

Welcome to OLQP Catholic Church!

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Mass Schedule:

Monday through Thursday - 12 Noon; Fridays at 6 PM
Saturdays - 6:00 pm Vigil
Sundays - 8:00 am, 9:30 am, 11:15 am & 1:00 pm (Spanish)
Vigil for Peace:
Tues & Thurs 11 AM -12 PM; Mon & Thurs 6 - 8 PM

Baptism:

Please call or email the parish office to make arrangements.

Marriage Preparation:

Please contact Fr. Tuozzolo at least six months before wedding date to complete requirements.

Reconciliation:

Saturdays - 5:30 pm and by appointment.

Lenten Reconciliation Service — March 30th, 7 PM

Social Justice and Outreach Minister:

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OLQP MISSION STATEMENT

Our Lady Queen of Peace Catholic Church is dedicated to witnessing the teachings of Jesus Christ, especially the Gospel of Saint Matthew, Chapter 25:31-46. Our mission is to nurture the spirit and to encourage the potential of those we serve through liturgical celebration, educational endeavors and social ministries. The parish will continue to identify with its origin as a Black parish. As a multi-ethnic congregation we will seek to promote racial harmony and social justice. While our primary focus is within the immediate community, we will also work to provide for the well-being of the downtrodden everywhere. In this we strive for our parish community to be a caring, sharing, and loving family.

Our Lady Queen of Peace Church Nuestra Señora Reina de la Paz



March 1, 2009
First Sunday of Lent

Daily Mass Schedule During Lent:

Monday—Thursday, 12 Noon
Fridays at 6 PM

**Jesus came to
Galilee proclaiming
the gospel:**



**“The reign of God
is at hand!”**

Mark 1:14–15

**This Weekend's Second Collection:
Black and Indian Missions**

(Please make your check payable to OLQP)

First Sunday of Lent

Genesis 9:8–15; 1 Peter 3:18–22; Mark 1:12–15

In this year B of the liturgical cycle the Old Testament readings for Lent give us a tour of key turns in Israel’s history. Today we hear of the pact with Noah. The gospels begin this week with the very short Markan description of Jesus’ temptation, then the start of his preaching: “This is the time of fulfillment. The kingdom of God is at hand. Repent, and believe in the gospel.” You see from the sweep of the Old Testament texts throughout Lent that this gospel is their culmination: the new covenant is “at hand.” Similarly, today’s second reading picks up the theme of Noah and the ark which, the author says, “prefigured baptism, which saves you now”. We are the heirs of this history, partners in the new covenant, saved by baptism into Christ.

Next Sunday’s readings (2nd Lent):

Genesis 22:1–2, 9a, 10–13, 15–18; Romans 8:31b–34; Mark 9:2–10

Our sick and homebound strengthen us by their patient suffering. Please pray for: Ronald Bashian, Cemil Bikcen, April Brassard, Cornelius Bennhold-Samaan, Lynne Burgh, Brody Carroll, Carmen Rosa Claire, Jackie Consoli, Jennie Davis, Ernest Donatto, Jim Fowler, Mathias Gutschmidt, Michael Hill, Margaret Hodges, Dorothy Jackson, Raymond Jay, Pat Johnson, Karen Kollmansperger, Anita Malone, Teofila Manzo, Elizabeth McCartan, Stefan McGuigan, Roberto Méndez, Mary Miller, Carmen Montijo, Dorothy Moran, Susanne Moran, Tim O’Brien, Sally Ryan, Rosemarie Sandweg, Carolyn Santos, Elizabeth Skocz, Jeffery Smith, Georgiana Starnes, Marguerite Thomas, Thaddenia West, Helen Tussy, Mary Woods.

