



QUEEN OF APOSTLES CATHOLIC CHURCH

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CLERGY

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Deacon Richard C. Caporiccio

WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

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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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. 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.



Altar Servers Because the family is the seed bed for vocations, we ask each altar server/family to sign up to host the Vocation Crucifix. A Sign Up Genius invitation was sent for families to select a week to pray for vocations.

A Blessing of Altar Servers will be held during Masses on **Oct. 29** and **30**.

Thanks to the dad chaperones who participated in the **Oct. 8** Altar Server Pilgrimage to Our Lady of Lourdes Shrine and Grotto.

Join Emmaus - Activities for High School/College Students On Fridays, meet with Fr. Juan and other high school students and grow in Catholic faith through spiritual and human formation, sharing and friendship. A variety of activities, including open gym on the first Friday of the month in the School Gym, and adoration and apostolic projects on other Fridays at Notre Dame Graduate School (4407 Sano Street), will be held on Fridays, 6-8 pm throughout the school year. Mark your calendars for **Oct. 14, 21; Nov. 4, 11, 18; Dec. 2, 9, 16**. Please note that Emmaus does not meet on the last Friday of the month. For more information, contact Susan Gray at (703) 354-8711 or s.gray@queenofapostles.org.

For All Students in Grades 4-8 - Join Nazareth All students in grades 4-8 are invited to join Fr. Juan and Nazareth leaders on the 1st and 3rd Fridays of the month, 3:45-5:30 pm in Hannan Hall then onto the school gym. Have fun, meet parish youth and learn about the Catholic faith. Thanks to those parents who have provided snacks. We are looking for more parents to help provide snacks. Please contact Susan at (703) 354-8711 or s.gray@queenofapostles.org.

Bible Study for High School Students nights Join the High School Bible Study on Thursday nights 6-7:30 pm. Please meet in the Church's vestibule at 6 pm. After a brief visit to the Adoration Chapel, we will move to the School Library to read some brief passages from Acts, watch the video, engage in some discussion, and eat a snack. Pick up is at 7:30 pm at the entrance of the school. Learn about the heroic moments, powerful testimonies and daring adventures of the Church's first Christians. Please contact Susan Gray at s.gray@queenofapostles.org if you are interested.



Religious Education Religious Education families are reminded that classes begin promptly at 9 am. Please arrive at the school by 8:45 am to allow enough time to sign in and get settled for class.

Students arriving after 9:10 am will not be admitted and an absence will be recorded. A parent is to sign in and sign out their child/ren.

Parents and RE students are to attend Mass before or after RE class. Queen of Apostles has Mass before RE at 7:30 am or after RE at 10:30 am.

Also, please ensure your child/ren has completed his/her RE homework. Thank you for assisting us in the faith formation of your child/ren.

Thanks to the RE parents who attended the Oct. 9 First Penance/First Holy Communion meeting with Fr. Juan. The packet is available on the website, <https://queenofapostles.org/religious-education/>

Homeschooling families who have children of sacramental age, please contact the parish office.

Dec. 3 - Retreat for Students in Grade 8 and High School All students in grade 8 and high school, attending Queen of Apostles School or enrolled in the Religious Education Program are to attend the Saturday, **Dec. 3, 2016**, 8:30 am - 3:30 pm retreat. The retreat will be held on the campus of Queen of Apostles. Please make arrangements to attend this mandatory retreat.

October 23 Sacraments of Initiation Meeting with Fr. Juan Fr. Juan will lead a meeting with parents who have unbaptized children that are over age 7 and have attended no less than two consecutive years of Religious Education. The meeting will be held on Sunday, **Oct. 23** at 9 am in the school's multipurpose room. Fr. Juan will discuss the three Sacraments of Initiation: Baptism, Confirmation and First Communion, and how sacraments communicate God's divine life. A godparent/sponsor may also attend this meeting.



Pastor's Letter

Human Life and Dignity

Part 4 - Other Issues to Consider

Bishop Paul S. Loverde

Following is the fourth in a six-part series by Arlington Bishop Paul S. Loverde on forming our consciences as Catholics prior to the November presidential election.

I hope that many of you have already joined me in prayerfully reflecting on the recently published Virginia Catholic Conference (VCC) voter guide describing the positions of the presidential candidates on issues that are so important to us as faithful and engaged citizens.

