

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.

Welcome to OLQP Catholic Church!
¡Bienvenidos a OLQP Iglesia Católica!

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703-979-5580, office@olqpva.org

Temporary Parish Office Location:

1915 Edgewood St S

Please contact the office to meet in an
ADA compliant location, if necessary.

Website / sitioweb: olqpva.org

All the faithful of the Diocese of Arlington
are dispensed from the obligation to attend
Mass on Sundays and holy days.

Todos los fieles de la Diócesis de Arlington
están dispensados de la obligación de
asistir a Misa los domingos y los días de
precepto.

COMMUNION SERVICE after each Mass

All Masses are LIVE-STREAMED

Servicio de Comunión después de cada Misa.

Todas las Misas se transmitirán en vivo.

(<https://www.facebook.com/OLQPArlington>)

DECLARACIÓN DE MISIÓN DE OLQP

La parroquia de la iglesia católica Nuestra Señora Reina de la Paz se dedica a dar testimonio de las enseñanzas de Jesucristo, especialmente el Evangelio de San Mateo, Capítulo 25:21-46. Nuestra misión es nutrir el espíritu y alentar el potencial de aquellos a quienes servimos a través de la celebración litúrgica, labores educativas y ministerios sociales. La parroquia continuará identificándose con su origen como una comunidad afro-americana, pero reflejando una congregación multi-étnica y continuará promoviendo la armonía racial y la justicia social. Si bien es cierto que nuestro enfoque principal es la vecindad comunitaria, continuaremos trabajando para proveer por el bienestar de los más necesitados en general. Es así como nos esforzamos para hacer de nuestra comunidad parroquial una familia que comparte y se preocupa por sus miembros.



OUR LADY QUEEN OF PEACE CHURCH

March 14, 2021

THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

THE LIGHT IS ON FOR YOU LENTEN RECONCILIATION PROGRAM:

The Sacrament of Penance is offered each Wednesday evening during Lent in Fr. Ray Hall from 6:30 to 8pm (except March 31). At the same time, Reconciliation Service or Sung Stations of the Cross will be offered in the church beginning at 7pm.
Sung Stations of the Cross (in English): 7 pm – March 24
Reconciliation Service: 7 pm – March 17 (Bilingual)

LA LUZ ESTÁ ENCENDIDA PARA TI PROGRAMA DE RECONCILIACION DE LA CUARESMA:

El Sacramento de la Penitencia se ofrece todos los miércoles por la noche durante la Cuaresma de 6:30 a 8pm (excepto el 17 de abril). Al mismo tiempo, se ofrecerá el Servicio de Reconciliación o el Vía Crucis Cantado.

El Vía Crucis Cantado: 7 pm - 24 de marzo

Servicios de reconciliación: 7 pm - 17 de marzo (Bilingüe)

For God so loved the world
that he gave his only son.

John 3:16



Porque tanto amó Dios al mundo,
que le entregó a su Hijo único.

Juan 3:16

THIS WEEKEND'S SECOND COLLECTION:
CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES
SEGUNDA COLECTA DE ESTE FIN DE SEMANA:
SERVICIOS DE AYUDA CATÓLICA

NUESTRA SEÑORA REINA DE LA PAZ
14 de marzo 2021
CUARTO DOMINGO DE CUARESMA

**SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION /
PREPARACIÓN SACRAMENTAL**

Baptism / Bautizo:

Please email Baptism Coordinator Cecilia Lopez Oetgen, clopez@olqpva.org.
Por favor mande un correo electrónico a la coordinadora de los bautizos, Cecilia López Oetgen, clopez@olqpva.org.

Marriage Preparation/ Preparación para el matrimonio:

Please contact the parish office at least six months before wedding date to complete requirements.
Por favor llame a la oficina de la parroquia seis meses antes de su matrimonio para completar todos los requisitos.

Reconciliation / Reconciliación—Confesión:

Fr. Ray Hall Library
Biblioteca Fr. Ray Hall
Saturdays 3:15-3:45pm & by appointment
Los sábados: 3:15-3:45pm y por cita previa.

SUNDAY COLLECTIONS / COLECTAS DEL DOMINGO

Sunday Collection / Colecta del pasado domingo: 4,064
Faith Direct (February Average / promedio del mes de febrero): \$14,409

**MISAL PALABRA Y EUCARISTÍA /
WORD & EUCHARIST MISSALETTE**

Today's readings can be found on page 480.
Las lecturas de hoy se encuentran en la página 481.

