



QUEEN OF APOSTLES CATHOLIC CHURCH

*“You, child,
will be called prophet of the Most High,
for you will go before the Lord
to prepare his way.”*

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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

EUCCHARISTIC 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
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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.

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 initiation into the Roman Catholic Church. If you are missing Sacraments, not in a Church marriage, or thinking about becoming Catholic, please join our English or Spanish adult faith formation classes.

Please stop by the parish office (4329 Sano Street) to register for the next school year (**Sep. 2018-Jun. 2019**).

Classes will be held at Christendom College/Notre Dame Graduate School (4407 Sano Street, Alexandria, VA), 7:30-9 pm on Mondays (English) beginning **Sep. 17**, and on Wednesdays (Spanish), beginning **Sep. 19**. Please contact the parish office at (703) 354-8711 or email s.gray@queenofapostles.org for more information.

For couples married outside of 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.

Emmaus 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. A bible study is being planned for **July**.

Altar Servers We know families may be traveling over the summer, so servers are asked to find a substitute/swap weeks, if you are unable to serve. Servers who are not scheduled for a Sunday are asked to offer to serve. The celebrant will be very grateful to you, as will be the parishioners.

Vacation Bible School "Circus of Stars" will be held from 8:30 am to 12:30 pm, **Jul. 9-13**. Registration information is available at www.queenofapostles.org/vacation-bible-school. Adult and High School volunteers are needed. A planning and preparation meeting will be held on the afternoon of **Jul. 7**. Please email vbs@queenofapostles.org to volunteer or for additional information.

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/religious-education>. 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? If interested in teaching the faith to youth during the **2018-19** school year, please call (703) 354-8711 or email s.gray@queenofapostles.org.

Rising 8th graders and high school students who are on track for Confirmation in **2019** may begin gaining service hours. No less than 20 service hours for the community and parish, plus a written report, are required for Confirmation. Please contact s.gray@queenofapostles.org for information.

Bulletin Deadlines The deadline for submitting announcements for the **Jul. 1** and **Jul. 8** bulletins is Monday, **Jun. 25** by 9 am. Please email announcements to Mayra Saunders at m.saunders@queenofapostles.org. (Please note early bulletin deadline for **Jul. 8** bulletin.)

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**.

Pastor's Letter

How did Catholics receive Humanae Vitae?

This Sunday we celebrate the birth of John the Baptist. He was the one coming before the Christ, and he shed his blood for the truth on conjugal love. "John had said to Herod, 'It is not lawful for you to have your brother's wife'" (Mk 6:18).

In 1968 that same truth of conjugal love was restated by Humanae Vitae (HV). However, something new happened: "so far as I have been able to discern, never in the recorded history of the Church has a solemn proclamation of a Pope been received by any group of Catholic people with so much disrespect and contempt" (Card. Shehan, Memoires, 1982).

In effect, many Catholics, even clergy and professors, opposed HV. The 'Statement of Dissent' promoted by Rev. Curran from the Catholic University of America and supported by many theologians is a good example of this antagonism. New John the Baptists rose to defend the encyclical at the cost of suffering contempt, discrimination, and even violence.

Card. Stafford shares his account: Around a week after the publication, he was invited to a priests' meeting about the new Encyclical. He agreed on an unrealistic expectation: "I had hoped that we had been called together to receive copies of the encyclical and to discuss it. I was mistaken. Neither happened."

"The Washington Statement of Dissent was read aloud. Then the leader asked each of us to agree to have our names attached to it. No time was allowed for discussion, reflection, or prayer. Each priest was required individually to give a verbal 'yes' or 'no'. I could not sign it...

I listened to each priest's response, hoping for support. It didn't materialize. Everyone agreed to sign. There were no abstentions... By now it was night. The room was charged with tension. Something epochal was taking place. It became clear that the leaders' strategy had been carefully mapped out beforehand... They had planned carefully how to exert what amounted to emotional and intellectual coercion. Violence by overt manipulation was new to the Baltimore presbyterate.

The leader's reaction to my refusal was predictable and awful... He tried to force me to change. He became visibly angry and verbally abusive... The underlying, 'fraternal' violence became more evident... The abuse went on.

The violence of the priests' August gathering gave rise to its own ferocious acrimony. Conversations among the clergy, where they existed, became contaminated with fear. Suspicions among priests were chronic. Fears abounded. And they continue... Priests' fraternity had been wounded."

Fifty years later, while suffering the full impact of the 1968 sexual revolution, we are going through another time of confusion, dissent, and violence against the truth of marriage and conjugal love. After Francis' Amoris Laetitiae, many want to give communion to a divorcee in a new union, couples in irregular situations, or to consider that same sex couples do not contradict the Gospel.

