

Welcome to OLQP Catholic Church!

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Saturdays — 5:30 pm Vigil

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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

JANUARY 14, 2018

SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Prayer Service Honoring
Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr,
Monday, January 15, 11 am
Details on page 3.



He said to them,
"Come, and you will see."
Jn 1:39

SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

1 Sm 3:3B-10, 19; 1 Cor 6:13C-15A, 17-20; Jn 1:35-42

Next weekend's Readings: **(3rd Sunday of Ordinary Time)**

Jon 3:1-5, 10; 1 Cor 7:29-31; Mk 1:14-20

OUR SICK AND HOMEBOUND STRENGTHEN US

PLEASE PRAY FOR: Lousie Aust, Elizabeth Ball, Suri Barahona, Ronald Bashian, Francis Bilgera, Debra Billings, Precious Bowens, April Brassard, Lynne Burgh, Brody Carroll, Louise Chambers, Carmen Rosa Claire, Jeff Cory, Ginny Cox, Mary DaLuca, Cheryl Darby, Adrienne DiCerbo, Ernest Donatto, Mike Dorsey, Irene Fitzpatrick, Yvette Francois, Karen Gammache, Trishann Ganley, Carmen Gonzalez, the Harris Family, Linda Hawkins, Clare Hayden, Dee Hickey, Margaret Hodges, Beatriz Uribe Jaramillo, Rodrigo Jaramillo, Lillian Jay, Raymond Jay, Pat Johnson, Carmen Andrea Lara, Patrick Lawrey, Maria Linares, Lidia Montero Lopez, Mary Helen Madden, Wil McBride, Stefan McGuigan, Olga McKenzie, Martha Gladys Medina, Roberto Méndez, Mary Miller, Yvonne Mockler, Carmen Montijo, Dorothy Moran, Bob Morsches, Clem Munno, Chelsea Murray, Indira Murillo, Bruyce Niligis, Nicholas, Denise Noland, Patrick Ogden, Delfima Pacheco-Choque, Roy Paco, Catherine Parr, Mary Pasquarella, Patrick, Catherine Peake, Paul Ramirez, Maddie Respicio-Cabatic, Wally Reyes, Maritza Roldan, Sam Sabin, Carolyn Santos, Susan Savage, Jane Shepard, Mary Shookhoff, Jeffrey Smith, Mary E. Smith, Eva Souza, Paul Steinmetz, Michael Arthur Sweat, Rose Trujillo, Fr. Tom Tunney, Nancy Urquizo, Stephen Utley, Jim Webster, Dottie Williams, Kate Witkowski, Mary Woods, Claudia Zapata.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR JANUARY 13-19

5:30 pm—for Marye Hvozda Embrey (D) by Ginger Harrington
8:00 am—for Rudolph F. Schneider (D) by Karen Staha
9:30 am—for Ahiboh Koffi Narcisse (D) by the Mehalko Family
11:15 am—for Louise Kormos (D) by Mary Ann Orechio
1:00 pm—for The Lord of Esquipulas (D) by the Parish
6:00 pm—for The Parish

SUNDAY COLLECTIONS:

Sunday Collection: \$9,163

Faith Direct (December Average): \$8,908

OLQP ELDERS will meet for coffee the morning of January 28 in Fr. Ray Hall, when full breakfast is expected to be happening again. We have agreed to help set-up for breakfast on the 4th Sunday of the "odd" months, so we will work and chat from about 9:00 am until about 1:00 pm. We will take advantage of our socializing to plan future events, including meeting every last Sunday of the month for coffee, preparations for Lent, and all other ideas members care to share. All OLQP parishioners who self-define themselves as "elder" are most welcome. Through prayer, service and social events we endeavor to enhance Parish community life and reduce the isolation of members. Contact: jomarieregriesgraber@yahoo.com, 202-277-9390.

SACRAMENTAL LIFE OF THE PARISH

This week we welcome 2 new Christians:

Angus Dean Fair & Michael Yasuyuki Yong-Jen Szeto

Baptized 10 am Saturday

2018 BISHOP'S LENTEN APPEAL BEGINS!

This month many of us will receive a mailing from Bishop Burbidge regarding the 2018 Bishop's Lenten Appeal (BLA). The theme for the 2018 BLA is "*Living in Faith~Giving in Gratitude.*" After reflecting upon the many blessings that God has given you, please prayerfully consider making a pledge to this important appeal that funds many programs and ministries that serve the people in our diocese. Together, through the BLA, let us renew our personal commitment to the Lord's work in our diocese.

