



QUEEN OF APOSTLES CATHOLIC CHURCH

*O God, who through your Spirit raised up Saint Teresa of Jesus to show the Church the way to seek perfection, grant that we may always be nourished by the food of her heavenly teaching and fired with longing for true holiness. 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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www.queenofapostles.org

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
(703) 354-0714
www.queenofapostlesschool.org



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.

RCIA/Adult Faith Formation in English and Spanish

RCIA is for three groups of adults:

1. Those who are not baptized.
2. Those who were baptized into another Christian denomination and wish to enter into full communion with the Catholic Church.
3. Baptized Catholics who were not fully formed in the Catholic faith and have not completed their initiation: those who have not received the Sacraments of Confirmation and/or Eucharist.



RCIA classes are held on Monday nights, **Sept 16, 2019 - June 8, 2020, 7:30-9pm.** Fr. Jaime de Cendra will lead classes in English at the Parish Family Center (4329 Sano Street) while Fr. Javier O'Connor will lead classes in Spanish at Christendom College Graduate School (4407 Sano Street, Alexandria, VA). Books are provided. The last day to register is **Oct. 21.** Please register by contacting the parish office at 703-354-8711 or emailing s.gray@queenofapostles.org. An inquiry form will be sent, or, stop by the parish office (4329 Sano Street) to complete the form. Please bring birth and baptismal certificates.

For couples not married in 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 as a family. Please contact the parish office and set an appointment to meet with a priest.

Altar Server Training Queen of Apostles is recruiting boys in grade 4 and above, who have been baptized and have received First Reconciliation and Holy Communion.. The ministry of altar server is service to Christ and to the people of God, our parish family. Server training, for new and seasoned servers, is scheduled for Sundays, **Sept 29-Oct 20** after the 12 noon Mass with Mr. Kirby. Meet Mr. Kirby at the ambo. If your son is interested in altar serving, please contact Susan Gray in the parish office at 703-354-8711 or s.gray@queenofapostles.org. A Blessing of Altar Servers will be held during the **Nov 2 & 3** Masses.

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**.

Romans: The Gospel of Salvation. Join Our Adult Bible Study on Tuesdays!

Morning and evening sessions will study Romans: The Gospel of Salvation. This 8-week study explores the ways in which Jesus is the fulfillment of Israel's prophecies, which leads to the universal, "Catholic" family of God. Dates are **Oct 1-29, Nov 5, 12, and Dec 3, 2019** from 10-11:30am or 5:45-7:15pm with morning classes being held in Hannan Hall and evening sessions at the Parish Family Center (4329 Sano Street). Stop by the parish office to register or register on-site.

Emmaus High school students are invited to join Emmaus next Saturday evening, **October 19, from 8-10 pm** at Christendom Graduate School (CGS) located at 4407 Sano Street 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.

Religious Education Classes Have Begun!

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.

A Sacraments of Reconciliation and Holy Communion meeting with the priest and RE parents is **Sunday, Oct 13 at 9am** in English and **9:30am** in Spanish. Parents of baptized children in grade 2 and above and who have attended 2+consecutive years of RE will meet with the priest in the School Library or All Saints Hall. A Sacraments packet will be distributed.

A Baptism/Sacraments of Initiation meeting, with the priest and RE parents with unbaptized children over the age of 7 years old who are in their second consecutive year of Religious Education, is **Sunday, Oct 27 at 9am** in the School Library.

Bulletin Deadline The deadline for submitting announcements for the **Oct. 20** bulletin is Monday, **Oct. 14.** Please email announcements to general@queenofapostles.org

Pastor's Letter

The Importance of Gratitude

"Thank you!"

These two simple words have the capacity to enlarge our heart and make it ready to receive many graces. To give thanks is to recognize the goodness of the gift that has been given us.

While we learn these words at home, it seems at times that we express gratitude less and less at home, taking many things for granted. In this Sunday's Gospel, we hear the disappointment in the voice of Jesus because of the ingratitude of those whose life he has touched and healed: "Ten were cleansed, were they not? Where are the other nine? Has none but this foreigner returned to give thanks to God?" Jesus brings to the forefront how often we lose our sensibility and our capacity to give thanks, especially to those who are closest to us. It was the foreigner who returned to say "thank you" for the gift granted him, instead of those who had heard and known of the great action of God.

