

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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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 24, 2010

*Third Sunday
In Ordinary Time*

He has
anoointed me
to bring
glad tidings.

Luke 4:18

Prayer for Solidarity with the People of Haiti

God of all creation,
as we weep with our family in Haiti, console us.
In this time of crisis,
open our eyes to look beyond the disaster
to see Christ in our brothers and sisters
in Haiti, as Christ sees us.
Be with us as we stand in solidarity
with those living and working in Haiti.
Be with us in our mourning and guide our efforts
to feed the hungry, shelter the homeless,
comfort the grieving and stand for justice.
With your mercy,
sustain us at this time as we continue
to work for peace and justice.
Amen.

**Today's Second Collection:
Church in Latin America**

3RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*Nehemiah 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10; 1 Corinthians 12:12-30 or 12:12-14, 27;
Luke 1:1-4; 4:14-21*

"Now you are Christ's body, and individually parts of it". The encouragement and hopefulness of Ordinary Time continue this weekend as we hear from Nehemiah about how to hear God's law: "Go, eat rich foods and drink sweet drinks...for rejoicing in the Lord must be your strength". And we prepare to hear Luke's version of the good news in his introduction—"a narrative of the events that have been fulfilled among us"—ending with the dramatic scene of Jesus introducing his ministry with a quote from Isaiah and then the words, "Today this Scripture passage is fulfilled in your hearing". Today these words are still being fulfilled in the Body of Christ, so that we may together "rejoic[e] in the Lord".

Next Sunday's readings (4th Sunday):

Jeremiah 1:4-5, 17-19; 1 Corinthians 12:31-13:13; Luke 4:21-30

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, Karen Kollmansperger, 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: \$15,032.50

CRS-Haiti Earthquake Relief: \$46,815

Your generosity is breathtaking. Thank you!!

Mass Intentions for the week of Jan 23-29

*Sat, 6pm - In Thanksgiving for the extraordinary outpouring
of support for the People of Haiti*

Sun, 8am - for María Onguda (L) by the Onguda Family

9:30am - for Stephanie Wollock (L) by Robert Terrill

11:15am - for Peter Coe by Elena Velasco and Family

Sun, 1pm - for Hernán Camacho Pozo by Nora Camacho

BISHOP'S LENTEN APPEAL -- CHARITY IS FAITH IN ACTION

In the coming days, many of you will receive a mailing from Bishop Loverde regarding the 2010 Bishop's Lenten Appeal (BLA). Please read it over and consider your support of this very important appeal that funds many of our Diocesan programs and ministries. This year's BLA theme is "Charity is Faith in Action." As you reflect on your contribution, pray for the intercession of Saint John Vianney, the Universal Patron of Priests, to guide you. Think about the many blessings in your life, including the gift of your faith. Please consider making a sacrificial pledge that can be paid over the course of the year. Please consider how your gift to the BLA will help your brothers and sisters in our diocese who are served by our ministries, programs and services. The BLA requires financial support from every one of us to be successful. Charity is Faith in Action!

Charity is
Faith
in Action

OLQP'S 65TH ANNIVERSARY

ATTENTION PLANNING COMMITTEE

Please join us for the next meeting on Sunday, January 31, at 2 PM in the Ministry Center Founders Room. Questions? Please contact George Cook, 703-836-8351.

January 23/24, 2010 -- 3rd Sunday, Year C

2010 CONFIRMATION CLASS

SPAGHETTI DINNER / DANCE!

FEBRUARY 6th -- 6-10 pm -- Fr. Ray Hall

Our Lady Queen of Peace 2010 Confirmation class is selling tickets to the annual Spaghetti/Dinner Dance to raise money to fund their Retreat Weekend. Please support our Confirmation students and take advantage of a fun night out on Feb 6th from 6-10 pm for only \$10 per family or \$5 per single!! Tickets are on sale this weekend after each of the Masses outside of the Church and/or in Fr. Ray Hall.



CHILDREN'S SHOEBOX MINISTRY – HISTORY OF OLQP

Come celebrate Martin Luther King Jr's birthday and Black History Month while learning about the history of our parish from long-time parishioner, Cecilia Braveboy. Children of all ages are encouraged to attend the Shoebox Ministry, Sunday January 31, 10:30 – 11:15 upstairs in the Ministry Center.

