



QUEEN OF APOSTLES CATHOLIC CHURCH

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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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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.

Bulletin Deadline

The deadline for submitting announcements for the **Oct. 29/30** bulletin is Monday, **Oct. 24** by 9 am. Please email announcements to m.saunders@queenofapostles.org.

Second Collection Next Week

Next week's Second Collection will go to assist the victims of Hurricane Matthew. Thank you for your generosity.



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

The Vocations Crucifix Program at Queen of Apostles is a means of developing prayer and devotion among our parish families. This weekend, altar servers and their families will begin weekly hosting of the Vocations Crucifix.

The Vocations Crucifix is a daily reminder to talk about religious vocations and the importance of these vocations to serve the Lord and others.

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 **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.

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.



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.

October 23 Sacraments of Initiation Meeting

RE parents who have unbaptized children that are over age 7 and have attended no less than two consecutive years of Religious Education are to attend a meeting on **Oct. 23** at 9 am in the School. We 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.

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.



Pastor's Letter

The Gift of Difference

The second half of the 18th century marked a time of big changes in the world such as the birth of the United States or the French revolution. Common values inspired them: Liberty, Equality, Justice for America; Liberty, Equality, Fraternity for France. The American Revolution brought the rise of freedom, peace and development in a great country; the French one brought war, destruction to a divided Europe that ate the most bitter fruits in the two 20th century great wars. If there were shared values, what made the difference?

"God created mankind in his image; in the image of God he created them; male and female he created them... God looked at everything he had made, and found it very good" (Gen 1:27.31). This is a founding text for Catholic anthropology that St. John Paul II placed as a cornerstone in his Theology of the Body. To be male and female is very good.

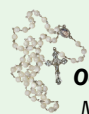
Difference is good. At Queen of Apostles, we know better because we are a diverse community. Our diversity helps us to grow, enhances our worldview and opens wide our minds. God gave us the gift of life, and we live as male and female. We embrace our masculinity or femininity as God's gift and we find it very good (Gen 1:31).

You'll find an insert in today's bulletin warning about what children are taught at Family Life Education classes in Fairfax County Public School system. The same happens in Maryland, North Carolina, California... all around. In the stage of life when teens discover their masculine or feminine identity and are called to explore and embrace who they are as men or women they are taught that "gender can be changed."

Thus the masculine or feminine identity which is carved in every single cell's DNA is no longer a gift. Now it is a problem. Our teens are taught not to experience their male or female identity as a gift, something very good, a way to happiness, but to approach it with mistrust and diffidence.

Equality is a value. We are equal as human beings, but we are no less different as male and female. And that's the condition for real intimacy based on complementarity and the only one capable to bring forth children.

Values are not self-standing. They are built on an anthropology. That's the lesson of the 18th century revolutions. One proclaimed fraternity without a father. The other held to be true "and self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights." When there is a Creator, there is the gift of creation and difference is found to be very good.



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.

Step 4 - Pray the Rosary every day.

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

"The Rosary is a powerful weapon to put the demons to flight and to keep oneself from sin...If you desire peace in your hearts, in your homes, and in your country, assemble each evening to recite the Rosary.

Let not even one day pass without saying it, no matter how burdened you may be with many cares and labors."

Pope Pius XI

This Week In Our Parish

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
Hannan Hall	2:00-5:30 pm Ghana Group
Adoration Chapel	6:00-8:00 pm Prayer Group

Monday, October 24:

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

Tuesday, October 25:

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

Wednesday, October 26:

Hannan Hall	7:00-9:00 pm Ghana Prayer Group
Notre Dame Graduate School	7:30-9:00 pm RCIA in Spanish
Parish Office	8:00-9:30 pm St. Joseph's Men Group Mtg.

Thursday, October 27:

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

Saints Simon and Jude - Friday, October 28:

Adoration Chapel	11:00 am-12 noon Children's Adoration Hour
Adoration Chapel	3:00-4:00 pm Divine Mercy Chaplet

Saturday, October 29:

Marian Pilgrimage to the National Shrine	
Church	Blessing of Altar Servers
School	Ofrenda Viva Prayer Group Anniversary
Church	2:00-3:00 pm Ofrenda Viva Prayer Group Holy Hour
	9:00 am-2:00 pm
Parish Office	1:00-3:30 pm Stephen Ministry
School	4:00-6:30 pm Spanish Prayer Group
School	7:00-9:00 pm Ghana Choir

Priesthood Sunday

Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time - October 30:

Church	Blessing of Altar Servers
School	9:00-10:15 am Religious Education
Hannan Hall	2:00-5:30 pm Ghana 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 this Monday, **Oct. 24**.

