



QUEEN OF APOSTLES CATHOLIC CHURCH

O God, who from living and chosen stones prepare an eternal dwelling for your majesty, increase in your Church the spirit of grace you have bestowed, so that by new growth your faithful people may build up the heavenly Jerusalem. 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
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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

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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 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.



Catechists are encouraged to attend the **Nov 16** Diocesan Catechetical Conference. Concurrent workshops on faith, liturgy, classroom management, and other professional development topics are available. Please return the registration form to Susan Gray as soon as possible.

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!

Emmaus High school students are invited to join Emmaus next Saturday evening, **November 9, 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.

Welcome New Altar Servers! Queen of Apostles is blessed to add 8 new altar servers to the ministry! A Blessing of Altar Servers will be held during the **Nov 2 & 3** Masses. The new servers will begin serving this weekend.

Bulletin Deadline The deadline for submitting announcements for the **Nov. 10** bulletin is Monday, **Nov. 4**. Please email announcements to general@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 **ACCA** and **The Missionaries of Charity**.

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;**
Contact Rosalie Mainey at (703) 256-5765 or rosalieam@msn.com for these hours of need



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.



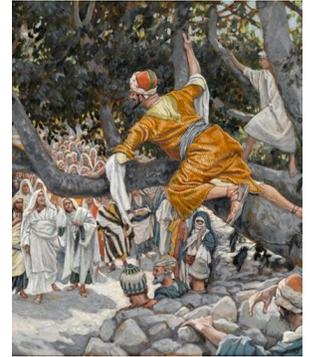
Keep Christ in Christmas by sending beautiful, religious, Christmas cards that show the beauty and truth of Christmas Day. Share the good news of the birth of Jesus Christ with your family and friends with reasonably priced Knights of Columbus Religious Christmas cards. These Christmas messages will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



Pastor's Letter

Encountering Jesus

The first time I heard the Gospel passage of the encounter between Jesus and Zaccheus, I was fascinated. It was something about perceiving in both of them a desire to be seen. Jesus took the first step, as always. He walks near Zaccheus not out of coincidence but because he has come out to meet him specifically. It was surely the Holy Spirit who placed in the heart of Zaccheus the desire to see this Jesus of whom he had heard so much.



As a child, the imagination soars considering a mature man climbing a tree. I am of the belief that not only did Zaccheus want to see Jesus, but in his heart, there was a desire that Jesus see him - with all the misery and brokenness of his heart. He wanted to experience that kind and merciful gaze that he had maybe heard about before. It was a perfect prayer in which Zaccheus allows the Lord to see him and rediscover his dignity in the eyes of His creator. Fr. Armando Marsal, fellow DCJM priest, reflects on this experience perfectly: "What an amazing change comes over Zaccheus without any prompting from Jesus! The encounter with Jesus must transform us, must make us want to be as he is: infinite generosity."

So many things get in the way of our being able to see Jesus: work, worries, difficulties, pride, etc. The Holy Spirit constantly moves us to go see Jesus. May this great encounter move us to a personal encounter with Jesus. Every day he walks by. His grace will guide us and sustain us in our conversion.

This Sunday we will offer a prayer for our altar servers. So near Jesus during the Holy Mass, may they always know the gentle and life-giving gaze of Jesus. We pray for them and for the gift of holy vocations to the priesthood.

On a separate note, I want to take a moment to say thank you for your prayers with respect to success of the capital campaign. Many of you kindly returned the phone calls to hear more about the campaign. Thank you for your prayers. We will keep you posted on the progress.

~Fr. Juan Espino, DCJM

Vocations Awareness Week: November 3-9, 2019

National Vocation Awareness Week is an annual, week-long celebration of the Catholic Church in the U.S. dedicated to promote vocations to the priesthood, diaconate, and consecrated life through prayer and education. .

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. 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

Steps for discerning your vocation (adapted from USCCB):

- 1) Establish a routine prayer life including Mass, rosary, Confession, etc.
- 2) Talk to a priest, sister, deacon, or Diocesan Vocations Director
- 3) Seek spiritual direction
- 4) Attend "Come and See" events that offer a glimpse into the life of a seminarian or religious sister
- 5) Volunteer in the parish and find trusted friends who will support the discernment process
- 6) Find a healthy balance between family, work, school, prayer, friends, exercise, etc.

This Week In Our Parish

Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time - November 3:

School	9:00-10:15 am Religious Education
Hannan Hall	8:30am-1:30pm Sunday Social
Hannan Hall	2:00-5:30 pm Ghana Group

Monday, November 4:

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

Tuesday, November 5:

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 6:

Hannan Hall	7:00-9:00 pm Ghana Prayer Group
Parish Center	7:30-8:45 pm English Baptism Class

Thursday, November 7:

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

Friday, November 8:

Adoration Chapel	3:00-4:00 pm Divine Mercy Chaplet
Hannan Hall	6:30-9:00 pm Emmaus Retreat Follow up Meeting

Saturday, November 9:

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

A Note and Prayer for Nov. 5 Elections

Voters across Virginia will elect members to all 140 General Assembly seats this **Tuesday, Nov. 5**. Please join in **A Memorare A Day** that began on **Oct 28** and will end on Election day, for the health of the Commonwealth. No need to sign up. Simply pray one Memorare daily and the Blessed Mother will surely keep track.