COMMUNION TEAM: In keeping with the liturgical remembrance of the Presentation of Jesus in the Temple over the weekend of January 30-31, we invite all CommunionTeam families to present their children to the parish at the beginning of their preparation for First Communion. Families should plan to attend their usual Mass, no special requirements. The Celebrant will call families forward as a group for a special blessing. Let your child know that the entire parish is happy they are getting ready for First Communion.

The **MINKISI MINISTRY** invites all to come to a small group session, 7:15 p.m., Mon., Feb. 1, in the Discussion Room-Parish Office Bldg. Led by Rock Salt, the scripture, silent prayer and reflection will be on Philippians 4:6-7 For more info, contact Cecilia Braveboy, jisaac3@verizon.net, 703-979-5389.

THE GABRIEL PROJECT - Do you know an expectant mother in need of help to prepare for the birth of her child? The Gabriel Project at OLQP offers emotional support and assistance to pregnant women, including baby products, clothing, transportation, meals and connections to a variety of outside resources. Most importantly, Gabriel Project volunteers are here to offer expectant women their friendship and prayers. Call Fred Cain at the OLQP office, 702-979-5580 or OLQP_Gabrielproject@yahoo.com.

REMEMBERING THE PLIGHT OF THE HAITIAN PEOPLE...

Lord, I just want to say THANK YOU, because this morning I woke up and knew where my children were. Because this morning my home was still standing, because this morning I am not crying because my husband, my child, my brother or sister needs to be buried out from underneath a pile of concrete, because this morning I was able to drink a glass of water, because this morning I was able to turn on the light, because this morning I was able to take a shower, because this morning I was not planning a funeral, but most of all I thank you this morning because I still have life and a voice to cry out for the people of Haiti.

Please keep the people of Haiti in your prayers!

PLEASE REMEMBER THE HUNGRY

The parish food pantry is low on the following items: pasta noodles, spaghetti sauce, tomato sauce, cereal and peanut butter. If you are able to assist, please place your donations in the vestibule food basket when you come next week for Mass or drop your donation at the parish office during the week.

JUST A THOUGHT...OR TWO...

In this week's Gospel Jesus reads from the scroll of Isaiah: "the Spirit of the Lord is upon me for He has anointed me to bring glad tidings to the afflicted"...and we as the Body of Christ, we to have been anointed to "bring glad tidings to the afflicted"..."good news to the poor". The Spirit of the Lord is upon each of us...God's very Spirit rests on us. Each of us is called to open our hearts and minds, to open our lives to the spirit of God. And so we may ask...when was the last time I felt the Spirit coursing through my life, directing my actions? This week we have the opportunity "to sit a spell" and to reflect on "where do I find the Holy Spirit in my life?" How do I bring glad tidings to the afflicted, good news to the poor? Often we see and feel the Spirit in and through the actions of others, or maybe we find the power and presence of the Spirit in our prayer. Wherever it is, wherever we find it, let us open our hearts to where the Spirit blows us. God's Blessings, Fr. Tim

CATHOLIC ADVOCACY DAY AT THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY,

Thursday, January 28, in Richmond sponsored by the Virginia Catholic Conference; 8:30am to 1:30pm. Download and print a registration form at www.vacatholic.org. Mail form 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.

JOB OPPORTUNITY: Administrative Assistant, for the National Catholic Educational Association (NCEA) Elementary Department. This position assists the Executive Director in coordinating the programs and activities sponsored by the department. Requires strong organizational, computer (including Microsoft Office) and communication skills. Some occasional travel may be required. The NCEA office is conveniently located near the Ballston Metro station. Send resume to: rbimonte@ncea.org or Robert Bimonte, FSC, NCEA Suite 525, 1005 N. Glebe Road, Arlington, VA 22201

NETWORKING GROUP CAN HELP THE UNEMPLOYED!

Christians are Networking ("CAN") is a Catholic Charities-sponsored ministry that assists people who are unemployed or underemployed. CAN provides free professional career counseling — including resume reviews and practice job interviews — and opportunities to network with other professionals. Join us every Thursday evening, from 7-9 p.m. at the St. Martin De Porres Senior Center, 4650 Taney Ave., Alexandria, VA 22304. No advanced registration is required. For more details, contact Elizabeth Lucas at 703-683-7704 or elizabeth22305@verizon.net or Bill Hummel at 703-830-5467, hummel830@cox.net.

