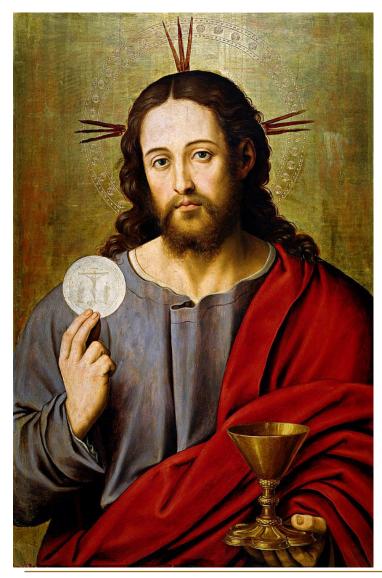
# The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ



# QUEEN OF APOSTLES CATHOLIC CHURCH

"I am the living bread that came down from heaven; whoever eats this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give is my flesh for the life of the world." (John 6:51)

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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.

**Nazareth** The last Nazareth meeting for this school year is **Jun**. 1. Girls and boys in grades 5-8 are invited. Sign-in begins at 3:45 pm in Hannan Hall with activities beginning at 4 pm. Parent signout/pick-up is at 5:30 pm.

Emmaus Rising high school students are invited to join Emmaus, a high school and young college ministry at Queen of Apostles. Meet 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. Emmaus will not meet on Jun. 23.



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. Planning and preparation meetings will be held on the afternoons of Jun. 16, 23, and Jul. 7. Please email vbs@queenofapostles.org to volunteer or for additional information.

Strong Catholic Men Needed: Are You Ready to

Accept the Challenge? Our communities need strong Catholic men to answer the call to lead with faith, protect our families, serve others, and defend our values. For over one hundred years, Knights of Columbus have done exactly that, standing up for the Church, serving the least among us, and strengthening our parishes and families. Eligible Catholic men can now join the Knights of Columbus online in a simple, streamlined process.

As a member, you join a worldwide community of nearly two million men, including tens of thousands here in Virginia, and the Pope John Paul II Council 4522 who all stand together. The world, the community, and the Queen of Apostles parish needs more committed, unified Catholic men to answer the call, Will vou answer?

Please stop by to visit the Knights in the vestibule after Mass next weekend or visit kofc.org/joinus to learn more about the many benefits of membership in the Knights of Columbus and join immediately, Online! Contact Membership Director, Patrick Okoronkwo at pokor22@gmail.com or Grand Knight Roger Williams at (703) 629-3239 for questions.

**Religious Education** The last day of Religious Education is Jun. 3. Thank you to our volunteer catechists and aides for teaching the Catholic faith to our youth. They spend untold hours in preparation and teaching time each week in order to pass on the Catholic faith. Thank you parents for bringing your children to QofA's Religious Education Program which supports your role as the first educators of the Catholic faith.

Registration for the 2018-19 Oueen 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. New students need to provide birth and baptismal certificates. Tuition may be paid by check or cash.

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.

Adult Faith Formation/RCIA 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).

Bulletin Deadline The deadline for submitting announcements for the Jun. 10 bulletin is Monday, Jun. 4 by 9 am. Please email announcements to Mayra Saunders at m.saunders@queenofapostles.org.

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

**Second Collection** Today's Second Collection is for the Retired Diocesan Priests. Thank you for your generosity!

# Pastor's Letter

## Corpus Christi

Today we celebrate the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ, the Solemnity of the Eucharist. The Liturgy of the Church invites us to adore and contemplate this mystery. The Eucharist is our Lord Jesus Christ's presence. The one who is "true God from true God... consubstantial with the Father."

We approach the Lord in awe, with trust, with deep gratitude, with love. Jesus Christ is with us. We can meet him daily at Mass and Communion.

Do I take seriously the Eucharist? Is it my right to receive Jesus or a "feeling well" experience? How do I prepare for Communion? How do I give thanks to him after Communion? Am I aware that upon receiving communion the Lord is coming to me, wants to transform my life and spend time with me?

