

## Welcome to OLQP Catholic Church!

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### **Pastor:**

Fr. Leonard Tuozzolo, C.S.Sp., [leonardtuz@aol.com](mailto:leonardtuz@aol.com)

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Fr. Simon Lobon, C.S.Sp., [lobon\\_simon@yahoo.com](mailto:lobon_simon@yahoo.com)

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Fr. Joseph Nangle, O.F.M., [jnangleofm@yahoo.com](mailto:jnangleofm@yahoo.com)

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### **Mass Schedule:**

Monday through Friday - 12 Noon

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 described in "Marriage Preparation Guide" at back of church and in Ministry Center foyer.

### **Reconciliation:**

Saturdays - 5:30 pm and by appointment.

### **Social Justice and Outreach Minister:**

Fred Cain, [fcain@ourladyqueenofpeace.org](mailto:fcain@ourladyqueenofpeace.org)

### **Religious Education Director:**

Katie Remedios, [kremedios@ourladyqueenofpeace.org](mailto:kremedios@ourladyqueenofpeace.org)

### **Hispanic Liaison:**

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### **Parish Office Administrator:**

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### **Bulletin deadline: Wednesday, 9 AM**

**Email:** [office@ourladyqueenofpeace.org](mailto:office@ourladyqueenofpeace.org)

### **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



*May 03, 2009*

## *Fourth Sunday of Easter*



*I am  
the good shepherd.*

John 10:11

May 2-3 2009

### Fourth Sunday of Easter

*Acts 4:8-12; 1 Jn 3:1-2; Jn 10:11-18*

God's generosity is the focus today, traditionally called "Good Shepherd Sunday" because of the gospel text. In that passage we hear Jesus say, "I am the good shepherd [who]...lays down his life for the sheep." In a different metaphor with the same point we have already heard, "See what love the Father has bestowed on us that we may be called the children of God". And in the text from Acts, Peter makes it clear to the crowd that the healing of the crippled man was done "in the name of Jesus the Nazorean whom you crucified". We see here how vast God's goodness is and are reminded that it is not confined to the limits of our imagination, for the Good Shepherd has "other sheep...I must lead."

*Next Sunday's readings (5th Sun. Easter):*

Acts 9:26-31; 1 John 3:18-24; John 15:1-8

**Our sick and homebound strengthen us by their patient suffering. Please pray for:** Ronald Bashian, Cemil Bikcen, April Brassard, Lynne Burgh, Brody Carroll, Carmen Rosa Claire, Jackie Consoli, Jennie Davis, Ernest Donatto, Jim Fowler, Barbara Green, Mathias Gutschmidt, Joseph Herbert, Michael Hill, Margaret Hodges, Dorothy Jackson, Raymond Jay, Pat Johnson, 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: \$12,042**

**2nd - Home Missions: \$2,126**

### Mass Intentions for the week of May 2-8

*Saturday, 6:00pm - for Cornelius Bennhold-Samaan by Shirley Fine*

*Sunday, 8am - for Reymond Gabel by Leonisa Klopfenstein*

*9:30am - for Peter Catucci by Ken & Mary Moffett*

*11:15am - for Thomas Hanlon by Christine O'Connor*

*1pm - for Nelly Quintero de Cadena by Fernando Cadena & Family*

### Father Tuozzolo's Remembrance Collection

On June 5, 2009 Father Tuozzolo will celebrate 50 years in the Priesthood. As part of the celebration, a remembrance book is being created that will include stories from OLQP parishioners and friends who would like to write a brief letter or story about "what Father has meant to them, ways that he has impacted their lives, or the impact on them of stories that Father has told through the years". If you would like to contribute, send an email to Steve Mahoney Hellem, sbhellem7@aol.com, or mail your contribution to 2402 Fort Scott Drive, Arlington, VA 22202. Deadline is May 8th! (703-271-8133).

