

# QUEEN OF APOSTLES CATHOLIC CHURCH

*God our Father, who called Saint Frances Xavier Cabrini from Italy to serve the immigrants of America, by her example, teach us to have concern for the stranger, the sick, and all those in need, and by her prayers help us to see Christ in all the men and women we meet. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, you Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.*

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## CLERGY

Fr. Juan Espino, DCJM, Pastor  
Fr. Javier O'Connor, DCJM, Parochial Vicar  
Fr. Jaime de Cendra, 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

## EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Monday 7:00 am through Saturday 7:45 am

## QUEEN OF APOSTLES CATHOLIC SCHOOL

4409 Sano Street,  
Alexandria, VA 22312  
Mrs. Anne Arias, 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. Parish registration forms are available in the Church vestibule and at the Parish Office, located at 4329 Sano Street (next 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-mailing [general@queenofapostles.org](mailto:general@queenofapostles.org)

*Mary, Queen of Apostles, pray for us.*

**Religious Education** Classes meet on **Sundays, 9-10:15am** at QofA School. Doors open at 8:30 a.m. to allow families enough time to sign-in. Each Sunday, a parent is to sign-in and sign-out their student. Religious Education will **not** meet **Dec. 1, 22, and 29, 2019**. If you have an RE tuition balance, please pay by Dec. 2.

The registration form and fee from baptized students in grade 8 and high school who desire Confirmation was due Nov. 3, 2019. The Confirmation patron saint report/poster is due **Dec. 8, 2019**. The registration form and fee from baptized students in grade 2 and above who desire the Sacraments of Reconciliation and Holy Communion are due **Dec. 8, 2019**. The Rite of Acceptance for unbaptized students is **Sun, Dec 1** during the 10:30am Mass. Students and their godparents are to attend and sit in the first row closest to the Presider's Chair.

**Veteran's Day** The Parish Office and Adoration Chapel will be closed this **Monday, Nov. 11** in observance of Veteran's Day. There will be only one Mass celebrated at 9 am.

**Emmaus** High school students are invited to join Emmaus next Saturday evening, **November 16**, from **8-10 pm** at Christendom Graduate School (CGS) for fellowship, activities, faith discussions, and prayer. For more information, contact Sarah Calvino at [s.calvino@queenofapostles.org](mailto:s.calvino@queenofapostles.org) or text QofA to 84576 to join our contact list and receive information about upcoming events.

**Women's Group** The Women's Group will hold their regular meeting on **Wednesday, Nov. 13 at 10:00 am**. Please join us to hear our speaker, Beth Whitehead, Director of The MaRiH Center. The center, operating since 1974, serves all who seek help with pregnancy and the needs for their child. All parishioners are invited. We hope to see you there!

**Bulletin Deadline** The deadline for submitting announcements for the **Nov. 17** bulletin is Monday, **Nov. 11**. Please email announcements to [general@queenofapostles.org](mailto:general@queenofapostles.org)

**Thank You** for your generous contribution to the Poor Box. This weekend's collection will go toward **ACCA** and the **Missionaries of Charity**. Next weekend's collection will go toward **Christ House**.

**RCIA** RCIA English and Spanish will *not* meet on Veterans Day, **Nov. 11**

RCIA students are to attend The Rite of Acceptance and Rite of Welcoming on **Sat, Nov 30** at 7pm Mass (Spanish) or **Sun, Dec 1** at 10:30am Mass(English). The RCIA catechumens (unbaptized) and candidates (baptized) are to attend with their godparents/sponsors. Please sit in the first row closest to the Presider's Chair.



RCIA attendees who have not yet submitted birth (and as applicable, baptismal and marriage) certificates are asked to do so by **Dec. 2**. Baptismal certificates must be dated in the last 6 months.

## To Progress in Love: Ignatian Spiritual Exercises

Queen of Apostles invites you to a weekend of Spiritual Exercises led by Fr. Javier O'Connor, DCJM that seeks to foster spiritual growth and an intimate encounter with God through reflections and contemplation in the silence of prayers. It is a three day retreat held at the San Damiano Spiritual Life Center from **Feb. 13 - Feb.16, 2020**. Registration is now open. Please consider signing up early as spots fill up quickly by calling the Parish office at 703-354-8711.



