

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!

Contact / Contacto:

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Office Hours (mask required)

Horas de oficina (se requiere el uso de mascarillas)
Monday-Friday, 8:30am to 4:30pm
Lunes a viernes – 8:30am a 4:30pm

Website / sitioweb: olqpva.org

Live Stream Mass Schedule:

Horario de Misas de transmisión en directo:

November 27-28 – 5:30pm & 1pm
December 4-5 – 8am & 1pm

27-28 de noviembre – 5:30pm y 1pm
4-5 de diciembre – 8am y 1pm

Misases / Misas:

Weekdays / Días laborables:

Mon-Fri, 12pm / lunes a viernes 12pm

Weekend Mass Schedule /

Horario de misas de fin de semana:

Saturday Vigil — 5:30pm

Misa de vigilia sábados - 5:30 pm

Sundays — 8:00am, 9:30am, 11:15am,

1:00pm (Spanish) & 6:00pm (Young Adult)

Domingos — 8:00 am, 9:30 am, 11:15 am,

1:00 pm (español) y 6:00 pm (Misa de jóvenes adultos)

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

November 28, 2021

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Wednesday, December 8

MASSES: 8am, 12noon and 7:00pm Bilingual

Solemnidad de la Inmaculada Concepción de la Santísima Virgen María
el miércoles, 8 de diciembre

Misas: 8am, 12 del mediodía y 7:00pm bilingüe

ADVENT RECONCILIATION SERVICE

Monday, Dec 13, 7:00pm, Bilingual

SERVICIO DE RECONCILIACIÓN DE ADVIENTO

el lunes, 13 de diciembre, 7:00pm, bilingüe

There will be signs in the sun,
the moon, and the stars.

Luke 21:25



Habrá señales prodigiosas en el sol,
en la luna y en las estrellas.

Lucas 21,25



NUESTRA SEÑORA REINA DE LA PAZ

28 de noviembre 2021

PRIMER DOMINGO DE ADVIENTO

**SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION /
PREPARACIÓN SACRAMENTAL**

Baptism / Bautizo:

Please email Baptism Coordinator Sandra Rivera,
srivera@olqpva.org.

Por favor mande un correo electrónico a la coordinadora de los
bautizos, Sandra Rivera, srivera@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 4:45-5:15pm & by appointment

Los sábados: 4:45-5:15pm y por cita previa.

SUNDAY COLLECTIONS / COLECTAS DEL DOMINGO

Sunday Collection / Colecta del pasado domingo: \$6,194

Campaign for Human Development /

Campaña para el Desarrollo Humano: \$5,877

Faith Direct (November Average /

promedio del mes de noviembre): \$13,600

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

Today's readings can be found on page 700.

Las lecturas de hoy se encuentran en la página 701.

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, Suri Barahona, Gene Bétit, Grace Bialecki, Cindy Bianga, Francis Bilgera, Joseph Leopold Bissonnette, Precious Bowens, April Brassard, Dave Brassard, Evie Brown, Lynne Burgh, Marty Butner Covington, Brody Carroll, Reggie Carter, Pat Carty, Louise Chambers, Carmen Rosa Claire, Jeff Cory, Mary DaLuca, Cheryl Darby, Jim Davis, John Demajo, Adrienne DiCerbo, Ernest Donatto, Patricia "Pat" Dowd, Irene Fitzpatrick, Elizabeth (Bunny) Foster, Yvette Francois, Anne Fullerton, Iva Futrell, Karen Gammache, Trishann Ganley, Francine Gemmill, Fred Gladbach, Yolanda Gregorio, Harris Family, Sally Harrs, 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, Chelsea Murray, Dorothy Myrtle, Mario Amel Najarro, Bruyce Niligis, Julie O'Brien, Peggy O'Brien, Patrick Ogden, 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, Jane Shepard, Janet Shirvanian, Mary Shookhoff, Jeffrey Smith, Mary E. Smith, Eva Souza, Nina Stewart, Michael Arthur Sweat, Nancy Urquizo, Stephen Utle, Robin Vogel, Kate Witkowski, Midge Wholey, Mary Woods, Claudia Zapata, Kate Zopp.

**FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT
PRIMER DOMINGO DE ADVIENTO**

Jeremiah 33:14-16 (3C); 1 Thessalonians 3:12-4:2; Luke 21:25-28, 34-36
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**SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT
SEGUNDO DOMINGO DE ADVIENTO**

Baruch 5:1-9 (6C); Philippians 1:4-6, 8-11; Luke 3:1-6
Baruc 5,1-9 (6C); Filipenses 1,4-6, 8-11; Lucas 3,1-6

MASS INTENTIONS, NOVEMBER 27-DECEMBER 3

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

INTENCIONES DE LAS MISAS, 27 NOVIEMBRE-3 DICIEMBRE

PRIMER DOMINGO DE ADVIENTO

Saturday November 27th

5:30 pm The Virgin of the Miraculous Medal by the Parish

Sunday November 28th

8:00 am James Keightley (D) by Le Tran

9:30 am the Parish

11:15 am the Parish

1:00 pm Elvira Fernández de Ramallo (D) by the family

6:00 pm the Parish

Monday November 29th

12:00 pm Phyllis Mateer (D) by Ann Johnson

Tuesday November 30th

12:00 pm the Parish

Wednesday December 1st

12:00 pm the Parish

Thursday December 2nd

12:00 pm Fidelina López (D) by Celina Zapata

Friday December 3rd

12:00 pm (D) Joseph Quinn by Rita Parrilli

**SACRAMENTAL LIFE OF THE PARISH /
VIDA SACRAMENTAL DE LA PARROQUIA**

This weekend we welcome one new Christian. Este fin de
semana le damos la bienvenida a nuevo cristiano.

Julian Hartwich

Baptized November 28 / Bautizadas el 28 de noviembre

OLOP PARISH STAFF / PERSONAL DE LA PARROQUIA

Pastor / Párroco: **Fr. Tim Hickey, CSSp**, thickey@olqpva.org

Parochial Vicar / Párroco Asociado: **Fr. Martin Vu, CSSp**,
mvu@olqpva.org

Ministerio Latino: **Fr. Joseph Nangle, OFM**,
j.nangleofm@yahoo.com

Deacon / Diácono: **Dcn. Tony Remedios**, tremedios@olqpva.org
(@ajremedios) on Twitter

Parish Office / Oficina parroquial

Business Manager / Gerente de Negocios: **Christina Kozyn**,
ckozyn@olqpva.org

*Social Justice & Outreach Minister / Ministro de Justicia Social y
Acercamiento (bilingüe):* **Sally Díaz-Wells**, sdiazwells@olqpva.org
Youth & Young Adult Minister / Ministro de Adolescentes y Jóvenes Adultos:

Rebecca Grant Jenkins, rgrantjenkins@olqpva.org

Faith Formation Director / Director de Formación de Fe (bilingüe):

Cecilia López Oetgen, clopez@olqpva.org

Faith Formation Assistant Director (bilingüe):

A Consistent Ethic of Life Catholic Community

CHRISTMAS FLOWER MEMORIALS

We invite you to remember a deceased loved one with a Christmas Flower Memorial. Memorials will be published in the Sunday bulletin on the weekend of December 25-26. Please complete this form, make your donation payable to Our Lady Queen of Peace Church (donation amount is at your discretion) and send to the parish office (attention Christina) or drop in the collection basket by Sunday, December 19th. Please be sure to meet the deadline of 12/19! Donations can also be made through FaithDirect.net (OLQP code: VA271), but be sure to send an email with memorial information to office@olqpva.org with "Flower Memorial" in the subject line, again by 12/19.

Christmas Flower Memorial:

Honoring: _____

Requested by: _____

Donation: \$ _____

MEMORIALES DE FLORES DE NAVIDAD

Invitamos a todos a recordar a un ser querido difunto con un Memorial de flores de Navidad. Los memoriales se publicarán en el boletín del domingo del fin de semana del 25-26 de diciembre. Por favor, complete esta información, pague a nombre de OLQP (el donativo se deja a su discreción) y mándela a la oficina parroquial (atención: Christina) o póngala en el cesto de la colecta para fecha final del 19 de diciembre. ¡Por favor asegúrese de que llegue a tiempo para el 19 de diciembre! También puede mandar su donación por FaithDirect.net (OLQP código: VA271), pero asegúrese de mandar un correo electrónico con la información del memorial a office@olqpva.org con "Christmas Flower Memorials" en la línea del asunto en el cheque para la fecha límite del 19 de diciembre.

