

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.

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Saturdays - 5:30 pm and by appointment.

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Inclement Weather Policy:

OLQP follows the decision of Arlington Public Schools for cancellation of evening activities. Those traveling outside the local school system should use their best judgement. To find out the most up-to-date information call the toll-free APS hot line at 1-866-322-4277.

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



January 10, 2010

Baptism of the Lord



*You will be baptized
with the Holy Spirit and fire.*

Luke 3:16

**Today's Second Collection:
OLQP Capital Improvement Fund**

BAPTISM OF THE LORD

Isaiah 40:1-5, 9-11; Titus 2:11-14; 3:4-7; Luke 3:15-16, 21-22

In Isaiah we hear the text so associated with John the Baptizer (although not heard in this year's gospel): "In the desert prepare the way of the Lord!" And the tone of the message is supportive: "Comfort, give comfort to my people, says your God.... Like a shepherd he feeds his flock; in his arms he gathers the lambs." and, from heaven, "You are my beloved Son" [gospel]. The Letter to Titus expands this embrace to us: "He saved us through the bath of rebirth and renewal by the Holy Spirit, whom he richly poured out on us." What will you discover about God's goodness this week as you hear about your incorporation into Christ and his promises?

Next Sunday's readings (2nd Sunday):

Isaiah 62:1-5; 1 Corinthians 12:4-11; John 2:1-12

Our sick and homebound strengthen us by their patient suffering. Please pray for: Ronald Bashian, Cemil Bikcen, Catherine Blair, 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, Raymond Jay, Pat Johnson, Mary Helen Madden, Teofila Manzo, , Stefan McGuigan, George Mehalko, Roberto Méndez, Mary Miller, Carmen Montijo, Dorothy Moran, Susanne Moran, Bart O'Brien, 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: \$13,481

Mass Intentions for the week of Jan 9-15

Sat, 6pm - for the Parish

Sunday Morning Masses - for the Parish

Sun, 1:00pm - for Mariana Cisneros (L) by Carlos Cisneros

Wed, 12noon - for María M. Ejército by her daughter

IN MEMORIAM: KEVIN WHITE

Kevin was the son of Bob and Marianne White who were members at OLQP for several years in the early 90s. Kevin died suddenly over the holidays. Please remember the White family in your thoughts and prayers during this difficult time. Funeral arrangements were held last month. A note of condolence may be sent to the family home at 1250 South Washington Street, Apt. 724, Alexandria, VA 22314.

A **WELCOME COMMITTEE** representative will be in the back of the church after Mass to give information and registration forms to fellow worshippers who would like to register.

JANUARY 10-16 IS NATIONAL VOCATIONAL AWARENESS WEEK

Let us prayer along with the Minkisi ministry* for vocations, especially for black vocations, to the priesthood, diaconate, and women and men in religious communities.

**You are all invited To An
INTERFAITH WORSHIP CELEBRATION
IN OBSERVANCE OF THE BIRTHDAY OF THE
REV. DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.
Monday, January 18th, 2010, 11:30 a.m.
at Kenmore Middle School
Please see this weekend's bulletin insert for details!**



January 9/10, 2010 -- Baptism of the Lord, Year C

2010 CONFIRMATION CLASS SPAGHETTI DINNER / DANCE!

Mark your calendar for this year's Confirmation Class Spaghetti Dinner / Dance scheduled Saturday, February 6th, at Father Ray Hall, from 7-10PM. Plan on an evening of fun music, dancing and a delicious spaghetti dinner prepared by our 2010 Confirmation Class to raise money to cover expenses for their upcoming Confirmation Retreat weekend. Tickets will be on-sale after the Masses during January or sold at the door the night of the event. Ticket prices are \$5 per person or \$10 per family. Wine and beer will be sold separately. Come support our Confirmation Class while having a great night out!



LAST CHANCE TO REGISTER FOR THE 2011 CONFIRMATION CLASS

Registration for the 2011 Confirmation class will close on January 15th. Parents who have not yet attended a program registration meeting are asked to attend on Monday, January 11th at 7pm in the Ministry Center. Please contact Katie in the DRE office for information.