**Vocations Crucifix** Families at Queen of Apostles are invited to host the Vocations Crucifix for one week. The Vocations Crucifix Program is a means of developing prayer and devotion among our parish families, the seed beds of vocations. During a weekend Mass, a family receives the crucifix and hosts it for a week. The crucifix is placed in a place of honor so the family can gather daily to pray for and promote vocations to the priesthood and religious life. To sign-up, please contact Susan Gray at 703-354-8711 or [s.gray@queenofapostles.org](mailto:s.gray@queenofapostles.org)

**Third Saturday Pro-life Prayer Vigil** Join QofA's Pro-life group in praying outside the Alexandria Abortion Clinic (5999 Stevenson Ave #403, Alexandria, VA 22304 ) **Saturday, November 16**. We will begin the morning by attending the 8:00 am Mass. Directly following the Mass, all will reconvene outside the abortion facility to pray. Invite a friend!

## Pastor's Letter

November reminds us of our call to greatness. We began the month with the Solemnity of All Saints, inviting us to grow in desire for an intimacy, a communion with God, as did the psalmist: "One thing I ask of the Lord; this is seek: to dwell in the Lord's house all the days of my life, to gaze on the Lord's beauty, to visit his temple." (Psalm 27)



This pilgrimage toward this communion with God passes through the fine curtain of death, the moment at which our hearts will be examined. Our faith tells us that that there is heaven and hell, and that given our brokenness and sinfulness some who are destined to enter heaven must first be purified in purgatory. The month of November is dedicated to prayer and offering sacrifices for the faithful departed who dwell in purgatory, invoking God's mercy upon them. Consider this month offering for a loved one a Mass, a rosary as a family, or a visit to the adoration chapel. This is part of the greatness of our faith. Because we are a Communion of Faith, we can request the intercession of the saints who already contemplate the face of God in heaven, and, in turn, we can pray for the souls in purgatory.

During the month of November, the Church makes present in a special way the things that will occur to man at the end of his life: death, judgment, heaven, hell. "Death puts an end to human life as the time open to either accepting or rejecting the divine grace manifested in Christ" (Catechism of the Catholic Church, 1021). "In a particular judgment that refers his life to Christ: either entrance into the blessedness of heaven – through a purification or immediately – or immediate and everlasting damnation." (CCC 1022) "At the evening of life, we shall be judged on our love," according to St. John of the Cross.

The Liturgy invites all of us this month to meditate on these truths, as the liturgical year comes to an end. On the last Sunday of the Liturgical year, we will celebrate Christ the King. Our pilgrimage on this earth is a preparation to meet this King who happens to be Love itself. May God's grace help us turn back to the Lord, to walk with the hope of one who desires that fullness of life in an intimate communion with God.

~Fr. Juan Espino, DCJM

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**Mass with Healing Service** The Diocese of Arlington's Healing Ministry will host a Mass with Healing Service at the Basilica of Saint Mary on **Thurs., Nov. 14**. Father John Melmer will celebrate Mass at 7:30 pm and the healing prayer service will begin after Mass is finished. Confessions will be available. During the healing prayer service, those attending are invited to be prayed with individually by a priest or another member of the lay healing ministry team. This is not intended to be a substitute for the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick. Why should you attend a healing prayer service? Who are healing prayer services for? What happens during a healing prayer service? Father Melmer answers these questions and more in a podcast on the Basilica's website: <https://stmaryoldtown.org/fr-melmer-healing-service>

### **St. Lucy Food Project- Manassas**

**Warehouse** Feeding the hungry and nourishing soul! St. Lucy Food Project is in need of Volunteer Food Wranglers. A food wrangler will unpack food from bags, check dates, sort food into categories, pack boxes with no more than 40 pounds of food, label, date and seal boxes up for delivery. Hours of operation are Monday through Friday 9:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. There are some Saturday and Sunday opportunities available. If interested please contact the Volunteer Coordinator: Elizabeth Gibbons at 703-479-2975 ext. 100 or e-mail to [Elizabeth.gibbons@ccda.net](mailto:Elizabeth.gibbons@ccda.net)