Women's Group Annual Craft and Gift Sale Only a few more weeks before the Women's Group Annual Craft and Gift Sale on Sunday, **Nov. 6**. There will be a wonderful selection of hand crafted items and other gifts. Plan to attend and support the charitable work of the Women's Group.



Vocations

"All who humble themselves will be exalted." Is humble service as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life your path of holiness and eternal glory in Christ? Contact Fr. Juan at general@queenofapostles.org or Fr. J.D. Jaffe at (703) 841-2514, or j.jaffe@arlingtondiocese.org.

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time That all men and women chosen to fight the good fight of proclaiming faith in Jesus Christ as priests, deacons, religious sisters and brothers, will find encouragement in our prayers and support, 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. For those who have reserved a seat, the bus will leave from Queen of Apostles at 9:30 am and depart from the Shrine at 1 pm. All others are welcome to meet at the National Shrine by own means of transportation.



Priesthood Sunday

In case you missed offering your prayers last Sunday for the Spiritual Bouquet for our parish priests in honor of Priesthood Sunday, look for the cards on the table in the vestibule where you can sign up through this Sunday, **Oct. 23**. The big celebration is next weekend!

All Saints/All Souls Week at Pauline Books & Media

Kids: come in dressed as a saint any day between Monday, **Oct. 24** and Saturday, **Oct. 29**. Add to our All Souls Day banner and receive a small gift! For more information, call the Daughters of St. Paul at (703) 549-3809.

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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 feligreses 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.

Celebrate the Feast of Pope Saint John Paul II (Oct. 22) by watching the movie "Pope John Paul II". For the Year of Mercy, listen to "The Second Greatest Story Ever Told" in audio by Fr. Michael Gaitley, MIC.

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, and 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 the **Poor Sisters of St. Joseph**. Next weekend's collection will go toward the **Parish Charity**.



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:

Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

Wis 11:22-12:2 Ps 145:1-2, 8-9, 10-11, 13, 14
2 Thes 1:11-2:2 Lk 19:1-10



Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time Masses this Week

Monday, October 24:

6:30 am In Thanksgiving
9:00 am (L) Fr. Leopoldo M. Vives, DCJM

Tuesday, October 25:

6:30 am (L) Clarissa and Marvin de Guzman
9:00 am +Cora Earley

Wednesday, October 26:

6:30 am +Daria Mollinedo
9:00 am +Beatriz Dy-Liacco

Thursday, October 27:

6:30 am +Larina G. Zialcita
9:00 am +Benjamin Opema

Saints Simon and Jude - Friday, October 28:

6:30 am +James Whitehead
9:00 am +Don Gavin

Saturday, October 29:

8:00 am +Lloyd Whitehead
5:00 pm +Robert and Charlotte Davies
7:00 pm +Rumualdo and Carmen Méndez

Priesthood Sunday

Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time - October 30:

7:30 am +Souls in Purgatory
9:00 am +Joseph and Annelle Thach, Sr.
10:30 am Living and Deceased Parishioners
12:00 noon (L) Maria and Richard Pompei,
50th Wedding Anniversary

World Mission Sunday Collection Today is World Mission Sunday! The collection today will help missionaries offer the poor of these areas practical help as they share the mercy of God. It will ensure the development of local dioceses, and support the work of priests, religious, and lay leaders who serve those on the margins and in most need. Extend your merciful witness to the whole world through your gift in today's collection for the Society of the Propagation of the Faith.

*"The Eucharist is the secret of my day.
It gives strength and meaning to all my activities of service
to the Church and to the world." - Pope Saint John Paul II*



Please pray for the members of our parish who are ill

Jamar Roberts, Anna Jeffrey, Rose Maalouf, Ronald Redman, Nicole Pack, Barbara J. Banis, Stephen Aldrich, Jessica Acot, Numa Osuna, Jr., Timmy Burnway, Etelvina León-Duarte, J. 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