This Sunday we will also have the Corpus Christi procession. The Eucharistic Lord will visit our neighborhood to bless it. Every year is growing and becoming more beautiful. Last year we had some Ghanaian youth in traditional attire throwing rose petals before the Lord.

This year I invite all the Parish family to dress in traditional attire from their native countries. I wish many will do so, and join the First Communicants and just Baptized in their white garments.

Let me connect this with a broader reflection about how we dress for Mass. There is something important in the dress code. Different events have different dress codes. No sane person goes to a backyard barbecue dressed in "black tie". We don't go jogging in business formal. We don't attend a graduation with shorts and beach sandals. Why? What is behind a dress code?

As you would expect, this leads to the question about how we dress for Mass. Now that the temperatures go up, we need to be more intentional about it. Certainly there is Sunday Mass, Feast days and daily Masses, as there is business formal and business casual; but business, not cocktail or shorts.

We, priests, are the first ones to set the tone. Then the volunteers of the liturgical ministries. (I am concerned that for the volunteer men the suit and tie is sometimes lost... I will come back to this topic.) Now I would like to consider if we should dress more intentionally when we go to Mass, especially Sunday Mass.

The dress code is important. It sets the tone of our behavior. If we dress casual, we will behave casual: we will speak, sit, walk in a casual way that maybe is not the most fitting one for a sacred place devoted to prayer and worship. Please, consider it and read below some concrete guidelines to make our Sunday experience the best, and to educate our children and youth.

#### Some Practical Guidelines for Appropriate Dress for Mass

You would benefit from researching more how to dress for Mass, or in general, dress codes. To begin with, we have picked some suggestions to give you some guidance.

Jesus explicitly demands respectful attire in Matthew 22:1-14: "He said to him, 'My friend, how is it that you came in here without a wedding garment?' But he was reduced to silence" (v.12). Usually we read it allegorically, talking about the soul, but we should not forget the literality.

#### Men:

- 1. Wear dress shoes to Church. Beach sandals or athletic shoes are not dress shoes.
- 2. Wear dress pants or khakis, not jeans or shorts.
- 3. Wear a collared shirt. T-shirts are too informal.
- 4. Consider wearing a tie, a suit, or a sport coat with your attire.

#### Women:

- 1. Wear dress shoes. Not beach sandals or athletic shoes.
- 2. Skirts or dresses, at the knee or longer, are appropriate. Skirts and dresses should not be tight fitting or see-through.
- 3. Slacks, not jeans, are a good option. Shorts, especially "short shorts" should not be worn.

4. Wear a nice blouse/shirt. Tank tops, spaghetti straps, and tops that are low cut, tight, or expose midriffs are not appropriate for Mass. Wearing a scarf over your shoulders is an easy way to be stylish and respectful.

Lastly, for the time you are in Mass, please turn off cell phones to avoid distractions to your prayer.

# This Week In Our Parish

#### The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ - Sunday, June 3:

Novena to the Most Sacred Heart of JesusToward a Missionary FamilyVestibuleACCA Food CollectionHannan Hall7:30 am - 1:30 pm Sunday SocialSchool9:00-10:15 am Religious EducationNotre Dame Graduate School9:00-11:00 amHannan Hall2:00-5:30 pm Ghana GroupHannan Hall6:00-7:30 pm Financial Peace University

#### Monday, June 4:

Novena to the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus Cupertino Room 7:00-9:00 pm Hispanic Legion of Mary

#### Tuesday, June 5:

Novena to the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus Hannan Hall 7:00-9:00 pm Choir Rehearsal

#### Wednesday, June 6:

Novena to the Most Sacred Heart of JesusHannan Hall7:00-9:00 pm Ghana Prayer GroupNotre Dame Graduate School7:30-9:00 pm RCIA in Spanish