THE GUERNSEY LITERARY AND POTATO PEEL SOCIETY

by Mary Ann Shaffer and Annie Barrows

Book Group Selection for January

The OLQP Book Group will meet Thursday, January 21, 7:00 PM in the Peace Room (basement of the Ministry Center), to discuss The Guernsey Literary and Potato Peel Society, by Mary Ann Shaffer and Annie Barrows. Subsequently, the book for February will be The Known World, by Edward P. Jones. Jones is a D.C. writer, recently featured on the cover of the November 15, *Washington Post* Sunday magazine. For more information, contact Chuck Moran, 703-892-4154, chuckmoran@verizon.net.

SCARVES FOR SOLDIERS

We have successfully donated over 250 scarves to the homeless community in Arlington this Christmas. Many thanks to our knitters and your generous donations of yarn throughout the year. However, there are still many in need. We now turn our efforts to our soldiers serving overseas in Afghanistan where it is very cold. We need yarn and we need you to keep knitting. Please leave yarn and finished scarves in the green basket in the rear of the church. On behalf of our knitters, we wish the OLQP community a very happy New Year.

"HOME FOR THE HOLIDAYS"

Once again, Queen of Peace is joining with Social Action Linking Together (SALT) and other area parishes in the annual "Home for the Holidays" letter writing campaign. We have participated in this campaign for over two decades, as part of our OLQP "fundamental option for the poor," and these measures are also supported by the Virginia Catholic Conference. This year, our advocacy is directed in support of a Refundable Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC) and rental assistance program for Virginia's working poor families. TODAY you can support this effort by sending greeting cards to your state senator and delegate in support of these important measures. It takes just a couple minutes to write a holiday message using our insert. Please show your concern for vulnerable children and their families by participating in this effort. Your participation can make a big difference in many folks' lives.

JUST A THOUGHT...OR TWO...

Many have asked; "why did Jesus "need" to be baptized?" Jesus didn't "need" to be baptized...he chose to be baptized to show us how important an act it truly is. The feast of the Baptism of the Lord is an opportunity to celebrate our baptism, our participation in the life of Christ. Through our baptism we become the Body of Christ. When we authentically live as the Body of Christ, our hands become the hands of Christ, our voice becomes the voice of Christ, we become the "real presence" of Christ in the world. Through our Baptism and Confirmation we are filled with the Holy Spirit and called to be a light to the nations. This feast day offers us the opportunity to reflect on how we, as individuals and as a community, are doing "being the hands and voice of Christ" in our world. How are my hands the hands of Christ, how is my voice the voice of Christ in the world? Am I open to allowing the Holy Spirit to direct my life? Amid all the questions...let us rejoice and be glad for we are the "Body of Christ"! God's Blessings, Fr. Tim

TEEN MINISTRY now meets every Sunday at 10:45 am outside of the Children's Chapel. Grab a donut and join the group. All teens 13-19 welcome. Any students interested in going to Haiti this summer on the next OLQP Teen Delegation trip must stop by for details.

TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THE FOLLOWING OPPORTUNITIES TO PRACTICE FAITH-BASED ADVOCACY:

► Tuesday, January 19 is "Day for All People of Faith" in Richmond sponsored by the Virginia Interfaith Center; 8am to 2:30pm; Cost is \$20.00 and includes food, materials and transportation from the event site to the Capitol. Please visit www.virginiainterfaithcenter.org for more details and to register. Contact Marisa Vertees at mvertrees@stcharleschurch.org or 703-527-5500 ext 126 for info about car pooling to Richmond.

► Thursday, January 28 is "Catholic Advocacy Day at the General Assembly" in Richmond sponsored by the Virginia Catholic Conference; 8:30am to 1:30pm. Download and print the flyer and registration form at www.vacatholic.org. Mail registration forms (with \$10.00 to cover lunch and materials) to the Virginia Catholic Conference by Jan 22. A bus will leave St Thomas More at 6:30am and returns about 4pm. The cost for the bus is a \$15.00 donation; contact Celestine Person-Green at butterfly85@verizon.net to reserve your seat on the bus. Payment can be made when boarding the bus.