Last Sunday’s Collection: \$12,186

- Mass Intentions for the week of Feb 28—March 6
- Saturday, 6pm - for Aura Dominguez by Mitzi shipman
- Sunday, 8am - for Alyce Gallagher by Dan Gallagher
- 9:30am - for Ponfilio Ventresca by Janie Schuyler
- 11:15am - for Danilo Alberto Vargas Portugal
- By Elizabeth Portugal and Vanesa Vargas
- 1pm - for Adam Rodriguez
- Tuesday, 12pm - for Bryan Mills by Betty Mills
- Friday, 6pm - for Lawrence Dias by Rita Guderica

2009 Bishop’s Lenten Appeal

Thank you to all who have responded to the Bishop’s Lenten Appeal. If you have not yet responded, please fill out one of the Appeal envelopes at the back of church and place it in the collection basket. This is a good opportunity for us to unite with all Catholics in our Diocese to share our blessings and to show concern for one another. Please prayerfully consider Bishop Loverde’s request for support and give generously to assist the work of our diocese. Every gift is important.

Welcome Committee members will be at the back of church next weekend to assist with questions and/or provide registration material.

Peace Aspirations

Nonviolence offers no guarantees. But the curious thing is that people who do violence don’t receive guarantees either. Statistics show that you have a better chance of coming out alive in a nonviolent battle. —Joan Baez

Religious Education Program for Children

Director: Katie Remedios

703-979-5580, kremedios@ourladyqueenofpeace.org

Attention Teens! The Woodson High School Habitat 4 Humanity “Youth United” program is sponsoring a benefit concert featuring “We the Living and Adam Swink” on Tuesday, March 3, at St. Matthew’s Church, 8617 Little River Turnpike. Doors open 5:45, show starts 6:30. Suggested donation \$5/ person.

RE Families are reminded that Saturday, March 7th will be our next review session and Parents Association Meeting. Classes begin at 4:15. Parents meeting will take place at 4:30 in the Founders Room.

Movie with a Message! The academy award winning film, “Slumdog Millionaire” will be shown here at OLQP on Saturday, March 7th, at 7:15. In hopes of raising awareness to the plight of the poor, one of our Confirmation students has asked to sponsor this event as his required service project. All interested are welcome to gather in classroom 1 of the Ministry Center and watch this powerful movie together. Feel free to bring a bag dinner. (Movie is rated PG13.)

The **Minkisi ministry** invites you to their **small group prayer** and scripture reflection on Mon., March 2, 7:15 p.m., in the Parish Discussion Room. Using Psalm 46:9-11, Jackie Smith will lead with the theme: “Be Still And Know That I Am God”. For more information, contact Cecilia Braveboy, 703-979-5389 or jisaac3@verizon.net .

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA) News

This weekend the congregation at the 6 PM Mass will help our RCIA group celebrate an important passage in their initiation process at the Rite of Sending. Our catechumen and candidates have been in formation for five months. Saturday evening, the parish will send them to the Cathedral of St. Thomas More where, with the Bishop, they will celebrate the Rite of Election, the transition that brings them to their final period of discernment.

Stone Soup Supper & Speaker Presentations

Fridays in the Founders Room

Daily Mass at 6 PM—Soup at 6:30—Speaker at 7 PM

- Mar 6 Merica Group Home — Persons with severe physical disabilities
- Mar 13 Haiti Committee — Women
- Mar 20 1 PM Spanish Mass Congregation — Latinos
- Mar 27 Gay, Lesbian, Friends and Family Ministry (GLFF) — Gay, Lesbian, Bi, Transgender
- Apr 3 UJAMAA Committee — African Americans

Many Cultures—One Faith

This year’s speaker series will focus on the many cultural groups represented here at OLQP. Presenters will help us understand what it is like to be part of their cultural group in our society, our Church, and our Parish. It is through the breaking down of cultural barriers that we begin to realize the establishment of God’s New Creation—the mission entrusted to us by Jesus. Come listen to the personal stories of our sisters and brothers in Christ.

Just\$ Giant Gift Cards and Shoppers Food Warehouse Certificates on sale today, after Mass!

