



# QUEEN OF APOSTLES CATHOLIC CHURCH

*Almighty ever-living God, whose will is to restore all things in your beloved Son, the King of the universe, grant, we pray, that the whole creation, set free from slavery, may render your majesty service and ceaselessly proclaim your praise. 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. 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,  
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# Feast of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

Sunday, November 24

12 p.m. High Mass

Eucharistic Procession to follow led by clergy

**Religious Education** On **Sunday, Nov 24** at 10:15am in All Saints Hall, Religious Education families are invited to a potluck breakfast. Please bring food/drink to share. Thank you to our RE moms for organizing this community event. Religious Education will not meet **Dec 1, 22, and 29, 2019**. If you have an RE tuition balance, please pay by **Dec 2**. The patron saint report/poster is due **Dec. 8, 2019** from students in grade 8-high school who desire the Sacrament of Confirmation. 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.

**Bulletin Deadline** The deadline for submitting announcements for the **Dec, 1** bulletin was **Nov. 20**. The deadline for submitting announcements for the **Dec. 8** bulletin is **Dec. 2**. Please email announcements to [general@queenofapostles.org](mailto:general@queenofapostles.org)

**Christmas Bazaar** The Women's Group will hold their annual Christmas Bazaar featuring gift items, baked goods and jewelry after all masses on **Sunday, Dec. 8th**. The sale will be held in Hannan Hall. Please mark your calendar. We hope to see you there!

**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.

**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.

**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, if possible. 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 in Spanish** 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 in Spanish 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)

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



## Pastor's Letter

### Christ the King of the Universe

Today we conclude our liturgical year. The whole year has been directed toward truly making Jesus our King. Luke, the evangelist, has walked with us this year to help us recognize and embrace Jesus as our king. He teaches us to recognize that this King is also a shepherd, a priest. In this Sunday's gospel, Luke reveals that it is never too late to open our hearts to Jesus and to recognize his kingship. Consider for a moment the words of one of the thieves: "Jesus, remember me when you enter into your kingdom".

Indeed, this King is a merciful king. He is ready to restore the plan of God in our hearts if we open ourselves to Him. Let us not be afraid to come close to him with all of our misery. He is a powerful king who desires with all of His heart to fill us with His life-giving love.

Luke does not spare our hearts from looking at the heart that rejects Jesus as King. What a sharp and disconcerting contrast! How can the human heart be so hardened that it is unable to experience compassion, that is unable to humble itself and seek mercy from him who can forgive all sins and restore our hearts? How can the human heart be incapable of recognizing this loving Creator and Redeemer?

Let our heart, with hymns of praise and thanksgiving, cry out "Viva Cristo Rey". May He truly reign in our heart, our family, our society... "Be not afraid," as St. John Paul II once said, "open wide the doors of your heart to Christ". He is the way, the truth and the life.

A great week lies ahead of us as we prepare for the great day of Thanksgiving. Many of you will be traveling to see loved ones. May the Lord grant you the opportunity to enjoy your time together and may He grant all of us a grateful heart in response to his many gifts, for his loving mercy, and for his Kingship. I encourage you to make it a week of Thanksgiving, not just a day. You can do this by praying each day with a new psalm: *Monday*: Psalm 100; *Tuesday*: Psalm 107; *Wednesday*: Psalm 118; *Thursday*: Psalm 138, *Friday*: Psalm 136; *Saturday*: Te Deum.

Please say a prayer toward the success of our Capital Campaign. A special thanks to those volunteers who have participated in the phone-a-thon and also to those who have answered our call. It is through your generosity that we are able to take care of the needs of our parish, including the new HVAC whose installation is almost complete as well as the improvements to the ladies' and men's room in the vestibule.

Have a blessed week!

Fr. Juan Espino, DCJM



### Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe "La Emperatriz De America"

Please join us in celebrating the feast of our Lady of Guadalupe with Novena, Mañanitas, Mass and a special celebration.

