

## Welcome to OLQP Catholic Church!

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### **Pastor:**

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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:**

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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 29, 2009

First Sunday of Advent



*I will raise up*



*for David*

*a just shoot.*

*Jeremiah 33:15*

**MANY, MANY THANKS** for your generosity

with this year's Thanksgiving Food Basket

program -- we received enough in dona-

tions to offer a traditional Thanksgiving meal to just

over 200 families! On behalf of those we serve, thank

you!!



November 28/29, 2009

### Frist Sunday of Advent

*Jeremiah 33:14-16; 1 Thessalonians 3:12-4:2; Luke 21:25-28, 34-36*  
“And then they will see the Son of Man coming in a cloud with great power and great glory.” Although we begin a new liturgical year this Sunday, the themes carry over from the past few weeks. The style is again apocalyptic (with all its difficulties), and the message is again one of hope. We have it from Jeremiah: “The days are coming...when I will fulfill the promise I made”; and from Luke: “When these signs begin to happen, stand erect and raise your heads because your redemption is at hand”. In the passage from Thessalonians, Paul encourages his readers to anticipate this fulfillment: “We earnestly ask and exhort you...that you do so even more”. What we hope for matters greatly to our daily choices.

*Next Sunday's readings (2nd Sunday of Advent):*

*Baruch 5:1-9; Philippians 1:4-6, 8-11; Luke 3:1-6*

**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, Eva Souza, Marguerite Thomas, Thaddenia West, Helen Tussy, Stephanie Wollock, Mary Woods.

**Last Sunday's Collection: \$14,873**

**Campaign for Human Development: \$4,848**

### Mass Intentions for the week of Nov 28 - Dec 4

*Sat, 6pm - for Corazon Y. Yabes by the Family*

*Sun, 8am - for the Parish*

*9:30am - for Robert Hoyt by Rosemarie Sandweg*

*11:15am - for Lillian Reilly by Joe Martocci*

*1pm - for Mario Garcia by the Zapata Family*

*Tue, 12pm - for all who have AIDS, all who live with AIDS,*

*all who are HIV Positive, their Family, their Friends,*

*and their Caregivers by OLQP GLFF Ministry*

*Wed, 12pm - for Grace McCrane by Betty Mills*

### In Memoriam

**Georgiana Starnes**

**Died in the Lord November 22, 2009**

Georgiana was a longtime elder of OLQP who had been in a nursing home for the past fifteen years. We remember and celebrate Georgiana's steadfast commitment to the OLQP Legion of Mary spending much of her time visiting the homebound and hospitalized, among several other ministries. Please keep her brother, Charles Jones and their extended family and friends, in your thoughts and prayers. Messages of condolence may be sent to the family in care of Charles (2200 S Pollard St, Arlington, VA 22204). A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated at OLQP on Friday, Nov. 27th.

**FINANCE COMMITTEE ELECTIONS** will take place during each Mass the weekend of December 12/13. Absentee ballots and a “getting to know the candidates” bio insert will be available the weekend of December 5/6. Please contact Kezia Charles, kezia@alum.mit.edu, 703-521-4498, for further details.

### REGISTRATION FOR THIS YEAR'S FIRST COMMUNION AND CONFIRMATION CLASS ARE NOW DUE

**FIRST COMMUNION PREPARATION** is designed for children who are 7 years of age. The program begins with a parent meeting on January 9th at 3:30pm, and continues with gatherings for children every other Saturday from January 23-May 22. All interested in preparing for this sacrament are asked to register now.

**CONFIRMATION 2011** class will begin on Monday, February 22nd at 7pm. All students grade 7 and older are invited to participate. Parents must register their student in person by attending one of the informational meetings planned for Monday December 14, or January 11 at 7pm. **Registration deadline is January 15th.** Contact the DRE office for more information, kremedios@ourladyqueenofpeace.org.

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION REVIEW SESSION MEETS ON SATURDAY DECEMBER 5TH AT 4PM.** This month's session will focus on the 10 commandments. The class will be followed by a special Advent Family Mass in the Founders Room at 5:10. All are welcome to participate.