BULLETIN DEADLINE / PLAZO PARA EL BOLETÍN

Wednesday / miércoles —9 AM — office@olqpva.org

**OUR SICK AND HOMEBOUND STRENGTHEN US /
NUESTROS ENFERMOS Y CONFINADOS NOS FORTALECEN**

PLEASE PRAY FOR / POR FAVOR OREMOS POR: Catherine Algeri, Lousie Aust, Suri Barahona, Doretha Barbour, Gene Bétit, Cindy Bianga, Francis Bilgera, Joseph Leopold Bissonnette, Precious Bowens, April Brassard, Dave Brassard, Evie Brown, Lynne Burgh, Marty Butner Covington, Brody Carroll, Louise Chambers, Pat Chapla, Carmen Rosa Claire, Jeff Cory, Mary DaLuca, Cheryl Darby, Jim Davis, Adrienne DiCerbo, Ernest Donatto, Patricia "Pat" Dowd, Irene Fitzpatrick, Yvette Francois, Anne Fullerton, Iva Futrell, Karen Gammache, Trishann Ganley, Francine Gemmill, Fred Gladbach, Yolanda Gregorio, the Harris Family, Sally Hars, Linda Hawkins, Clare Hayden, Dee Hickey, Margaret Hodges, Margaret Howe, Patrick Hynes, Beatriz Uribe Jaramillo, Lillian Jay, Pat Johnson, Sharon Jourdan, Cindy Kernick, Sally Krahn, Carmen Andrea Lara, Patrick Lawrey, Bertie Leahy, Lidia Montero Lopez, Olga MacKenzie, Wil McBride, Stefan McGuigan, Martha Gladys Medina, Maria Magdalena Medrano de Ventura, Eileen Melia, Frances Mierzwa, Arthur Miller, Mary Miller, Yvonne Mockler, Carmen Montijo, Dorothy Moran, Rosemary Morrisey, Bob Morsches, Chelsea Murray, Dorothy Myrtle, Mario Amel Najarro, Bruyce Niligis, Julie O'Brien, Patrick Ogden, Michelle O'Keefe, Janet O'Neil, Delfima Pacheco-Choque, Roy Paco, Catherine Parr, Mary Pasquarella, Mark Pazich, Minnie Pazich, Paul Ramirez, Maddie Respicio-Cabatic, Wally Reyes, Michael Rodgers, Maritza Roldan, Marco Cristiaan Rufolo-Roger, Josefina Salgado, Carolyn Santos, Susan Savage, Jane Shepard, Janet Shirvanian, Mary Shookhoff, Jeffrey Smith, Mary E. Smith, Eva Souza, Nina Stewart, Michael Arthur Sweat, Rose Trujillo, Nancy Urquizo, Stephen Utey, Kate Witkowski, Midge Wholey, Mary Woods, Claudia Zapata, Kate Zopp.

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

CUARTO DOMINGO DE CUARESMA

2 Chronicles 36:14-16, 19-23 (32B); Ephesians 2:4-10; John 3:14-21
2 Crónicas 36,14-16, 19-23 (32B); Efesios 2,4-10; Juan 3,14-21

FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

QUINTO DOMINGO DE CUARESMA

Jeremiah 31:31-34 (35B); Hebrews 5:7-9; John 12:20-23
Jeremías 31,31-34 (35B); Hebreos 5,7-9; Juan 12,20-23

MASS INTENTIONS, MARCH 13-19

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

INTENCIONES DE LAS MISAS, 13-19 MARZO

CUARTO DOMINGO DE CUARESMA

Saturday March 13th

4:00 pm Salvación Villar (D) by María Susana Francia

Sunday March 14th

10:00 am Patrick Cardillo (D) by Bob and Kate Wilson
2:00 pm Cristina Calderón Castellanos (D)
de la familia y Beatriz Castellanos

Monday March 15th

12:00 pm Candy Hill (D) by Bernadette Lozano

Tuesday March 16th

12:00 pm Julie & Isidro Reyes (D) by the Reyes Family

Wednesday March 17th

12:00 pm Eulogio Estrada (D) by María Cabrera

Thursday March 18th

12:00 pm Funeral—Doretha Barbour

Friday March 19th

6:00 pm Armando Rosas Ramos (D) by María Cabrera

KAREN NEWMAN REMAINS IN NURSING HOME

We wanted to be sure to clarify some earlier miscommunication about Karen. She continues to be a nursing home in MD, close to the only family in the area and they are assisting with her care. At this time, it is our understanding that visitors are not allowed. Please continue to keep Karen in your prayers. Thank you.

OLQP PARISH STAFF / PERSONAL DE LA PARROQUIA

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Rebecca Grant Jenkins, rgrantjenkins@olqpva.org

HOLY WEEK AND EASTER SCHEDULE

Palm Sunday, March 28 4pm Saturday Vigil, 10am and 2pm in Spanish on Sunday
Holy Thursday, April 1 *7pm Mass
Good Friday, April 2 *3pm Service, The Passion of the Lord
6pm Stations of the Cross in Spanish
8pm Tenebrae Service
Holy Saturday, April 3 *8:30pm Easter Vigil Mass
Easter Sunday, April 4 10am, 2pm
Communion Service after Mass, gather at Church front doors.
Blessed Palm self-serve table after each Mass on Palm Sunday weekend.
Masses and Services live-streamed (* in real time only)
All must wear a mask, sanitize their hands and all must observe social distancing.
Mass signup required for all Masses/Services – www.olqpva.org