Memorial de flores de Navidad:

En honor de: _____

A petición de: _____

Donativo: _____

FRIDAY EVENING ROSARY DURING ADVENT

A Weekly Rosary will be offered by the Respect Life Ministry in the church to pray for those women who suffer during the Christmas season because they have experienced an abortion or are contemplating an abortion. Rosaries will be said at 7:00 pm on Fridays December 3rd, 10th and 17th. All are welcome. If you have a question, please contact Julie Hanlon Bolton at 508-360-1082.

ROSARIO LOS VIERNES POR LA NOCHE DURANTE EL ADVIENTO

El Ministerio de Respeto a la vida ofrecerá un rosario semanal en la iglesia para rezar por las mujeres que sufren durante la temporada navideña porque han experimentado un aborto o están pensando en uno. Los rosarios se rezarán a las 7:00 pm los viernes en diciembre (el 3, 10 y el 17). Todos son bienvenidos. Si tiene alguna pregunta, por favor contacte a Julie Hanlon Bolton – 508-360-1082.

HAITI CHRISTMAS DRIVE:

TIS' THE SEASON OF THANKSGIVING AND COMPASSION

The Haiti Christmas Drive is in full swing and we are grateful for our twinning relationship with St. Joseph parish and the impact it has on the education, agro-forestry, clean water, sanitation, and solar initiatives that empower our Medor family.

How you can make a difference in Medor:

1. Donate online at:

<https://ourladyqueenofpeace.org/haiti-ministry>

2. Write a check made out to OLQP-Haiti and mail to the parish office or place checks or cash in the Haiti box on the table at the church entry.

The Haiti Christmas Card Alternative Gift Program offers both printed and electronic cards.

How to get Haiti printed cards:

Pick up cards at the self-serve table at the church entry.

How to get the Haiti E-card:

Download from the parish website at:

[https://www.ourladyqueenofpeace.org/](https://www.ourladyqueenofpeace.org/uploads/1/0/2/8/102893408/olqphaitichristmasdrivecard.jpg)

[uploads/1/0/2/8/102893408/olqphaitichristmasdrivecard.jpg](https://www.ourladyqueenofpeace.org/uploads/1/0/2/8/102893408/olqphaitichristmasdrivecard.jpg)

and attach the card in an email to your loved ones.

ES LA TEMPORADA DE DAR GRACIAS Y DE COMPASIÓN

La campaña navideña para Haití está en plena acción y estamos muy agradecidos por nuestra relación de hermanamiento con la parroquia St. Joseph y el impacto que ha tenido en las iniciativas de la educación, del programa agroforestal, de agua limpia, de saneamiento y del programa solar que empodera a nuestra familia de Medor.

Como puede marcar la diferencia en Medor:

1. Puede donar en línea en:

<https://ourladyqueenofpeace.org/haiti-ministry>

2. Escriba un cheque a nombre de OLQP-Haití y envíelo por correo a la oficina de la parroquia o ponga el cheque o efectivo en la caja de Haití en la entrada de la iglesia.

El Programa de regalos alternativos de tarjetas navideñas de Haití ofrece tarjetas impresas y electrónicas.

Como obtener las tarjetas impresas:

Recoja las tarjetas en la mesa de autoservicio en la entrada de la iglesia.

Como obtener la tarjeta electrónica:

Descargue la tarjeta del sitio web de la parroquia en: <https://www.ourladyqueenofpeace.org/uploads/1/0/2/8/102893408/olqphaitichristmasdrivecard.jpg>

y adjúntela a un mensaje de correo electrónico para sus seres queridos.

YOU ARE INVITED TO A VIRTUAL TOUR OF MEDOR!

Mark your calendars! Please join the Haiti Committee on Sunday December 19 at 7:30 PM for a virtual tour of Medor, Haiti. This family friendly one-hour event will spotlight the successes and challenges of life in our twin parish. Here is the zoom link to join:

[https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89765117541?](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89765117541?pwd=eDVRUjdOWIBoVE0yWUNhd1YyY204Zz09)

[pwd=eDVRUjdOWIBoVE0yWUNhd1YyY204Zz09](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89765117541?pwd=eDVRUjdOWIBoVE0yWUNhd1YyY204Zz09)

¡ESTÁ INVITADA/O A UN RECORRIDO VIRTUAL DE MEDOR!