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PARENTS ASSOCIATION MEETING** will take place on December 5th at 4:10pm in the Founders Room. Please plan to attend and share your Circle or Home Based experiences, ideas, questions and concerns with other OLQP parents. Katie will be present to share program status and news about upcoming events.

### THANKS FOR THE PIES!

**50 area families in need have received a homemade Thanksgiving pie due to the overwhelming generosity of OLQP parishioners.** Parishioners of all ages and experiences, joined forces Saturday morning to roll dough, mix ingredients, and assemble pumpkin, blueberry, cherry, apple and pecan pies. We learned, laughed, and served together. The pies were distributed Monday morning with the Thanksgiving baskets. Good Work! (View event pictures: <http://drop.io/olqpdre>)

### CHILDREN'S SHOE BOX MINISTRY MEETS TODAY.

Join us in classroom 1 at 10:30. Today's topic - “Coats for Kids”.

### 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. For more info, contact Cecilia Braveboy, jisaac3@verizon.net, 703-979-5389.

### LIFE IN MEDOR...

Medor is in rural Haiti. There are no roads that lead to Medor and the only way to get there is to hike or ride a mule about 10 miles over several mountain ranges. In Medor there is no electricity, no running water, no sewage system and the countryside has been severely deforested. Most families survive by subsistence farming..

### 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: [marysusan Carlson@gmail.com](mailto:marysusan Carlson@gmail.com).



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

## 1st Sunday of Advent, Year C

### JUST A THOUGHT...OR TWO...

In his final public address, the late Cardinal Joseph Bernardin said, "A dying person does not have time for the peripheral or the accidental. He or she is drawn to the essential, the important." That is true of the spirit of Advent as well. "The days are coming," warns Jeremiah. "Be vigilant," says Jesus. As we begin the "wonder-filled" season of Advent let us reflect on whether or not we are truly awake. Am I drowsy? Or am I awake to the wondrous presence of Christ in all those who I encounter? *God's Blessings, Fr. Tim*

### FR. HEALY'S HOMILIES NOW AVAILABLE ONLINE AT [WWW.FATHERHEALY.COM](http://WWW.FATHERHEALY.COM)

OLQP's pastor from 1984-1995, Fr. Healy was a gifted speaker who inspired many and challenged all who listened. Thanks to many parishioners, his homilies are now available online. Each week the homily corresponding to the Sunday's reading will be made available. You can listen online or download the podcast to iTunes for later listening. You can also subscribe to the site and each week you will receive an announcement that the week's homily is available. Voluntary donations from the site will support the Haiti Committee. Any questions about the project can be sent to Frank Finamore at [ffinamore@gmail.com](mailto:ffinamore@gmail.com).

### RECOVERING PARISHIONER NEEDS HELP

A parishioner who recently had a serious stroke is in need of help with physical therapy. Several volunteers are needed for simple repetitious therapeutic arm and leg movements -- (you do not need to have any previous experience and there's no lifting). The therapy sessions take place in the evening about 6- 6:30pm and last 45 minutes with a total of about 15 minutes of actual exercise. The family is hoping that several people will come forward to help, allowing that they could rotate the schedule. Please contact the family: [nicolemeister@gmail.com](mailto:nicolemeister@gmail.com). Thank you for your consideration!

### 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 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday evenings from January through May. Contact Marty Swaim for more information. 703-525-3475 or [mswaim@comcast.net](mailto:mswaim@comcast.net)

► **The Justfaith Course Known As *Engaging Spirituality*** will be offered starting this January at St. Anthony of Padua Church in Falls Church. An informational session will be available at St. Anthony's on December 2<sup>nd</sup> at 7:30 p.m. To register, or for more information contact Don Di Spirito 703-256-9513 [dondispirito@verizon.net](mailto:dondispirito@verizon.net) or Jean Noon 703-341-6644 [jnoon@weddingquilts.com](mailto:jnoon@weddingquilts.com).

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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.



## Christmas Bazaar Next 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.*  
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.