HORARIO PARA SEMANA SANTA Y DOMINGO DE RESURRECCIÓN

Domingo de ramos, 28 de marzo 4pm Vigilia el sábado, 10am y 2pm en español el domingo
* 7pm Misa
Jueves Santo, 1ro de abril * 3pm Servicio, la Pasión del Señor
Viernes Santo, 2 de abril 6pm Viacrucis en español
8 pm Oficio de tinieblas
Sábado Santo, 3 de abril * 8:30pm Vigilia de la Pascua de Resurrección
Domingo de Pascua, 4 de abril 10am, 2pm
Servicio de comunión después de la Misa. Reúnanse en las puertas delanteras de la iglesia.
Ramos benditos en la mesa para llevarse después de todas las Misas el fin de semana del Domingo de ramos.
Las Misas y los servicios se transmitirán en vivo (* solo en directo)
Todos tienen que usar una mascarilla, desinfectarse las manos y observar el distanciamiento social.
Necesitan apuntarse para asistir a las Misas/servicios – www.olqpva.org

A REFLECTION ON LIFE IN MEDOR

“Give light and people will find the way.” -Ella Baker

What do you use in your everyday life that requires electricity? For most of us, life without electricity seems difficult to imagine. For the people of Medor, it is a reality. Some students do their homework by the light of solar-powered light bulbs, but most must stop studying when it gets dark. Clothes washing must be done in rivers or springs rather than in washing machines. Cooking takes place over a fire, rather than with an electrical appliance. This Lent, give the gift of light! Learn more about the work OLQP shares with the people in Medor. Did you know that we support a solar energy program that powers St. Joseph church and some other parish buildings? Please pray for our friends in Medor and support the Haiti Easter Drive. Your donation can quite literally be the light that helps others see.

CRS RICE BOWL

Timor-Leste has the highest rate of child malnutrition in Asia. (Find it on the map). Many children suffer from stunting which has a big impact on their growth and future. Home gardens and fish ponds are helping families provide better nutrition. What can you do to ensure that children have enough food to thrive? Visit crsricebowl.org to learn more. Try the recipes!

WEEKLY OLQP MOMENT

Join the parish community on Tuesday at 2:21pm to reflect on the topic of Belief. There is no time requirement for your reflection and no virtual meeting to join. Wherever you are, whatever you are doing, please pause for your reflection knowing you are with others from the OLQP community. Anyone wishing to add the OLQP moment to their calendar can email "OLQP Moment" to Patrick Julius at patjulius@verizon.net to receive the information in a calendar request. Please specify if you want the reminder in Spanish.

UNA REFLEXIÓN DE LA VIDA EN MEDOR

“Den luz y las personas encontrarán el camino”. Ella Baker

¿Qué usan ustedes en su vida cotidiana que requiere electricidad? Para la mayoría de nosotros, la vida sin electricidad es difícil de imaginar. Para las personas de Medor, esto es una realidad. Algunos estudiantes hacen la tarea con la luz de una bombilla alimentada por energía solar, pero muchos tienen que dejar de estudiar cuando oscurece. El lavado de ropa tiene que hacerse en ríos o manantiales y no en lavadoras. Cocinan sobre un fuego, en vez de en una cocina eléctrica. ¡Esta Cuaresma dé el regalo de la luz! Aprendan más acerca de la labor que OLQP comparte con las personas de Medor. ¿Sabía que apoyamos un programa de energía solar que alimenta la iglesia St. Joseph y algunos de los otros edificios de la parroquia? Por favor recen por nuestras amigas y amigos en Medor y apoyen la Campaña de Pascua de Haití. Su donación literalmente puede ser la luz que hace que otros puedan ver.

CRS PLATO DE ARROZ

Timor-Leste tiene la tasa más elevada de malnutrición infantil en Asia. (Encuentren el lugar en un mapa.) Muchas niñas y niños sufren de falta de crecimiento lo que tiene un gran impacto en su desarrollo y futuro. Las hortalizas caseras y estanques de peces están ayudando a que las familias provean mejor nutrición. ¿Qué puede usted hacer para asegurar que los niños tengan comida suficiente para prosperar? Visite crsricebowl.org para aprender más. ¡Pruebe las recetas!

MOMENTO SEMANAL DE OLQP

Únase a la comunidad parroquial el martes a las 2:21pm para reflexionar sobre el tema de la Convicción. No se requiere que se reflexione por un tiempo específico y no hay que asistir a una reunión virtual. Dondequiera que esté, sin importar lo que está haciendo, por favor pare para reflexionar sabiendo que está unida/o a otras personas de la comunidad de OLQP. Cualquier persona que desea añadir el momento a su calendario puede mandarle un correo electrónico “Momento de OLQP” a Patrick Julius – patjulius@verizon.net para recibir la información en una solicitud para el calendario. Por favor especifique si quiere el recordatorio en español.