STEPHEN MINISTRY

Were your holidays overshadowed by a sadness in your life? Holidays not as joyful as you'd hoped? A Stephen Minister can be a listening ear in a confidential, nonjudgmental manner. Contact Joan Brown at 703-608-5059 to be linked to a trained Stephen Minister who can accompany you on your journey of healing.

Get ready to MARCH FOR LIFE!!! The 45th Annual March for Life will take place on Friday, January 19th on the National Mall. This year's theme is "Love Saves Lives." The rally begins at 12:00 pm and the march commences at 1:00 pm. Please come out and show your support for those who cannot speak for themselves. Details? Visit: <http://marchforlife.org/>. If you are interested in attending with the OLQP Parish, please contact Julie Hanlon-Bolton at juliehanlonbolton@yahoo.com or 508-360-1082. For a history of the movement in its 45th year, and its incredible dedication to the pro-life cause, please see <http://marchforlife.org/history-of-the-march-for-life/>

LABOR PETITION DRIVE NEXT WEEKEND AFTER MASS

The parish Labor Team will be outside all of the Masses next weekend – January 20-21 -- collecting signatures on a petition to support 3 upcoming bills in the state assembly that would raise the minimum wage and provide paid family and medical leave insurance in VA. Please be sure to sign the petition before you leave! Email Laura Bandini at HTLAURA1@GMAIL.COM with questions, to help us collect signatures, or to join the team!

VOICE Action at Arlington Unitarian Church

Tuesday, Jan. 16, 7:15 PM

OLQP has committed to send eight people to a VOICE Action (meeting) on Tuesday, Jan. 16, at 7:15 pm, at Arlington Unitarian Church (4444 Arlington Blvd., Arlington). Parking is available. VOICE is Virginians Organized for Interfaith Community Engagement. Issues at the meeting will include housing affordability, criminal justice reform, transit equity, education, and immigrants. Arlington County Board Vice Chair Christian Dorsey will speak at the meeting. Please contact Chuck Moran about your attendance: chuckmoran@verizon.net or 703-892-4154.

AGRO-FORESTRY PROGRAM IN MEDOR - Eight years ago there was no agro-forestry program in Medor. Now there are eight tree nurseries, and 636,000 trees have been transplanted to the mountainsides. Over 400 farmers volunteer in the nurseries. In exchange, they are trained in improved farming techniques, receive an agricultural tool, and participate in a bean seed sharing co-op and an animal-sharing program.

Check out Dr. Sue's blog on Medor, marysusancarolson.tumblr.com

Please continue to pray for our sisters and brothers in Haiti!

JUST A THOUGHT OR TWO... There is a clear theme of being called in today's readings. In the first reading Samuel is called and called and called even a third time before it is made known to him that it is God who is calling him and finally he responds "speak Lord for your servant is listening." The psalm, correspondingly, proclaims "here I am Lord; I have come to do your will." And the Gospel reading we hear today tells of Jesus' calling of the first disciples. As Jesus walked along the road John the Baptist saw him and cried out "behold, the Lamb of God." Several of John's disciples leave him and begin to follow Jesus asking him where he is staying and Jesus responds "come and you will see"...and they followed him. It is interesting to note that when one of the disciples, Andrew, brings his brother to Jesus, Jesus immediately changes his name from Simon to Peter! In the Bible when there is a name change, such as Abram to Abraham, Sarai to Sarah or Saul to Paul, it often signals a significant change in the person and their relationship to God. It can also signal that their lives are about to change, that they are about to swerve from the road they are traveling down onto a new path...one specifically chosen for them by God. Peter's name change is no less significant, he is about to become "the chief" of this, as of yet unformed, band of followers of Jesus. In Jesus' act of changing Simon's name he is calling him to come and follow him. If he accepts the name change, then he accepts the invitation to follow Jesus. I often think that it was so much easier for the disciples to hear the call and to follow since Jesus was right there, physically present to them. They could audibly hear his preaching, they could see, and read, his facial expressions and his hand and body gestures...but for those of us who came later to this band of followers...well it's a little harder for us to know exactly what the call is and where it is leading us. Sometimes the call is clear and well-articulated but sometimes it is not so clear or well-articulated. Sometimes it seems muffled and downright confusing. So we have to pay close attention and listen carefully...especially as there is so much competition for our attention. There are so many other voices that seem to all speak at the same time -- we can be like Samuel, a bit confused and not sure at first...but if we stay engaged and "make time" to listen for that small, still voice of the Holy Spirit that dwells within each one of us...then, perhaps, we will hear the invitation to "come and follow" and we will find the path we are being called to travel. In the end the invitation is clear, but the many "voices" of our lives and the world around us distract us and gain all of our attention and so we can find ourselves confused and unsure of the path to follow. But by refocusing our attention and making time to listen we can, like Samuel and Simon, "come and follow". Jesus called his disciples to love as he had loved, to reach out to the poor and the marginalized and maligned...and that call is still made to us today. It is by the indwelling of the Holy Spirit that we are empowered to speak truth to power and to call out our political leaders who fail to respect the human dignity of all persons regardless of their race, gender or economic or political status. And when such persons demean and disparage entire countries, races and cultures we are indeed, by faith called to speak out, for the people of these countries are not only our sisters and brothers but co-habitants in the Reign of God! What are the competing voices of my life that make it difficult for me to really listen for God's call to me? Do I need to "make" more time to listen to God? How can I best do that?

