

## Welcome to OLQP Catholic Church!

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1:00 pm (Spanish), and 6:00 pm (Young Adult Mass)

### **Baptism:**

Please call or email the office to make arrangements.

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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

### MARCH 3, 2019

## THE EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

### Ash Wednesday Masses and Services

March 6

8am, 12noon, 5pm Family Mass, 7pm Bilingual  
9pm Prayer Service w/Distribution of Ashes

Taize Service – Mondays During Lent, 8 pm  
Begins March 11



A good person  
out of the store  
of goodness  
in his heart  
produces good.

Lk 6:45

ASH WEDNESDAY SECOND COLLECTION— MARCH 6

AID TO THE CHURCH IN  
CENTRAL AND EASTERN EUROPE

NEXT WEEKEND'S SECOND COLLECTION  
BLACK AND INDIAN MISSIONS

## *A Consistent Ethic of Life Catholic Community*

### 8TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*Sir 27:4-7; 1 Cor 15:54-58; Lk 6:39-45*

Next weekend's Readings: **(1st Sunday of Lent)**

*Dt 26:4-10; Rom 10:8-13; Lk 4:1-13*

### OUR SICK AND HOMEBOUND STRENGTHEN US

**PLEASE PRAY FOR:** Lousie Aust, Elizabeth Ball, Suri Barahona, Ronald Bashian, Francis Bilgera, Cindy Bianga, Precious Bowens, April Brassard, Lynne Burgh, Brody Carroll, Pat Carty, Louise Chambers, Carmen Rosa Claire, Jeff Cory, Mary DaLuca, Cheryl Darby, Jim Davis, Adrienne DiC-erbo, Yolanda Gregorio, Ernest Donatto, Irene Fitzpatrick, Yvette Francois, Iva Futrell, Karen Gammache, Trishann Ganley, Francine Gemmill, Carmen Gonzalez, the Harris Family, Linda Hawkins, Clare Hayden, Dee Hickey, Margaret Hodges, Beatriz Uribe Jaramillo, Rodrigo Jaramillo, Lillian Jay, Pat Johnson, Caecilie Jones, Cindy Kernick, Carmen Andrea Lara, Patrick Lawrey, Bertie Leahy, Lidia Montero Lopez, Mary Helen Madden, Wil McBride, Tess McDade, Stefan McGuigan, Olga MacKenzie, Martha Gladys Medina, Eileen Melia, Roberto Méndez, Arthur Miller, Mary Miller, Yvonne Mockler, Carmen Montijo, Dorothy Moran, Bob Morsches, Clem Munno, Chelsea Murray, Mario Amel Najarro, Bruyce Niligis, Patrick Ogden, Michelle O'Keefe, Delfima Pacheco-Choque, Roy Paco, Catherine Parr, Mary Pasquarella, Mark Pazich, Minnie Pazich, Catherine Peake, Paul Ramirez, Maddie Respicio-Cabatic, Wally Reyes, Michael Rodgers, Maritza Roldan, Marco Cristiaan Rufolo-Roger, Carolyn Santos, Susan Savage, Jane Shepard, Janet Shirvanian, Mary Shookhoff, Jeffrey Smith, Mary E. Smith, Eva Souza, Paul Steinmetz, Nina Stewart, Michael Arthur Sweat, Mary Terlep, Rose Trujillo, Fr. Tom Tunney, Nancy Urquizo, Dolores Valadéz, Stephen Utley, Kate Witkowski, Matt Wixon, Mary Woods, Claudia Zapata.

### MASS INTENTIONS FOR FEBRUARY 23-MARCH 1

5:30 pm —for Saul Carrasquillo (D) by the Carrasquillo Family

8 am—for the Parish by Bernadette Lozano

9:30 am—for Khakon Biswas (D) by Liz & Ed Ward

11:15 am— for Bryan Mills (D) by Melissa Gilman

1 pm— for Juana Laguna (D) by the Lovo Family

6 pm— for Michele Luby (D) by Kathleen Donovan

Mon. 12:00 noon— for Marcela Gonzalo (D) by Judy & Wally Reyes

Tue. 12:00 noon— for Sean Lyons (D) by Mike & Mary Ray

Wed. 12:00 noon— In Thanksgiving by Jude Dias

Thu. 12:00 noon— for Maria Lofstrom (D) by Susan Bruns

Fri. 6 pm— for the Parish

### SUNDAY COLLECTIONS

Sunday Collection: \$8,492

Faith Direct (February Average): \$9,569.50

**JUST\$** As we approach the beginning of Lent, your use of Just\$ grocery cards is a good way for you to help fulfill OLQP's mission to "provide for the well-being of the downtrodden everywhere" at no extra cost to you. You purchase a Giant, Safeway or Shoppers card at face value and you redeem it at face value. However, because OLQP purchases these cards at a five percent discount, the net proceeds help feed the hungry in our community and assist vulnerable children in Kenya. You can also purchase and donate a card to the OLQP Food Pantry.