Brown Bag Sunday – Next Weekend, March 7th/8th

Please take a brown bag home with you today after Mass today. They are being distributed in the back of the Church. The Arlington Food Assistance Van (AFAC) will be parked in front of the Church next weekend before every Mass, where you can bring your food donation (pasta, rice, beans and cereal are particular needs) and help out your fellow neighbors. There are over 1000 families every week relying on AFAC to supplement their food needs in their homes. For info, please email Jack McHale jjmchale@verizon.net. Thank you.

Icon of Divine Mercy

Displayed at OLQP March 22 through March 28

The Icon of Divine Mercy (a replica of the icon of Divine Mercy displayed in Krakow, Poland). This is an opportunity for all of us to pray together as a parish for the healing that may be needed within our families. In addition, four families in our parish will pray in a special way each day for this intention. Our prayer seems especially appropriate during this Lenten season when we seek to identify our failings and strive to achieve reconciliation with our God and with each other, perhaps most especially those within our families.

OLQP Social Justice Committee

The next Social Justice Committee Meeting will be Thursday, March 5 at 7:30 in the Founders Room. The Social Justice Committee tries to provide a forum for discussing the issues, while providing opportunities for action, and supporting each other in the struggle for a more just world. All are welcome. *For questions and concerns related to social justice and outreach, please contact OLQP's Social Justice Outreach Minister, Fred Cain, 703.979.5580, fcain@ourladyqueenofpeace.org.*

Handicapped Encounter Christ is having a retreat in Marriottsville MD June 5th thru 7th. We need donations, transportation and/or your presence on the weekend. Contact Anne Reap at 703-671-7127.

“**Live Jesus 2009**”, the sixth annual morning of Salesian reflection and renewal will be held at St. John Neumann Parish in Reston, on Saturday, March 21. The retreat day will include Morning Prayer and Mass celebrated by Fr. James J. Greenfield, OSFS, Oblate provincial. This year's theme is “Jesus, Gentle Strength, and Me – Strong, Loving, and Wise.” There is no charge for the event, but participants may choose to make a free-will offering equal to at least one hour of personal wages that will support the Oblates of St. Francis de Sales and their various apostolates. Because both a continental breakfast and lunch will be provided, reservations are required. For information and to register, please visit: www.oblates.org.

The **OLQP GLFF* ministry** will meet on Monday, March 2, 2009, from 7:00-8:30 PM in the Founders Room (main level conference room of the Ministry Center). We are an affirming parish community where all people can experience God's promise and love. Come join us as we engage in dialogue and advocacy on social justice issues as they affect individuals who are gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender and their families and friends. During this business meeting, we will be discussing the following upcoming events: GLFF sponsorship of a Stone Soup Supper and Parish Breakfast in March and of a spiritual retreat, open to all Parishioners, in April. For further information, please contact Vicki Strimel, 571-257-7376, or vicki-strimel@hotmail.com.

*(Gays, Lesbians, Friends and Family)

Please Remember the Hungry

Your help is needed to stock the parish food pantry. Please consider purchasing a few extra food items and donating them to the OLQP Food Pantry when you do your own family's grocery shopping. We are in need of: cereal, canned soups, vegetables and tuna, dry beans, rice and spaghetti noodles, peanut butter and jelly, tomato/spaghetti sauce and package meals such as mac & cheese. Food donations can be delivered during weekday office hours or on Sundays when you are here for Mass. Place your donations in the food baskets at back of church. Questions, contact Fred Cain, 703-979-5580, fcain@ourladyqueenofpeace.org.

Have we got Yarn! On Sunday, March 1 between 9:30-11 am please stop by OLQP Breakfast and pick up yarn to knit or crochet for the Scarves for the Homeless project. Don't be shy we have yarn for your use. You can also drop off any scarves you have finished or donate yarn any Sunday by leaving it in the green basket in the rear of the church. This is a wonderful project for the young and not-so-young, and the talented and not-so-talented. All are welcome. Marilena 703-533-7290; ryanamoni@comcast.net

You Are Invited To Join in the Fun!

