household goods, white elephants, vintage items, kids clothing and vendors selling great products and more. Gift basket raffles, and a 50/50 split raffle. Lots of great food and baked goods will be available to fill you up for more shopping! For information, please visit: www.motheroflightcenter.com.

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Vocations



“Go and teach all nations, says the Lord.” Do you feel a calling to be a teacher of the Word as a priest or consecrated religious? Contact Fr. Leopoldo Vives at general@queenofapostles.org, or Fr. Michael Isenberg at (703) 841-2514 or m.isenberg@arlingtondiocese.org.

The Ascension of the Lord That Christ, from his seat in heaven, will bless and guide all those called to serve the Him as priests, deacons, sisters and brothers, we pray to the Lord.

Ordination to the Priesthood The ordination of men to the priesthood is a beautiful and inspiring event for our entire diocese. The Mass of Ordination to the Priesthood for Deacons Nicholas Blank, Edouard Guilloux, Sean Koehr and Will Nyce is Saturday, **Jun. 8**, at the Cathedral of St. Thomas More starting at 11 am. There is also a Holy Hour Vigil with Bishop Burbidge and the Deacons on Friday, **Jun. 7** at 7:30 pm at the Cathedral, followed by a light reception. Come and pray for our future priests!

Weekend Discernment Retreat for Women Could Christ be calling you to the religious life? Take a step to find out. Attend the weekend discernment retreat for women (ages 18-50) **Jun. 14-16**. This is an excellent opportunity for prayer and discernment and talking with religious sisters and other women discerners. Cost is \$60 and includes overnights and all meals (financial assistance is available if needed). Retreat starts Friday at 6:30 pm and concludes Sunday after lunch. For more information or to register, contact Fr. Michael Isenberg at (703) 841-2514 or vocations@arlingtondiocese.org. Space is limited; deadline to register is Monday, **Jun. 3**.

Parish Pilgrimage to the Saint John Paul II National Shrine Come and join your parish family led by Fr. Javier O'Connor on Saturday, **Jun. 15**, for a pilgrimage to renew, nourish and deepen our faith and hope in Christ. The day will begin with the celebration of the holy Mass at Saint John Paul II National Shrine in Washington, DC, followed with exploration of the inspiring life of St. John Paul II and culminating with prayers, reflections and sharing of faith experience. To register, please call the parish office by Monday, **Jun. 10**.



Divine Mercy

Today, the Lord said to me, *My daughter, I am told that there is much simplicity in you, so why do you not tell Me about everything that concerns you, even the smallest details? Tell Me about everything, and know that this will give Me great joy.* I answered, “But You know about everything, Lord.” And Jesus replied to me, *Yes, I do know; but you should not excuse yourself with the fact that I know, but with childlike simplicity talk to Me about everything, for My ears and heart are inclined towards you, and your words are dear to Me.*

(Jesus to Saint Faustina, Diary 921)

Nourishing Our Souls With Holy Scripture

Readings for Next Week

Pentecost Sunday

Acts 2:1-11 Ps 104:1, 24, 29-30, 31, 34
Rom 8:8-17 Jn 14:15-16, 23B-26

Catholic Communication Campaign Our special collection this weekend is for the Catholic Communication Campaign. Fully 50% of funds collected remain here in the Diocese of Arlington to fund local communications efforts.



Vacation Bible School We are looking for volunteers and participants. Is God calling you to the adventure of sharing your faith?

VBS will be held Monday, **Jun. 24** through Friday, **Jun. 28** from 8:30 am to 12:30 pm each day. Registration and information is on the parish website: queenofapostles.org/vbs. The registration deadline is Monday, **Jun. 3**. Preparation meetings for current 5th graders through adult volunteers will be held on the afternoons of Saturday, **Jun. 1, 15** and **22**. To volunteer or for more information, email vbs@queenofapostles.org.

Saint Boniface, pray for us.

Women's Group Our last meeting before we recess for the summer will be on **Jun. 12** at 10 am in Hannan Hall. We will elect the new Board members for the coming two years' term. Please come, and encourage your friends to join us to vote, sing, eat, and have a good time!

Flatlining: Conscience Rights Under Attack Calling all Medical Professionals in Virginia! Do you know about proposed regulations that could subject health care professionals to misconduct sanctions simply for acting consistently with their religious beliefs? Learn about the latest threats to your conscience rights and how to safeguard your livelihood as a health care provider! Join us on Saturday, **Jun. 29** from 8-10 am, in Hannan Hall at Queen of Apostles Church, for *Flatlining: Conscience Rights Under Attack*. The event is free. Registration is required. Please register at: <https://www.arlingtondiocese.org/flatlining/>. Email respectlife@arlingtondiocese.org to learn more.

Attention Class of 2019 This summer, the Associates of St. John Bosco will be hosting four College Nights (7-9 pm) throughout the Arlington Diocese for graduated high-schoolers headed to college in the fall. The purpose of these free events is to help students keep their faith while transitioning into college. Catholic college students will be in attendance to meet students and share their experiences of being a Catholic college student. Free dinner with registration and the chance to win door prizes! Register at: www.asjb.org. Registration is limited to 50 students per night.

Jun. 19: St. Mark's in Vienna, **Jul. 1:** All Saints in Manassas
Jul. 17: Basilica of St. Mary in Alexandria
Jul. 24: St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception in Fredericksburg.

The Ascension of The Lord Masses this Week

The Ascension of the Lord - Sunday, June 2:

7:30 am +Josephine Klemek
9:00 am +Dolores Perez
10:30 am Living and Deceased Parishioners
12:00 pm +Arlene Quinn

St. Charles Lwanga & Companions - Monday, June 3:

6:30 am +Lydia Maningas
9:00 am +John Abrams

Tuesday, June 4:

6:30 am +Humberto Pichardo
9:00 am +Gordon E. Evans

St. Boniface - Wednesday, June 5:

6:30 am +Aimee Norris
9:00 am +John and Jean Kakareka

St. Norbert - Thursday, June 6:

6:30 am +Andrew Lynem
9:00 am +Carmen Solis, Anniversary

Friday, June 7:

6:30 am +Emile V. Telle
9:00 am +Gertrude Van Leuven

Saturday, June 8:

8:00 am (L) Gordon Lukehart
5:00 pm +Arlene Quinn
8:00 pm (L) Gilmer Paredes and Monica Muñoz

Pentecost Sunday - June 9:

7:30 am +Kristin P. Burns
9:00 am (L) Disciples of the Hearts of Jesus and Mary
10:30 am Living and Deceased Parishioners
12:00 pm +Kevin Nguyen and David Delaney

*Go and teach all nations, says the Lord;
I am with you always, until the end of the world.*



Please pray for the members of our parish who are ill

Claire Reilly, Kevin Bonko, Leo Monterroso, Betty Jane Davis, Etelevina León-Duarte, George Cook, Olivia Castillo Asnis, Maria Reyes, Anna Anderson, Michelle Jacobeen, Pedro Baiza, Jean McDermott, Anne 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, 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