The range of issues addressed in that guide clearly dispels the notion that as Catholics we are “single issue” voters. The fact is, as Catholics, we are concerned with a broad spectrum of issues.

Yes, we consider abortion and marriage to be issues of the highest priority, but we also affirm that there are other issues that need to be considered in determining our choice of a candidate for whom we will vote.

The VCC voter guide considers such issues as the death penalty, religious freedom, health care, immigration, poverty and the treatment of refugees, among many others. Indeed, respect for human life and dignity is at stake in all of these.

I am thinking that many of you, like me, are arriving at the conclusion that neither candidate's positions completely reflect our Catholic values, and in some cases, their positions appear to be opposed to what is objectively true and good.

So what are we to do when the choice between two candidates is not obvious?

Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship, the USCCB document I joined my brother bishops in writing, reminds us that “two temptations in public life can distort the Church's defense of human life and dignity: The first is a moral equivalence that makes no ethical distinctions between different kinds of issues involving human life and dignity. ... The second is the misuse of these necessary moral distinctions as a way of dismissing or ignoring other serious threats to human life and dignity” (no. 27, 29).

We bishops continue: “The direct and intentional destruction of innocent human life from the moment of conception until natural death is always wrong and is not just one issue among many. It must always be opposed” (no. 28).

We also observe that with regard to the other issues worthy of our consideration, “although choices about how best to respond to these and other compelling threats to human life and dignity are matters for principled debate and decision, this does not make them optional concerns or permit Catholics to dismiss or ignore Church teaching on these important issues. ... Catholics are urged to seriously consider Church teaching on these issues” (no. 29).

The complexity of the discernment process inspires us to renew our prayer and fasting so that we may be open to the wisdom and guidance of the Holy Spirit.

In the midst of this discernment, one more observation of the bishops will also serve us well: “A well-formed conscience ... recognizes that all issues do not carry the same moral weight and ... the moral obligation to oppose policies promoting intrinsically evil acts has a special claim on our consciences and our actions (no. 37).



October is the
Month of the
Holy Rosary.

TOWARDS A FAMILY FULLY ALIVE

October 2016 - September 2017

A Continuation of Towards a Family Friendly Parish

As we grow in our devotion to Our Lady of the Rosary, we invite you to “take the next step”:

Step 1 - Pray a decade of the Rosary each day. You may choose any of our 20 beautiful Mysteries of the Rosary. Pray the decade on your way to school or work, during your lunch time, or whenever else you have a few minutes. Set a reminder on your phone!

Step 2 - Pray a decade of the Rosary with others (family).

Step 3 - Pray the whole Rosary once a week.

Oct. 29 Marian Pilgrimage - See Pg. 4 of the bulletin for more information about our parish pilgrimage to the National Shrine.

This Week in Our Parish

Twenty-ninth Sunday in ordinary Time - October 16:

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

Saint Ignatius of Antioch - Monday, October 17:

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

Saint Luke - Tuesday, October 18:

Hannan Hall 10:00-11:30 am Bible Study
Hannan Hall 6:00-7:15 pm Bible Study
Hannan Hall 7:30-9:30 pm Choir Rehearsal

Saints John de Brébeuf and Isaac Jogues, and Companions

Wednesday, October 19:

Hannan Hall 7:00-9:00 pm Ghana Prayer Group
Notre Dame Graduate School 7:30-9:00 pm RCIA in Spanish

Saint Paul of the Cross - Thursday, October 20:

Hannan Hall 9:00 am-12 noon Craft Group
Parish Office 6:30-8:00 pm Legion of Mary
Church 7:30-8:30 pm Holy Hour
School 9:00-10:30 pm St. Joseph's Men Group

Friday, October 21:

Adoration Chapel 11:00 am-12 noon Children's Adoration Hour
Adoration Chapel 3:00-4:00 pm Divine Mercy Chaplet
Hannan Hall 3:45-5:30 Nazareth Group
Notre Dame Graduate School 6:00-8:00 pm Emmaus
School 6:00-8:00 pm Open Gym

Pope Saint John Paul II - Saturday, October 22:

Parish Office 1:00-3:30 pm Stephen Ministry
School 4:00-6:30 pm Spanish Prayer Group
Cupertino Room 4:30-6:45 pm Marriage Prep Classes in Spanish
School 7:00-9:00 pm Ghana Choir

World Mission Sunday

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time - October 23:

School 9:00-10:15 am Religious Education
School 9:00-10:00 am Sacraments of Initiation Meeting with Fr. Juan
Hannan Hall 2:00-5:30 pm Ghana Group
Adoration Chapel 6:00-8:00 pm Prayer Group

Lion's Club Seeks Donations of Gently Used Eyeglasses and Hearing Aids

The Lion's Club will be conducting free sight and hearing exams for the Queen of Apostles school children on Tuesday, **Oct. 25**. They are asking for donations of gently used eyeglasses and hearing aids to be distributed to people in need. Please place all donations in the box located in the church lobby by Monday, **Oct. 24**. Thank you!

The Women's Group Annual Craft and Gift Sale

will be held on **Nov. 6**. The proceeds from the sale are used to support a variety of programs in the church, school and community. Anyone wishing to donate crafts should call Karen Barnoski at (703) 256-4088.

Vocations



“Pray always and do not to lose heart.” If you are considering a vocation as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life, let the grace of prayer encourage you. Contact Fr. Juan at general@queenofapostles.org or Fr. J.D. Jaffe at (703) 841-2514, or j.jaffe@arlingtondiocese.org.

Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time For perseverance in sincere prayer on the part of the faithful, asking the Lord of the Harvest for holy vocations to the priesthood, diaconate and consecrated life, we pray to the Lord.



Marian Pilgrimage to the National Shrine

Join us on Saturday, **Oct. 29** for a parish pilgrimage to the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, DC. The pilgrimage will include the opportunity to pass through the Holy Doors of Mercy, for which one may obtain a plenary indulgence during this Jubilee of Mercy, which ends on **Nov. 20, 2016**. We will pray the Rosary in the Crypt at 11:45 am and celebrate Holy Mass at 12:10 pm. Charter bus seats are available free of charge for first-comers who contact the parish office. The bus will leave from Queen of Apostles at 9:30 am and depart from the Shrine at 1 pm.



Priesthood Sunday Spiritual

Bouquet

Our parish will be celebrating Priesthood Sunday on **Oct. 30**. This day gives each of us a chance to personally thank our priests and our new Bishop – Bishop Michael Burbidge, through our prayers. This week you will be able to personally contribute to our parish gift of prayers called a Spiritual Bouquet. Prayer request cards for Masses, Rosaries, Holy Hours and Chaplets of Divine Mercy will be available in the pews to fill out. Then on Priesthood Sunday our four priests will be presented with a card detailing our gift as a sign of our love and admiration for all that they so generously do for us.

Peregrinación Mariana al Santuario Nacional

Anoten la fecha del sábado, **29 de octubre** (9:30 am - 1 pm) para una peregrinación de la parroquia a la Basílica del Santuario Nacional de la Inmaculada Concepción en cual vamos a honrar el Jubileo de la Merced y el mes del Santo Rosario. Para más información llamar a la oficina de la parroquia al (703) 354-8711.

Formación de Convalidadores

El Párroco P. Leopoldo ofrecerá un taller de formación para matrimonios de 9 am a 12 pm en la biblioteca de la escuela el sábado **5 y 12 de noviembre**. Todos están invitados. Para apuntarse, llamar a la oficina de la parroquia al (703) 354-8711.

FORMED Nuestra parroquia ha suscrito a una nueva plataforma en línea: Formed.org. FORMED es una biblioteca en línea de recursos Católicos que ofrece a los católicos la oportunidad de aprender más sobre su Fe como feligrés de Reina de los Apóstoles. Ir a FORMED.org y poner el código parroquial: Z37RTW para crear un perfil breve para el acceso ilimitado a todos los programas.

FORMED is an online library of Catholic study programs, Bible studies, eBooks and movies providing Catholics the opportunity to learn the Faith and grow in their knowledge and love of Christ. Go to FORMED.org and enter our parish code: Z37RTW for unlimited access to all programs.

This Week: View "Opening the Word" on the FORMED.org home page for a 6 minute video on the readings for this Sunday.