**Novena prayer** : From **Dec. 3-11** (12/3: 7:00 pm., 12/4: 7:00 pm., 12/05: 7:00 pm., 12/06: 7:00 pm., 12/7: 6:30 pm.; 12/8: 7 pm., 12/9: 6:30 pm., 12/10: 7 pm., 12/11: 7 pm.)

**Mañanitas** : Thursday, **Dec. 12: 5:00 am**. There will be an opportunity to bless images of Our Lady. A delicious breakfast will follow in Hannan Hall.

**Bilingual High Mass**: Thursday, **Dec. 12: 7:00 pm**. Representation of the apparitions of Our Lady of Guadalupe at **6:00 pm.**; children are encouraged to wear their cultural attire. There will be a reception in Hannan Hall after the Mass. The Mariachi will join us.

For more information, contact : Trinidad Torres (703) 333-2054; Lucero Gonzalez (571) 282-1664

## This Week In Our Parish

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

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 25:

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

### Tuesday, November 26:

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 27:

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

### Thanksgiving Day, November 28:

Church 7:30-8:30 pm Holy Hour

### Friday, November 29:

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

### Saturday, November 30:

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

### 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



### 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)

## Nourishing Our Souls With Holy Scripture

### Readings for Next Week

#### First Sunday of Advent

IS 2:1-5 PS 122: 1-9  
 ROM 13: 11-14 MT 24:37-44

### Vocations



**“Jesus remember me when you come into your kingdom.”** Will you make Christ the King and His merciful love remembered 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)

**Solemnity of Christ the King** That Christ the King, who brought peace through death on the cross, will choose many men and women to preach redemption as priests, deacons and in the consecrated life, we pray to the Lord.

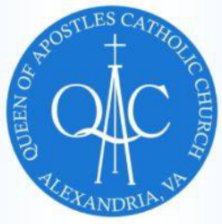
**Be an Angel, Help a Child** The Advent Angel Tree will be set up in the back of the church beginning **Dec. 1**. Unwrapped gifts need to be returned to the church the weekend of **Dec. 14 & 15**. This year we will be accepting clothing, books and educational toys/games only. No gift cards, please. Gifts returned earlier than Dec. 14 need to be brought directly to the parish office. Thank you for your generosity in bringing the joy of Christmas to a child in need this year.



**Altar Servers** Thank you for serving our Lord in the Eucharist! As a reminder, if you cannot serve Mass, please find a substitute. A schedule for Christmas Masses will be emailed to families. Sts. John Berchmans and Tarcisius, pray for us.

### Weekly collection 11/16-11/17

Sunday Offertory	\$11,397.14
Second Collection—School Fund	\$2,132.00
Miscellaneous Collection	\$125.00
Poor Box— Christ House	\$562.00
Candles	\$463.50



## Queen of Apostles Towards A Family of Families



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

Tuesday, November 26  
Thursday, December 5

Tuesday, December 3  
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 from fellow parishioners.

### Renovate the Church interior \$1,600,000

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

### Renovate our School \$400,000

- Continuing Renovations
- Replacing Bathrooms
- Expanding Green Space

### Transform the Parish Office \$500,000

- Increased space for ministry and community gatherings
- Create a Parish Family Center

**Please use this chart to prayerfully consider your decision**

Daily Commitment	Monthly Commitment	Yearly Commitment	Total Commitment	My Sacrifice Equals
\$13	\$400	\$4,800	\$24,000	Dinner & Movie WEEKLY
\$7	\$200	\$2,400	\$12,000	Dining out WEEKLY
\$5	\$150	\$1,800	\$9,000	Value meal DAILY
\$4	\$100	\$1,200	\$6,000	Cable Bill MONTHLY
\$2	\$50	\$600	\$3,000	Small Coffee DAILY
\$1	\$30	\$360	\$1,800	Lottery Ticket DAILY

### Questions about the *Towards a Family of Families* Campaign?

Come to the parish office during office hours or contact our campaign manager Jamie Bingner at [j.bingner@queenofapostles.org](mailto:j.bingner@queenofapostles.org) or (202) 657-8448.





