

QUEEN OF APOSTLES CATHOLIC CHURCH

O God, who by the blessed Apostles have brought us to acknowledge your name, graciously grant, through the intercession of Saints Simon and Jude, that the Church may constantly grow by increase of the peoples who believe in you. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, on God, for ever and ever. Amen.

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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

EUCHARISTIC 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.

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.



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.

The registration form and fee from students in grade 8 and high school who desire Confirmation are due **Nov. 2**.

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 that weekend. Thanks to Mr. Kirby and our senior servers for leading the training. St. Tarcisius, pray for us. St. John Berchmans, pray for us.

Emmaus High school students are invited to join Emmaus next Saturday evening, November 2, 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.

Bulletin Deadline The deadline for submitting announcements for the **Nov. 3** bulletin is Monday, **Oct. 28**. Please email announcements to general@queenofapostles.org

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 **Parish Charity.**



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.

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.

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

I Came to Bring Fire: Meditations on the Gospel

Fr. Armando Marsal, DCJM

Jesus addressed this parable to those who were convinced of their own right-eousness and despised everyone else: "Two people went up to the temple area to pray; one was a Pharisee and the other was a tax collector. The Pharisee took up his position and spoke this prayer to himself, 'O God, I thank you that I am not like the rest of humanity; greedy, dishonest, adulterous, or even like this tax collector. I fast twice a week, and I pay tithes on my whole income.' But the tax collector stood off at a distance and would



not even raise his eyes to heaven but beat his breast and prayed, 'O God, be merciful to me a sinner.' I tell you, the latter went home justified, not the former; for whoever exalts himself will be humbled, and the one who humbles himself will be exalted." (Luke 18:9-14)

He Who Humbles Himself Will be Exalted

There is a false humility that the devil suggests to us by referring to the greatness and wickedness of our sins. He uses it to make us feel like we are separated from God and that God doesn't love us. Satan always tries to divide us from God and so disquiets our souls in sundry ways, drawing us away from prayer and Holy Communion.

True humility does not disquiet or discourage the soul, no matter the greatness of the soul's sins. It comes with great peace, serenity, and delight. Though we should see our utter wickedness, we perceive it in the light of God's Mercy, which does not blame us or make us feel guilty, but instead calls us to conversion, to turn to the salvific grace and Mercy of God.

False humility brings restlessness, anger, sadness, and a sense of guilt. On the contrary, true humility comes with a certain sweetness and satisfaction because charity "rejoices in the truth" (1 Cor 13:6). This humility neither stifles nor crushes the soul. Rather, it dilates the soul and better disposes the soul for the service of God. Through sorrow and turmoil, false humility troubles all, confounds all, and destroys all. When we distrust God, it is the devil's humility at work. When you find yourselves thus, lay aside all thoughts of your own misery and meditate on the infinite mercy of God, and the inexhaustible merit and grace of Jesus Christ.

Mass for All Souls' Day Please join the Most Rev. Michael F. Burbidge at the Mass for the Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed (All Souls' Day) on Sat. Nov. 2, at 11 a.m. at Fairfax Memorial Park. Bishop Burbidge will be the principal celebrant and homilist and be joined by many of his brother priests in this beautiful annual liturgy.

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

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.

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!

Bishop O'Connell Youth Music Festival - Students in grades 6-8 are invited to Bishop O'Connell High School in Arlington on Saturday, Nov. 16 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. to participate in a morning of music clinics, workshops and performances, and an opportunity to get a taste of a high school music class. There is no fee to attend this event. Lunch is included, and all attendees receive a free ticket to that weekend's O'Connell Players' musical "Guys and Dolls." RSVP Tours at www.bishopoconnell.org/youthmusic.

This Week In Our Parish

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time - October 27:

School 9:00-10:15 am Religious Education Hannan Hall 11:30am-12pm Banica Meeting Hannan Hall 2:00-5:30 pm Ghana Group

Monday, October 28:

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

Tuesday, October 29:

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

7:00-9:00 pm Choir Practice

Wednesday, October 30:

Hannan Hall 7:00-9:00 pm Ghana Prayer Group

Thursday, October 31:

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

Friday, November 1:

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

up Meeting

Saturday, November 2:

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

Love and Mercy: Faustina Movie At one time and day only, Monday, Oct 28 at 7pm, area theaters are showing the docudrama, "Love and Mercy: Faustina." The movie follows the incredible call of St. Faustina Kowalska to religious life and the healing effects of Divine Mercy and its

powerful message and conversion on countless people around the world. Very limited seating. Buy your tickets today: https://www.fathomevents.com/events/faustina-

love-and-mercy

Mass with Fr. Ubald Rugirangoga A Mass with healing prayers will be celebrated by Fr. Ubald Rugirangoga on Wednesday, Oct 30 at 7 pm at St. Bartholomew Church in Bethesda, MD. Fr. Ubald is a survivor of Rwandan Genocide, a friend of Immaculee Ilibagiza, and author of Forgiveness Makes You Free, and his main focus is healing and evangelization wherever he goes. Fr. Ubald is only in America for a short amount of time, so you do not want to miss this rare opportunity!

Are you an experienced babysitter?

A parishioner is looking for a babysitter who has experience with young children and has flexible day-time and evening hours. If interested, please call Annie at 571-215-4118.

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



Vocations

"All who humble themselves will be exalted." Is humble service as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life your path to holiness and eternal glory in Christ? Call Fr. Michael Isenberg. (703) 841-2514, or write:

michael.isenberg@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.