Did you know that October is also Pro-Life Month? Watch "40 The Most Important Human Life Issue of Our Time" or "There is Life in the Womb" by Venerable Fulton J. Sheen on FORMED.org.

Join the Knights of Columbus, Council 4522 Are you a Catholic man who wants to better serve Queen of Apostles Parish? Would you like the assistance of a 1.9 million worldwide brotherhood to help you become a more devout Catholic? Then the Knights of Columbus is calling you, the Lord is calling you to this group to be the best Catholic man you can be. If you are already a Knight, but haven't been active in some time, Council 4522 also welcomes you to "come home". Please contact our Membership Director, Joe King at jeking58@verizon.net or Deputy Grand Knight Roger Williams at sbrog11@yahoo.com or (703) 629-3239.

Catholic Charities Counseling Queen of Apostles has partnered with Catholic Charities to have a counselor come to the parish to provide counseling services. Carly Rouston, our new Catholic Charities counselor, has a Masters in Marriage and Family Therapy from the University of St Mary's in San Antonio. She works with children, adults, and couples – providing therapy in both English and Spanish. Carly will be available for appointments at the parish office on Thursdays between 2 pm and 8 pm. Catholic Charities is able to offer sessions on a sliding scale fee, in order to provide services to all those seeking assistance. For more information, or to schedule an appointment, please call our intake coordinator Hannah Navarro at (703) 224-1630.

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**.



Save The Date Celebrate 50 years of Eagle Excellence on Saturday, **Nov. 12**, with our school's 50th Anniversary Mass at 5 pm followed by a School Dedication.

Nourishing Our Souls with Holy Scripture

Readings for Next Week:

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sir 35:12-14, 16-18 Ps 34:2-3, 17-18, 19, 23
2 Tm 4:6-8, 16-18 LK 18:9-14



Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time Masses this Week

Saint Ignatius of Antioch - Monday, October 17:

6:30 am +Inocencio Monillas
9:00 am +Daniel Fath

Saint Luke - Tuesday, October 18:

6:30 am +Miguel A. Alvarez
9:00 am +Pete Megnin

Saints John de Brébeuf and Isaac Jogues, and Companions

Wednesday, October 19:

6:30 am +Jaime Garcia, Sr.
9:00 am (L) Manuel Salang

Saint Paul of the Cross - Thursday, October 20:

6:30 am +John Bartholme
9:00 am +Dan Coleman

Friday, October 21:

6:30 am +Grace Okemo
9:00 am +Roy Kasenge

Pope Saint John Paul II - Saturday, October 22:

8:00 am +Jocelyn Walter Graham
5:00 pm +Harold Baker
7:00 pm +Lucia Venero

World Mission Sunday

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time - October 23:

7:30 am (L) Dwain Coleman
9:00 am +Rafael Agtarcp
10:30 am Living and Deceased Parishioners
12:00 noon +Karen Joie Cuenca

World Mission Sunday Next week, we will celebrate World Mission Sunday. Its theme this year is "Mercy Changes the World." Pope Francis invites the entire Church to support the young mission dioceses in Africa, Asia, the Pacific Islands, and parts of Latin America and Europe, where priests, religious and lay leaders serve some of the poorest of the poor. Please keep the Mission in your prayers and be generous in next week's collection for the Society of the Propagation of the Faith.

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Please pray for the members of our parish who are ill

Anna Jeffrey, Rose Maalouf, Ronald Redman, Nicole Pack, Barbara J. Banis, Stephen Aldrich, Jessica Acot, Numa Osuna, Jr., Timmy Burnway, Etelvina León-Duarte, James Saunders, Catherine Hanniff, Kristin Burns, Francis Walter, Eduardo Vega, Deborah DuBrul, Kathleen Donohoe, Clarissa Trono De Guzman, Lyda Tanco, Mark Bush, Joseph Covas, Margaret Peiffer, David Stemcosky, Rita Sulit, Jason Banis, Emma Collins, Teresa Sabina Piecyk, Juana Mejia, Lisa Nyce, Monique Brooks, Debby Sprah, Consuelo Jocson, Cheryl McGlynn, Teresa Subalusk, Theresa Corcoran, Cordelia Carcamo, Donna Smith