



QUEEN OF APOSTLES CATHOLIC CHURCH

As we venerate the glorious memory of the most holy Virgin Mary, grant, we pray, O Lord, through her intercession, that we, too, may merit to receive from the fullness of your grace. 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. Juan Espino, 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 7:00 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

Mary, Queen of Apostles, pray for us.

Religious Education For their professional development, 8 of our Religious Education catechists/aides attended the Diocesan Catechetical Conference, Stay with the Us.

On **Sunday, Nov 24** at 10:15am in All Saints Hall, Religious Education families are invited to a potluck breakfast. Please confirm with Mrs. Barrios your attendance and what food/drink you will share.

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.

Emmaus High school students are invited to join Emmaus next Saturday evening, **November 23**, 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 or text QofA to 84576 to join our contact list and receive information about upcoming events.

Nazareth is this **Mon., Nov. 18**, from 4-5:30pm. All 4th and 5th grade students are invited to attend. For more information please contact Sarah Calvino at s.calvino@queenofapostles.org

Christ the King The **November 24** Mass at 12 noon will conclude with a Eucharistic procession by the clergy. This Feast highlights Christ's sovereignty over all creation, including human history.

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**.

RCIA 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

PSSJ Christmas Fair Join the Poor Sisters of St. Joseph for their annual Christmas Fair on **Sat., Nov. 23, 9 a.m. to 9 p.m.** for delicious Argentinian empanadas (a classic favorite!), Salvadorean pupusas, Puerto Rican rice, and many other delightful treats. There will be a raffle of various gift baskets, beautiful Christmas decoration, and many other items to purchase just in time for Christmas. They are located at 4319 Sano Street in Alexandria and can be reached at (703) 354-0395.



Pastor's Letter

The seminarian who visited last week, Peter St. George, for Vocations Awareness Weekend, had an opportunity to partake in some of our regular weekend activities. On Saturday evening, he joined the Emmaus youth group for Holy Hour in the chapel of the Christendom building. The next day, following the 7:30 AM Mass, we visited with several classrooms in the Religious Education Program, which is truly thriving! We have 20 catechists and 8 volunteers serving a total of 172 students (K-12), many of whom have already received sacraments but continue to attend. This year, we have introduced a series of talks in Spanish to offer parents an opportunity to continue forming themselves while their children are in class. A group of ___ volunteers are leading talks on the first 1000 years of Church history. RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) is also bursting at the seams with many adults wanting to join our Catholic faith or to receive a sacrament they had not received. Fr. James is leading a group of 12 adults in English, and Fr. Javier is leading a group of 12 in Spanish. Both groups meet Monday evenings.

After Peter spoke at all the Masses on Sunday and before lunch, he and I went to visit one of our long-time ushers – Mr. Kim Ching. You may recall that he suffered a fall in the vestibule and has been recovering since. Mr. Ching, 94 years old, served as an usher at Queen of Apostles for approximately 37 years. It was an amazing visit and very opportune given that the next day was Veteran's day. Mr. Ching served in the Air Force. Mr. Ching promised to continue to pray for our parish, especially for the gift of vocations. Our homebound form an incredible army that offer their sufferings and prayers for us. I am edified by his serenity in carrying his cross; in the hours I have shared with him, I have never heard one complaint. God bless him.

Speaking of vocations, did you know that another young man professed temporary vows (3 years) of poverty, chastity and obedience with our religious order? Erik Reuter is the third native of Colorado to begin his formation to the priesthood as a member of the Disciples. In addition, there are four other recent high school graduates from Colorado who are spending a year in our House of Formation in Spain desiring to confirm God's plan for them. I look forward to a time when young men from Queen of Apostles will also want to serve God and his Church in the family of the Disciples.

During our 9 AM Mass this Sunday, to begin Discover Catholic Schools Week strong, we will offer a special blessing to our Queen of Apostles school teachers. Under this school year's theme, *That you may have life*, our very dedicated and talented teachers continue to form our students in virtues, through practices as well as great literature. Fr. James, school chaplain, has introduced a great program at the school; it began one week ago with the fourth graders. This week, offer a prayer for our teachers, call and schedule a visit to our school. Come see what's new!

As November continues, let us lift our hearts and our thoughts to great things. It is an opportunity to remember our own call to a union with God and to consider how I can direct my life and my relationships toward him.



Discover Catholic Schools Week: *Discover Queen of Apostles School and our amazing teachers!*

What's new at the school? I am glad to share with you a beautiful program that began on November 8, during the school Mass. It is called **Post Sacramental Program** and it is addressed to grades 4th through 8th. The goal of this program is to help our students understand and live the sacraments as new paths that are opened the moment the sacrament is received. We are not done the moment we receive the sacrament; rather, they become a new beginning that lead us to heaven. In order to maintain that tension we have the help of sacramentals, signs that reminds us who we are and what we are called to. Sacramentals predispose us to receive God's grace.