We are in difficult times. Like John the Baptist. Like Card. Stafford and so many in the late 1960's. Let's embrace fully the teaching of our Holy Fathers: Blessed Paul VI (to be canonized in October), St. John Paul II, Benedict XVI and Francis. We have them. And we have the "Church of the living God, the pillar and foundation of truth" (1 Tes 3:15).

Thank you, Volunteers! **Thank you, Jim and Anne Kemble!**

Last Friday, June 15, we had our yearly Volunteer Appreciation Dinner. Our dedicated parish Staff with some volunteers, worked hard to set up a delightful event. Many thanks to all who helped prepare it, to our volunteers, and to all those who attended, making the event a success.

In this thank you note there is a very special thanks for Jim and Anne Kemble. They have been active at Queen of Apostles since joining the church over thirty years ago. They have participated in a variety of volunteer Ministries including: Altar Society, Altar Cloths, Adoration Chapel, Women's Group, Craft Group, and Money Counting. In addition, they have participated with Christian Family Movement, Christmas in April (ACCA), Meals on Wheels (ACCA), and the Knights of Columbus. In 1998, Jim and Anne started the Sunday Social on the first Sunday of the month.

Jim and Anne have enriched the Parish in so many ways by all of their activities. They recently decided to retire from volunteer work and will be missed by the people who have worked with them throughout the years. They are true examples of living a life dedicated to family and church community. May God Bless them and watch over them as they continue life's journey.

Jim and Anne, you have our love and our most wholehearted gratitude.

This Week In Our Parish

Nativity of Saint John the Baptist - Sunday, June 24:

Way of St. James Pilgrimage
Banica Mission
Fortnight for Freedom
Notre Dame Graduate School 9:00-11:00 am
Hogares de Santa Maria

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

Monday, June 25:

Way of St. James Pilgrimage
Banica Mission
Fortnight for Freedom
Cupertino Room 7:00-9:00 pm Hispanic Legion of Mary

Tuesday, June 26:

Way of St. James Pilgrimage
Banica Mission
Fortnight for Freedom
Hannan Hall 7:00-9:00 pm Choir Rehearsal

Wednesday, June 27:

Way of St. James Pilgrimage
Banica Mission
Fortnight for Freedom
Hannan Hall 7:00-9:00 pm Ghana Prayer Group

Thursday, June 28:

Way of St. James Pilgrimage
Banica Mission
Fortnight for Freedom
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, June 29:

Banica Mission
Adoration Chapel 11:00-11:30 am Children's
Adoration Hour
Adoration Chapel 3:00-4:00 pm Divine Mercy Chaplet
Hannan Hall 6:00-9:30 pm Caminantes de Emaus

Saturday, June 30:

Banica Mission
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

ACCA Food Collection Every First Sunday there is a non-perishable Food Collection for (ACCA) Annandale Christian Community for Action. Items may be left in the vestibule at all Sunday Masses. Always needed are small bags of rice and beans, cereals for children, and treats, like fruit cups and cookies, for the summer months. The next collection will be on **Jul. 1**. Thank You for your generosity.



Please Return All Pro-Life Baby Bottles

The baby bottles distributed this past May to collect spare change in support our parish pro-life initiatives may be returned at Masses this weekend and at the Parish Office. Our pro-life committee thanks you for your support!

Vocations



“The LORD called me from birth ...”

Is the Lord calling you to the priesthood or consecrated life? Contact Fr. Juan at general@queenofapostles.org or Fr. J.D. Jaffe at j.jaffe@arlingtondiocese.org or (703) 841-2514.

Nativity of Saint John the Baptist That, in the spirit of John the Baptist, we may have priests and consecrated religious to lead us to the Lord, we pray to the Lord.

Gifts for the Seminarian Education Endowment Fund (SEEF)

Please support our seminarians and SEEF, a permanent endowment fund established in 2011. SEEF's income provides funding for annual seminarian expenses such as room, board, tuition, health insurance and books, which total almost \$40,000 per seminarian. Please give generously! To donate, make checks payable to: “*Foundation for the CDA - SEEF*”. Mail to: The Foundation, 200 N. Glebe Road, Suite 811, Arlington, VA 22203. Contact Gretchen Koch at g.koch@arlingtondiocese.org or (703) 841-3819 with questions.



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.

*O Most Sacred Heart of Jesus,
I place my trust in You.*

Adoration Chapel The Adoration Chapel will close on Saturday, **Jun. 30**, before the 8 am Mass and reopen on Monday, **Jul. 9** after the 6:30 am Mass.

