

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.

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Bulletin deadline: Wednesday, 9 AM

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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

November 22, 2009

Jesus Christ the King

Daily Mass Schedule Change:

***Funeral Mass for Sophie Korczyk on
Monday, November 23, at 11 AM***

Thanksgiving Day Mass at 10 AM

***There will be no 12 Noon Mass on 11/23 and 11/26 and no
Vigil for Peace gathering on Thursday.***

Annual Thanksgiving Food Basket Distribution



**Come, give us a hand with bagging all the
thanksgiving grocery donations!**

***We're filling the bags in Fr. Ray Hall after
the 9:30 & 11:15 Masses! Here's what's needed:***

- Come to the front entrance of Fr. Ray Hall
- Take an empty bag from the lobby table
- Go to each food station and fill your bag according to posted instructions
- Deliver your food bag to classroom #2 right there in the Hall.

If you brought...

Food Donations: Please deliver your donation to Fr. Ray Hall and place the items on the appropriate table or leave at the back of church for our helpers take over.



Donations: Take to the freezer in the office Building basement (use stairwell from Fr. Ray Hall kitchen door).

**On behalf of those we serve,
thank you for your generosity!!**

**Today's Second Collection
Campaign for Human Development**

November 21/22, 2009

Jesus Christ the King

Daniel 7:13–14; Revelation 1:5–8; John 18:33–37

The cosmic sweep of the Scriptures continues this week. In Daniel, we hear of the vision of the coming of the “Son of Man.” In Revelation, “the Alpha and the Omega... who is and who was and who is to come.” And in the gospel we hear Jesus’ own voice: “For this I came into the world.” Notice, in each text, the verb: The Meaning-Giver of all history comes toward us. In the face of a cultural piety wrongly focused on our “going (to heaven),” this is a vital corrective: God’s future comes to transform this world, God’s creation—and as disciples we have a share in that. The lordship of Christ we celebrate today is an affirmation of who is truly in charge of history. Christ does not rescue us from history, but enters it and promises finally to transform it.

Next Sunday’s readings (1st Sunday of Advent):

Jeremiah 33:14–16; 1 Thessalonians 3:12–4:2; Luke 21:25–28, 34–36

Our sick and homebound strengthen us by their patient suffering. Please pray for: Ronald Bashian, Cemil Bikcen, April Brassard, Lynne Burgh, Brody Carroll, Louise M Chambers, Carmen Rosa Claire, Jackie Consoli, Ernest Donatto, Jim Fowler, Barbara Green, Mathias Gutschmidt, Joseph Herbert, Margaret Hodges, Dorothy Jackson, Raymond Jay, Pat Johnson, Mary Helen Madden, Teofila Manzo, Elizabeth McCartan, Stefan McGuigan, George Mehalko, Roberto Méndez, Mary Miller, Carmen Montijo, Dorothy Moran, Susanne Moran, Jerri O’Day, Paul Ramirez, Patricia Renschen, Sally Ryan, Rosemarie Sandweg, Carolyn Santos, Mary Lou Shookhoff, Elizabeth Skocz, Jeffrey Smith, Georgiana Starnes, Marguerite Thomas, Thaddenia West, Helen Tussy, Stephanie Wollock, Mary Woods.

Last Sunday’s Collection: \$13,578

Mass Intentions for the week of Nov 21-27

Sat, 6pm - for Rosa Durán by Ramiro and Amparo Rojas

Sun, 8am - for Set Rakow by the Meehan Family

9:30am - for John Euart by Dolores Leckey

11:15am - for Kate Wholey by Joe & Midge Wholey

1pm - for Fidelina López by the Zapata Family

Weekday Masses - In Thanksgiving by Elizabeth Perry

Thanksgiving Day - for Celestina Terrazas by Teresa Saavedra

In Memoriam

SOPHIE KORCZYK

Died in the Lord November 15, 2009

Sophie had been a member of OLQP for several years and sang with the 11:15 Choir. Please keep her husband, Glenn, and daughter, Michelle, and their extended family and friends in your thoughts and prayers during this difficult time of grieving. Messages of condolence may be sent to the Hassell Family (706 Little St, Alexandria, VA 22301)

Funeral arrangements:

Mass at OLQP Monday, November 23, at 11 am

REMEMBERING OUR LOVED ONES: BOOK OF LIFE

During the month of November we remember and give thanks for the many blessings God has given us in our lives. The *Book of Life* in the baptistry area of the sanctuary is one way in which we honor and remember loved ones who have died recently. The book is placed near the baptistry to remind us of our own dying and rising with Christ through baptism. Inscribed in the book are names of loved ones of members of the parish who have died and were buried elsewhere. We invite anyone who has experienced a loss this past year to add the name of that person to our *Book of Life*.