Blessings, Fr. Tim

**PRAYER SERVICE COMMEMORATING THE LIFE
AND VISION OF DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.**

January 15, 11:00 am

Reception Immediately Following and...

New this year, following the reception:

District Community Playback performs a type of theatre called Playback Theatre. It is based in improv, but isn't your traditional comedic improv. It is based in story-telling. Basically, audience members are asked to share stories, and then we "play them back" - it is all about community building, finding the shared commonalities in our stories, or giving voice to the story not always told. It is done in 60+ countries around the world, and all across the United States. It's done with inmates, in schools in response to bullying, and even in the Middle East in both Tel Aviv and Palestine. The company has a special affinity for working on show topics and story telling that have to do with issues of racism. They've performed an annual show for MLK day for many years and have performed at Anacostia Playhouse as part of a sharing about the gentrification of that area. Other topics/locations have been a show on stories from September 11th at the Millennium Stage at The Kennedy Center, and a workshop for World Bank employees who work in "fragile countries" to share the challenges of their work. The company will be performing at OLQP in Fr. Ray Hall on Monday, January 15th!

CARPENTERS SHELTER DINNER — THURSDAY, JAN 18

This month we'll serve fried or baked chicken, mac and cheese, collard greens and green salad. The sign up board is at back of church. Please deliver food to the Parish Office kitchen during office hours, labeled "Carpenters Shelter", and place in fridge, freezer or counter. If delivering on Thursday, bring to Ministry Center Founders Room between 4 and 4:45. Questions: mary.resnick@gmail.com, 703-462-4841. Thank you!

JUST\$ Giant, Safeway and Shoppers grocery cards are available this weekend for your grocery shopping. This is Food Collection Sunday and you can also purchase and donate a card to the OLQP Food Pantry.

BEFORE YOU PUT ALL THOSE CHRISTMAS SUPPLIES AWAY...

The Scarves for the Homeless volunteers want to wish you a happy and healthy New Year. As we closed out 2017 we knitted or crocheted 460 scarves and 50 hats to accompany the Christmas Shoeboxes for the Homeless to ASPAN, SEEC, and OLQP Pantry families. In addition, we supported two other OLQP ministries. We made 25 baby blankets for Project Gabriel and 11 prayer shawls for the Visitation Ministry. We have 49 volunteers, some from outside our parish and State.

We are seeking donations of yarn, smallish paper shopping bags with handles from any store (prefer Starbuck size), tissue paper (new or gently used) and gallon ziplock plastic bags. We are thankful for the past generous support of our church community and our volunteers who work tirelessly year round making beautiful, warm scarves for the homeless, baby blankets and prayer shawls. Please leave donations in the green basket in the rear of the church next to the votive candles. If you have any questions, have a large donation for pick up, or want to volunteer, please email Marilena, mamoni530@gmail.com

Merry Christmas! – 2018 Josephite Calendars
The calendars are available at the back of church.
Please take one for your family's use.