#### Thursday, June 7:

Novena to the Most Sacred Heart of JesusParish Office6:30-8:00 pm Legion of MaryHannan Hall6:30-9:00 pm Caminantes de EmausChurch7:30-8:30 pm Holy Hour

#### The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus - Friday, June 8:

Novena to the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus

Adoration Chapel	11:00-11:30 am Children's	
	Adoration Hour	
Church	2:00-3:00 pm 8th Grade Graduation Mass	
Adoration Chapel	3:00-4:00 pm Divine Mercy Chaplet	
Church	6:30-7:30 pm DCJM Mass for the	
S	olemnity of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus	
Hannan Hall	7:30-8:30 pm DCJM Reception	
The Immaculate Heart of Mary - Saturday, June 9:		
Hannan Hall	9:30 am-4:30 pm Couples for Christ	
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		

#### "O Sacred Heart of Jesus, fountain of eternal life, Your Heart is a glowing furnace of Love. You are my refuge and my sanctuary." - St. Gertrude the Great

Volunteer Appreciation Dinner: Friday, June 15

We wish to thank all those parishioners who generously give of their time and talent in service to our parish. If you are an active member of a parish ministry, you are warmly invited to RSVP for our 2018 Volunteer Appreciation Dinner: Friday, **Jun. 15**, 5:30 to 8:30 pm in Hannan Hall. Visit <u>www.queenofapostles.org</u> to RSVP or call the parish office at (703) 354-8711. Spouses are welcome. Youth volunteers (<18) must be accompanied by a parent/guardian. Please RSVP by **Jun. 11**. Early bird RSVPs (by Jun. 8) will be entered into a raffle. We look forward to seeing and thanking you on **Jun. 15**!



# Vocations

**"This is My blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many."** Are you being chosen by Christ to poured out your life's work for souls with Him as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life? Contact Fr. Juan at <u>general @queenofapostles.org</u> or

Fr. J.D. Jaffe at <u>i.jaffe@arlingtondiocese.org</u> or (703) 841-2514.

**The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ** That all Catholics will adore the great gift of the Holy Eucharist given to them by Jesus Christ through the hands of His priests and that those chosen as priests will inspire many more to follow Him, we pray to the Lord.

#### **Come Celebrate and Pray for Our Future Priests**

Join us for the Mass of Ordination to the Priesthood for Deacons Michael Folmar, Nicholas Schierer and Christopher Tipton on Saturday **Jun. 9** at 11 am at the Cathedral of St. Thomas More. There is also a Holy Hour Vigil with Bishop Burbidge and the seminarians on Friday **Jun. 8** at 7 pm at the Cathedral, followed by a light reception. Come and pray for our future priests!



Mass and Reception for the Solemnity of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus Please join us this Friday, Jun. 8 to celebrate the Solemnity of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus which is central to the spirituality of our priests, the Disciples of the Hearts of Jesus and Mary. There will be a bilingual. High Mass

at 6:30 pm, followed by a potluck reception in Hannan Hall. All are invited to join us in this special celebration!

**Urgent Need for Scheduled Adorers** Adorers are needed for Monday, midnight to 1 am, and Tuesday from 1 am to 2 am. Urgent need for Adorer Wednesday midnight to 1am Thursday morning, and 1am to 2 am Thursday morning. Please contact Alexa Urban at <u>moleski47@gmail.com</u> if you can support any of these hours.

All Saints Car Raffle Thanks to all those who have returned their car raffle tickets—special thanks to those who have requested extra tickets. If you would like to receive more raffle tickets, visit the parish office during office hours or email <u>qofaraffle@gmail.com</u> to have the tickets mailed to you. Thank you for your participation, which supports our parish youth ministries and Queen of Apostles School.