DO YOU LIKE TO SING? Join the Family Choir now forming to participate in the Christmas Eve and Family Mass Liturgies. All ages are welcome. Rehearsals take place between Masses on Sundays in the Children’s Chapel. For more information and rehearsal schedule, contact Monica Perz-Waddington 703-822-0679.

DON’T MISS THE DRAMATIC EVENT OF THE ADVENT SEASON!!

For information on this year’s Christmas Eve Family Mass pageants (at both the 4 PM and 6 PM Masses), please contact Elena Velasco, 703-341-6960, Elena5ft2@aol.com.

MINKISI MINISTRY

The Minkisi ministry invites all to come to an Advent small group session, 7:15 p.m., Mon., Dec. 7, in the Discussion Room-Parish Office Bldg. The scripture, silent prayer and reflection will be on Psalm 27:1, 7-8, 13-14, “Wait for the Lord,” and the book, *A Retreat with Thea Bowman & Bede Abram: Leaning on the Lord* by Fr. Joseph Brown. For more info, contact Cecilia Braveboy, jisaac3@verizon.net, 703-979-5389.

FINANCE COMMITTEE ELECTION

DEADLINE FOR NOMINATIONS: TODAY!

The nomination period for election to the parish Finance Committee, which is established pursuant to Canon Law, is open through November 22nd. Election will be held Dec 12/13. Nominate yourself or a fellow parishioner – nominees must be registered members of OLQP. Ballots are in the sanctuary.

The Finance Committee recently adopted several changes that bring it into line with diocesan policy: the committee is made up of eight members; a term is for three years; members are eligible to serve a maximum of two terms; the committee meets bimonthly on Thursdays on even numbered months (Feb, Apr, Jun, etc.) except for August. The August meeting is replaced by a July Leadership Retreat with the Parish Advisory Board.

Eight seats are currently up for election. Please complete a nomination slip (in the sanctuary). Contact Kezia Charles, kezia@alum.mit.edu, 703-521-4498 for further details.

LIFE IN MEDOR...

In Medor, each child in school gets a hot meal every day (for some, the only meal of the day.) Because the new secondary school is in a different location from the elementary school, Pere Luckson had to open up a second kitchen and had to increase the staff. There are more students and the price of food has gone up dramatically so the cost of the lunch program has increased significantly. Thanks to your generosity the school lunch program continues to provide a daily meal for each student and teacher.

HAITI CHRISTMAS CARD ALTERNATIVE GIFT PROGRAM

This Holiday season consider giving Haiti Christmas cards as alternative gifts to everyone on your shopping list. Donations for the cards support the people of our sister parish in Medor and help embody the true meaning of Christmas. Cards are available after Masses this weekend and each weekend until Christmas. Minimum donation is \$5. Please contact Sue Carlson for further details: marysusancarlson@gmail.com.



Please keep the people of Haiti in your prayers!

JUST A THOUGHT...OR TWO...

This weekend we celebrate the feast of Christ the King! For many this title carries all kinds of baggage with it; for some it has harsh triumphant and patriarchal overtones conflicting with the reality of the loving image of Jesus portrayed in the Gospels. For others it is just plain scary -- an overlord at whose will we are to be disposed, devoid of any sense of the passion with which we are loved by our God. But in its deepest sense, the feast of Christ the King is about God's triumph over evil, God's triumph over our greatest fear: death. In the midst of all of this, the truth is that we are offered an opportunity to reflect on the role and place of Christ in our daily lives. We are confronted with the reality that in the end, "when it is all said and done", God is in charge. And this is a very good thing! The reason this is such a good thing is that above all else God is the very essence of love. Not a cruel overlord or a patriarchal despot, but rather pure unadulterated love. So our "Lord" is truly "the Lord of Love" and so we have nothing to fear!

Something to reflect on this week: What image of Christ do I hold in my heart? Am I comfortable "pledging allegiance" to Christ, and what does that mean for me in my daily life?

God's Blessings, Fr. Tim

The **CHILDREN'S SHOEBOX MINISTRY** will meet on Sunday, November 29th from 10:30 – 11:15 sharp upstairs in the Ministry Center. Our guest speakers will be from Coats for Kids Foundation, a public charity whose mission is "to ensure that every child who needs a winter coat receives a new one." It has distributed more than 22,000 new coats through schools, city agencies, and other nonprofits since its founding in Jan 2004.