**UPDATE: Carpenter's Shelter Supper,
Thurs, March 18**

Thanks to everyone who signed up to cook, deliver and serve dinner at Carpenter's Shelter this Thursday, March 18. If you didn't get a chance to sign up for dinner, other ways to give are on their website, carpentersshelter.org. For those contributing this month, food can be brought to Fr. Ray Hall kitchen on the day of dinner 12:00-5:00PM. Please use labels on the counter to indicate what item is and the date of dinner, or you can bring food to the Shelter on the day of dinner, labeled the same. See their website for contactless delivery protocol. If you have questions, or hardship delivering, please let us know. mary.resnick@gmail.com or call 703-462-4841.

YOUTH MINISTRY UPDATES: please email Rebecca Grant Jenkins, rgrantjenkins@olqpva.org

WORK CAMP 2021 -- deposits & online registration are due Monday, March 15th. There are a few spots left! The trip cost is \$250. There is a \$75 deposit to reserve a spot. Payments may be made in cash (clearly noted), check (payable to OLQP with "student name and work camp" on memo line), or online via Faith Direct (please note student's name and work camp in comment section). *There are scholarships available – please reach out to Youth Minister, Rebecca Grant Jenkins directly, rgrantjenkins@olqpva.org.*

REUSE THOSE GROCERY BAGS! -- We are in real need of **brown paper bags with handles**. Our volunteers use the paper bags to package food for families *and give the bags a second life before recycling*. Thank you for working to reduce waste. Please drop them off during office hours from 10am until 2pm in the food collection bins behind Father Ray Hall.

EASTER FLOWER MEMORIALS

We invite you to remember a deceased loved one with an Easter Flower Memorial. Please send an email with "Easter Flower Memorial" in the subject line to Christina at office@olqpva.org with the following information:

Name of the deceased family member

Name of person/family making the request

Donation amount

Memorial donations can be mailed to the office or paid through Faith Direct online giving (www.faithdirect.net, church account VA271). Please be sure to note the family information with the donation.

If you are mailing in your request and donation, please send it in time to be delivered by the deadline: Monday, March 29th.

Memorials will be published in the Easter Sunday bulletin on the weekend of April 4th. Please be sure we have your request in by the deadline, March 29th!

**ACTUALIZACIÓN: La cena Refugio del Carpintero,
jueves, 18 de marzo**

Gracias a todas las personas que se apuntaron para cocinar, entregar y servir la comida en el Refugio del Carpintero este jueves, 18 de marzo. Si no tuvo oportunidad de apuntarse para la comida, vaya a su sitio web, carpentersshelter.org para ver otras maneras de contribuir. Para quienes van a contribuir este mes, puede llevar la comida a la cocina de Fr. Ray Hall el día de la comida de 12:00-5:00PM. Por favor use las etiquetas en el mostrador para indicar lo que trae y la fecha o traiga su contribución directamente al Refugio el día de la comida, identificada de la misma manera. Vaya a su sitio web para ver cómo va a ser la entrega sin contacto. Si tiene preguntas o si no puede entregar la comida, por favor déjenos saber. mary.resnick@gmail.com o llame al 703-462-4841.

ACTUALIZACIONES DEL MINISTERIO DE

ADOLESCENTES: por favor envíale un correo electrónico a Rebecca Grant Jenkins, rgrantjenkins@olqpva.org

CAMPAMENTO DE VERANO DE TRABAJO DE 2021 – depósitos e inscripción en línea previstos para el lunes, 15 de marzo. ¡Hay unos pocos lugares disponibles! El costo del viaje es \$250. Se necesita un depósito de \$75 para reservar un puesto. Los pagos se pueden hacer en efectivo (indique para el campamento), cheque (pagadero a OLQP con "nombre del estudiante y campamento de verano de trabajo" en la línea del asunto) o en línea vía Faith Direct (escriba el nombre del estudiante y campamento de verano de trabajo en la sección del comentario). *Hay becas disponibles -- por favor comuníquese directamente con Rebecca Grant Jenkins, Ministro de Adolescentes, rgrantjenkins@olqpva.org.*

¡REUTILIZE LAS BOLSAS DEL MERCADO! – Necesitamos urgentemente **las bolsas de papel del mercado con asas**. Nuestras voluntarias y voluntarios usan las bolsas de papel para empaquetar alimentos para las familias *y le dan a las bolsas una segunda vida antes de reciclarlas*. Gracias por reducir los desperdicios. Por favor tráigalas durante las horas de oficina de 10am a 2pm y póngalas en los contenedores detrás de Fr. Ray Hall.