### 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, [andrestobar@verizon.net](mailto:andrestobar@verizon.net).

**BAKE SALE DONATIONS NEEDED FOR CHRISTMAS BAZAAR** – The inter-generational parish ministry for Habitat for Humanity will have a table at the Christmas Bazaar next weekend. We need donations of home-made baked goods, jams, and jellies. If you are able to donate something yummy, please contact Marsha Curnyn at 808-778-4820 by Thursday, Dec. 3rd. Thank you!

### SHOEBOX WEEKEND, A QUEEN OF PEACE TRADITION

**A-SPAN's** Christmas party this year is on December 18, so **our first blast of energy for the homeless will take place on the weekend of December 12/13** when we must prepare 150 gifts, wrapped and ready to be distributed to the our homeless brothers and sisters. Since Queen of Peace's gifts are the highlight of this event, the one time in the year when all the homeless come inside for a party together, we will put special effort to prepare 122 gifts for male clients and 25 for female clients. And, since this parish is always more than generous, we have offered a comparable number of gifts to SEEC, the Shirlington Employment and Education Center, where the unemployed gather each morning for a job. Fill your shoebox with items that would give comfort to a person who lives outside: mittens, socks, cap, soap, toothbrush, nail clipper, hand lotion, flashlight, shampoo, phone cards, chapstick, candy and gum. Our Giant Gift Cards are a great addition to any box, in small denominations, please. Do not include any gift for which size is important because the gifts are given out at random. **Look for the supply of empty shoeboxes at the back of church.** Wrapping will be handled by the Confirmation classes so you are welcome to bring your shoebox, just filled, and the OLQP Teens will help make it special.

If you do wrap your gift, please indicate on the outside whether it is for a male or a female. If you forget to bring your shoebox on Dec 13, bring it on the following weekend because we will have another wrapping party on the Stage in Fr. Ray Hall from 9-1...to wrap the next batch of shoebox gifts. God bless your generosity.

**world AIDS day**  
**1 December 09**



## **World AIDS Day 2009**

### **Universal Access and Human Rights**

*Every 15 seconds someone in the world dies of AIDS-related illnesses, but even more often a person living with HIV is discriminated against, judged, excluded, whispered about, fired from their job, arrested, beaten, or thrown out of their house. In 2009 and 2010, World AIDS Day will focus on HIV and human rights. As Christians, these are precious moments for us to reflect on HIV and our belief that all people are created in God's image. While we work to promote and protect the human rights of people living with or affected by HIV, or those who are vulnerable to infection, we must also recognize and take action on the spiritual dimension that calls us to work for justice and treat all as our sisters and brothers.*

OLQP Gay, Lesbian, Friends and Family (GLFF) Ministry commemorates World AIDS Day 2009 through an outreach to Joseph's House. Joseph's House is a supportive and nurturing home in Northwest DC for formerly homeless men and women with terminal illnesses. It was founded nearly 20 years ago by Christian doctor David Hilfiker as a place for terminally ill, homeless, African-American men with nowhere to die but the streets.

GLFF member Eileen Melia made the quilt on display in the church this weekend to honor the example of God's love manifest at Joseph's House. The quilt will be blessed on World AIDS Day and given to Joseph's House as a gift of appreciate from Our Lady Queen of Peace and the GLFF ministry.

The following is part of the message that will accompany the quilt to Joseph's House:

**“Many stories of great conviction and strength describe what happens within your walls! Your spirited witness and willingness to serve the most vulnerable of people with HIV/AIDS is a model for so many who admire your tenacity and loving service. You have stood as a symbol of peace, justice, and Christ's love by bringing medical care, food, shelter and a loving environment to those in pain and despair. Minds and hearts are being transformed by witnessing your message of love that is extended to God's beloved children in your daily ministry to people in Washington, DC. Your ministry is an outstanding model for those who live in dire circumstances in our country and around the world. This quilt was displayed and blessed on World Aids Day 2009 at Our Lady Queen of Peace to inform our fellow parishioners about the daily living care that Joseph's House reveals. May this quilt be a testimony to your unselfish witness and a reminder of the love, wonder, joy, and faith that flows from your heavenly Father.”**