



St. Martin of Tours, pray for us.

QUEEN OF APOSTLES CATHOLIC CHURCH

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CLERGY

Fr. Leopoldo M. Vives, DCJM, Pastor
Fr. Juan Espino, DCJM, Parochial Vicar
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 pm (Ghana Community)

WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Monday-Friday: 6:30 am and 9 am
No 6:30 am Mass on Federal Holidays
Saturday: 8 am

HOLY HOUR SCHEDULE

Thursday: 7:30-8:30 pm

CONFESSION SCHEDULE

Monday-Friday: 7-7:30 am
Wednesday: 6:30 pm until last penitent
Thursday: 7:30-8:30 pm during Holy Hour
Saturday: 4-5 pm and 6-7 pm
Sunday: 10-10:30 am

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Monday 7 am through Saturday 7:45 am

QUEEN OF APOSTLES CATHOLIC SCHOOL

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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. Registration will also be needed to receive a certificate of eligibility to be a Godparent for Baptism; to be a Sponsor for Confirmation; to enroll your child in Religious Education; to begin Baptismal preparation for your child (unless permission is received from your parish); and to prepare for Marriage. 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.

Becoming Catholic - Adult Faith Formation/RCIA Classes have Begun!

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is the process through which adults join or complete their initiation into the Roman Catholic Church.

Fr. Javier O'Connor leads RCIA classes in English on Mondays and Spanish on Wednesdays, 7:30-9 pm. Classes are held at Christendom College/Notre Dame Graduate School (4407 Sano Street, Alexandria, VA).

Please register by contacting the parish office at (703) 354-8711 or emailing s.gray@queenofapostles.org for more information. An inquiry form will be sent, or, stop by the parish office (4329 Sano Street) to complete the form.

We will need your birth and baptismal (if applicable) certificate/s. 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 at (703) 354-8711 and set an appointment to meet with a priest.

Altar Servers As a reminder to altar servers, please sign in for the Mass you are scheduled to serve. If you are not able to serve, please find a substitute. Altar server teams rotate to serve during all Masses times every 10-12 weeks. Thank you for your commitment to this ministry.

A Blessing of Altar Servers will take place during Masses on **Nov. 4-5**.

Altar servers/families will begin hosting the Vocations Crucifix beginning **Nov 4-5**. A sign-up will be sent to families to host the Crucifix for one week.

St. John Berchmans, pray for us.

St. Saint Tarcisius, pray for us.

Survey from the Vatican for Young People, Ages

16-29 His Holiness Pope Francis will convene the XV Ordinary General Assembly of Bishops in **Oct. 2018** on the theme Young People, the Faith and Vocational Discernment. Every young person in the world (Catholic or otherwise) can share their thoughts directly with Pope Francis. To assist with this, the Vatican has set up an online survey which can be found here: <https://survey-synod2018.glauco.it/limesurvey/index.php/147718> (you may need to select the English version on the upper right of the page).

Religious Education The **Dec. 2** retreat is for all Religious Education students in 8th grade and high school, and 8th graders enrolled at QofA School, Ghana Catholic Community, and those who are homeschooled and desire Confirmation. The retreat is 8:30 am-3:30 pm in Hannan Hall.

As a reminder, the Sacrament of Confirmation registration form and fee are due to the parish office by **Nov. 5**.

The registration form and fee for First Penance/First Holy Communion are due to the parish office by **Dec. 10**.

Religious Education families are invited to a potluck breakfast on Sunday, **Nov. 19** during class time. Families are asked to bring a breakfast food/beverage to share. On Sunday, please let Mrs. Atchison, Mrs. Barrios, Mrs. Villalobos, or Mrs. Viafara know if your family will attend and what you are bringing.

Nazareth - for Students in Grades 5-8 In order to maintain a good ratio of adult-leader-student, the number of students participating in Nazareth will be limited. Students in grades 5-8 who are interested in Nazareth meetings are to submit written responses to the following questions: 1) What is your favorite story in the Bible and why? 2) Why are you interested in participating in Nazareth and what do you hope to get out of it? Written responses are to be returned to Fr. Juan or Susan Gray at the parish office. Students will be invited to join Fr. Juan and high school/college leaders in Hannan Hall on the first and third Fridays of the month. Sign-in begins at 3:45 pm with activities beginning at 4 pm. Parent sign-out is at 5:30 pm. Questions? Please contact the parish office at (703) 354-8711 or email s.gray@queenofapostles.org.