### Peace Aspirations

"Whenever you are in doubt or when the self becomes too much with you, try the following expedient: Recall the face of the poorest and most helpless man whom you may have seen and ask yourself if the step you contemplate is going to be of any use to him. Will he be able to gain anything by it? In other words, will it lead to ...self-rule for the hungry and also spiritually starved millions of our countrymen? Then you will find your doubts and your self melting away." --*Mohandas Gandhi*

### Religious Education Program for Children

Director: Katie Remedios

703-979-5580, kremedios@ourladyqueenofpeace.org

**First Communion Parents**, please plan to attend a First Communion Workshop, hosted by Fr. Joe Nangle and Katie Remedios, on Tuesday May 12th at 7pm. The workshop is an opportunity to learn more about the foundations of this most important sacrament, answer questions, and lend support, as you prepare your child for their First Eucharist. Workshop will be held in classroom 3 of the Ministry Center.

**First Communion Dresses Available** - Four, beautiful, First Communion dresses have been generously donated to us by families of last year's First Communion class. If you are in need of a dress for this special occasion, please contact Katie in the DRE office.

**Get Ready For "Shoeless Sunday"!** The OLQP Children's Shoebox Ministry will sponsor a "Shoeless Sunday" in an attempt to raise awareness of the need of and lack of shoes in developing countries. Millions of people loose life and/or limbs each year as a result of virus' and infectious diseases picked up in their cut and dirty feet, where walking many miles each day is their only mode of transportation and livelihood. In the country of Honduras, children are not permitted to attend school unless they have a pair of shoes, rendering millions of children and families to a life of illiteracy.

**On Sunday, May 17th, come to Church in bare feet, and show your support for those less fortunate in our world.** Donations of new athletic shoes will be collected for the "Samaritan Shoe Project", and gently used shoes of any kind will be sent to the people of Honduras through "Art for Humanity". (More information can be found online by typing in those headings.)

### A Request from the Haiti Committee...

The Haiti Committee is seeking a few OLQP members who live in Rep Frank Wolf's district to meet with him to discuss foreign assistance, debt relief, and other issues identified by No Va churches with activities in Haiti that address the causes of poverty. We'll meet together in advance. Contact: Kathy Desmond KDesm59078@aol.com or 703-519-7858.

### Teen Delegation to Haiti Fund Raisers:

**Car Wash Today** -- Rectory Driveway on Edgewood Street, Sunday, May 3, 9-3 PM

**Mother's Day Bouquets** -- sold after each Mass next weekend. Plan on getting your Mother's Day Flowers from the teens and help them pay for their trip to Haiti at the same time!

**Donations will help defray expenses for the Teen Delegation to Medor, Haiti**



### Saturday, by Ian McEwan, is the Book Group Selection for May

The OLQP Book Group will meet in the Peace Room (basement of the Ministry Center) at 7 PM on Thursday, May 21 to discuss Saturday, a novel by Ian McEwan. Contact Chuck Moran at 703-892-4154, or chuckmoran@verizon.net, for information.

## 4th Sunday of Easter, Year B

**Just\$\$ -- Giant Gift Cards and Shoppers Food Warehouse  
Certificates on sale today, after Mass!  
Support OLQP's Early Learning Center and our Orphans  
of AIDS Ministry -- with 5% of your purchase!**

### **Please Remember the Hungry**

The OLQP Food Pantry is very low. The number of families we are helping every week has increased significantly in recent months. Please consider donating the following items that are either very low, or out: canned tuna, peanut butter, jelly, soup, desserts, spaghetti sauce, and canned or dried beans. Also consider donating cereal, canned vegetables, and rice, which are getting low. Donations can be left in the back of church or dropped off during the week at the parish office.

A representative of the **Welcome Committee** will be in the back of the church after all masses next weekend to offer information and/or registration forms to interested new comers.

### **Minkisi**

Come share your Easter blessings with the Minkisi ministry at its small group session, Mon., May 4, 7:15 p.m., in Parish Discussion Room (living room) of the Parish Office Bldg. Joan Brown will lead the quiet prayer and scripture reflection on John 20:11-18. For more info, contact Cecilia Braveboy, [jisaac3@verizon.net](mailto:jisaac3@verizon.net) or 703-979-5389.

