

QUEEN OF APOSTLES CATHOLIC CHURCH

Hail, most merciful Heart of Jesus,
Living Fountain of all graces,
Our sole shelter, our only refuge;
In You I have the light of hope.
Hail, most compassionate Heart of my God,
Unfathomable living Fount of Love
From which gushes life for sinful man
And the Spring of all sweetness.

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CLERGY

Fr. Leopoldo M. Vives, DCJM, Pastor 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. 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 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 to register for the next school year (**Sep. 2019-Jun. 2020**).

Please contact the parish office at (703) 354-8711 or email <u>s.gray@queenofapostles.org</u> 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.

You are my inheritance, O Lord.

Altar Servers Thank you for your service to the parish! 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 and ensure 3-4 man teams.

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

Emmaus High school and 8th grade students are invited to join Emmaus on Monday evenings, 6-10 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.

Bulletin Deadline The deadline for submitting announcements for the **Jul. 7** bulletin was Monday, **Jun. 24**.

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**.

Religious Education 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.

Homeschool families with children preparing for Sacraments this upcoming school year are asked to contact the parish office at (703)54-8711 or s.grav@queenofapostles.org.

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

Answering the Divine Call

From Pope Benedict XVI's Angelus on June 27, 2010

The biblical Readings of Holy Mass this Sunday give me the opportunity to take up the theme of Christ's call and its requirements. Those who have the good fortune to know a young man or woman who leaves the family and studies and works in order to consecrate him- or herself to God know well what is involved, for they have before them a living example of a radical response to the divine call. This is one of the most beautiful experiences one can have in the Church: seeing and actually touching the Lord's action in people's lives; experiencing that God is not an abstract entity but a reality so great and strong that it fills human hearts to overflowing, he is a Person, alive and close, who loves us and asks to be loved.

The Evangelist Luke presents to us Jesus, walking to Jerusalem, who meets some men on the road probably young men who promise they will follow him wherever he goes. Jesus proves very demanding with them and warns them that "the Son of Man", namely, the Messiah, "has nowhere to lay his head" that is to say, he has no permanent dwelling place of his own and that those who choose to work with him in God's field cannot turn back (cf. Lk 9:57-58; 61-62). On the other hand Christ says to someone else: "Follow me", asking him to sever completely his ties with his family (cf. Lk 9:59-60). These requirements may seem too harsh but in fact they express the newness and absolute priority of the Kingdom of God that is made present in the very Person of Jesus Christ. All things considered, it is a question of that radicalism that is due to the Love of God, whom Jesus himself was the first to obey. Those who give up everything, even themselves, to follow Jesus, enter into a new dimension of freedom that St Paul defines as "walk[ing] by the Spirit" (cf. Gal 5:16). "For freedom Christ has set us free", the Apostle writes, and he explains that this new form of freedom acquired from Christ consists in being "servants of one another" (Gal 5:1, 13). Freedom and love coincide! On the contrary, complying with one's own egoism leads to rivalry and conflict.

Dear friends, the month of June, characterized by the devotion to the Sacred Heart of Christ, is now coming to an end. Today, I would like to invite everyone to contemplate the mystery of the divine and human Heart of the Lord Jesus, to draw from the very source of God's Love. Those who fix their gaze on that pierced Heart that is ever open for our love sense the truth of this invocation: "You are my inheritance O Lord" (*Responsorial Psalm*), and are prepared to leave everything to follow the Lord.

O Mary, who answered the divine call without reserve, pray for us!

The Daily Offering to the Immaculate Heart of Mary

O Jesus, through the Immaculate Heart of Mary, I offer you my prayers, works, joys, and suffering of this day in union with the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass throughout the world. I offer them for all the intentions of Your Sacred Heart: the salvation of souls, reparation for sins, the reunion of all Christians; I offer them for the intentions of our Bishops and of all Apostles of Prayer and in particular for those recommended by our Holy Father this month. Amen.



