

Welcome to OLQP Catholic Church!

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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. Tim Hickey at least six months before wedding date to complete requirements.

Reconciliation:

Saturdays - 5:30 pm and by appointment.

Social Justice and Outreach Minister:

Fred Cain, fcain@ourladyqueenofpeace.org

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Katie Remedios, kremedios@ourladyqueenofpeace.org

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Bulletin deadline: Wednesday, 9 AM

Email: 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



July 19, 2009

*Sixteenth Sunday
In Ordinary Time*

Change to Daily Schedule:

*On Thursday, July 23rd, the Mass and
Vigil for Peace will be preempted by
a Mass of Christian Burial at 12 noon for
Margaret "Peggy" Kelly*

I MYSELF
WILL
GATHER
MY FLOCK.



Jeremiah 23:3

Congratulations George Stewart

On Your 25th Year

As Director of the OLQP 9:30 Gospel Choir!

July 18/19 2009

16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jer 23:1-6; Eph 2:13-18; Mk 6:30-34

The results of ministry—good and bad—come to the fore in today's readings. The gospel from Mark recounts the return of the Twelve after their preaching foray; Paul, the results of Christ's work in his own ministry, reconciling Jew and Gentile. In contrast stands the condemnation of Israel's religious leadership in Jeremiah. There is a temptation to over-spiritualize God's work, to cut it off from any measurable consequences and to hope for invisible gains even when we see no evidence. Do you understand and embrace the vital work to which God is calling you?

Next Sunday's readings (17th Sunday):

2 Kgs 4:42-44; Eph 4:1-6; Jn 6:1-15

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 McCartney, Stefan McGuigan, Roberto Méndez, Mary Miller, Carmen Montijo, Dorothy Moran, Susanne Moran, Sally Ryan, Rosemarie Sandweg, Carolyn Santos, Elizabeth Skocz, Jeffery Smith, Georgiana Starnes, Marguerite Thomas, Thaddenia West, Helen Tussy, Mary Verderese, Stephanie Wollock, Mary Woods.

Last Sunday's Collection: \$14,056.50

2nd - OLQP Capital Improvement Fund: \$4,805

Mass Intentions for the week of July 18-24

Saturday, 6:00pm - for John McMakin

Sunday, 8:00am - for Edna Mae Jenkins

9:30am - for the Parish

11:15am - for Mary Verderese by Tony Cocove and Jim Lynch

1pm - for Ramon Aguilar by Victoria Aguilar

Monday, 12 Noon - for Antonieta Rojas de Moral

Wednesday, 12 Noon - for Raymond Karch by Michelle Karch

In Memoriam

Edna Mae Jenkins

Died in the Lord August 9, 2009

Mrs. Jenkins was the mother of long-time parishioner and OLQP Plant Manager Carleton "CC" Jenkins; mother-in-law of Dianne Jenkins. Nearly 100 years old, Mrs. Jenkins came to stay with CC and Dianne when she required more attentive care a couple of years ago. Funeral arrangements will take place in the Jenkins' hometown in CT. Notes of condolence may be sent to 1727 S Nelson St., Arlington VA 22204.

Hosts with Very Low Gluten Now Available

OLQP has begun offering Hosts with very low gluten in response to those who cannot consume our usual hosts made of wheat. It has been called to our attention that hosts that are completely gluten-free are not valid matter for the Eucharist so **we will change to the hosts with very low gluten**. We encourage interested persons, especially parents of children with sensitivities to gluten to visit www.usccb.org/liturgy/celiasprue.shtml to learn more, and to obtain a list of ingredients from the Benedictine Sisters in Clyde NE who developed the very low gluten hosts. Please make your need known by simply saying "low gluten" when you approach the person distributing Communion.

Religious Education Program for Children

Director: **Katie Remedios**

703-979-5580, kremedios@ourladyqueenofpeace.org

OLQP Sunday Nursery Ministry operates during the 9:30 and 11:15 Masses for children ages 1-4. Contact HeeJung Burns (hburns2002@cox.net) or Monica Perz-Waddington (monica.perz@verizon.net) for more details.