OLQP IS HIRING A MAINTENANCE SUPERVISOR

Plant Manager, "CC" Jenkins, will be retiring at the end of the year. His position will be replaced by a part-time maintenance person who is a skilled 'jack-of-all-trades'. Interested persons should contact Fr. Tim: t thickey@ourladyqueenofpeace.org or 703-979-5580.

SOCIAL JUSTICE COMMITTEE NEWS

► **Save the Date: The Fr Ed Kelly Series on The Consistent Ethic of Life continues Monday, December 7 at 7:30 with "Women and Children in Poverty"**. Featured speaker is Doorways Executive Director Linda Dunphy. Plan to join us for a look at poverty and how it relates to the many other life issues. Jeff Caruso from the Virginia Catholic Conference, and Fr Tim complete the panel of speakers.

► **"Conversations on Race"** is a short course/discussion group designed to provide participants with the ability to work effectively in cross-cultural situations, to explore culture, identity and privilege, and to create communities that actively counter racism. The group will meet the 2nd and 4th Thursday evenings from January through May. Contact Marty Swaim for more information. 703-525-3475 or mswaim@comcast.net

► **The JustFaith course "Engaging Spirituality"** will start in January at St. Anthony's, Falls Church. An informational session will be held at St. Anthony's on December 2nd at 7:30 p.m. To register contact Don Di Spirito, dondispirito@verizon.net, 703-256-9513 or Jean Noon 703-341-6644 jnoon@weddingquilts.com.

8TH GRADE HIGH SCHOOL PLACEMENT TEST is Saturday Dec 5, 8:30-12 noon at each of the five high schools. A \$30 fee and registration form are due Wed, Dec 2. Click on "school forms" at: <http://www.arlingtondiocese.org/catholicschools/parents.php>.

Christmas Bazaar



Sunday, December 6

10:30 AM to 1:30 PM

Fr. Ray Hall

Sponsored by the Seasoned Christians

The Seasoned Christians warmly invite you to do a little holiday shopping at their annual Christmas Bazaar to be held Dec 6th.

Vendor Tables are available for \$20 each -- Almost sold out!

Please contact Adele Crump, 703-256-3868.



CHRISTMAS WREATHS

TO BENEFIT LIVING WAGES OF WASHINGTON

Thea Barron will be selling 22" fresh, Vermont Christmas wreaths after the 9:30 and 11:15 masses on Sunday, December 6. This is a fund-raiser for Living Wages of Washington, an adult learning center in D.C. The wreaths are double-faced balsam, decorated with pine cones and a large red bow and cost \$35. Since 1998, Living Wages has provided life-transforming, educational opportunities for more than 380 residents of southeast Washington, D.C. so that, armed with a high school diploma, they can obtain a living wage. Thea will be taking orders after those Masses in Fr. Ray Hall, or you can call her or leave a message at 703-354-0580.

The Gonzaga Chorus and Chamber Choir present an evening of music **CHRISTMAS LIGHT OF THE WORLD CONCERT** directed by Jeremy Young on Wednesday, December 9, 7:30 pm at Gonzaga Theatre, Washington, DC. Free admission-Free on campus parking-Refreshments in the lobby beginning at 7 pm.

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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.

Cash Back (1.00%) on Auto Loans! For a limited time, until May 1, 2010, any auto (vehicle) loan disbursed will get 1.00% of the loan amount rebated immediately to the borrower to be used however the borrower wishes. The loan must have a vehicle title pledged as collateral, and must be a new loan at the credit union. See us for details.

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.

ANNUAL WINTER CLOTHING DRIVE FOR SEEC DAY LABORERS - December 5-6.

Please donate warm winter clothing or purchase gift cards (Target, Sears) for our less fortunate brothers. Suggested donations: Winter jackets, sweaters, gloves, scarves, knit hats, work pants and work boots. Contact: Andres Tobar, andrestobar1@yahoo.com.

Happy Thanksgiving!!