Dr. King's Interconnected World

By DREW DELLINGER

DEC. 22, 2017

Fifty years ago Sunday — Christmas Eve 1967 — the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. stood in his pulpit at Ebenezer Baptist Church in Atlanta and told the congregation that in order to achieve peace on earth, “we must develop a world perspective,” a vision for the entire planet. “Yes,” he said, “as nations and individuals, we are interdependent.” Then, with a sentence that could easily have been uttered by John Muir or Rachel Carson, Dr. King stated, “It really boils down to this: that all life is interrelated.”

Best remembered for his work and speeches on civil rights, Dr. King on that morning, in his last Christmas sermon before his assassination, anticipated much of the ecological consciousness and environmental concerns of the next 50 years, and the links between ecology and social justice that are vital to our present and future. Dr. King's work to dismantle white supremacy and economic injustice was rooted in his prophetic Christianity, shaped by the black radical tradition, the Social Gospel and the black freedom struggle. Less known is his understanding of existence as unified and the voice he gave to a cosmology of connection.

In the last years of Dr. King's life, his holistic vision led him to emphasize the connections between racism, militarism and economic injustice, and to see continuities across social movements. In a 1966 telegram to the labor leader Cesar Chavez, he wrote, “our separate struggles are really one.” Three weeks after his Christmas sermon, Dr. King visited the singer Joan Baez in jail, following her arrest after a sit-in at a draft induction center. Stopping to speak with Vietnam War protesters gathered outside, he told them, referring to civil rights and antiwar activism, “I see these two struggles as one struggle.”

Dr. King was not, as some charged, calling for what he termed a “mechanical

fusion” of the peace and civil rights movements. Still, he maintained, the issues were connected, telling his staff that racism, militarism and excessive materialism are “inseparable triplets.” In Dr. King's mind, the civil rights movement was part of a broader “revolution of values” that was “forcing America to face all its interrelated flaws.” As he put it, what we need is nothing less than “a restructuring of the very architecture of American society.”

His Christmas Eve vision took things further, to encompass the intrinsic interconnectedness of existence itself. “We are all caught in an inescapable network of mutuality,” he preached in his booming voice, “tied into a single garment of destiny. Whatever affects one directly” — “Yes, sir,” someone in the audience responded — “affects all indirectly. We are made to live together because of the interrelated structure of reality.”

Dr. King had been thinking about the environment for years before he addressed it in his sermon. Starting in the 1950s, Dr. King expressed concern for “the survival of the world,” and linked environmental and civil rights issues: “It is very nice to drink milk at an unsegregated lunch counter — but not when there's strontium 90 in it.”

Exactly one year after his sermon, on Christmas Eve 1968, Col. Frank Borman and his crew were on their fourth orbit around the moon when he saw the earth swinging around the left side of the lunar horizon. “Oh, my God!” Colonel Borman exclaimed, “Look at that picture over there! Here's the earth coming up. Wow, is that pretty!”

The photographs taken by the Apollo 8 astronauts were the first widely available photos of the planet, in its wholeness, taken by human hands. The radiant earth hovering over the cratered gray moon-scape — alive with clouds and oceans, illuminated against the black cosmos — became an instant icon, catalyzing a wave of planetary thinking and ecological awareness.

Dr. King did not live to see those photo-

graphs, but his vision presaged their message of interconnectedness. Over two years before the first national Earth Day, before “ecology” and “the environment” became catchwords of the '70s, before popular knowledge of “Gaia theory” and “systems thinking,” Dr. King was tying his vision of justice and peace to the interrelated structure of the universe.

Fifty years later, so many of our challenges represent a failure to understand our interconnectedness. White supremacists and neo-Nazis, emboldened in these times, preach a timeworn hatred that corrodes community. Corporate capitalism, with its widening gulf between the ultrarich and the millions of people living in poverty, strains our social fabric while the worsening climate crisis provides unforgiving reminders of the earth's delicate interrelatedness.

“This is our faith,” Dr. King told his church on that December morning. “As we continue to hope for peace on earth,” he went on, “let us know that in the process we have cosmic companionship.”

When Dr. King's last book was published earlier that year, a reviewer wrote that “he has been outstripped by his times.” In the coming year, which marks the 50th anniversary of Dr. King's assassination, we will have an opportunity yet again to engage with the deeper dimensions of his thought.

We may come to see that Dr. King was, in fact, well ahead of his times. In important ways, he is still ahead of ours.

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