**Pray with Bishop Burbidge for Miscarriage and Infant Loss** You are invited to join Bishop Burbidge in a Novena to Our Lady of Guadalupe for couples struggling with infertility, miscarriages or infant loss. The novena starts on Wednesday, **December 4** and ends on **Thursday, December 12**, the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe. A concluding Mass will be offered by Father Richard Dyer at St. Charles Borromeo Catholic Church in Arlington at **7 p.m.** on **December 12**. To receive the novena prayers, text "novena19" to 84576 or for emails, sign up at [www.arlingtondiocese.org/novena19](http://www.arlingtondiocese.org/novena19) and select "Novena with Bishop Burbidge 2019" when prompted.

## This Week In Our Parish

### Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time - November 10:

School	9:00-10:15 am Religious Education
School Gym	11:30 am-7pm CYO Basketball
Hannan Hall	2:00 pm-5:30pm Ghana Group
Adoration Chapel	6:00-8:00 pm Prayer Group

### Monday, November 11:

Parish Center & Notre Dame 7:30-9:00 pm RCIA

### Tuesday, November 12:

Hannan Hall	10:00-11:30 am Adult Bible Study
Hannan Hall	3:00-5:00 pm Children's Choir Practice
Parish Center	5:45-7:15 pm Adult Bible Study
Hannan Hall	7:00-9:00 pm Choir Practice

### Wednesday, November 13:

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

### Thursday, November 14:

Parish Office	6:30-8:00 pm Legion of Mary
Church	7:30-8:30 pm Holy Hour

### Friday, November 15:

Adoration Chapel	3:00-4:00 pm Divine Mercy Chaplet
Hannan Hall	6:00-10:00 pm Couples for Christ

### Saturday, November 16:

Parish Center	12:00-5:00 pm Christian Life Program
School	4:00-6:30 pm Spanish Prayer Group
School	7:00-9:00 pm Ghana Choir Practice
Notre Dame Graduate School	8:00-10:00 pm Emmaus

**Bishop O'Connell Youth Music Festival** Students in 6th-8th grades are invited to Bishop O'Connell High School in Arlington on **Sat., Nov 16**, from **9 a.m.-1 p.m.** to participate in a morning of music clinics, workshops and performances, and an opportunity to get a taste of a high school music class. There is no fee to attend this event. Lunch is included, and all attendees receive a free ticket to that weekend's O'Connell Players' musical "Guys and Dolls." RSVP at [www.bishopoconnell.org/youthmusic](http://www.bishopoconnell.org/youthmusic).

**Love and Mercy: Faustina Movie** If you missed the Oct 28 showing of "Love and Mercy: Faustina.", area theaters will again show the docudrama of **Mon, Dec. 2 at 7pm.**

**Visit the Adoration Chapel during our hours of need!** 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:



- **Wed. 12 midnight-1 am** \*Critical need for a permanent adorer\* Contact Alexa Urban at (703) 241-1096 or [moleski47@gmail.com](mailto:moleski47@gmail.com) for these hours of need
- **Tues 3-4 pm; Wed 1-5 pm; Thurs 3-4 pm; Fri 2-3 pm** \*Critical need for a permanent adorer  
Contact Rosalie Mainey at (703) 256-5765 or [rosalieam@msn.com](mailto:rosalieam@msn.com) for these hours of need

## Vocations



**"May the Lord direct your hearts to the love of God."** Are you being called to love the Lord with an undivided heart as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life?

Call Fr. Michael Isenberg, (703) 841-2514, or write: [michael.isenberg@arlingtondiocese.org](mailto:michael.isenberg@arlingtondiocese.org)

**Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time** For an increase in vocations to the priesthood and consecrated life, that young people will be open to God's call in their lives, and respond generously to give their lives to Him in the service of the Church, we pray to the Lord.