Emmaus for High School/College Students, Open

Gym All high school and young college students are invited to join Fr. Juan and their peers on Saturdays, 8:30-10 pm at Christendom College/Notre Dame Graduate School (4407 Sano Street) for fellowship, activities, faith discussion, and prayer. *Emmaus is not meeting on **Nov. 4**. *Join Mr. Kasenge for Open Gym, 6-8 pm in the School Gym on the first Friday of the month, **Dec. 1**, etc.),

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 **ACCA** and the **Missionaries of Charity**.



Pastor's Letter

How to Make a Saint

Last Wednesday we celebrated the most beautiful Solemnity of All Saints. Our Liturgy opened the sight of heaven and we could contemplate the glory of the Saints. At 9:00 am Mass, our 2ndgraders made a presentation of the Saints. In our beautiful sanctuary we could behold heaven. The Saints were there, praising God with the angels, the apostles and Mary as they all together sing Holy! Holy! Holy Lord God of hosts!

As the popular song says, the saints show us the path to heaven. "We are traveling in the footsteps / Of those who've gone before / But we'll all be reunited ... O Lord, I want to be in that number / When the Saints go marching in". We certainly want to join the saints in heaven. Now, how to become a saint?

Saint John Paul II, a saint himself, explains it. To be holy is to belong "to him who is in essence the Holy One, the 'thrice Holy' (cf. Is 6:3)" (Novo Millennio leunte, 30). Therefore, if to be holy is to share in God's life, saints are made through Baptism. Indeed, "since Baptism is a true entry into the holiness of God through incorporation into Christ and the indwelling of his Spirit, it would be a contradiction to settle for a life of mediocrity, marked by a minimalist ethic and a shallow religiosity. To ask catechumens: 'Do you wish to receive Baptism?' means at the same time to ask them: 'Do you wish to become holy?' It means to set before them the radical nature of the Sermon on the Mount: "Be perfect as your heavenly Father is perfect" (Mt 5:48)" (NMI 31).

Last month we reflected on the gift of Baptism. If we take it seriously we are really close to enter intentionally our path of holiness. But there is more. "The love of God has been poured out into our hearts through the holy Spirit that has been given to us" (Rom 5:5). In Baptism we receive the anointing of the Holy Spirit who makes us holy. But there is a second sacrament which brings to fullness this gift: "Confirmation is a special outpouring of the Holy Spirit like that of Pentecost. This outpouring impresses on the soul an indelible character and produces a growth in the grace of Baptism. It roots the recipient more deeply in divine sonship, binds him more firmly to Christ and to the Church and reinvigorates the gifts of the Holy Spirit in his soul. It gives a special strength to witness to the Christian faith" (Compendium Catechism Catholic Church, 268).

How to make a saint? Through the sacraments, beginning with Baptism and Confirmation. We ask the saints to show us the strength of the sacraments to make us holy and to join one day their number in heaven.

November 18 Morning of Recollection

All are invited to join us for our
Morning of Recollection on Saturday, Nov. 18 in the church and in Hannan Hall.

Rule of Life Devotion
for the Month of
November
Confirmation
Sent by the Spirit
Receive the Strength
of the Spirit.



Morning of Recollection Schedule

8:00 am Holy Mass
8:45 am Rosary at 101 S. Whiting St.
9:30 am Talk 1
10:15 am Break - Coffee and Pastries
10:30 am Talk 2
11:00 am Exposition of the Most Blessed Sacrament
11:50 am Blessing and Reposition

This Week In Our Parish

Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time - November 5:

National Vocations Awareness Week

Toward a Missionary Family/Rule of Life

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

Monday, November 6:

Cupertino Room	7:00-9:00 pm Hispanic Legion of Mary
Notre Dame Graduate School	7:30-9:00 pm RCIA in English

Tuesday, November 7:

Hannan Hall	10:00-11:30 am Bible Study
Hannan Hall	6:00-7:30 pm Bible Study
Hannan Hall	7:00-9:00 pm Choir Rehearsal

Wednesday, November 8:

Hannan Hall	9:30 am-1:00 pm Women's Group
Hannan Hall	7:00-9:00 pm Ghana Prayer Group
Notre Dame Graduate School	7:30-9:00 pm RCIA in Spanish

Thursday, November 9:

Parish Office	6:30-8:00 pm Legion of Mary
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's Men Group

Friday, November 10:

Adoration Chapel Closed

Parish Office Closed

Saturday, November 11:

Hannan Hall	10:00 am-1:00 pm GCC Council Meeting
Hannan Hall	1:30-5:30 pm Couples for Christ
School	4:00-6:30 pm Spanish Prayer Group
School	7:00-9:00 pm Ghana Choir
School	8:30-10:30 pm Familias de Betania
Notre Dame Graduate School	8:30-10:00 pm Emmaus

Legion of Mary All parishioners are invited to a Mass for the Beatification of the Founder of the Legion, Servant of God Frank Duff, to be celebrated at the Cathedral of St. Thomas More, Tuesday, **Nov. 7** at 7 pm. Bishop Burbidge will preside. All Auxiliary Members are particularly invited to attend. Questions? Please call Jim Bailey at (703) 354-1832.

In Observance of Veterans Day The Adoration Chapel will close after the Holy Hour on Thursday, **Nov. 9** and remain closed through the weekend.

The Parish Office will close on Friday, **Nov. 10**. There will be one Mass celebrated at 9 am.



Bake Sale on Nov. 18/19 Benefiting the 2018 Pilgrimage

Just in time for the holidays - baked goods for your dessert table! Young men and their families will sell homemade baked goods after Masses on **Nov. 18** and **19** in the church vestibule. Your donation will benefit the 2018 pilgrimage to Spain.



Vocations

National Vocations Awareness Week

This is National Vocation Awareness Week. Let us unite in prayer for those who are discerning a call to imitate the humility of Christ as religious brothers, sisters, priests or deacons. If you feel God is offering you the grace of a vocation to the priesthood or consecrated life, contact Fr. Juan at general@queenofapostles.org or Fr. J.D. Jaffe at j.jaffe@arlingtondiocese.org or (703) 841-2514.

Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time During National Vocation Awareness Week, we pray for all who are discerning a call to imitate the humility of Christ as religious brothers, sisters, priests or deacons, we pray to the Lord.

Fill the bus to Philly with Fr. Jaffe and Quo Vadis

Vocations Director Fr. Jaffe will be taking high school guys to visit St. Charles Borromeo Seminary on Sunday, **Nov. 19**. Pray and hang out with seminarians and other young men as you tour one of the oldest seminaries in the country. The group will depart from and return to Bishop Ireton High School. For more information and to register, contact vocations@arlingtondiocese.org, (703) 841-2514, or visit ArlingtonDiocese.org/QuoVadis. Deadline to register is **Nov. 10**.



Hour of Need Adorers needed for one half hour each Friday, 11:30 am to 12 noon. Pray the rosary, Divine Mercy Chaplet, Litanies to the Blessed Mother, or any of your favorite prayers. If you can spare one half hour, please contact Alexa Urban at moleski47@gmail.com.

Women's Group The Queen of Apostles Women's Group will have their monthly meeting on Wednesday, **Nov. 8** at 10:00 am in Hannan Hall. Our guest speaker will be Mr. John Knutsen from the Arlington Diocese's Speaker Bureau. The topic will be: Purgatory, Indulgences and Devotion to the Holy Souls. All parishioners are cordially invited to attend.

Women's Group Bake, Jewelry and Gift Sale

Mark Your calendar for the annual Women' Group Bake, Jewelry and Gift Sale on Sunday, **Dec. 3**. The sale will be in Hannan Hall after all morning Masses. Plan to attend and support the Women's Group. Proceeds from the sale are used for donations to the Church, School and local Community.



Queen of Apostles Catholic School Wreath Sales

Q of A's Christmas wreath/tree fundraiser is going on now. These beautiful items make great decorations or gifts AND earn money for our school. For delivery to addresses in the continental U.S.: Buy online at mickmanholidaygifts.com and use code QUEENOVA001 to make sure Queen of Apostles gets a donation for the sale. Order any time through early December. Orders of \$60 or more ship free, even to multiple addresses.

Nourishing Our Souls With Holy Scripture

Readings for Next Week:

Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Wis 6:12-16 Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8
1 Thes 4:13-18 Mt 25:1-13



Keep Christ in Christmas Share the good news of the birth of Jesus Christ with your family and friends with reasonably priced, Knights of Columbus, religious Christmas cards. Cards will be available for purchase after all Masses in the vestibule during the following weekends: **Nov. 4/5** and **18/19**, and **Dec. 2/3**. Please support our parish's Knights of Columbus Council 4522 and share the beautiful birth of Jesus Christ with those closest to your heart with these stunning, religious Christmas cards. Contact Grand Knight Roger Williams at sbrog11@yahoo.com or (703) 629-3239 with questions.