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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 Gifts of Money? If you or your children, etc. received gifts at Christmas of money, bring those checks and cash to the credit union and establish, or build up that savings account. Children can handle their own accounts, or custodial accounts can be established for children. See us for details.

CARPENTER'S SHELTER SUPPER — THURSDAY, JAN 21ST

Please assist with preparation of the Carpenter's Shelter Supper on Thursday, January 21st. The menu consists of Meatloaf, Macaroni & Cheese, Frozen Cut Corn, Carrot & Celery Sticks, Cookies, Lemonade, and Margarine. Sign up to bring a serving; the poster is located in the rear of the church. Bring the food to Fr. Ray Hall between 4:00 and 5:00 p.m., January 21st. If delivering earlier, place food in Parish Office Building kitchen refrigerator. (Please label the food for Carpenter's Shelter).

SPECIAL ELECTION: Do you live in Virginia Senate District 37?

Get out and vote in the special election on January 12. Ken Cuccinelli's vacant seat is being contested by Republican Stephen Hunt and Democrat Dave Marsden. Find out what district you live in at <http://capwiz.com/vacatholic/home/>

LIFE IN MEDOR...

Thanks to your generosity, there is a clean water program in the Medor. Many families are using the 5 gallon in-home water purification systems that we supplied. Of the 30 springs in the parish, 6 have been capped, providing cleaner water at the collection source. In addition, several public latrines have been built and we plan to build several more latrines in the next year. A sanitation program has been initiated which encourages everyone to use latrines and to wash their hands.

Please keep the people of Haiti in your prayers!

THE FR ED KELLY SERIES: "Consistent Ethic of Life" continues:

Wednesday, January 20 at 7:00pm in the Founders Room. The event is titled 'Abortion: a Violent Choice' and features two speakers: Carol Crossed from Consistent Life (formerly Seamless Garment Network) and Nancy Tanner from Silent No More. Plan to join with dialogue on this front-line life issue.

MATTHEW 25 BAZAAR is one of the oldest ministries at OLQP. This flagship ministry provides new & used clothing at no cost to individuals in the greater OLQP community. Currently, we are in need of the following winter clothes:

Children: all types of clothing and shoes, especially winter coats.

Women: Casual clothes, jeans and wash and wear slacks. We also need winter coats, hats, gloves and casual shoes for women. We do not need sweaters and business suits.

Men: T-shirts, socks, shoes (boots, sports and casual shoes) long-sleeve shirts (dress and casual), hooded and regular sweat-shirts, jeans, casual slacks, work pants, winter coats and hats. We do not need sports coats or business suits.

Please drop off your donation of winter clothing for the Matthew 25 Thrift Shop in the blue metal bin behind Father Ray Hall. *It's most helpful at this time if you hold off on donating spring and summer clothes until April.*

MATTHEW 25 IS IN NEED OF VOLUNTEERS

Wednesdays (9-12), Saturdays (9-2) and Sundays (9-12) Without donated clothes and reliable volunteers, Matthew 25 would not be able to serve those who need this assistance in our community. If you would like to and are able to donate your time in support of this very important ministry, please contact Rich Slivoskey at richslivoskey@cox.net or 703-39-0476.

"I needed clothes and you clothed me".

Medicating and medicalizing dissent

Military uses psychiatric categories to manage tensions

By Jerry Lembcke

In "Sir! No Sir!" David Zeiger's 2006 documentary about G.I. resistance to the war in Vietnam, Bill Short tells how revolted he was by having to count the bodies of enemy dead for his unit. When he refused to do it any longer, he was sent for psychological counseling. At the moment he thought he was about to be remanded for psychiatric confinement, the shrink, as Short refers to him, pulled a copy of the Nov. 9, 1969, *New York Times* from his desk and pointed to a full-page advertisement against the war signed by 1,365 active-duty GIs. Bill didn't need a diagnosis, he needed a social movement — and there it was.