**MEMORIALES DE FLORES DE
LA PASCUA DE RESURRECCIÓN**

Los invitamos a recordar a un ser querido fallecido con un Memorial de Flores de Pascua de Resurrección. Por favor mande un correo electrónico con "Easter Flower Memorial" en la línea del tema a Christina: office@olqpva.org con la siguiente información:

Nombre del familiar fallecido

Nombre de la persona/familia que lo solicita

Cantidad de la donación

Las donaciones para los memoriales se pueden mandar a la oficina por correo o pagar por Faith Direct en línea (www.faithdirect.net, la cuenta de la iglesia es VA271). Por favor asegúrese de incluir la información de la familia con la donación. Si envía su petición y la donación por correo, por favor mándela a tiempo para que llegue para la fecha límite del 29 de marzo.

Los memoriales se publicarán en el boletín del domingo de Pascua el fin de semana del 4 de abril. ¡Por favor, asegúrese que recibamos su solicitud antes de la fecha límite, el 29 de marzo!

2021 BISHOP'S LENTEN APPEAL Encourage One Another by Word and Deed. The 2021 Bishop's Lenten Appeal Commitment weekend is next weekend! Once a year we are asked to make a commitment to support the work of our diocesan programs and ministries which provide services that no single parish could provide on its own. **Our parish goal is 100% participation.** By participating in the BLA, we reveal our gratitude for our many blessings, as we serve our brothers and sisters in Christ throughout the diocese. You may go online to make a donation at: www.arlingtondiocese.org or scan the QR code or text "BLA" to 703-260-9800.



PETICIÓN CUARESMA DEL OBISPO DE 2021 Animémonos unos a otros de palabra y obra. El fin de semana del compromiso con la Petición Cuaresma del Obispo de 2021 es el próximo. Una vez al año se nos pide que nos comprometamos a apoyar el trabajo de nuestros programas y ministerios diocesanos que prestan servicios que ninguna parroquia podría prestar por cuenta propia. La meta de nuestra parroquia es tener una participación de 100%. Al participar en la Petición Cuaresma del Obispo expresamos nuestra gratitud por las muchas bendiciones que hemos recibido al servir a nuestros hermanos y hermanas en Cristo en toda la Diócesis. Pueden hacer una donación en línea en www.arlingtondiocese.org o al escanear el código de respuesta rápida (QR) que aparece a continuación:

GOOD NEWS FOR LIVE-STREAMING

We have transitioned to YouTube for live-streaming of Masses/Services because it provides a clearer picture and clearer sound. New equipment has been purchased and installed and we encourage you to give it a try – go to the parish website (www.olpqva.org) for real time viewing and click on the YouTube arrow under "Live Steam Mass". You will be taken to the YouTube site where you can "subscribe" to OLQP's YouTube site and access saved video and future live streamed Masses/Services. Live-streaming continues to be available on the parish Facebook page: (<https://www.facebook.com/OLQPArlington/>).

BUENAS NOTICIAS PARA LA TRANSMISIÓN EN DIRECTO

Estamos en proceso de transición a YouTube para la transmisión en directo de las Misas/Servicios porque provee una imagen y un sonido más claros. Hemos comprado e instalado un equipo nuevo y los animamos a que prueben esto. Si está retransmitiendo en directo **en vivo** vaya al sitio web de la parroquia (www.olpqva.org), haga clic en la flecha de YouTube que está en la imagen del santuario con la fecha y la hora de la Misa a la que planea asistir virtualmente. Y de ahí llegará a vídeo de YouTube. La transmisión en directo seguirá estando disponible en la página de Facebook de la parroquia: <https://www.facebook.com/OLQPArlington/>.

LENTEN DAILY REFLECTIONS

The Parish Advisory Board is encouraging everyone to subscribe to our daily reflections written by fellow parishioners during Lent. We also need writers! If you would like to subscribe or possibly write a reflection on the daily readings email Bob Finke at bfinke1@verizon.net. If you signed up for our Advent reflections, you are good to go!

REFLEXIONES DIARIAS DE CUARESMA

La Junta Consultora de la Parroquia (PAB, por sus siglas en inglés) anima a todos a suscribirse a nuestras reflexiones diarias escritas por miembros de la parroquia durante la Cuaresma. ¡También necesitamos personas para escribirlas! Si quisiera suscribirse o posiblemente escribir una reflexión de las lecturas diarias, mándele un correo electrónico a Bob Finke: bfinke1@verizon.net. Si se apuntó para recibir nuestras reflexiones diarias, ¡ya está lista/o!