To help prepare for these critical decisions, two key resources - a preelection letter by Bishop Burbidge and Bishop Knestout and a Virginia Catholic Conference issues resource - are available at www.vacatholic.org

REMEMBER, O most gracious Virgin Mary, that never was it known that anyone who fled to thy protection, implored thy help, or sought thine intercession was left unaided. Inspired by this confidence, I fly unto thee, O Virgin of virgins, my mother; to thee do I come, before thee I stand, sinful and sorrowful. O Mother of the Word Incarnate, despise not my petitions, but in thy mercy hear and answer me.



Nourishing Our Souls With Holy Scripture

Readings for Next Week

Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

2 MC 7:1-2, 9-14	PS 17:1, 5-6, 8, 15
2 THES 2:16-3:5	LK 20:27-38

Vocations



“But you have mercy on all, because you can do all things.” Are you called to be a vehicle of God's mercy as a priest, deacon, sister or brother?

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

Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time That the name of our Lord Jesus may be glorified in all those chosen to follow Him as priests, deacons or in the consecrated life and that they in turn will be glorified for their faithfulness to His call, we pray to the Lord.

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.



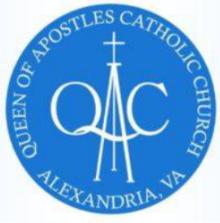
Love and Mercy: Faustina Movie and The Divine Plan: Reagan, John Paul II and The End of the Cold War

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**. On **Wed, Nov 6 at 7pm**, area theaters will feature a documentary that delves into the parallel lives and remarkable partnership between President Ronald Reagan and Pope John Paul II. It unveils both the religious and political history that shaped the passions of these two world leaders and their mutual desire to defeat communism, end the cold war, while upholding the human spirit.

Prayer Service to Pray for Victims/Survivors of Sexual Abuse

All of the faithful are invited to attend a Prayer Service for the Church to Pray for Healing of Victims/Survivors of Sexual Abuse on **Sat., Nov. 9 at 11:00 a.m.** Fr. Lee Roos will lead the Prayer Service in the Chapel of All Saints Catholic Church in Manassas. Please call the Diocese of Arlington's Office of Victim Assistance with any questions (703) 841-2530.

Are you an experienced babysitter? A parishioner is looking for a babysitter who has experience with young children and has flexible daytime and evening hours. If interested, please call Annie at 571-215-4118.



Queen of Apostles Towards A Family of Families



Learn more about the campaign projects during the following Campaign Receptions in Hannan Hall

Wednesday, 11/6 (6:30pm)
Saturday, 11/9 (6pm) (Spanish)

Friday, 11/8 (11:00am)
Monday, 11/11 (6:30pm)

RSVP via email to j.bingner@queenofapostles.org

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

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

What's the difference between offering and the 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.

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

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 is our goal?

The goal of *Toward a Family of Families* is \$2,500,000.

How are we doing?

To date, *Toward a Family of Families* has raised \$1,407,700, or 56% of our goal!

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!**

CAMPAIGN QUICK FACTS

Timeline
Aug – Dec
2019

Goal
\$2,500,000

Amount Secured
(as of 10/28)
\$1,407,700

56% of Goal!

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



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/ or email info@helpafterabortion.org

Deeper Waters seminar - Transgender Issues & the Pastoral Response Ms. Mary Rice Hasson from the Ethics and Public Policy Center will speak on Transgender Issues and the Pastoral Response at Our Lady of Good on **Nov. 12**. Please RSVP by **Nov 8** to April Hjelstrom at 703-841-2559 or April.hjelstrom@arlingtondiocese.org. Learn more about the transgender issue, how it is affecting youth, and how to work with young people who may self-identify as transgender. 7pm Mass in the Chapel followed by a free dinner, talk, Q & A, and social in DeSales Hall.

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>

Give a Gift for Life Please give a Gift for Life this season to help Gabriel Project fund a mother's maternity care. For more information and/or to donate: www.arlingtondiocese.org/giftforlife



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 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

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

Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time Masses this Week

Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time - November 3:

7:30 am +All Souls Day Novena
9:00 am +Maria Hatin Hoi & Peter Nguyen
10:30 am Living and Deceased Parishioners
12:00 pm +Peter Kinh Nguyen

St. Charles Borromeo - Monday, November 4:

6:30 am +Carol Cole
9:00 am +All Souls Day Novena

Tuesday, November 5:

6:30 am +All Souls Day Novena
9:00 am +Annan Vien Thi Nguyen

Wednesday, November 6:

6:30 am +Carmen Solis
9:00 am +All Souls Day Novena

Thursday, November 7:

6:30 am + All Souls Day Novena
9:00 am +Peter Nguyen Kinh

Friday, November 8:

6:30 am +Peter Nguyen Kinh
9:00 am +All Souls Day Novena

Dedication of Lateran Basilica- Saturday, November 9:

8:00 am +Anna Nguyen Thi Vien
5:00 pm +Mrs. Julie Barreto
7:00 pm +All Souls Day Novena

Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time - November 10:

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

"Charity is that with which no man is lost, and without which no man is saved." - St. Charles Borromeo



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 Annis, 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