Way of St. James Pilgrims The youth pilgrims want you to follow along their journey to Madrid and along the Camino de Santiago! Keep up with them at twitter.com/QofAYouth. They are bringing your prayer intentions to the holy sites in Spain.



Divine Mercy

“My Heart overflows with great mercy for souls, and especially for poor sinners. If only they could understand that I am the best of Fathers to them and that it is for them that the Blood and Water flowed from My Heart as from a fount overflowing with mercy. For them I dwell in the tabernacle as King of Mercy. I desire to bestow My graces upon souls, but they do not want to accept them. You, at least, come to Me as often as possible and take these graces they do not want to accept. In this way you will console My Heart.”
(Jesus to St. Faustina, Diary, 367)

Nourishing Our Souls With Holy Scripture

Readings for Next Week

Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Wis 1:13-15; 2:23-24 Ps 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11, 12, 13
2 Cor 8:7, 9, 13-15 Mk 5:21-43

Serving Others in God's Love: Religious Freedom

Week People of faith are committed to serving others in God's love in healthcare, child welfare, migration and refugee resettlement, education, and more. Religious freedom protects the space in which we can continue to serve. Religious Freedom Week runs through **Jun. 28**. Join Catholics across the country to pray and act for the freedom to serve faithfully and with integrity. To learn more, please visit: www.usccb.org/ReligiousFreedomWeek.

Immaculate Heart of Mary, pray for us.

Thank You From QofA School Thank you to the Queen of Apostles parishioners for their help and support of Queen of Apostles Catholic School. We wish you all a blessed summer.

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. 2:** All Saints in Manassas; **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, and students are encouraged to wear their college t-shirt to the event! To register for one of the College Nights and for additional information, visit our website at www.asjb.org.

Retreat for Married Couples A Retreat Day for Married Couples will be led by Fr. Paul Scalia, Episcopal Vicar for Clergy, on Saturday, **Jul. 7** at Holy Trinity in Gainesville, from 9 am-3 pm. Experience a profound and reflective retreat including talks, Adoration, Confession, and spiritual time with your spouse; the retreat will conclude with Mass.

Prayer to Our Mother of Perpetual Help

Oh Mother of Perpetual Help, grant that I may ever invoke your powerful name, the protection of the living and the salvation of the dying. Purest Mary, let your name henceforth be ever on my lips. Delay not, Blessed Lady, to rescue me whenever I call on you. In my temptations, in my needs, I will never cease to call on you, ever repeating your sacred name, Mary, Mary. What a consolation, what sweetness, what confidence fills my soul when I utter your sacred name or even only think of you! I thank the Lord for having given you so sweet, so powerful, so lovely a name. But I will not be content with merely uttering your name. Let my love for your prompt me ever to hail you Mother of Perpetual Help. Mother of Perpetual Help, pray for me and grant me the favor I confidently ask of you (mention your petition). Amen.

Solemnity of the Nativity of Saint John the Baptist Masses this Week

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June 24:

7:30 am Father's Day Novena
9:00 am (L) Chris, Alex, and Laura Lynem
10:30 am Living and Deceased Parishioners
12:00 pm +William Stafford Quinn

Monday, June 25:

6:30 am +John Steve Catilo
9:00 am Father's Day Novena

Tuesday, June 26:

6:30 am Father's Day Novena
9:00 am (L) Walter and Ann Baaden

Our Mother of Perpetual Help - Wednesday, June 27:

6:30 am (L) Rose Winslow
9:00 am (L) Miles P. Yoo

Saint Irenaeus - Thursday, June 28:

6:30 am (L) Leslie Contreras and Ana Lopez
9:00 am +Barbara McBride

Saints Peter and Paul - Friday, June 29:

6:30 am (L) Miguel Antonio Saunders
9:00 am Living and Deceased Members
of the Stanley Family

The First Martyrs of the Holy Roman Church

Saturday, June 30:

8:00 am +Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Thach, Sr.
5:00 pm +Dennis Mondoro
7:00 pm +Rosa Torres Santillán

Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time - July 1:

7:30 am +Raymond Floren, Jr.
9:00 am +Dolores Perez
10:30 am Living and Deceased Parishioners
12:00 pm +Oscar Domingo

Saints Peter and Paul, pray for us.



Please pray for the members of our parish who are ill

Maria Reyes, Tesfa Haile, Kevin Bonko, Peter Lor, Virginia Shea, Margaret Cihak, Marion Jacobeen, Joseph Lipari, Paul Cook, Rosa María Santos, Carmelita Mate, Leonor Cabrestane, Roger Trozado, Daniel O'Donohue, 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 Sprah, Consuelo Jocson, Cheryl McGlynn, Theresa Corcoran, Cordelia Carcamo, Donna Smith