This Week In Our Parish

Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time - June 30:

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

School 4:00-8:00 pm Fr. Leopoldo's Farewell Reception Hannan Hall 5:45-10:00 pm Caminantes de Emaus

Monday, July 1:

Fortnight for Freedom

Cupertino Room 6:30-9:00 pm Hispanic Legion of Mary Hannan Hall 7:00-9:00 pm Young Adult Bible Study Notre Dame Graduate School 6:00-10:00 pm Emmaus

Tuesday, July 2:

Fortnight for Freedom

Wednesday, July 3:

Fortnight for Freedom

Parish Office 6:30-8:00 pm Legion of Mary Hannan Hall 7:00-9:00 Ghana Prayer Group

Thursday, July 4:

Fortnight for Freedom

Adoration Chapel and Parish Office Closed

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, July 5:

Adoration Chapel Closed

Saturday, July 6:

Hannan Hall
9:00 am-12:30 pm GCC Revival
Hannan Hall
1:00-6:00 pm Couples for Christ
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

"Go to the Madonna. Love her! Always say the Rosary.
Say it well. Say it as often as you can! Be souls of prayer.
Never tire of praying, it is what is essential.
Prayer shakes the Heart of God,
it obtains necessary graces!" - St. Padre Pio

Home for the summer? Visit the Adoration Chapel during our hours of need! Home from college or in town for a visit? Keep a Christ-centered summer by visiting Our Lord in the Adoration Chapel! Our Chapel is open 24 hours a day, Monday, 7 am through Saturday, 8 am (midnight hours require a

passcode for entry). Greatest hours of need include:

 Friday, 4-5 am *Critical need for a permanent Adorer Contact Alexa Urban at (703) 241-1096 or moleski47@gmail.com for these hours of need

 Monday, Tuesday, or Wednesday, 11 pm to 12 am Contact Nenita De Guzman at (703) 354-8711 or n.deguzman@queenofapostles.org for these hours of need

 Monday, 3-4 pm Contact Rosalie Mainey at (703) 256-57665 or rosalieam@msn.com for this hours of need

Vocations

"Serve one another through love."
Does a life of prayer and service as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life attract you?
Please contact general@queenofapostles.org, or Fr. Michael Isenberg at (703) 841-2514 or m.isenberg@arlingtondiocese.org.

Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time That men and women called to proclaim the kingdom of God as priests, deacons and in the consecrated life, will be given the strength to overcome every obstacle to their response through prayer and the practice of virtue, we pray to the Lord.

Queen of Apostles School Principal

Queen of Apostles learned on June 10 that our principal of two years, Mrs. Jodi Reagan, would be stepping down to pursue a career opportunity that would bring her closer to family out-of-state. We thank Mrs. Reagan for her service to our school community and wish her the best of luck in her new endeavors. She leaves Queen of Apostles in high regards and with fond memories.

Responding promptly to this news and with great care for the school, I have asked Mrs. Arias, Head of the Middle School, to assist in the transition, with support from David Cook, the Parish Director of Operations and Stewardship. During this last school year both have worked with Mrs. Reagan and myself in the vision and strategic planning of the school. We built a strong team that will be able to offer robust support for a gentle transition into new leadership both in the Parish and the School.

We are working with the assistance of the Office of Catholic Schools in setting up the process of hiring a new principal. I have full trust in Anne Arias and Dave Cook to lead successfully with the Pastor this process and to transform it into an opportunity to continue improving and growing our school.

As we look forward, we entrust our efforts, as we do always, to Mary, Queen of Apostles, our Patroness.

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



Divine Mercy

"From all My wounds, like from streams, mercy flows for souls, but the wound in My Heart is the fountain of unfathomable mercy.
From this fountain spring all graces for souls.
The flames of compassion burn Me.
I desire greatly to pour them out upon souls.
Speak to the whole world about My mercy."