Short's story is the turning point in the film that also reconnects us with the historical juncture when in-service resistance combined with the outpouring of public sentiment against the war and Vietnamese military successes to accelerate the pace of U.S. withdrawal from Southeast Asia.

The film and Short's story were brought to mind by a Dec. 24 front-page story in *The New York Times* reporting on changes the Army has made following the Nov. 5 shooting of 13 people at Fort Hood, Texas, by Army Maj. Malik Nadal Hasan. Written by James Dao, the story said that the Army was "reaching out ... to disaffected soldiers, deserters and war resisters" in an effort to identify the gaps in its system. Taking the turn that Short's story in the film did not take, however, Dao loaded his report with references to "frail soldiers," "suicides" and "therapy."

The mental health terms sprinkled through Dao's story stood out against the details of the case that he used as an example to, ostensibly, illustrate the Army's new approach. Eric Jasinski, 23, spent 15 months in Diyala Province north of Baghdad, Iraq, with an intelligence unit "collecting data used in air strikes." That data, wrote Dao, "killed many Iraqis, perhaps including civilians." Returning home in late 2007, Jasinski

experienced bouts of anger, depression and excessive drinking.

A doctor told Jasinski he had posttraumatic stress disorder and prescribed antidepressants. Jasinski thought he could stick it out until his February 2009 honorable discharge but when the Army scheduled him for return to Iraq in 2009, he took the advice of his parents to stay home. He deserted. One of his commanding officers told his mother he didn't believe Eric had posttraumatic stress disorder. Jasinski turned himself in to authorities in late December and as reported by Dao was "checked into Fort Hood's mental ward" by doctors.

There is little in Dao's report to convince readers that Jasinski was "combat stressed." He was collecting data, not counting dead bodies as Short was. But there is enough in it to suggest that Jasinski needed the option of acting on the revulsion to war that he feels. If Jasinski had been with Short's psychiatrist, he might have walked out of the office with a phone number for Iraq Veterans Against the War. But instead, Dao writes, he's been subjected to the Army's "three-week soldier 'reset' program," which "uses cranial massage, yoga and acupuncture to alleviate the hyper-vigilance that accompanies the stress disorder."

Jasinski and uncounted other service members march forward into wars they don't like, avoiding jail time or commitment to the mental ward. It doesn't need to be that way, but the national conversation surrounding the people fighting our wars has been so totally subsumed by a medical discourse that the only way off the path to war for many leads to mental rehab or the pharmacy.

The antiwar movement is ensnared by that same discourse. To leverage its opposition to conflict, movement leaders often reach for the rhetoric of risk and loss, toting the human damage of war in order to build a case for peace. But it's a calculus in which soldiers and veterans

are worth more as victims than allies. Meanwhile, military authorities make similar calculations: Better to embrace Jasinski as a mental health problem than push him into the organized resistance movement where the power of his political views would be amplified.

The military is using diagnostic categories to manage the tensions created by the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan, a strategy that co-ops the humanitarian impulse widespread in America to care for the casualties of war. It's a nasty strategy with the potential to stigmatize the soldiers and veterans opposed to war and isolate them from friends, family, and the antiwar movement with which they have a natural affinity. It's a strategy that needs to be challenged.

Activists who would decry the insensitivity of the commander in the Times story who denies Jasinski's posttraumatic stress disorder should think twice, lest that sentiment license the military to medicalize the dissent of more soldiers.

The military has rethought the use to be made of mental health practices in today's political culture. Now, the activist community needs to strike a new balance between acknowledging the casualties of war on the one hand, while recognizing the need to support in-service resisters and allying with the energy and insight that soldiers and veterans bring to the movement.

[Jerry Lembcke is associate professor of sociology at College of the Holy Cross in Worcester, Mass. He has written about posttraumatic stress disorder in *The Spitting Image: Myth, Memory, and the Legacy of Vietnam*. His new book *Hanoi Jane: War, Sex, and Fantasies of Betrayal* will be out in 2010 from the University of Massachusetts Press.]

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