### **Days of Recollection for Men and Women Discerners**

Could Christ be calling you to the priesthood or religious life? Take a step to find out. The Office of Vocations will hold a day retreat for men on **Sat., Dec. 14**, and a day retreat for women on **Sun., Dec. 15**. Both run from 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. and are open to those 18 years and older. Religious sisters will be present for the women, and seminarians, priests and men religious will be at the men's retreat. For more information and to register contact the Office of Vocations, 703-841-2514 or [vocations@arlingtondiocese.org](mailto:vocations@arlingtondiocese.org) Deadline to sign up is **Dec 6**.

*"Lord, if your people need me, I will not refuse the work. Your will be done." - St. Martin of Tours*



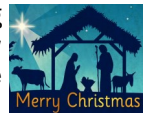
### **Knights of Columbus Council, Pope John Paul II 4522**

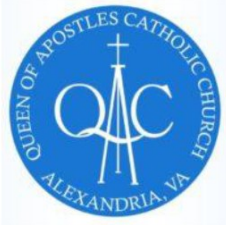
**Remembrance Mass** Please join the Pope John Paul II Council Knights and their families at a special Remembrance Mass, **Wednesday, November 13th at 7:00 PM**. The Knights will pray for and remember those Council Knights that have joined the Lord this past year. This is a full Mass, led by Fr. Juan Espino. ALL parishioners are invited to attend!

**Coats for Kids Drive** The Knights of Columbus Council, Pope John Paul II 4522 will be again collecting cash/check donations for the annual Coats for Kids drive next weekend, **November 9th/10th**. We need to raise \$1,200 to order a case (the minimum order) of winter coats—we're not quite halfway there. As little as \$20 will provide a child with a new winter coat, but all donations will be greatly appreciated.



**Keep Christ in Christmas** by sending beautiful, religious, Christmas cards that show the beauty and truth of Christmas Day. Share the good news of the birth of Jesus Christ with your family and friends with reasonably priced Knights of Columbus Religious Christmas cards. These Christmas messages will be available after all Masses in the vestibule next weekend. *Please Note:* Proceeds from Christmas Card sales go directly to support our Diocesan seminarians.





# Queen of Apostles Towards A Family of Families



## CALLING ALL VOLUNTEERS

PLEASE JOIN US AS WE MAKE OUR VISION A REALITY

There will be six “Phone-a-thons” where volunteers gather, eat pizza, and work together to contact parishioners.

OUR ORIENTATION MEETING IS ON **MONDAY, NOVEMBER 18 at 6:30 P.M. at ALL SAINTS HALL in Queen of Apostles Catholic School.**

PLEASE CALL OR EMAIL JAMIE BINGNER TO RSVP: (202) 657-8448 OR  
[j.bingner@queenofapostles.org](mailto:j.bingner@queenofapostles.org).

### Renovate the Church interior

- Church Organ
- Confessional Renovation
- Audio System Upgrades
- Lighting Improvements
- Vestibule Bathrooms
- HVAC

### Renovate our School

- Continuing Renovations
- Replacing Bathrooms
- Expanding Green Space

### Transform the Parish Office Space

- Increased space for ministry and community gatherings



### What are the **next steps**?

In the coming weeks, every family will have the opportunity to participate in this historic effort by a personal visit or a call from a dedicated parishioner serving on behalf of Father Juan. When that time comes, please approach the campaign with an **open heart**.

**Please pray for the continued success of our campaign.**

**May God Bless you!**

**One More Reception!**

**Monday,  
November 11**

**6:30 p.m.**

**Hannan Hall**

**Join Us to  
Learn more  
about the  
Campaign!**

## Nourishing Our Souls With Holy Scripture


### Readings for Next Week

#### Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

MAL 3:19-20A  
2 THES 3:7-12

PS 98: 5-6, 7-8, 9  
LK 21:5-19

*Praised be Jesus Christ, now and forever!*

**Give a Gift for Life** Please give a  Gift for Life this season to help Gabriel Project fund a mother's maternity care. An expectant mother wrote: "I contacted Gabriel Project because I had an unplanned pregnancy. I received emotional help and the baby resources that I needed. Gabriel Project Angels helped me to have faith and courage . . . I am so relieved that they were able to help me keep this baby as abortion would have been the biggest regret of my life." For more information and/or to donate: [www.arlingtondiocese.org/giftforlife](http://www.arlingtondiocese.org/giftforlife)