INTERPRETERS NEEDED ON ZOOM

Mother of Mercy (MoM) Virtual Interpreters Needed. MoM's mission is to provide free, quality healthcare to low-income individuals who are uninsured or underinsured in the Diocese. The majority of MoM's clients speak Spanish. The Clinics are in need of Virtual Interpreters to help improve communication between the Client and the Medical providers. All interpreting services will be remote via Zoom. Training provided. If you can help one 4-hour shift a month, please register here: <http://bit.ly/VolunteerMotherofMercy>

SE NECESITAN INTÉRPRETES EN ZOOM

Mother of Mercy (MoM) necesita intérpretes virtuales. La misión de MoM es proveer atención médica de calidad y gratis a personas de bajos ingresos en la Diócesis que no tienen seguro médico o cobertura suficiente. La mayoría de los clientes de MoM hablan español. Las clínicas necesitan intérpretes virtuales para ayudar a mejorar la comunicación entre el cliente y los proveedores médicos. Todos los servicios de interpretación serán a distancia por Zoom. Habrá entrenamiento disponible. Si puede ayudar una vez al mes por 4 horas, por favor apúntese aquí: <http://bit.ly/VolunteerMotherofMercy>

*Programs that are open to the entire community, but offered in English only.
Programas que le dan la bienvenida a toda la comunidad, pero que solo se ofrecen en inglés.*

STONE SOUP SUPPER SERIES

Join us Friday evening, March 19, at 6:45pm for a screening of the movie *Black Men in White Coats* -- a documentary focusing on the lack of black male doctors.

Mass is at 6pm, enjoy a quick light supper in the comfort of your home and then join us on zoom for the movie (<https://zoom.us/j/2243051934>). Live-stream Mass at 6:00pm on Facebook or YouTube, both available on the parish website: www.olpqva.org.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA)

The First Scrutiny was celebrated with our RCIA participants on Sunday, March 7, at the 10am Mass. The Scrutinies are meant to uncover, then heal, the weaknesses that lead to personal and societal failing and sin. As our catechumens and candidates prepare to receive the Sacraments of Initiation during the Easter season, may we be united in prayer and join in this journey of self-searching and repentance, evaluating our lives and the need for conversion.

GUN VIOLENCE PREVENTION TEAM -- The next meeting of the parish gun violence prevention team will be held on Zoom on Monday, March 22, starting at 7:30 p.m. For information on how to participate in this meeting and ministry, please contact Gerry Laporte at G.Laporte@verizon.net or (703) 527-6783.

ZOOM STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Minkisi ministry invites you to a Stations of the Cross in Zoom on Friday, March 26, 6:45-8:30pm. While using the 14 sacred sculptured Station of the Cross icons on the inside parish church walls, we will have prayers, music/hymns, readings from the Book of Psalms and Lamentations. Youth, young adults, and adults are planning to be Readers in this adapted service of the "Lament for Racial Injustice" by the Archdiocese of Chicago. Kristofer Pandhoie will be the music director. Contact Cecilia Braveboy for questions, jisaac3@verizon.net, and please register via eventbrite by Tuesday, March 23 for the March 26th Stations of the Cross z-meet: <https://bit.ly/minkisistations>.

ADDITION LENTEN RESOURCES: For a Lenten Calendar based on reflections from *Laudato Si*, search LaudatoSi-Lent.org. For Lenten Reflections from the National Catholic Reporter, search ncronline/earthbeat.

LOVE THE EARTH THIS LENT:

USING ENERGY WISELY, Part II



The average US household has more than 20 consumer electronic products, according to Energy Star. Using efficient products can save energy and save you money.

look for Energy Star certification when you buy computers, electronics and office equipment turn off computers when not in use

connect electronics to power strips or surge protectors that can prevent them from drawing power when they are not being used (vampire loads)

unplug battery chargers when not in use

Almost one third of the greenhouse gas emissions in the US come from burning fossil fuels for transportation.

Do you know how many miles you drive each year? Do you know how efficient your car is, that is, how many miles it can be driven per gallon of fuel? Knowing your numbers can be a first step to reducing your environmental impact.

To reduce your transportation emissions:

- walk, ride a bike, carpool, use the bus; combine errands to reduce trips
- keep tires properly inflated; keep car tuned for maximum efficiency
- buy a hybrid or electric car
- when you fly, purchase a carbon offset from a company investing in renewable energy

Our responsibility for transportation emissions is not limited to where we drive. It includes the transporting of everything we buy and use:

- buy food at a Farmer's Market that draws from local farms
- buy produce in season that is brought in from the local area
- advocate for clean transportation by writing your elected representatives.

And finally, examine your investments to see how you might limit and reduce your support of fossil fuels and related holdings.

Let us remember the words of Pope Francis in *Laudato Si* "There is a nobility in the duty to care for creation through little daily actions ". And let us use this Lent to change some of our daily actions to take better care of our common home.

Eileen Janus, Member of Integrity of Creation Team

ARE YOU EATING LESS MEAT THIS LENT?

Go to crs.org/recipe for tasty meatless recipes from around the world.

FROM POLARIZATION TO PEACEMAKING

OLQP recently offered two sessions on the challenge of political and cultural Polarization. Based on participant feedback, we are preparing a follow-up 3-part series -- "From Polarization to Peace-Making". The series will be offered as Zoom sessions on three consecutive weeks in April during the Easter season. The series will begin with a session on Spirituality, then move to a Skills Workshop, and conclude with facilitated small group conversations based on a restorative circle process.