Every grade will receive a sign in a ceremony that will take place within the Friday's school Mass. Already our 4th graders received from their parents the Scapular as a reminder and a sign that they have Mary as a mother and intercessor. Many parents attended the Mass and were able to impose the Scapular to their own children. On November 22nd, our 5th graders will receive the Rosary and will commit to pray it on a regular basis. It would be our pleasure and an honor if you could assist the School Mass and share with us this path. Look forward to seeing you there!

Fr. James, School Chaplain

This Week In Our Parish

Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time - November 17:

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 18:

Hannan Hall	4:00-5:00 pm	Nazareth
Parish Center & Notre Dame	7:30-9:00 pm	RCIA

Tuesday, November 19:

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 20:

Hannan Hall	7:00-9:00 pm	Ghana Prayer Group
Parish Center 2nd Floor	7:30-8:45 pm	Spanish Baptism Class

Thursday, November 21:

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

Friday, November 22:

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

Saturday, November 23:

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

Readings for Next Week

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

2 SAM 5:1-3

PS 122: 5-6, 7-8, 9

COL 1:12-20

LK 23:35-43

Lectors Needed! Our parish had a successful Ministry Fair in September – however, we're still in need of volunteers to serve as Lectors/Readers at the 7:30 Sunday Masses. If you're interested, please see the Lector after Mass, or please contact the parish office.

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 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 for these hours of need

Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time Masses this Week

Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time - November 17:

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

St. Rose Philippine Duchesne - Monday, November 18:

6:30 am	+Juanita Villanueva
9:00 am	+Mary Nguyen Thi Tuy

Tuesday, November 19:

6:30 am	+Daniel Akaka and for the intentions of his family
9:00 am	+Mary Tuy Thi Nguyen

Wednesday, November 20:

6:30 am	+William (Billy) Bergen
9:00 am	+Ann Hetsko

The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary- Thursday, November 21:

6:30 am	+Sharon Rank
9:00 am	+Romeo and Milagros Layson

St. Cecilia- Friday, November 22:

6:30 am	+Patraic Kelly
9:00 am	+Gregorio Pereira

Bl. Miguel Agustin Pro - November 23:

8:00 am	(L) Tom and Katherine Johnson
5:00 pm	+Terance D'Souza
7:00 pm	+Deceased members of the Legion of Mary

Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe - November 24:

7:30 am	+Margaret Mary Decker
9:00 am	(L) Nick Serban
10:30 am	Living and Deceased Parishioners
12:00 pm	+Alice Jean Christman

Arise, soldiers of Christ! - St. Cecilia

Thanksgiving Closures The Parish Office and Adoration Chapel will be closed on **Thanksgiving Day, Nov. 28** and **Nov. 29**. The Adoration Chapel will close at 6 p.m. on **Nov. 27**. There will be only one Mass celebrated on Thanksgiving Day at 9 am.



Bulletin Deadline and Upcoming Early Deadline The deadline for submitting announcements for the **Nov. 24** bulletin is **Monday, Nov. 18**. The deadline for submitting announcements for the **Dec. 1** bulletin is **Wednesday, Nov. 20**. Please email announcements to general@queenofapostles.org

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 most weekends until December. 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.



2018-19 Annual Report

Long overdue, we are attaching to this bulletin the financial report – our income and balance sheet statements - for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2019. Looking into the future, we are working on a strategy to make our school sustainable. Already, our new school principal is finding ways to reduce expenses, and together we are putting together a plan to increase our enrollment. The Capital Campaign will help us make some needed upgrades in our school. So as to not add more financial burdens to the parish, we are also seeking alternative ways to address unexpected needs, such as asking parishioner volunteers to help paint different areas of the school and to temporarily address leaks in our roof. Next, we need to replace the computers that our teachers use. Windows 7 is becoming obsolete and our current systems are too old for the new software.

The income statement shows a total expense of \$540,280. These have to do with capital expenditures. In anticipation of Capital Campaign funds, some investments were made prior to the funds being available. These investments include the new organ, consulting fees for the Capital Campaign feasibility study, and architectural fees for initial designs. The expenditures also include expenses associated with the renovation of the new property acquired by Queen of Apostles on Applegarth Court, right beside the school building currently used by Christendom College.

"Other Liabilities" in the balance sheet total \$547,802. This represents money in our bank accounts that belong to the Ghana Catholic Community. And the "Loans Payable" total, \$362,905, is the loan associated with the new property mentioned above.

As we move forward, I am collaborating with our Finance Council and using diocesan resources for guidance to strengthen our finances. In this vein, we are seeking ways to keep you informed of the status and challenges of our parish family. Beginning today, we include the weekly collection totals in the bulletin for your information. Your offertory donations help us address ordinary expenses (i.e., salaries, utilities, etc.). The second collections (with the exception of the school collections) are forwarded directly to the diocese, who manages these monies.

Thank you for your continued generosity, and for trusting us to be good stewards.