The Word of God, which is life-giving, encourages us today to renew our sense of awe, to be intentional about giving thanks, especially to those who are nearest to us – mom and dad, siblings, coworkers.... We are also encouraged to give thanks for the gift of our parish family. We have inherited a beautiful church, an incredible parish family. It is a great opportunity to consider: how will I express my gratitude for this gift?

Next Sunday, October 20, 2019, we will conduct our Parish Offertory program. Please consider how you might be able to continue to help with the ordinary needs of the parish, as a way of saying thank you to the Lord for the many gifts received in this our home of Queen of Apostles. If you are not yet enrolled in Faith Direct, please consider doing so, as it helps us better estimate the flow of resources and it reduces the amount of staff and volunteer hours. As you already do every year, please consider a modest increase in your donation to the parish.

October continues to be the month of the Rosary, Missions and Respect Life. Let us return to the Lord with *grateful* hearts as we contemplate the mysteries of his Life in the rosary, as we transmit the Gospel of life and hope to those closest to us, and rejoicing, caring for, and protecting all stages of life, from conception to natural death.

~Fr. Juan Espino, DCJM



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) next **Saturday, Oct. 20**. 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!



Virginia Catholic Conference Voter Resources On **Nov. 5**, voters across Virginia will elect members to all 140 General Assembly seats. To help you prepare for these critical decisions, two key resources – a pre-election letter by Bishop Burbidge and Bishop Knestout and a Virginia Catholic Conference issues resource – are available at www.vacatholic.org. Please read these materials and share them with others, and be sure to vote on November 5!



Communication Workshop for Couples Saturday, **November 9, 2019** at St. Thomas a Becket Church. Margaret Laracy, Psy.D., is a clinical psychologist who works in private practice in Bethesda, Maryland. Dr. Laracy will discuss the differences between men and women, how they perceive each other and how they express themselves. There will be three talks, with time for exercises, discussion, and prayer. The workshop will be held from 9 a.m.-2:30 p.m. The cost is \$55. Register at arlingtondiocese.org/commworkshop. Call the Office of Marriage, Family and Respect Life at 703-841-2550 for more information.

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

This Week In Our Parish

Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time - October 13:

School 9:00-10:15 am Religious Education
Church 1:00 pm-2:00 pm Altar Server Training
Hannan Hall 2:00-5:30 pm Ghana Group

Monday, October 14, Columbus Day:

Cupertino Room 6:30-9:00 pm Hispanic Legion of Mary
Parish Center & Notre Dame 7:30-9:00 pm RCIA

Tuesday, October 15:

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, October 16

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

Thursday, October 17:

Hannan Hall 6:30-9:00 pm Caminantes de Emaus
Parish Office 6:30-8:00 pm Legion of Mary
Church 7:30-8:30 pm Holy Hour

Friday, October 18:

Adoration Chapel 3:00-4:00 pm Divine Mercy Chaplet
Hannan Hall 6:30-9:00 pm Emaus Retreat

Saturday, October 19:

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

Columbus Day The Parish Office and Adoration Chapel will be closed this **Monday, Oct. 14**, in observance of Columbus Day. There will be only one Mass celebrated at 9 a.m.



2019 Increased Offertory Program



Each year Queen of Apostles ask families/parishioners to give prayerful consideration to their weekly offertory contribution. To support the life of the Parish and our many ministries, we ask parishioners to make a sacrificial commitment in gratitude for continuing the Lord's work. Can your household increase its donation, perhaps by \$5, to the first collection? This week, Fr. Juan will invite families to consider an increase in your giving. Next week, commitment cards will be provided.

Please also consider registering for on-line giving through Faith Direct. This allows us to reduce administrative costs and be more environmentally friendly while giving parishioners the ease and security of on-line giving. Please visit [Faith Direct](http://FaithDirect) to register; our parish number is VA324. Questions? Please contact Flora Wack in the parish office at 703-354-8711 or f.wack@queenofapostles.org.