**OLQP's BUILDING FOREVER FAMILIES** ministry for Adoptive/Foster Families and Children who have been orphaned will gather on Sunday, March 10, in Father Ray Hall after the 11:15 Mass. We will be discussing plans for our 5th anniversary celebration in May. We hope you can join us. Contact Debra and Ralph Johnson at Debralpholqp@gmail.com for additional information.

**OLQP'S YOUNG ADULT BIBLE STUDY** will start its next series beginning March 11 with a Lenten focused study. All young adults (21-40) are invited to join. We will be meeting weekly on Mondays at 7:30 pm in the Parish Library in Father Ray Hall. To be added to our listserv to receive updates, please email lashley.allison@gmail.com. We look forward to diving into God's Word in a focused way with you.

**SMALLHOLDER FARMERS ALLIANCE** - Saintimeine Dorvilus, a farmer in the Altary chapel area of St. Joseph parish is 44 years old and has four children. She began volunteering in the Altary tree nursery in 2017. In exchange, she has received training, a goat, which is now pregnant, and 10 kg of bean seeds, which should provide a harvest of about 200 kg of beans. This harvest will provide \$484 US in income for her family. Due to the training she has received, her financial condition improved and she is more skilled in sustainable agriculture, agroforestry technologies, tree planting, and animal husbandry. Saintimeine's story is an example of how Smallholder Farmers Alliance leads small scale farmers from extreme poverty to a path toward economic development. Her story is one of many hundreds of stories demonstrating how the agro-forestry program in St. Joseph parish, not only plants trees thereby aiding the environment, but also improves the wellbeing of the marginalized people of the area. Learn more about Medor at Marysusancarolson.tumblr.com **Please pray for our Medor family.**

**SAVE THE DATE!!** Give a weekend to God. Each year the men and women of the parish go on retreat at **Loyola on the Potomac**, a Jesuit retreat house in Faulkner, MD. It is a silent weekend, based on the teachings of St. Ignatius, and includes generous amounts of time for prayer and personal reflection. It is open to anyone who desires to grow in their relationship with God through prayer. It begins with dinner on Friday evening, April 12th, and concludes with lunch on Sunday, April 14th. For more information or to make a reservation, contact Thea Barron, 703-354-0580 or theabarron@yahoo.com. A deposit of \$115 and a registration form are required to secure your room. The fee is \$245 (\$195 for first time retreatants and/or young adults up to age 30). To reserve online: <http://www.loyolaonthepotomac.com>

**APPOINTMENT TO THE PARISH FINANCE COUNCIL** - Canon Law places responsibility for parish financial and temporal management with the pastor. The Parish Finance Council is a consultative group, chosen by the pastor, to assist him in the execution of these responsibilities. While the Parish Finance Council, which meets five times a year, does not have decision-making authority, consultation is at the heart of the decision-making process which includes sharing information, listening, contributing to the discussion, and promoting consensus. Fr. Tim is now seeking new members for the Finance Council for two- and three-year terms, renewable for a total of nine year appointments, beginning in June 2019. Members are to be appointed by Fr. Tim based on skills or expertise in the following areas: management, finance, accounting, law, fundraising, or related fields. Parishioners with demonstrated financial and business management backgrounds in banking, computer systems, marketing, property management, engineering, construction, or maintenance are also encouraged to consider applying for appointment to the Parish Finance Council. Please send your resume or letter of interest by March 25th, to the current Chair, Marta Campos, [martacampos282@gmail.com](mailto:martacampos282@gmail.com).

**OLQP IS GOING GREEN—** We'll be hosting a workshop on renewable energy. Saturday, March 9, from 10 am -12 noon, please make plans to attend to learn how your family can take advantage of more renewable energy and what we are doing here at the parish.