(Jesus to Saint Faustina, Diary 1190)

Nourishing Our Souls With Holy Scripture

Readings for Next Week

Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

ls 66:10-14C Ps 66:1-3, 4-5, 6-7, 16, 20

GAL 6:14-18 Lk 10:1-12, 17-20

Fr. Leopoldo - June 30 Farewell Reception We thank Fr. Leopoldo for his devoted leadership and prayerful service to Queen of Apostles these past six years. A farewell reception will take place this Sunday, Jun. 30, from 4 to 8 pm in St. Joseph's Hall (School Gymnasium).

Please Note The Parish Office will close on **Jul. 4** in observance of Independence Day. There will be one Mass celebrated at 9 am. The Adoration Chapel will close at 8 pm Wednesday, **Jul. 3** and will reopen after the 6:30 am Mass on Monday, **Jul. 8**.

Speak, Lord, your servant is listening; you have the words of everlasting life.

First Sunday Food Collection Thank you for your continuing support of the ACCA food collection on the First Sunday of each month. The next collection is on **Jul. 7**. All nonperishable foods are needed in the food pantry. Also needed are hand soaps, small bottles of detergent, shampoos, and dish soaps.

Local Musicians Lead Praise and Worship Join us for prayer, praise and worship on the second Tuesday of each month at St. Leo Catholic Church in Fairfax, from 7:30-8:30 pm. Holy Hour on Tuesday, Jul. 9 will feature popular musical artist Michelle Jacobeen. Our special intention will be for the conversion and healing in families. Confession will be available. To learn more, please visit www.arlingtondiocese.org/healingandconversion/ or email info@helpafterabortion.org.

Hope for Troubled Marriages Are you looking for help and healing in your marriage? Sign up for the Retrouvaille retreat weekend that has helped tens of thousands of couples at all stages of disillusionment or misery find hope and renewal in their marriages. The retreat will take place in Fairfax from Jul. 19-21. To learn more call us at (703) 351-7211 or go to www.HelpOurMarriage.com. The cost is \$300. No one is ever denied the chance to heal their marriage due to financial challenges and assistance is available.

Volunteers Needed to Help Divine Mercy Care Please consider volunteering this summer for Divine Mercy Care (age 18+). The ideal candidate would have an interest in furthering pro-life healthcare and be available to come into the office one or more days each week for a few hours at a time between the hours of 10 am-6 pm. DMC needs volunteers willing to make phone calls, do administrative work, arrange upcoming events, plan the Gala, and become church captains. If interested please email info@divinemercycare.org.

Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time Masses this Week

Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time - June 30:

7:30 am +Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Thach, Sr.

9:00 am +Christina Lynem

10:30 am Living and Deceased Parishioners12:00 pm +Rodrigo Cestti and Salome Cestti

Saint Junípero Serra - Monday, July 1:

6:30 am +Raymond Floren 9:00 am +Carlos Suarez

Tuesday, July 2:

6:30 am +Aurora Alombro 9:00 am +Andrew Lynem

Saint Thomas - Wednesday, July 3:

6:30 am (L) Elizabeth Aveni 9:00 am +Marcos de Jesus

<u>Independence Day - Thursday, July 4:</u>

9:00 am (L) Connie King

Saint Anthony Zaccaria - Friday, July 5:

6:30 am (L) Timothy Cook 9:00 am +Bertha Barbi

Saint Maria Goretti - Saturday, July 6:

8:00 am +Jet Battley 5:00 pm (L) Trippi Penlano 8:00 pm +Carmen Solis

Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time - July 7:

7:30 am +Robert and Elizabeth Matava

9:00 am +Dolores Perez

10:30 am Living and Deceased Parishioners

12:00 pm + Melanio Palugod

You will show me the path to life, fullness of joys in your presence, the delights at your right hand forever.



Please pray for the members of our parish who are ill Claire Reilly, Jin C. Navarro, Kevin Bonko, Leo Monterroso, Etelvina 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 Blan-

sett, 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 Spraht, Consuelo Jocson, Cheryl McGlynn, Theresa Corcoran, Cordelia Carcamo