The Children's Liturgy of the Word Ministry is looking for volunteers to share the gospel message for the upcoming school year. A sign up sheet has been posted in the back of the Church.

Great news for Haiti... Three international organizations canceled a total of \$1.2 billion of Haiti's debt a few weeks ago, freeing up millions of dollars each year for the deeply impoverished Caribbean nation that is beset by humanitarian crises. The World Bank and the International Monetary Fund said their boards decided to forgive Haiti's obligations to the two organizations, a move that triggered previously announced debt relief from the Inter-American Development Bank. The actions erased nearly two-thirds of Haiti's outstanding debt.

Let's Go Gleaning! An inter-generational service activity for parishioners of all ages.

Gleaning is a long time community service activity that dates back to Biblical times. Local farmers allow common folk to come into their recently harvested fields and pick the leftover crops to provide food for those in need. **On Saturday August 8, OLQP will sponsor a Gleaning event, assembling here at 7am**, and then venturing out together to a neighboring farm to harvest produce to bring back to the Arlington Food Assistance Center. A wonderful service activity where old and young can work alongside of each other and represent one people of faith. (We will break for a shared lunch in the fields and return to Arlington by 1pm.) Please RSVP by Wednesday August 5 if you plan to participate by emailing fcain@ourladyqueenofpeace.org or kremedios@ourladyqueenofpeace.org.

Please Remember the Hungry

Your help is needed to stock the **parish food pantry**. We are especially low on the following items: tomato sauce and tomato products, peanut butter and jelly, cereal, canned soup and canned vegetables. Donations can be dropped off during the week between 8am and 4:30pm or placed in the food baskets at the church entrance. Your help is sincerely appreciated.

Vigil for Peace ~ confronting violence through prayer

In the Church

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. You could 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. Let us all reflect on the fact that only through commitment and sacrifice are the most worthwhile things in life accomplished.

Just a Thought...or Two...

A few weeks back the Sunday Gospel was about Jesus on his way to cure a young girl who was near death when a woman with a hemorrhage interrupted his mission. She, who was the interruption, becomes the focus of the story. Jesus stops (knowing the little girl lay dying) and attends to the woman's needs. In this Sunday's Gospel once again Jesus' plans are interrupted. This time by the crowds that appear to be lost, like sheep without a shepherd. In this story we are, once again, called to identify with Jesus. We are called, as followers of Jesus, to respond to the poor and the lost whenever and wherever "they encounter us". Ours is a call from God, through our Baptism, to be the voice, the face and the hands of Jesus present in the world around us. It is no easy call, being a Christian, summoned to follow the example and command of Christ. It is nonetheless, not just what we are called to do, but more importantly it is who we are as disciples of Jesus. So this week, as a community, let us reflect together: when was the last time God interrupted my life in the form of someone in need? How did I respond? How is God interrupting my life today?

Lose the Training Wheels Camp -- Provide a Sense of Pride and Freedom to a Physically Challenged Child

This August 17-21, Arlington County's Office of Therapeutic Recreation will provide a sense of pride and freedom to 25 children with disabilities as they learn to ride a bicycle at Lose The Training Wheels™ (LTTW) camp. Many children with physical and intellectual disabilities struggle to ride a two-wheeled bicycle because of balance or coordination. This camp will help almost all of them learn to ride independently! Please help make this gift possible by volunteering or by making a tax-deductible donation! Camp Director / fellow parishioner Michael Swisher will be outside after all the masses to answer questions and provide more information about the camp. He can be reached at 703-228-4738 or mswish@arlingtonva.us.