### Local Musicians Lead Praise and Worship

Join us for prayer, praise and worship on the 2nd Tues of each month at St. Leo Catholic Church in Fairfax from 7:30-8:30 p.m. The next Holy Hour will be held on **Tues. Nov 12**. Valerie Repetski will be the musical guest while Kenny Kohlhaas will perform on **Dec. 10**. Our special intention will be for the conversion and healing in families. To learn more visit [www.arlingtondiocese.org/healingandconversion/](http://www.arlingtondiocese.org/healingandconversion/) or email [info@helpafterabortion.org](mailto:info@helpafterabortion.org)

**Sign Up For the Diocesan E-Newsletter!** Receive special video messages from our bishop, learn about opportunities to get involved, and be the first to know the news about our Diocese. Sign up here: <http://bit.ly/CDASignup>

## Queen of Apostles Catholic School



Please take time to visit our school! If you are interested in having your child shadow a student, or if you would like a tour of the school, please contact the school office at 703-354-0714 or visit [queenofapostlesschool.org](http://queenofapostlesschool.org) for more information.

**Looking for Ways to Support our School?** It is as simple as shopping on Amazon or buying your groceries at Harris Teeter!

**Harris Teeter:** Ask a clerk to link your VIC card to code 4260 for Queen of Apostles School or sign up at [bit.ly/QATeeter](http://bit.ly/QATeeter)

**Amazon:** Shop through **AmazonSmile** ([bit.ly/QAAmazon](http://bit.ly/QAAmazon)) and choose Queen of Apostles School as your charity.

## Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time Masses this Week

### Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time - November 10:

7:30 am +John Barsch  
9:00 am +Christina Lynem  
10:30 am Living and Deceased Parishioners  
12:00 pm +All Souls Day Novena

### St. Martin of Tours - Monday, November 11:

9:00 am (L) Penny Deith

### St. Josaphat - Tuesday, November 12:

6:30 am +Anna Nguyen Thi Vien  
9:00 am +Mary Tuat Thi Nguyen

### St. Frances Xavier Cabrini - Wednesday, November 13:

6:30 am +David Gonzalez  
9:00 am +Mary Tuat Thi Nguyen

### Thursday, November 14:

6:30 am +Olga Alvarez  
9:00 am +Giuse Nguyen Xuan Phung

### Friday, November 15:

6:30 am +Josefa Patriarca Artuz  
9:00 am +Giuse Nguyen Xuan Phung

### St. Margaret of Scotland & St. Gertrude, November 16:

8:00 am +Mary Nguyen Thi Tiuy  
5:00 pm +Struan Pinto Victoria  
7:00 pm +Edgar Teran

### Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time - November 17:

7:30 am In Thanksgiving  
9:00 am +Marcel Dupuy  
10:30 am Living and Deceased Parishioners  
12:00 pm +Giuse Phung Xuan Nguyen

*"I will go anywhere and do anything in order to communicate the love of Jesus to those who do not know Him or have forgotten Him." - St. Frances Xavier Cabrini*



### Please pray for the members of our parish who are ill

Claire Reilly, Jin C. Navarro, Leo Monterroso, Etelvina León-Duarte, George and Ginny Cook, Olivia Castillo Anis, 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 Trozardo, 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, Kathleen Donohoe, Mark Bush, Margaret Peiffer, David Stemcosky, Rita Sulit, Jason Banis, Emma Collins, Juana Mejia, Lisa Nyce, Monique Brooks, Debby Spracht, Consuelo Jocson, Cheryl McGlynn, Theresa Corcoran, Cordelia Carcamo, Russ and Jill Amerling, Dorothy Norpel, Kathy Ippolito, Michael Black, Delaney Liskey, Dean Richardson, Margaret Fiore, Joseph Barnoski