Days of Recollection for Men and Women Dis-

cerners Could Christ be calling you to the priesthood or religious life? Take a step to find out. The Office of Vocations will hold a day retreat for men on Sat, Dec. 14, and a day retreat for women on Sun, Dec. 15. Both run from 9 am-5 pm and are open to those 18 years and older. Religious sisters will be present for the women, and seminarians, priests and men religious will be at the men's retreat. For more information



and to register contact the Office of Vocations, 703-841-2514 or vocations@arlingtondiocese.org. Deadline to sign up is **Dec 6**.

"To be a Saint is not a privilege for the few, but a vocation for everyone" -Pope Francis

Offertory Program Thank you to the families who completed an Offertory Commitment form. There is still time to consider your regular, weekly contribution. Your contribution helps cover the costs that come

from normal operations, making it possible for us to serve the spiritual and temporal needs of Queen of Apostles. Making a weekly, sacrificial financial commitment not only is an offering of your first fruits to God, but also aids the Church and School in their financial planning. Completed forms may be placed in the



collection basket, brought to the parish office, or mailed. If you prefer to give on-line, please use Faith Direct using code VA324.



Queen of Apostles Towards A Family of Families Campaign Announcement



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 your offering and the Toward a Family of Families Campaign?

Your weekly offering is essential to the day to day operations of Queen of Apostles. *Toward a Family of Families Campagin* focuses on select, urgent needs that will benefit the future of our parish.

Renovate the Church interior

- •Church Organ
- Lighting Improvements
- •Confessional Renovation
- Audio System Upgrades
- Lighting improvement
- 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 **\$2.5 million**.

How are we doing?

To date, *Toward a Family of Families* has raised \$1,250,200, or over 50% 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.

CAMPAIGN QUICK FACTS

Timeline Aug – Dec 2019

Goal \$2,500,000

Amount Secured (as of 10/21) \$1,250,200

50% of Goal!

Please pray for the continued success of our campaign May God Bless you!

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

Wednesday, 11/6 (6:30pm) Thursday, 11/8 (11:00am) Saturday, 11/9 (6pm) (Spanish) Monday, 11/11 (6:30pm)

Join us to celebrate our parish as we embark on this exciting path!

All Saints Day and All Souls Day Schedules

Fri, Nov. 1, 2019 - Solemnity of All Saints

A Holy Day of Obligation

Masses: 6:30 am, 9:00 am, 12 noon, and 7 pm bilingual

Sat, Nov. 2, 2019 - Commemoration of the Faithful Departed Although not a Holy Day of Obligation, loved ones are encouraged to attend Mass to honor the deceased of their families.

Mass: 8 am

In Memory of all Deceased Parishioners

George Armah, Daisy Atiyeh, Kristin Burns,
Bernarda Bustamente, Ralph Crawford, James Charnley,
Marilyn Cole, Charles Crotty, Ann Gallagher,
Marco Gonzalez Joya, James Kemble, Ondina Lanzitto,
Rosemary Magsalin, Richard Maksimiak, Adele McGhee,
Mercedes Merino, Maria-Goretti Ngeh, Gregory Nucci, Daniel
O'Donohue, Gloria Scott, Frank Subalusky, Leocadia Tibung

Join the First Saturday Rosary Team Did you know that the 'no-show' rate can go up by 70% when there are people peacefully praying outside an abortion facility? Please join the prayer team every First Saturday to pray the rosary at 10:30 am at the Falls Church abortion facility. The next First Saturday is on Nov 2. The facility is located at 900 S. Washington Street, Falls Church, VA 22046 For inquiries, contact Amy McInerny at (703) 841-3817 or respectlife@arlingtondiocese.org

Communication Workshop for Couples Sat, Nov. 9 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 am-2:30 pm. The cost is \$55. Register at arlingtondiocese.org/commworkshop



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

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

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time Masses this Week

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time - October 27:

7:30 am +Alice Jean Christman 9:00 am +Daniel A. O'Donohue

10:30 am Living and Deceased Parishioners

12:00 pm +Soledad Pilar

Sts. Simon and Jude - Monday, October 28:

6:30 am +Kevin Bonko 9:00 am +Don Gavin **Tuesday, October 29:**

6:30 am +Amparo Dorado Udasco 9:00 am (L) Germalina Green

Wednesday, October 30:

6:30 am +Raul Monillas

9:00 am +Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Thach Sr.

Thursday, October 31:

6:30 am + Arnaldo Hernandez 9:00 am + John and Jean Kakareka

All Saints - Friday, November 1:

6:30 am +Carol Lee Carpenter 9:00 am +Daniel O'Donohue

12:00 pm Living and Deceased Parishioners

7:00 pm +Felicidad Mendez

All Souls' - Saturday, November 2:

8:00 am +All Souls' Day Novena 5:00 pm +Clarissa T. De Guzman

7:00 pm +Carlos Suarez

Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time - November 3:

7:30 am +All Souls' Day Novena

9:00 am +Maria Hatin Hoi and Peter Nguyen
10:30 am Living and Deceased Parishioners

12:00 pm +Peter Kinh Nguyen

"Become a saint, and do so quickly"
-St. John Paul II



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 Asnis, 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 Troza-

do, 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 Spraht, Consuelo Jocson, Cheryl McGlynn, Theresa Corcoran, Cordelia Carcamo, Russ and Jill Amerling, Dorothy Norpel, Kathy Ippolito, Michael Black, Delaney Liskey, Dean Richardson, Margaret Fiore