**Gabriel Project** – Would you like to be an Angel? We are starting a new ministry at church to help pregnant women in need. Volunteers are needed to provide support services or to be trained as mentors. A Gabriel Project mentor, or Angel, builds a one-on-one relationship with an expectant mother, providing her with emotional and spiritual support. The project will be announced on Mother's Day weekend at all Masses.

The **OLQP GLFF\* ministry** will meet on Monday, May 4, 2009, from 7:00-8:30 PM in the Founders Room of the Ministry Center. We are an affirming parish community where all people can experience God's promise and love. Join us for dialogue and advocacy on social justice issues as they affect individuals who are gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender and their families and friends. This will be our final business meeting of the year during which new leadership will be elected and arrangements will be finalized for our end-of-year picnic in June. For general information on GLFF programs and activities, please contact Vicki Strimel, [vickistrimel@hotmail.com](mailto:vickistrimel@hotmail.com), 571-257-7376. \*(Gays, Lesbians, Friends and Family)

### **Queen of Peace Arlington Federal Credit Union Phone (703) 521-8615; FAX (703) 521-1960**

**email: [qpafcu@hotmail.com](mailto:qpafcu@hotmail.com) web site: [www.qpafcu.com](http://www.qpafcu.com)**

**Office Hours:** Sunday, 10:45 a.m. - 1:00 p.m., Saturday 5:00 p.m. - 5:55 p.m. (before the 6:00 p.m. Mass), the first Thursday of the month, 7:30 - 9:00 p.m., and by appointment. The office is located in the Ministry Center, at the main entrance to building.

### **Worldwide Marriage Encounter**

The next weekend sessions are May 15 - 17 and September 18-20. Early registration is highly recommended, as dates fill up quickly. For more information call John and Lorie Scali, 703-631-5289 or visit <http://wwme-nova.org/>

### **Haiti in the News...**

At a recent Haiti Donors Conference, U. N. Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon said Haiti is at a critical moment and will either slide backward into deeper poverty and misery or move forward with the help of world donors. He told the conference that "We have an opportunity to bring ... a measure of real promise and potential prosperity," At the Conference, Secretary of State Clinton announced a US pledge of \$20 million to cover Haiti's remaining debt payments to the World Bank and Inter-American Development Bank. There is a vital need for the World Bank and other lenders to move swiftly to cancel Haiti's \$1.7 billion external debt.

**Please keep the people of Haiti in your prayers!**

**Guatemalan Adventure** — TEACH (Toward Educating America's Children) seeks travelers wishing to see a mission organization in action. A trip is now being organized to visit Guatemala from July 17-29. You are invited to learn about the Mayan culture, visit villages and TEACH projects, and travel in a small group with an experienced guide as you experience the beauty of the Guatemalan country and its people. Spanish speakers and families with school age children are welcome. Contact [sharizamara@yahoo.com](mailto:sharizamara@yahoo.com), 703-323-9367. More information about TEACH at [www.teacham.org](http://www.teacham.org).

### **Vigil for Peace — In the Church**

**confronting violence through prayer**

**Tuesdays & Thursdays 11:00 am – 12 noon**

**Mondays & Thursdays 6:00 – 8:00 pm**

Your degree of participation in silent prayer is up to you. You are welcome to participate once or twice a week, once or twice a month, or somewhere in between. Spend 20 or 30 minutes or an hour. Create whatever schedule works for you, while considering that the key is commitment to the cause of peace and an end to violence.

### **Forthcoming Programs at Dominican Retreat**

**Advance Reservations Necessary**

For further information call Dominican Retreat

703-356-4243 or visit [www.dominicanretreat.org](http://www.dominicanretreat.org)

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| May 26    | Evening for Separated & Divorced, 7:30 PM-9:00 PM   |
| May 29    | Special Day – Centering Prayer “Gifts and Fruits of the Holy Spirit”, 9.30 am- 3.00 pm        |
| May 29-31 | Centering Prayer Retreat – “Be Still and Know I am Your God”, Friday 7.30 pm – Sunday 3.00 pm |
| June 5-7  | General Weekend for Women “Behold, I Make All Things New”, Friday 7.30 pm – Sunday 3.00 pm    |
| June 16   | Special Day – “Conscience, Prudence and Christian Decision Making, 9.30 AM – 3.00 PM          |

**Good Coffee, Good Cause** - We are now serving fair trade coffee at the Sunday breakfasts. The fresh brew is from Hondo Coffee Company. The coffee is grown on a small farm in Honduras where workers are paid a fair wage, double the going rate, according to Hondo Company owner Arondo Holmes. You can purchase Hondo coffee at local farmer's markets. For additional information, see: [www.hondocoffee.com](http://www.hondocoffee.com).