## TE DEUM

*O, God, we praise You and acknowledge You  
to be the supreme Lord.  
Everlasting Father, all the earth worships You.  
All the angels, the heavens and all angelic powers,  
All the cherubim and seraphim, continually cry to you:  
Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts!  
Heaven and earth are full of the majesty of Your glory.  
The glorious choir of the apostles,  
The wonderful company of prophets,  
The white-robed army of martyrs, praise You.  
Holy Church throughout the world acknowledges You:  
The Father of infinite majesty;  
Your adorable, true and only Son;  
Also the Holy Spirit, the Comforter.  
O Christ, You are the King of glory!  
You are the everlasting Son of the Father.  
When You took it upon Yourself to deliver man,  
You did not disdain the Virgin's womb.  
Having overcome the sting of death,  
You opened the kingdom of heaven to all believers.  
You sit at the right hand of God in the glory of the Father  
We believe that You will come to be our Judge.  
We, therefore, beg You to help Your servants  
whom You have redeemed with Your Precious Blood.  
Let them be numbered with Your saints in everlasting glory.  
Save Your people, O Lord, and bless Your inheritance!  
Govern them, and raise them up forever.  
Every day we thank You.  
And we praise Your name forever; yes, forever and ever.  
O Lord, deign to keep us from sin this day.  
Have mercy on us, O Lord, have mercy on us.  
Let your mercy, O Lord be upon us, for we have hoped in You.  
O Lord, in you I have put my trust; never let me be put to shame.*

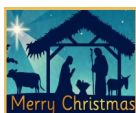


**Knights of Columbus Council,  
Pope John Paul II 4522**

**Coats for Kids Drive** The Knights of Columbus Council, Pope John Paul II 4522 will be collecting cash/check donations for the annual Coats for Kids drive most weekends through 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.



**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.



**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)



**Discover Queen of Apostles Catholic School**



*What's New At the School?*

At Queen of Apostles School we continue our Post Sacramental Program. Next Friday, during the school Mass, it will be 6th graders' turn to receive a sacramental sign. Every sign is accompanied by a theme that explains the meaning of the sign and gives a corresponding commitment to our students. The 6th grade theme is: "You are the light of the world" (Mth 5:14). We are called to shine, to become a lighthouse for our neighbors that will lead them to God. But this light is not ours; it is the Holy Spirit within us. In order to remember this, our students will receive a candle with a prayer to the Holy Spirit on it. They will commit to light the candle and pray that prayer once a week. In such a way, our students will ask the Holy Spirit to be their light and will remember their mission to be light of the world. You are all invited to attend this beautiful ceremony and to pray for our students.

~Fr. James

**Solemnity of Christ the King  
Masses this Week**

**Solemnity of Christ the King, 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

**St. Catherine of Alexandria- Monday, November 25:**

6:30 am + Dolores Perez  
9:00 am (L) Grace Battaglia

**Tuesday, November 26:**

6:30 am +Marilyn Cole  
9:00 am (L) Grace Battaglia

**Wednesday, November 27:**

6:30 am +Francis Delrocco  
9:00 am +John Bartholme

**Thanksgiving Day, Thursday, November 28:**

9:00 am +Louis and Jeanne Wack

**Friday, November 29:**

6:30 am +Maxine Cunningham  
9:00 am +Kevin Bonko

**St. Andrew, November 30:**

8:00 am +Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Thach, Sr.  
5:00 pm +Sheryl Schroeder  
7:00 pm +Ishelda Pino-Lopez

**First Sunday of Advent, December 1:**

7:30 am + Carlos Suarez  
9:00 am +Maria Hatin Hoi and Peter Nguyen  
10:30 am Living and Deceased Parishioners  
12:00 pm +Alice Jean Christman

**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.**



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

Jin C. Navarro, Leo Monteroso, 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 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