Thanksgiving Day Bilingual Mass:

10 AM





“To Be or Not to Be...That IS the Question!” Reflection on My Life as a Black Catholic Woman
Religious by Sr. Jamie T. Phelps, O.P., Ph.D.,
 Director, Institute for

Black Catholic Studies, Xavier University of Louisiana. (This is an excerpt of an article listed in the *Parish Connection*, Office of Black Catholic Ministry, Archdiocese of Atlanta, November 2003)

One day in church, Father Mean, our youngest parish priest, preached a sermon in which he stated that *“actual grace was an awareness of the prompting of the Holy Ghost!”* I heard God calling me to consider deep within my heart if I were being called to live my life as a woman religious. My father, Alfred Phelps Sr., had always wanted me to use my talents to be a doctor or lawyer and thought that being a sister would be a waste of my talent *“serving those other sisters!”*

My mother, Emma Brown Phelps, had been silent about the matter, leaving the decision entirely to me. I finally decided to apply and enter my community using a pragmatic approach. I thought *“I don’t want to wake up ten, twenty or thirty years from now thinking I ought to have or should have entered the convent. I will enter and give it a try and if it doesn’t work, I will simply come home and start anew.”*

It was not a secret that most religious communities of women and men were still refusing to admit black young women and men into their congregations during those years. Many young girls were simply told to apply to one of the existing black religious orders of women or to wait until they were more sure and/or ready to embark upon a journey with White women. Young boys were simply told that seminaries did not accept vocations from the Black community. My dad, aware of this reality, worried about my person and my happiness.

Struggle + Transcendence = Christian Journey. As I think about my journey with the God of Jesus Christ as a member of the Adrian Dominican Congregation and my current life and ministry, I realize that though there have indeed been times of sorrow and conflict as a member of a predominantly White congregation of women religious, that sorrow and conflict was not always nor in most instances a matter of racism. (Though one must in truth acknowledge that at times racial insensitivity has been a negative reality!) However, the times of sorrow and conflict are far outweighed by the times of sheer happiness and joy.

As I begin my current ministry as Professor of Systematic Theology and Director of the Institute for Black Catholic Studies at Xavier University of Louisiana, my heart is filled with joy. Looking

back over my 44 year journey (1959-2003) as a member of the Adrian Dominicans, I can now see how God has blessed me and been faithful to his promises. I have grown in wisdom, age and grace as I journeyed with members of my religious community and those women and men both Black and white who have shared ministry, prayer and life with me.

Joy Comes in the Evening Too! Yes, Dad, after 44 years, I have a happy and meaningful life as a woman religious whose ministerial life has traversed so many professions.” I gave up all for the sake of the gospel, but I have all that I gave up and more! I gave up the prestige and money that being a doctor or nurse might have brought me, but I want for nothing materially. I have no husband or children born of my flesh, but count hundreds of students as *“my children”* loaned to me while they are in my classes to nurture intellectually, personally and morally, to see them move on to other teachers and ministers who continue to mediate God’s love and concern for them. I became a woman religious that did not preclude my also being an educator, psychiatric social worker, community organizer, liturgist, choir director, spiritual director and theologian.



Founders of Black Religious Orders for Women



Mother Mary Elizabeth Lange
1800-1889)
Oblate Sisters of Providence
Baltimore MD



Mother Henriette DeLille
(1813-1862)
Sisters of the Holy Family
New Orleans LA



Mother theodore Elizabeth
Barbara Willimas
(1868-1931)
Franciscan Handmaids of the
Most Pure Heart of Mary
Harlem NY



Mother Matilda Beasley
(ca. 1832-1903)
Third Order of St. Francis
(1889-1900)
Savannah GA

NOVEMBER IS BLACK CATHOLIC HISTORY MONTH

“BE STILL AND KNOW THAT I AM GOD”

Ps 46:11

Join with the Minkisi ministry as we pray for vocations, especially for black vocations, to the priesthood, diaconate, and women and men in religious communities.



Vocation Prayer

by Jesse Cox, O.P. and Mary Therese Johnson, O.P.

God our Liberator,
 We thank you and praise you
 For you are a God who walks with us,
 Who knows our struggles,
 And who gives us strength to answer
 your call.

You have created us in your likeness
 ...I hear you calling us to keep on
 keeping on.

You have anointed us to bring glad
 tidings to the poor
 And to set captives free
 ...I hear you calling us to go
 And tell the Good News about
 Jesus Christ.

You have blessed us with family and
 faith, spirit and soul
 ...I hear you calling us to live and leave
 a legacy of love.

“O my Lord, what shall I do?”

Free us, Faithful God, to hear your call.
 Help us, Loving God, to hear your
 voice –
 True, constant, full of hope, above so
 many others.
 Empower us, Way-Maker God, to
 place our lives
 In the service of our sisters and
 brothers.

With faith and unfailing confidence,
 We ask this prayer through Jesus
 Christ your Son.
 Amen.