¡Ponga la fecha en su calendario! Por favor únase al Comité de Haití el domingo, 19 de diciembre a las 7:30 PM para un recorrido virtual de Medor, Haití. Esta actividad es para toda la familia y resaltará los éxitos y retos de la vida en nuestra parroquia hermana. Aquí está el enlace para unirse al zoom:

[https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89765117541?](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89765117541?pwd=eDVRUjdOWIBoVE0yWUNhd1YyY204Zz09)

[pwd=eDVRUjdOWIBoVE0yWUNhd1YyY204Zz09](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89765117541?pwd=eDVRUjdOWIBoVE0yWUNhd1YyY204Zz09)

SAVE THE DATE: YOUTH MINISTRY LOCK-IN!

Friday, January 14th, 7pm. Join us (with masks and social distancing) for an evening of fellowship, food, and fun!

APUNTE LA FECHA: ¡EL LOCK-IN DEL MINISTERIO DE ADOLESCENTES!

Es el viernes, 14 de enero, a las 7pm. ¡Únete a nosotros (con mascarillas y distanciamiento social) para una noche de compañerismo, comida y diversión!

Una comunidad católica con una ética consistente con la vida

THANKSGIVING 2021, A GREAT SUCCESS -- Thank you to all who donated, volunteered, picked up, delivered or prayed. We were able to feed over **720** families. Thank you to Rebecca, the teens and their families for making our drive through drop off a big success as well. Your generosity with those who have the least is always astounding.

NATIONAL ADOPTION MONTH – “You don’t have to be perfect to be a perfect parent.” That’s the message that *Adopt US Kids* tries to convey about becoming an adoptive or foster family. Kids in foster care don’t need perfection; they need the commitment and love a permanent adoptive family can provide. If this sounds like something you could do, learn more at www.adoptuskids.org, or join OLQP’s Building Forever Families ministry. Contact Rebecca.E.Carpenter@gmail.com or DebralphOLQP@gmail.com to learn more.

WEEKLY OLQP MOMENT

Join the parish community on Monday at 10:36am to reflect on the topic of **Redemption**. 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.

CLASSES START SOON!

English for Speakers of Other Languages

Register for English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL), Computer Literacy, GED, ESOL for Childcare, ComTIA or Citizenship preparation. Different class levels are available. Classes are available online with some offerings available in person in Manassas, Sterling and Alexandria. The classes are 12 weeks and include the class materials. Space is limited and are low cost. Financial assistance may be available. Please contact us at 571-208-1572 or ewd@ccda.net for more details.

AMAZONSMILE – HOLIDAY SHOPPING THAT MAKES A DIFFERENCE!

Your holiday shopping can help make a difference, at no additional cost to you! When you shop at smile.amazon.com, or in the Amazon app with AmazonSmile turned on within Settings, you'll find the same products and same low prices as the Amazon you already know -plus, Amazon donates a portion of your purchases to your chosen charity. You can select OLQP Arlington VA as your AmazonSmile charity by visiting: smile.amazon.com/ch/54-0800050

REMEMBERING OUR LOVED ONES: The Book of Life

The month of November is traditionally a time of remembering and giving thanks for the many blessings God has given us in our lives. In this light – remembering and giving thanks for the loved ones we have lost -- we call attention to the Book of Life in our sanctuary. We invite anyone who has experienced a loss this past year to add the name of that person to our Book of Life at the end of Mass. This will be a continual reminder to us throughout the year of those who have gone before us, marked with a sign of faith and the need to reach out to those who have suffered a recent loss.

EL DÍA DE ACCIÓN DE GRACIAS DEL 2021 FUE UN GRAN ÉXITO – Gracias a todas las personas que donaron, se ofrecieron de voluntarias, recogieron, entregaron o rezaron. Pudimos dar de comer a más de **720** familias. Gracias a Rebecca, los adolescentes y sus familias por hacer que las donaciones por auto servicio también hayan sido un gran éxito. Su generosidad para quienes tienen menos siempre es asombrosa.