The sessions will happen:

Tues, April 13, 7pm – Easter Reflection: Spirituality of Peace

Tues, April 20, 7pm – Skills Workshop: Bridging the Divide

Tues, April 27, 7pm – Circle Conversation: A Model for Doing Hard Conversations

As you strive to deepen your faith in the Christ who is alive again, we invite you to join us in meeting and recognizing him in each other, both ally and other, as we all walk homeward together. To sign up and receive a Zoom link for any or all of these events, please RSVP at:

<https://forms.gle/ekewYyiyHrK9VSMj6>

Email Lydia Cardona with any questions at Cardona.lydia@gmail.com

OLQP KNITTERS DONATIONS

The OLQP Knitters are busy year-round knitting and crocheting hundreds of items we donate to numerous charitable organizations, many through OLQP ministries. We welcome donations of yarn and smallish paper shopping bags with handles from any store (prefer Starbuck size). We are thankful for the past generous support of our church community and our volunteers who work tirelessly making beautiful, warm scarves and hats for the homeless and OLQP food pantry families, baby blankets, lap blankets and prayer shawls. Please leave donations in the basket outside the food pantry in Father Ray Hall or in the Food Pantry donation bin in the rear parking lot of Fr Ray Hall. If you have any questions, have a large donation for pick up, or want to volunteer, please email Marilena: mamoni530@gmail.com

CARDINAL GREGORY AND

BISHOP BURBIDGE

TO HOST CONFERENCE ON RACISM

His Eminence Cardinal Wilton Gregory, Archbishop of Washington, will be the celebrant, homilist and keynote speaker at the Diocese of Arlington Peace and Justice Commission's Saturday, March 20 in-person and virtual conference, Open Wide Our Hearts: The Enduring Call to Love. The conference, which is also being livestreamed, will be held at Nativity Catholic Church, Burke. Mass begins at 5pm, followed by the keynote address at 7pm. A panel of three diocesan parishioners will respond to the Cardinal's address and Bishop Michael Burbidge will join a Q&A session. Limited registration for safe-distance in-person attendance is available at openwideourhearts.eventbrite.com. The Mass, keynote and discussion will be livestreamed on the Diocese of Arlington's YouTube channel at <https://youtu.be/0s8tvSWkcu4>

LENTEN EASTER EGG SERVICE PROJECT

The Mother of Light Center (MOLC) in Arlandria hopes to fill about 7,000 plastic Easter eggs with individually wrapped candy and other fun items for its friends. MOLC serves mostly new immigrants living in poverty. You may participate in the project by putting 12 filled plastic eggs in gallon zip lock bags. You may also donate plastic eggs, candy, and zip lock bags. Drop off completed bags or other donations to MOLC board member and OLQP parishioner Lisa Soronen (604 Fort Williams Parkway Alexandria) by March 21. For more information email Lisa at lisasoronen@gmail.com

VIRTUAL BENEFIT CONCERT HONORING

ANDRIKO BILANIUK

Bishop O'Connell High School cordially invites you to a virtual benefit concert on Friday, March 26. Please them for an afternoon of musical performances. Proceeds from the concert will be used to establish the endowed Andriko Bilaniuk '22 Memorial Scholarship. Andriko was a 2018 graduate of St. Mark Catholic School. He lost his battle with cancer days before his sixteenth birthday. For more information, please visit bishopoconnell.org/forandriko or contact TLacrosse@bishopoconnell.org.

FAITH DIRECT ON-LINE GIVING

We prayerfully request that you consider signing up for eGiving (thank you to those who have already done so). You can set up a recurring Offertory donation or make a one-time gift to fund outreach such as the Covid-19 Fund, or a general donation. Sign up today by visiting faith.direct/VA271). Thank you for your continued support of our beloved OLQP!

Lenten Blessings, Fr. Tim and Fr. Martin

JUST A THOUGHT...OR TWO...

"For God so loved the world" ...these words that we hear in today's Gospel set up for us, for all that follows in the Gospel of John...all of Jesus' words and healings and miracles... everything...yes even the cross, or should I say "especially the cross"!

In the Gospel of John everything needs to be viewed and understood through this reality...that all of God's saving actions have happened, **and continue to happen**, precisely because God so deeply and passionately loves the world! I know you hear me say this over and over again but please understand this is the reason that I do what I do...it is why I am still here today...to share this amazing truth that you are deeply and passionately loved by God...just as you are!

Now, I could do a reading of today's text using strictly a historical critical methodology or perhaps the textual critical method or even a sociological methodology...but all of them fail in the awesomeness...yes I just said "awesomeness"...of this reality that God is, above all else, love! Yes, the very essence of that Divinity which created all that exists...is love! And we are the object of that Love! Imagine what our lives could look like if each one of us lived as if we were the "beloved of God"!