#### **Divine Mercy**

"My daughter, My pleasure and delight, nothing will stop Me from granting you graces. Your misery does not hinder My mercy. My daughter, write that the greater the misery of a soul, the greater its right to My mercy; [urge] all souls to trust in the unfathomable abyss of My mercy, because I want to save them all. On the cross, the fountain of My mercy was opened wide by the lance for all souls—no one have I excluded!"

(Jesus to St. Faustina, Diary, 1182)

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

Tenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Gn 3:9-15 Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 2 Cor 4:13–5:1 Mk 3:20-35



#### **Corpus Christi Mass and Procession**

Everyone is invited to participate in the Corpus Christi 12 noon Mass and Procession this Sunday, **Jun. 3**. The Procession that follows the 12 noon Mass is a parish witness to the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ.

"Every member of the Church must be vigilant in seeing that this sacrament of love shall be at the center of the life of the people of God so that through all the manifestations of worship due to it, Christ shall be given back 'love for love,' and truly become the life of our souls." Pope St. John Paul II

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

#### A Note from the Pastoral Council

The Pastoral Council met on May 23. We discussed capital projects, the feasts of Corpus Christi and Solemnity of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, and the DCJM appeal.

Renovations to the Applegarth Court property which will serve as the new priests' residence are underway. The first renovations are to the kitchen area, while major renovations are still in the planning phase. Paying for the renovations and the other projects I mentioned in my previous note was a discussion within the Council meeting. Fr. Leopoldo is working on a plan to present to parishioners.

The Parish will celebrate two major Feasts in June. The Solemnity of Corpus Christi, is on June 3. We will have a Eucharistic Procession throughout the neighborhood after the 12 Noon Mass. On June 8 we will celebrate the Solemnity of the Sacred Heart of Jesus with Mass at 6:30 pm followed by a reception in Hannan Hall. These are feasts that hold a special place for our priests.

On behalf of the Pastoral Council, I would like to thank all those who opened their hearts and checkbooks to support the DCJM Annual Appeal. Thank you for responding to the pulpit talks from our parishioners who shared their inspiring stories of how the Disciples have impacted their families' lives.

On a bittersweet note, I have reached the end of my tenure on the Pastoral Council, so this is my last note to you. I am excited when I reflect on the growth of our Family of Families over the past three years from a numbers standpoint and with respect to our spirituality. We are blessed by having Priests for the Family at our Parish, and they are leading us to Heaven. Fortunately, the Council is strong and will continue to give Father Leopoldo wise guidance.

Chip Souser (Past) Chair, Pastoral Council

# The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ Masses this Week

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Sunday, June 3:

+Fr. Keith Ramay
+Dolores Perez
Living and Deceased Parishioners
(L) Warren Sanluis

#### Monday, June 4:

6:30 am	+Jack Matava
9:00 am	+Eleanor Boychan

#### St. Boniface - Tuesday, June 5 :

6:30 am	Living and Deceased Members
	of the Byrne Family

9:00 am (L) Mary Moran

#### St. Norbert - Wednesday, June 6:

6:30 am	+Carmen Solis
9:00 am	(L) Kevin Ketchmark

#### Thursday, June 7:

6:30 am +Emile V. Telle 9:00 am +Gloria D. Garcia

# The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus - Friday, June 8:6:30 am+Arlene O'Connor

6:30 am	+Arlene O'Con
9:00 am	+Roy Kasenge
6:30 pm	DCJM Mass

#### The Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary Saturday, June 9:

8:00 am	+Marie Hathaway
5:00 pm	+Eduardo José, Jr.
7:00 pm	+Erminia De Torres, Jenny and Silvia Torres

#### Tenth Sunday in Ordinary Time - June 10:

7:30 am	+Lucia and José Antonio Venero
9:00 am	+Lou and Jeanne Wack
10:30 am	Living and Deceased Parishioners
12:00 pm	(L) Milan Nguyen

## Immaculate Heart of Mary, 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 Spraht, Consuelo Jocson, Cheryl McGlynn, Theresa Corcoran, Cordelia Carcamo, Donna Smith