A Month to See What Boy Scouts is All About

Visit Troop 2535 in March to see what Boy Scouting is all about. Come to troop meetings to learn basic outdoor skills. Whether or not you decide to join Boy Scouts, it will be a fun month! Troop Meetings: Troop meetings are designed to teach you the skills you will need to participate in the next troop activity. Here's what we'll do at March troop meetings.

March 10 Camping Skills 1—10 Essentials, Outdoor Clothes

March 17 Camping Skills 2— What to Pack, Menu Planning

March 24 Camping Skills 3— Stoves & Lanterns

All troop meetings are Tuesday evenings, St. Thomas More School Cafeteria, 7:15-8:30 pm. Parent orientation will be available every week.

During the Troop meetings, you can meet with the Scoutmaster or one of the Assistant Scoutmasters. Finish the requirements for Scout, so you can receive that rank at your first troop meeting! For more information, contact Scoutmaster Bill Lee, 703-942-8435 or Assistant Scoutmaster Dan Dixon, 703-465-0341.

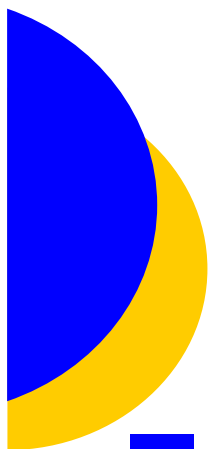
Haiti Lenten Program

Our Haiti Lenten Appeal goal this year is \$ 55,000, which represents about \$ 1 per day per OLQP family for the 40 days of Lent. Pre-marked envelopes are in the pews. Please place your contribution in the collection basket or in one of the Haiti baskets at the church entrances. Your generosity is very much appreciated!

God, You promised not to destroy the Earth ever again with floods, but we know that hurricanes and tsunamis have afflicted the US and Asia, and this summer devastated Haiti. The Gospel tells us that angels guarded Your Son, Jesus, as He spent His 40 days in the desert among wild beasts and the temptations of Satan. Please send us angels to guard against the temptations and beasts of doubt. Help us to remember Your ways are not our ways and to trust always in Your covenant. Amen.

This week as we eat our meals please remember and pray for our family in Medor who is struggling to find food.

PLEASE KEEP THE PEOPLE OF HAITI IN YOUR PRAYERS



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Take the Haiti Water Challenge. GLFF* invites all OLQP parishioners to help improve water conditions for our brothers and sisters in Medor. For 2 weeks (starting March 1st and ending March 14th), drink tap water as your only beverage. Use the spreadsheet below to track the money you would've spent on soda, juice, sports drinks, bottled water, coffee, milk, etc. At the end of the 2 weeks, donate the total amount you've saved to OLQP's Haiti Appeal. For more information, contact Laura Hansen-Rainey at 703-509-3581 or laura.hansenrainey@yahoo.com.

*Gays, Lesbians, Friends & Family

"Haiti Water Challenge"
Sunday, March 1 – Saturday, March 14

Beverage	Cost Per Serving	X	Number of times skipped	=	Savings
Milk-home, 8oz.	\$0.20				\$
Milk-restaurant	\$1.50				\$
Soda-home, 12 oz. can	\$0.25				\$
Soda-restaurant	\$1.50				\$
Soda-machine	\$1.00				\$
Juice-home, 8oz.	\$0.25				\$
Juice-restaurant	\$1.50				\$
Juice-vending machine	\$1.00				\$
Sports Drink-vending machine	\$1.00				\$
Coffee-home	\$0.25				\$
Coffee-restaurant/shop	\$2.00				\$
Hot Tea – per bag	\$0.20				\$
Iced Tea – 8oz.	\$1.00				\$
Beer/Wine/Spirits	\$3.00				\$
Other					\$
Total Amount Saved					\$