So in this fourth week of Lent it may seem peculiar in the midst of all of the suffering in the world, in the midst of this heart breaking pandemic, in the midst of our own pain and sorrow to talk of God's audacious love for us...but I think not. Yes, in the midst of all of the pain and suffering of the world and of our lives we need, very much, to reflect on how deeply and passionately we are love by God! In the midst of our Lenten prayer, fasting and almsgiving we need to ask ourselves "why"...why are we praying, why are we fasting and why are we giving alms...because I am so deeply and passionately loved by God?

What do I have to do to open my heart wider to God's love for me? Do I really believe that God loves all people equally...even my enemies? How can I share God's deep and passionate love for all human beings with others? Based on God's love for all of us how do I respond to situations of racism, sexism, ageism or xenophobia, homophobia? Through what environmentally conscious acts can I show my understanding of God's love of all of creation? I think these are some important questions for me to spend some time meditating on and then acting on.

Lenten blessings, Fr Tim

**Mass signups for March are now posted /
Inscripciones para las Misas en marzo están disponibles:**
<https://www.ourladyqueenofpeace.org/mass-sign-ups.html>

**FOR LIVE-
STREAMING**

<https://www.facebook.com/OLQPArlington>
View through YouTube >> visit www.olqpva.org

Current Mass Schedule:

Weekdays: Monday-Thursday, 12noon, Open to the public up to 25 persons
Fridays, 6pm during Lent, in English (Feb 19-Mar 26)

Weekends: Saturday, 4pm & Sundays, 10am

Sundays, 2pm in Spanish — Open to the public on the 1st, 3rd and 5th Sundays;
Closed to the public on the 2nd and 4th Sundays

Horario actual de Misas:

Días de semana: lunes-jueves, 12 del mediodía. Abierta al público hasta 25 personas
Viernes, 12 del mediodía, en español. Cerrada al público.

Fines de semana: sábados, 4pm & domingos, 10am
domingos, 2pm en español — Abierta al público el 1er, 3er y 5to domingo.
Cerrada al público el 2do y 4to domingo.

Pope Francis's invitation to social analysis, to really "see" what is going on

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The first section of Pope Francis's wonderful little book *Let Us Dream: The Path to a Better Future* is entitled "See". That is, not only look at what is happening to each and all of us alive today but "see it", understand it. The difference is crucial. We look at persons and events all the time, but we do not always see them. By way of example, the Holy Father tells of little blind children who ask "to see" him by touching his face. They "see" even though they cannot "look". Other ways of describing this important distinction are: observing vs. engaging, being spectators vs. participants, passive vs active.

On a personal note, I had the experience of looking without seeing during several of my first years in South America. As pastor of a large parish in the city of Lima, I felt very good about our ministries there, that it was a progressive community and quite popular, doing good charitable work especially for the poor of the area. One day after about five years of enjoying this mindset, a leading diocesan priest made the startling comment to me that "you are just 'fooling around' here". He went on to explain that while our charitable ministries were nice and quite well thought of, we were not addressing the underlying causes for the enormous chasm between our fairly prosperous parishioners and the poor people in the area. We had been looking but not seeing!

Pope Francis is continually inviting us

to join him in seeing what the human family is facing as we slowly emerge from the darkness of the coronavirus. In this early section of *Let Us Dream*, the Holy Father goes into great detail about the possibilities as well as the obstacles which lie before humanity at this crucial moment in history.

What the Pope is doing is an essential component of "seeing", a detailed social analysis of our current situations. Social analysis in this case means reflecting deeply and prayerfully on what is going on around us, what has been the "old normal", and assessing its underlying causes. He demonstrates that any "new normal" will depend on such analyses – seeing – if we are ever to change.

Part of the Pope's analysis mentions several obstacles to what he envisions for the post-Covid era. They are worth thinking about as a kind of personal and societal examination of conscience. He speaks, for example, of narcissism, discouragement, and pessimism; of "existential myopia" (that is, defensively selecting what we want to see); of indifference, which he calls "so-whatism". In laying out these roadblocks to honest social analysis and action, Francis typically cites close-to-home examples from his own experiences as pastor. He mentions seeing the picture of a well-dressed lady emerging from a high-end Italian restaurant and ignoring the pathetic woman begging in the doorway; he tells of asking parents what is wrong with the sick children they bring for his blessing and concludes that their frequent answers, "an unusual medical condition", point to an infirm human

ecology. The experience cited above of being touched by blind children who want to "see" the Pope is another example of Francis's connecting the particular with the general, concrete experiences with social realities, using ordinary, daily occurrences to highlight generalized situations.

Finally, Pope Francis addresses all of humanity's current problems and challenges to their solutions with hope. He clearly has the grace of that strong virtue which, far from a wishy-washy feeling that maybe things will get better, is a strong, faith-filled trust that in the words of Zacharias in the New Testament:

"In the tender compassion of our God, the dawn from on high will break upon us to shine on those who sit in darkness and the shadow of death and to guide our feet on the way to peace". (Luke 1:78-79)

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