Active Senior? Volunteer two days a week with the materially poor and grow spiritually through the Ignatian Volunteer Corps (IVC). To learn more about 35 NoVA volunteers attend information session at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, August 13 at the Broadway Club Room, W. Broad St., Falls Church 22046. Contact IVC/NoVA Regional Director Jim Kelley jkelley@ivcusa.org or 703-533-7322, or visit www.ivcusa.org.

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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, first floor, main entrance to building.

Are You Financially Prepared for Summer Vacation? Credit Union members who opened a Vacation Club account last year, and saved regularly now have some funds for that vacation. Why not open a Vacation Club account, and set up a regular payroll deduction or transfer to your account? Then you will be ready for summer vacation – 2010!

Savings Federally Insured to at least \$250,000 by NCUA, a US Government Agency, and backed by the full faith and credit of the US Government.

OLQP Social Justice Committee News

⇒ **VOICE ACTION LOCATION CHANGE.** The VOICE Action this Monday, July 20, has been moved to T.C. Williams High School at 3330 King Street in Alexandria. There will be a video feed to an adjacent room for those who did not sign up and still wish to participate. Arrive at the school by 6:45pm for a 7:15 start. Queen of Peace's own 11:15 Choir will provide a musical prelude to the Action.

⇒ **Do you want to learn more about Social Justice and the Church's teaching on social issues?** JustFaith is a 30 week interactive course of reading, discussing, videos, speakers, and field trips. Pick up a blue JustFaith brochure in the back of church for more details. Find out why over 50 Queen of Peace parishioners have taken this opportunity to explore the link between faith and justice from the Catholic perspective.

⇒ **Habitat for Humanity** will be hosting a Homeowner Orientation on Thursday, July 23 at 7pm at Fairlington United Methodist Church; 3900 King St, Alexandria. This meeting is for people interested in applying for housing at Perry Hall on South 17th St—near OLQP. For more details contact Ginna Schneider at 703-521-9890 or gschneider@habitatnova.org.

Unemployed? CAN Job Ministry Wants to Help!

Christians are Networking ("CAN") is a faith-based ministry supporting people who are in career transition, providing a venue where they can prayerfully receive free professional career counseling — including resume reviews and practice interviews — and take advantage of networking opportunities with other professionals. Join us Thursday evenings, 6:30-9:30 p.m. at the St. Martin De Porres Senior Center, 4650 Taney Ave., Alexandria. Advanced registration is not required. Contact Elizabeth Lucas, 703-683-7703, elizabeth22305@verizon.net.

The **Summer Theater Program at St. Bernadette's** invites you to attend their production of the family-friendly musical, "Peter Pan." Performances are Thursday, July 30, at 7:30pm; Friday, July 31, at 7:30pm; and Saturday, August 1, at 2:00pm and 7:30pm at Bishop Ireton HS (201 Cambridge Rd, Alexandria). Tickets are \$8 for students/seniors and \$10 for adults. For more information or to reserve tickets, please call 703-451-8576 x17.

Come out and support Carpenter's Shelter at Busboys and Poets in Shirlington for dinner with friends 4251 S. Campbell Ave., Arlington, VA 22206 from 5 pm to 12 midnight on Tuesday, July 21! Five (5) percent of the profits will be donated to the Carpenter's Shelter. (Free parking in the garage one block away.) Also, from 12 pm to 5 pm that day, at the restaurant, Carpenter's will have a table set up where monetary or food donations will be welcomed. Cereal and Coffee are most needed now.

OLQP to Receive the Charles Monroe Civil Rights Award at the 63rd Annual NAACP Freedom Fund Banquet

Please consider standing with OLQP in accepting this award on Saturday, September 26, at 6:30 PM at the National Rural Electric Cooperative Association Ball Room (4301 Wilson Blvd., Arlington). Tickets are \$65 each (*Discount available if needed. Please see Fr. Tim or Christina.*) Please order your ticket through OLQP so we can all sit together. To order tickets, please call the parish office: 703-979-5580 or office@ourladyqueenofpeace.org or send in a check. Tickets are on sale through August 21st.