COME TO THE CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF ARLINGTON'S 2010 MEN'S CONFERENCE!

On Saturday, March 13th the Office for Family Life will host a Men's Conference at St. Joseph's Banquet Hall in Herndon. The conference will be an opportunity for men of the Diocese to recommit themselves to living out their faith in their daily lives, be inspired by Catholic speakers, and gather together with their brothers in Christ. Confirmed speakers include: Capt. Guy Gruters, Air Force fighter pilot in Vietnam and P.O.W. from 1967-1973; Catholic Congressman Chris Smith; and Fr. Paul Scalia, pastor of St. John the Beloved Parish. Mass will be celebrated by Bishop Paul Loverde. To attend, register now at www.arlingtondiocese.org! Contact Tom O'Neill at familylife@arlingtondiocese.org, 703-841-2550.

PARISH RETREAT HOSTED BY GLFF – February 6th

Mark your calendar for February 6th. All are invited to join Fr. Joe Nangle, OFM for a parish retreat hosted by GLFF*. The retreat will include reflection and discussion of Fr. Joe's thoughts for an upcoming book about how our Church and the Faithful must evolve for today's world. The retreat is a daytime event and will be held in the Founders Room of the Ministry Center—please check this space next week for more details. The suggested donation is \$30. Lunch will be provided and the retreat will conclude with a celebration of the Eucharist at 2pm in the church. *GLFF is the Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, Transgender, Family, and Friends ministry at Our Lady Queen of Peace.

ATTENTION YOUTH with an INTEREST IN DRAMA: Mt. Zion's Drama Ministry is seeking youth in grades 6-12 to be extras for their Black History event: "A Voice from the Past for the Future" on February 28. The characters featured will be Harriet Tubman, Rosa Parks, Dr. Martin Luther King, and President Obama. Each scene requires extras and the director is in particular need of young white males. Rehearsals take place on Wednesdays at Mount Zion throughout January and February. If interested, please contact Mary Cole, 571-345-8199 or faith_hope44@hotmail.com.

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Fr. Healy's homilies now available online at 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 flfinamore@gmail.com.

THE MONTHLY PEER SUPPORT GROUP for survivors of clergy abuse and others affected by the abuse will meet on Wednesday, January 27, from 6:30-8 PM in the conference room of the Tysons-Pimmit Hills Regional Library, 7684 Leesburg Pike, Falls Church.. This group is sponsored by Voice of the Faithful-Northern Virginia affiliate and meets on the last Wednesday of every month. Free. Confidential. No registration required. For information or directions, contact Ellen Radday, 703-538-6128.

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FORECLOSURE PREVENTION WORKSHOP

Wednesday, February 3, 6:30-8pm

Macedonia Baptist Church Family Life Center

3440 S 22nd Street (formerly the YMCA)

Learn about the free, local governmental and non-profit resources available that can help you stay in your home, as well as highlighting the steps of the foreclosure prevention/loss mitigation process. Learn about additional Arlington County Government resources such as the Employment Center, Crisis Assistance Bureau and Real Estate Tax Relief. Workshops in both English and Spanish. Contact Odalis Barrios, 703-228-3793, obarrios@arlingtonva.us for more information.

Grieving for Haiti

By John Dear SJ

With you, I grieve the loss of life from last week's earthquake in Haiti. And, with you, I grieve the survivors' suffering and the slow pace of relief. Most of all, I grieve the injustice and poverty that has plagued Haiti -- and much of our world -- from its early colonizers to its U.S.-backed military juntas and dictatorships.

Haiti has weighed on my mind many times before. This past October I joined President Clinton and various U.N. staff members to celebrate our friend Dr. Paul Farmer, who has given his life to help the people of Haiti. And this fall I'm to join Food for the Poor on a fact-finding tour there.

I've been to Haiti before, in the early 1990s, just after an earthquake of another sort -- the U.S.-backed coup that ousted President Aristide. Our delegation interviewed and observed and later testified before a U.N. panel about rampant poverty and human rights violations. We met at the very hotel that turned to rubble last week.

Our delegation returned home after nearly a month, and by then the people had won my heart. The Haitians, I saw at first hand, have lively spirits, tenacity, resilience. I came away understanding why Paul Farmer had given his life to them.