October 2019 Collections

	Sunday Collection	Faith Direct	Total	Budget
Offertory	\$ 43,234.06	\$ 27,437.66	\$ 70,671.72	\$ 79,166.00
Second Collections: World Missions			\$ 4,205.00	

November 2019 * without Faith Direct	November 2-3, 2019	November 9-10, 2019	Total
Sunday Collection	\$ 13,095.00	\$ 11,657.00	\$ 24,752.00
Second Collections:	\$ 3,634.00	\$ 4,881.00	\$ 8,515.00

*November 2-3, 2019: Primarily for Retired Religious

*November 9-10, 2019: Primarily for Archdiocese of Military Services



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 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, 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, Russ and Jill Amerling, Dorothy Norpel, Michael Black, Delaney Liskey, Dean Richardson, Margaret Fiore

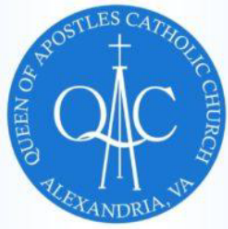
Registration for Christendom Graduate School's Spring Semester is Now Open!



It runs from **January 13–May 2**. Register now to receive the early bird discount! Courses are offered on campus in Alexandria and are also available online in both live and prerecorded formats. This Spring, students will explore topics in Sacred Scripture, Christology, philosophy, Church history, sexual and biomedical ethics, the Crusades, Latin and much more! Courses may be taken for credit toward a Master's degree or certificate. Casual students and auditors are also welcome. There is a special discount rate for catechists, seniors and religious. For more details, please visit our website <https://graduate.christendom.edu> or contact the office at 703-658-4303 or email graduate@christendom.edu. Graduate School now celebrates 50 years of forming the faithful. Join today!

Queen of Apostles Parish
Report to Parishioners
 FY19 Financial Report

	Income Statement		
	Church	School	Parish
REVENUE SOURCES			
Offeritory/Tuition Related Income	1,026,789	1,047,185	2,073,974
Ministry	168,524	-	168,524
School	-	265,199	
Other Sources	195,877	77,429	273,307
TOTAL OPERATING INCOME	\$ 1,391,190	\$ 1,389,813	\$ 2,515,804
EXPENDITURES			
Clergy	124,102	-	124,102
Staffing	605,510	1,236,556	1,842,067
Ministry	128,653	-	128,653
School	107,101	101,424	
Buildings	204,501	157,373	361,874
Admin	220,878	59,862	280,740
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSE	\$ 1,390,745	\$ 1,555,215	\$ 2,945,961
NET OPERATING SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)	\$ 445	\$ (165,402)	\$ (164,958)
OTHER INCOME AND EXPENSE			
Campaign/Extraordinary Income	18,869	-	18,869
Capital Expendures/Renovations	540,280	-	540,280
NET OTHER INCOME (EXPENSE)	\$ (521,411)	\$ -	\$ (521,411)
NET SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)	\$ (520,967)	\$ (165,402)	\$ (686,369)
	Balance Sheet		
	Church	School	Parish
ASSETS			
Operating Accounts	64,854	41,924	106,778
DIAL Savings	995,193	205,247	1,200,440
Fixed Assets	-	-	-
Endowment Investments	-	-	-
Other Assets	5,000	11,018	16,018
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 1,065,047	\$ 258,188	\$ 1,323,236
LIABILITIES			
Accounts Payable	6,474	1,489	7,963
Loans Payable	362,905	-	362,905
Deferred Revenue	-	58,579	58,579
Other Liabilities	547,802	11,207	559,009
TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$ 917,181	\$ 71,275	\$ 988,456
NET ASSETS			
Unrestricted	105,848	123,344	229,192
Temporarily Restricted	42,018	13,569	55,587
Permanently Restricted	-	50,000	50,000
TOTAL NET ASSETS	\$ 147,866	\$ 186,913	\$ 334,779
TOTAL LIABILITIES & NET ASSETS	\$ 1,065,047	\$ 258,188	\$ 1,323,235



Queen of Apostles Towards A Family of Families



**Learn more about the campaign projects!
Parishioners will be making calls 6pm-8pm on:**

Wednesday, November 20

Thursday, November 21

Tuesday, November 26

Tuesday, December 3

Thursday, December 5

Monday, December 9

These calls are an opportunity to learn more about the projects and support our parish home. Please be open to these calls.

What is the focus of **this campaign?**

The campaign is focused on essential upgrades of our most sacred and highly used spaces.

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's the difference between your offering and the **Toward a Family of Families Campaign?**

Your weekly offering is essential to the day to day operations of Queen of Apostles. *Toward a Family of Families Campaign* focuses on select, urgent needs that will benefit the future of our parish.

Why are we doing this project?

- Our worship space, the heart of our parish, needs upgrades to enhance the celebration of the liturgy.
- We have grown to more than 1,400 active families.
- We want to strengthen our ministries by providing functional, safe and flexible meeting spaces.

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!**