## *Striving to right our relationships with God, Others and Creation*

**JUST A THOUGHT OR TWO...** In today's Gospel Jesus seems to be questioning or challenging his disciples to be more aware of their own behavior before they go about judging the behavior of others. The image of having a log in one's eye and attempting to remove a splinter from the eye of another person is quite ridiculous but clearly makes Jesus' case to his followers. It appears that Jesus is condemning his disciples of being too quick to judge others while remaining blind to their own shortcomings and missteps. They have missed Jesus' example of being quick to forgive rather than to judge. Even though they have been the recipients of the lavishness of Jesus' mercy they themselves evidently have failed to in turn act as Jesus has acted. In this they have failed as students, for the teacher has taught the lesson but they missed the meaning. He then goes on to instruct them that what is inside will be manifested on the outside..."a good person out of the goodness in their heart produces good...just as a rotten tree produces rotten fruit and a good tree produces good fruit. Jesus instructs them that the goodness or the rot of the heart will show forth in a person's speech. It seems that in our age we do not value truth in speech, we find it hard to trust the words of political leaders, church leaders, our newscasters; they often say one thing but do another. Most of the time we are able to spot dishonesty and the lack of integrity in someone's words and none of us likes to be deceived. Just as Jesus called his disciples to reflect on how quick they are to judge others so we too have the opportunity to remove the log from our eye in order that we might be able to remove the splinter from our neighbor's eye. And as we prepare for the season of Lent we can begin to reflect on what is the fruit that our lives bear? How quick am I to show mercy and forgiveness to those who have wronged me or hurt me?

Blessings,  
Fr Tim

**2019 BISHOP'S LENTEN APPEAL TOGETHER IN THE LIGHT OF CHRIST** - This weekend every household in our parish will be asked to complete a Bishop's Lenten Appeal (BLA) pledge form at Mass. The BLA provides an opportunity to unite as a Catholic family and support programs, ministries and services that no single individual or parish could offer by itself. After reflecting upon the many blessings that God has given you, please prayerfully consider making a pledge of support to this important appeal that furthers the Mission of Jesus Christ in our diocese. Your gift is very important! Every donation, regardless of the amount, is vital to the success of the BLA.

**LENTEN TAIZE WORKSHOP** - Saturday March 9, 9 -10:30, Founders Room. Come sing with us in a prayerful setting. All are welcome.

**STONE SOUP SUPPER SERIES** -- The series of Lenten conversations to *Share the Journey* will begin Friday, March 8, with Mass at 6 pm, Soup Supper (meatless) immediately following Mass, and a Speaker in Father Ray Hall beginning at 7:15 pm. *Do you really want to know what is going on at the border?* Come out to hear Rebecca Eastwood from the Columban Center who will be returning that week from the center's office on our southern border.

**DAYS FOR GIRLS** -- Next Saturday, March 9, the Girls for Days ministry will be getting together for their monthly meeting in the Founders Room at 1 pm. Please contact Lyzbeth Monard for more information: lyzbethmonard@gmail.com

**LENT IS COMING:** Consider a "fast" for Creation Care... sacrificing some comfort or giving up a wasteful practice to safeguard (God's precious gift,) the environment. Watch future bulletins for a weekly Lenten challenge.

**DIRECTOR OF FAITH FORMATION, FULL-TIME** - OLQP is seeking a creative, dynamic Catholic who is skilled at leading youth (3 years - high school) in faith formation: a BS in Theology or related field is required; MA in Theology, Faith Formation, Education, Educational Administration or related field is preferred. Demonstrated competence in theology, catechesis, pastoral ministry and administration; experience with family catechesis or willingness to employ our family-based catechetical model; familiar with sacramental preparation; strong communication skills; ability to multi-task and be self-motivated, detail-orientated, and well-organized; ability to recruit, train and support volunteer catechists; able to supervise and collaborate well with staff; proficient with Microsoft Office Suite, social media and technology; fluent in English and Spanish preferred. Detailed position description available upon request. Please apply with cover letter and resume to: Director of Faith Formation Search, Our Lady Queen of Peace, office@olqpva.org

**CATHOLIC FOUNDATIONS & FAMILY CIRCLES COORDINATOR, PART-TIME** - OLQP is seeking an enthusiastic program coordinator for monthly catechesis classes, family Masses, and support for at-home group catechesis program. Ideal candidate is an active, practicing Catholic with skill set that includes liturgy planning, catechist recruiting and training and curriculum planning. Candidate will support parents as first and best teachers of the faith and will aid in "bringing Jesus back to the kitchen table." Position supports a collegial work environment within the faith formation program, requires strong verbal and written communication skills, strong computer literacy and excellent work ethic. Detailed position description available upon request. Please apply with cover letter and resume to: Foundations Coordinator Search, Our Lady Queen of Peace, office@olqpva.org

**FOOD COLLECTION WEEKEND** is March 9-10 to stock our Food Pantry. Please pick up a grocery bag and/or list after Mass today to fill and return next weekend. Bring any (or all!) of the following: Instant Yellow Corn Tortilla flour (NOT cornmeal), 48 oz. Canola or Corn Oil, Cereal, Canned Tuna, Canned Fruit, Pasta Sauce, Canned Vegetables, Rice, Dried Beans, and Macaroni and Cheese. Thank you for your donations!