Virginia Catholic Conference Voter Education

Resources On **Nov. 7**, Virginians will elect their governor, lieutenant governor and attorney general. To help voters prepare for these elections the Virginia Catholic Conference has compiled three separate side-by-side comparisons of the positions of candidates for state offices. The Conference, which represents Virginia's bishops on public policy matters, neither supports nor opposes candidates for public office. As they consider these races and also local House of Delegates races, voters are encouraged to form their consciences by consulting the Four Principles of Catholic Social Teaching. These materials, along with Spanish translations can be found at www.arlingtondiocese.org/2017virginiaelection/.



Christmas Fair Join the Poor Sisters of St. Joseph for their annual Christmas Fair next Saturday, **Nov. 11**, 9 am-9 pm 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 decorations, and many other items to purchase just in time for Christmas. The Poor Sisters of St. Joseph are located at 4319 Sano Street in Alexandria and can be reached at (703) 354-0395.

Gain a 65% Tax Credit...and Give a Student the Gift of a Catholic School Education!

The Virginia Education Improvement Scholarships Tax Credit Program awards a 65% tax credit on top of current state and federal tax deductions for donations made to the Diocese of Arlington Scholarship Foundation, which will, in turn, provide scholarships for new students wishing to attend our diocesan Catholic Schools. Call (703) 841-2764 for more information, or visit: www.arlingtondiocese.org/Scholarship-Foundation/.

Prayer for Veterans Help us, dear God, to see your face in every Veteran we encounter. Guide us as we imagine new ways to support Veterans and their families. Bring healing and peace to all who have been wounded physically, mentally and spiritually during wartime. Help us bring your saving grace to heal the invisible wounds of war. We ask this in Jesus' holy name. Amen.

Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

Masses this Week

Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time - November 5:

7:30 am +Esther Stanley
9:00 am All Souls Novena
10:30 am Living and Deceased Parishioners
12:00 noon +Marina and Lily De Souza

Monday, November 6:

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

Tuesday, November 7:

6:30 am All Souls Novena
9:00 am +Mrs. Brenda

Wednesday, November 8:

6:30 am (L) Adele Brooks
9:00 am All Souls Novena

The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

Thursday, November 9:

6:30 am All Souls Novena
9:00 am +Avelino and Agripina Mercado

Saint Leo the Great - Friday, November 10:

9:00 am All Souls Novena

Saint Martin of Tours - Saturday, November 11:

8:00 am (L) Susan, Paul, and Neil Braganza
5:00 pm (L) Penny Deith
7:00 pm +Rumualdo and Carmen Mendez

Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time - November 12:

7:30 am +John Barsh
9:00 am +Julia C. Czaja
10:30 am Living and Deceased Parishioners
12:00 noon +Lucia and José Antonio Venero

Bulletin Announcement Deadlines The deadline for submitting announcements for the **Nov. 12** bulletin was Monday, **Oct 30**. The deadline for submitting announcements for the **Nov. 19** and **26** bulletins is Monday, **Nov. 13** by 9 am. Please email bulletin announcements to Mayra Saunders at m.saunders@queenofapostles.org.



Please pray for the members of our parish who are ill

Daniel O'Donohue, Rosa A. Valderrama, Jeanie Miller, Rosa María Santos, Debbie DuBrul, Maddie Respicio-Cabatic, Helen Brooks Ruth Foreman and Baby, Charles Ferris, John Harchick, Jr., Dominic Blansett, Daisy Atiyeh, Dick Owens, Linda Intihar, Melencio Morales, Reyes Duran, Luong Bui, Nick Tullier, Rose Maalouf, Nicole Pack, Barbara J. Banis, Numa Osuna, Jr., Timmy Burnway, Etelvina and Patricia León-Duarte, J. Saunders, Catherine Hanniff, Kristi Burns, Kathleen Donohoe, Mark Bush, Joseph Covas, Margaret Peiffer, David Stemcosky, Rita Sulit, Jason Banis, Emma Collins, Teresa Sabina Piecyk, Juana Mejia, Lisa Nyce, Monique Brooks, Debby Spracht, Consuelo Jocson, Cheryl McGlynn, Theresa Corcoran, Cordelia Carcamo, Donna Smith