I thought then that Haitians were Beatitude people -- poor in spirit, grieving, meek, hungering and thirsting for justice, merciful and pure in heart, peace-making and persecuted for their struggle for justice. Theirs is the reign of God.

But now the earthquake. Out of its fury descended not just tragedy but bitter irony. Haiti was standing on the eve of a new day. Plans were far along, through the work of President Clinton and Paul Farmer, for a mammoth aid program and development projects, all of it on sound financial ground thanks to considerable corporate backing.

"This coming week was to have been a banner week for Haiti," Jennie Block of the U.N. Special Envoy's office, wrote me after the earthquake. "A dozen investors from Haiti were flying in, ready to make business deals. Seventy-five members of the Clinton Global Initiative were meeting in Port au Prince developing all kinds of

projects in education, health, industry and energy.

Those projects, of course, are now on hold.

Mine is a double identification with Haiti. I've seen its pain; I've suffered the terror of a 7.1 earthquake. It was in the Bay Area, October 17, 1989, during my theology studies.

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That night, I stood in the Berkeley hills and watched the fires in nearby San Francisco. I thought then, and think now, what a waste to pound massive amounts down the rat hole of war and weapons, and on consumer goods that prove our status. The world is a tough place as it is -- people everywhere trying to survive storms and quakes and floods. Why compound the pain? Why not direct the trillions of dollars to ease suffering, instead of increasing it?

The Bay earthquake shook my complacency. I realized anew the brevity and preciousness of life. And I resolved again to spend my small space of time working for a new world of nonviolence. Then after all have been fed, housed, and taught, we together can take on the job of protecting one another from natural disasters. To choose this road is a spiritual decision. It requires that we understand deeply that we are all one -- all sisters and brothers, all of us mortal, all of us responsible for one another.

Now with Haiti in rubble, the evil of our wars, weapons and greed are exposed -- if only we have eyes to see. The U.S. funds hundreds of thousands of troops around the world. We've stockpiled billions of dollars of weapons, and squirreled them away in bunkers across the globe. Death has become big business, and all the euphemisms in the world -- "security," "defense," "bringing good things to life" -- can't conceal the fact.

Life isn't served by erecting fortress U.S.A. Life is served when the poorest are served, when global justice is established. Life is served when we lavish on victims, not just money out of our surplus, but out of our "operating" funds, as if the victims are from our own community. As indeed our faith has long said they are.

In other words: Iraq, Afghanistan, death row, nuclear arsenals, corruption

on Wall Street, the suffering of Haiti, Gaza, Darfur, Peru, Congo, Malawi, and Bangladesh -- these are all connected.

We need to ask, why are the Haitians so poor? Why so many shantytowns and rickety public buildings? Why the lack of social services? As we get beyond the TV coverage and study the history, we learn that it has to do with the dictatorships, backed by the French colonizers and more recently by the U.S. The catastrophes and suffering will continue until we learn a new way of relating in the world, from Haiti to Afghanistan.

Right after the quake, several friends managed to get in, and many grassroots groups have intensified their creative work. For instance, Partners in Health and Fonkoze, an alternative bank and the largest micro-finance institution. Fonkoze offers a full range of services to Haiti's rural poor (www.fonkoze.org).

As for me, I'm working to raise relief funds. I'm partnering with Catholic Relief Services (CRS), one of the leading relief organizations in the world, which has been in Haiti for 55 years and has over 300 staff there. CRS has set up a fund in my name, *The Father John Dear Haiti Fund*. My goal is to raise \$50,000, and all of it will go immediately for the relief effort.

And so I invite you to join me. Please make a donation. It will help with the relief effort, and help publicize CRS's work. Make whatever contribution you can -- \$10, \$25, \$100, or even \$1000. (<http://donate.crs.org/goto/fatherjohn>).

... Please feel free to invite others to join me. And thank you for whatever you can give.

Most of all, let's continue to offer regular prayer with the suffering people of Haiti, for immediate food, water, medicine and shelter for them, for those assisting the needy, and for the longer term Haitian struggle for justice and peace. Let's stand in solidarity with them during their suffering and work for their healing and liberation, and continue our work for justice and disarmament. May the God of peace bless the people of Haiti and us all.

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