**MOBILE FOOD PANTRY** -- Consider volunteering once per month, the third Thursday of each month. The next opportunity is Thurs., March 21, from 8 am until 11:15 am in Fr Ray Hall. For more information, contact Sally Diaz-Wells: sdiazwells@olqpva.org, 703-979-5580.

**OLQP LIBRARY NEWS** - With church building renovation completed, the library is once again open and uncluttered. Please come and browse. Displays for March feature books about Women's History, as well as suggested reading for Lent. There are also new acquisitions, two of which are notable: *Why Religion?* A Personal Story by Elaine Pagels; and *Sightings: Reflections on Religion in Public Life* edited by Brett Colasacco. The first concerns the persistence and nature of belief and why religion matters. The second, a project of the University of Chicago Divinity School, is a collection of essays on religion in current events. Both books are timely and come highly recommended. Questions or comments? Contact Michal Morsches, mjnmorsches@gmail.com.

### **CREATION CARE CORNER**

"The environment is God's gift to everyone"  
*Pope Benedict XVI*

# This Women's History Month, Turn to Models of Ancient Resistance

By Katey Zeh

Apathy is an atypical state of being for me, so when my attitude towards Women's History Month this year was markedly blasé, I felt puzzled. I've been carrying the banner of gender justice for decades now and even have a book coming out in a few short months to prove it. But this year feels different.

A month-long showcase of women's accomplishments signals that they are worthy of our collective attention, but only temporarily. A passing glance, a slight nod, a hastily checked to-do-then back to the "real" story. It feels like tokenism.

Then there's the question of how we determine which women to valorize. How do we best allocate our precious 31 days? More importantly, who gets to decide which women are most deserving of celebration? Like many white feminists, I have been complicit in preserving the legacy of suffragettes like Susan B. Anthony without condemning, or even acknowledging, their blatant racism. "I will cut off this right arm of mine before I will ever work or demand the ballot for the Negro and not the woman," Anthony said.

Our praise of Anthony and others like her perpetuates a harmful historical narrative steeped in white supremacy. When our re-telling of women's lives is redacted, sanitized, and romanticized in this way, we avert our attention from a painful truth: the oppressed can become the oppressor.

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Admittedly, the desire to paint women's stories in the best possible light is a longing I share. Nowhere do I hunger for this more desperately than within the pages of our holy scriptures.

For so much of my life the sacred texts preached from the pulpit largely omitted, ignored, and silenced women. Any roles women did play were described as ancillary at best, antagonistic at worst.

When I began my theological education, I encountered an even more disturbing reality: the presence of "texts of terror" as Hebrew scholar Phyllis Trible calls them. These heinous sexual crimes and acts of violence committed against women were captured right there, plain as day, in the holy book I treasured.

Was this all there was for women — victimhood? I prayed to God it wasn't.

Then, about a decade ago, I began my desperate search for examples of biblical women who managed to defy the forces of oppression that threatened their lives and dignity. I pored over the pages of the Bible, looking for models of ancient resistance that could speak to today's struggle for gender justice. I discovered women like Shiphrah and Puah in Exodus, the midwives who resisted the pharaoh's orders to murder Hebrew infant boys; and Hannah in 1 Samuel, who claimed her rightful place in the temple when the male priest ordered her to leave. I found my spiritual companions in women like Ruth, Mary

Magdalene, Hagar, and the unnamed widow with oil from 2 Kings.

Their stories heartened me and troubled me. The longer I sat with these texts, the more complex and nuanced they became: Sarai (Sarah) was trapped in an abusive marriage and became an abuser herself. Rachel was a victim of coercion, and she was a manipulator, too. Each story I encountered simultaneously held pain and joy, loss and hope, sin and grace. Each text equally commanded my critique and my compassion.

So, this Women's History Month, I challenge us as a church to honor the full humanity of the women who have shaped our faith. Those whose lives are captured in our texts and those whose life stories were excluded. Those whose names are known to us and those whose names are known only to God. May we create ample space for these wounded yet resilient women to speak across the millennia, calling us to continue the sacred struggle for justice that started long before us and will remain long after us. Let us honor the complex history of women— yes, in March — and indeed, all year long.

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