**Social Justice Committee Meeting - Thursday, May 7, 7:30 PM  
Join us in the Founders Room -- All are welcome!**

# The grieving church

By Richard McBrien

I received an e-mail recently from a lay pastoral associate, whose ministerial focus is on adult education and who possesses a graduate degree from a Catholic university. I have his permission to cite a portion of our exchange.

I have suppressed some of the details lest his pastor identify the source and seek to jeopardize the pastoral associate's job.

The e-mail came from a large suburban parish in which the pastor has apparently done everything that he can to remove most traces of the reforms initiated by the Second Vatican Council.

The pastor has done away with all contemporary music at Mass, and has restored pre-conciliar devotions along with auricular confession. He even gives the impression that confession is the greatest of the sacraments.

Perhaps there is some misunderstanding here because the Council of Trent, back in the 16th century, made clear that the greatest of the seven sacraments is the Eucharist.

Under the pastor's control, the parish has no youth ministry, no parish council, nor any other consultative body. According to my correspondent, "consultative is not in his vocabulary." He also gave vocal support to the minority of U.S. Catholic bishops who proclaimed in effect that "Catholics could burn in hell" if they voted Democratic in the recent presidential election.

My correspondent reported that other members of the parish staff are hurting "terribly." Indeed, they share the feelings of the woman who darted out of church recently during the homily – in tears.

She informed the pastoral associate that she could no longer handle the sit-

uation, and that she had to leave the parish. She said that all that she ever hears from the pulpit is what sinners the parishioners are, and why it is so necessary for them to "go to Confession."

That particular Sunday, with the old-fashioned church music, all the statues covered in purple as they were before Vatican II, and the usual severe words in the homily, the pressure was simply too much for her to bear.

The woman poured out her frustrations, saying that the pastor had taken the parish back to a church that she knows nothing about and in a manner that showed no understanding of others' feelings.

At the end of his first e-mail, my correspondent asked, "Are we expected just to get used to it?"

In my reply, I wrote: "No, you are not simply to 'get used to it'. Parishioners need to go elsewhere, like the woman who left Mass in tears."

I continued: "If there are no parishes or other worshipping communities in the vicinity where the pastoral leadership is healthy rather than driven by a narrow ideology, then one simply has to 'take a vacation' from the church until the skies finally clear and we are bathed in sunlight once again."

In response, the pastoral associate noted that "the number of our parish families who are already on vacation from the church is amazing. It hurts to see it."

"It's new territory, dealing with people grieving for their church," he wrote.

The lead article in *America* magazine's 100th anniversary issue (4/13/09) is by a Dominican who is justly admired the world over. It is Timothy Radcliffe's "The Shape of the Church to Come."

What follows here is a continued commentary on the problem of the "grieving church" and not meant as a criticism of Timothy Radcliffe's fine article in which he deplores the polarization that is "deeply wounding and inhibits the flourishing of the church."

However, he does identify this polarization as consisting of self-defined "traditionalist" Catholics in open conflict with self-defined "progressive" Catholics.

My experience with the worldwide Catholic church is surely much more limited than Timothy Radcliffe's, and I would defer to his experience if indeed he has come across a significant number of Catholics who actually identify themselves as "progressive." On the other hand, I know of countless numbers of Catholics who proudly call themselves "traditional" or "orthodox."

The pastor in the true story above surely would regard himself as "orthodox," but the woman who left the church in tears would never have defined herself as a "progressive" Catholic. That adjective would mean nothing to her.

She and other Catholics like her grieve simply for the loss of their church, a church renewed and reformed by Vatican II.

It is not polarization but the pastor of the story and many like him who are responsible for the grieving church.

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