Nourishing Our Souls With Holy Scripture

Readings for Next Week

Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

EX 17: 8-13 PS 121:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8
2 TM 3:14-4:2 LK 18:1-8



Vocations

“But the word of God is not chained.” Are you considering a vocation to

proclaim the word of God as a priest or consecrated religious? Call Fr. Michael Isenberg, (703) 841-2514, or write

michael.isenberg@arlingtondiocese.org.

Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time For an increase in gratitude among God's people for the mercy shown them through the holy vocations to the priesthood and consecrated life in their midst, and that more men and women will faithfully respond to His call, we pray to the Lord. love for Him, we pray to the Lord.

“Your faith has saved you, go in peace!”

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:



- **Mon-Wed 10-11 am; Mon, Wed, Thurs 12 midnight-1 am; Thurs - Sat 4-5 am; Thurs 11-12 noon; Fri 9-10 am**, 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

Knights of Columbus Membership The Knights of Columbus Council, Pope John Paul II 4522 strive to live Fr. McGivney's vision each day—we pray to have more Catholic gentlemen share that vision with us in the Knights of Columbus! To join online, visit <http://kofc.org/un/newjoin/en/index.html> or contact our Membership Director, SK Joe King at (703) 599-4389 for more information, and tell us, “Why are you not already a Knight?”

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 several weekends until December. As little as \$20 will provide a child with a new winter coat, but all donations will be greatly appreciated.



All Souls Day Mass

Mass will be celebrated by the

*Most Reverend
Michael F. Burbidge*

on the grounds of

Fairfax Memorial Park
9900 Braddock Rd.
Fairfax, VA 22032
(703) 323-5202
www.fmpark.com

Please make plans to be with us
Saturday, November 2, 2019
at 11:00 am.

Refreshments to follow

If outdoor services at Fairfax Memorial Park are canceled
due to inclement weather, please visit our website at
www.fmpark.com for further details.

*Hail Mary,
full of grace,
the Lord is with thee;
blessed art thou amongst women,
and blessed is the fruit
of thy womb, Jesus.
Holy Mary, Mother of God,
pray for us sinners,
now and at the hour
of our death.
Amen.*

Our Lady of Fatima



Marian Pilgrimage and Recollection



Come and join your Parish family for a pilgrimage to the beautiful shrine of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton in Emmitsburg, MD led by Fr. Javier O'Connor, DCJM this coming Saturday, **October 19, 2019**. The day will start with departure from Queen of Apostles promptly at 8 AM. For additional information, please call the Parish Office at 703-354-8711 or email general@queenofapostles.org

“For prayer is nothing else than being on terms of friendship with God.” - St. Teresa of Avila

Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend is a positive and personal experience offering married couples an opportunity to learn a technique of loving communication that you can use for the rest of your lives. It is a chance to look deeply into your relationship with each other and with God. Sign up today to attend the upcoming Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend on **October 25-27, 2019** in Gaithersburg, MD. For more information visit: RenewMarriage-VANorth.org or contact us at applications@renewmarriage-vanorth.org or (703)-646-1521.



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.



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.

Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time Masses this Week

Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time - October 13:

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

St. Callistus - Monday, October 14:

No 6:30 am Mass for the Columbus Day holiday
9:00 am +Deceased Relatives

St. Teresa of Avila - Tuesday, October 15:

6:30 am +Mrs. Martha Mitchell
9:00 am +Sylvia I. Marsden

St. Hedwig - Wed., October 16:

6:30 am (L) Nico Frankino
9:00 am +Florentino Pilar, Sr.

St. Ignatius of Antioch - Thursday, October 17:

6:30 am +Marcel Dupuy
9:00 am +Catherin Papale

St. Luke - Friday, October 18:

6:30 am +Inocencio Monillas, Sr.
9:00 am +Sheryl Schroeder

St. Isaac Jogues - Saturday, October 19:

8:00 am +Antonio Belzarena
5:00 pm +Juanita Opena and Zoilo Rogue III
7:00 pm +Eleonora Nabas

Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time - October 20:

7:30 am +Alice Jean Christman
9:00 am +Christina Lynem
10:30 am Living and Deceased Parishioners
12:00 pm +Jaime Garcia, Sr.

“Let us love silence till the world is made to die in our hearts.” -St. Isaac Jogues



Please pray for the members of our parish who are ill Claire Reilly, Jin C. Navarro, Leo Monterroso, Etelevina 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 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