Women religious leadership conference has been faithful to its mission

by Richard McBrien

In a letter written on Feb. 20, the prefect of the Vatican's Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith, Cardinal William Levada, informed the officers of the Leadership Conference of Women Religious that the Congregation would be conducting a "doctrinal assessment" of the organization.

The Leadership Conference is an association of the leaders of congregations of Catholic women religious in the United States, with more than 1,500 members representing about 95 percent of the 68,000 U.S. women religious.

In a statement released soon thereafter, the officers acknowledged receipt of the letter and pointed out that the conference "faces this process with confidence, believing that the conference has remained faithful to its mission of service to leaders of congregations of women religious as they seek to further the mission of Christ in today's world."

The Vatican assessment became necessary, according to Cardinal Levada, because the three issues that were surfaced at a 2001 meeting in Rome between the officers of the conference and the Congregation remain in his mind unresolved.

Those three areas of doctrinal concern are the 1994 apostolic letter *Ordinatio sacerdotalis* on the ordination of women to the priesthood, the Congregation's 2000 declaration *Dominus Iesus* on the unique role of Christ in salvation, and "the problem of homosexuality."

Levada informed the officers of the conference that "Given the tenor and the doctrinal content of various addresses given at the annual assemblies of the conference in the intervening years, this dicastery can only conclude that the problems which had motivated its request in 2001 continue to be present."

Levada also acknowledged that his decision to conduct this "doctrinal assessment" was reached in concert with Cardinal Franc Rodé, prefect of the Congregation for Institutes of Consecrated Life and Societies of Apostolic Life, which had announced last December that it was initiating a "visitation" of communities of women religious in the United States, to examine the "quality of life" among their members and to determine why their numbers have declined in recent decades.

Not having at hand copies of the talks given at conference assemblies since 2001, I am not in a position to evaluate Levada's expressed concern about these addresses nor how the three issues (women's ordination, salvation, and homosexuality) were treated in these presentations.

However, I do know enough about the nature and history of the Leadership Conference to express amazement that there could be any "doctrinal" concerns about the organization and its leadership.

Some of the finest women religious in the United States, and worldwide, have headed the Leadership Conference. By identifying only a sample, I do not mean to imply that those sisters who remain unmentioned are (or were) of lesser quality and achievement.

The list of past national chairpersons and presidents of the Leadership Conference reads like a Hall of Fame of religious life: Mary Luke Tobin, Thomas Aquinas (Elizabeth) Carroll, Margaret Brennan, Francis Borgia Rothleubber, Joan Chittister, Mary Dooley, Theresa Kane, Nadine Foley, Doris Gottmoeller, Camille D'Arienzo, and so many others.

Moreover, the Leadership Conference's mission statement is as straightforward in its pastoral and doctrinal purposes as it could possibly be: "to promote a developing understanding and living of religious life by: assisting its members personally

and communally to carry out more collaboratively their service of leadership in order to accomplish further the mission of Christ in today's world; fostering dialogue and collaboration among religious congregations within the church and in the larger society; [and] developing models for initiating and strengthening relationships with groups concerned with the needs of society, thereby maximizing the potential of the conference for effecting change."

But there are certain key words and phrases, like "developing," "dialogue," "collaboration," "change," and "today's world," that are red flags for some church officials and a minority of women religious who are locked into the religious culture of the 1940s and 1950s, when nuns wore elaborate habits, remained for the most part confined to their convents and religious houses, took the names assigned to them, often those of male saints, and limited their apostolic activity principally to teaching children, and ministering to the sick, orphans, and unmarried pregnant girls.

It was unthinkable in those pre-conciliar years for a nun to appear in secular clothes, however simple, to engage in apostolic activities outside the convent or religious house, to reclaim their baptismal names, and to become engaged in ministries of social justice, human rights, and peace.

It was even more unthinkable that these now highly educated women would begin to think for themselves and to speak and act accordingly.

That is what seems to bother their critics the most.

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