EL MES NACIONAL DE LA ADOPCIÓN – “Usted no tiene que ser perfecta/o para ser una madre o un padre perfecto”. Ese es el mensaje que *Adopt US Kids* comunica sobre llegar a ser una familia adoptiva o de acogida. Los jóvenes en el cuidado tutelar no necesitan perfección sino un compromiso y el amor que una familia para siempre puede proveer. Aprenda más al ir a www.adoptuskids.org o únase al ministerio de *Creando familias para siempre* para apoyar la adopción y el cuidado tutelar. Contacte a Rebecca Carpenter (Rebecca.E.Carpenter@gmail.com) o a Debra (DebralphOLQP@gmail.com) para aprender más.

MOMENTO SEMANAL DE OLQP

Únase a la comunidad parroquial el lunes a las 10:36am para reflexionar sobre el tema de la **Redención**. 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.

¡LAS CLASES DE INGLÉS PARA PERSONAS QUE HABLAN OTRO IDIOMA EMPIEZAN PRONTO!

Inscríbese para las clases de inglés para personas que hablan otro idioma (ESOL por sus siglas en inglés), conocimientos básicos para usar una computadora, GED, ESOL para el cuidado de niñas/os, ComTIA o preparación para hacerse ciudadana/o. Se ofrece varios niveles de clases. Las clases se ofrecen en línea pero también hay algunas en persona en Manassas, Sterling y Alexandria. Las clases son de 12 semanas e incluyen los materiales. Hay espacio limitado y son a bajo costo. Puede que haya asistencia financiera disponible. Para obtener más detalles, contáctenos llamando al 571-208-1572 o ewd@ccda.net.

¡AMAZONSMILE – COMPRAS NAVIDEÑAS QUE MARCAN LA DIFERENCIA!

Sus compras navideñas pueden marcar la diferencia y pueden ayudar, ¡sin ningún costo personal! Cuando compra en smile.amazon.com o en el app de Amazon con AmazonSmile (tiene que escoger AmazonSmile en la configuración (settings) de su computadora, encontrará los mismos productos a los mismos precios bajos que conoce en Amazon. Además, Amazon dona una porción de sus compras a su caridad favorita. Puede seleccionar OLQP Arlington VA como su caridad de AmazonSmile al visitar: smile.amazon.com/ch/54-0800050

RECORDANDO A NUESTROS SERES QUERIDOS: El libro de la vida

Tradicionalmente, el mes de noviembre es cuando recordamos y damos gracias por las muchas bendiciones que Dios nos ha dado en nuestras vidas. Por eso, al recordar y dar gracias por los seres queridos que hemos perdido, destacamos el Libro de la vida en nuestro santuario que contiene los nombres de los difuntos. Invitamos a cualquier persona que ha sufrido la pérdida de un ser querido este último año a que añada el nombre de esa persona en el Libro de la vida al final de la Misa. Este libro será un recordatorio constante para nosotros durante todo el año de las personas que han fallecido marcadas con la señal de nuestra fe y de la necesidad de ofrecerles apoyo a quienes han sufrido una pérdida reciente.

DAILY ADVENT REFLECTIONS

Sign up to receive a reflection written by fellow OLQP parishioners on the Daily Readings during the season of Advent. Reflections will be emailed in either English or Spanish as preferred. Sign up using this link <https://forms.gle/WtsWDwdK9153Ac6Q8> or contact Bob Finke, bfinke1@verizon.net

REGISTER WITH THE PARISH / UPDATE YOUR INFORMATION / LET US KNOW YOU'RE MOVING

If you have never officially registered with the parish, we invite you to do so. It is very helpful to us to have accurate information. Visit the parish website (www.olqpva.org) click on about us >> register >> register with us. If you need to update your record or would like a copy of the information we have on file for your family, please send a message to Jeannette Gantz Daly, jgantzdaly@olqpva.org.

PLEASE DO NOT RESPOND TO EMAIL AND TEXT MESSAGE REQUESTS FOR HELP

These fake messages that appear to be from Fr. Tim continue to be a problem. Fr. Tim will not ask for your help in this way and will certainly not send you to the drug store to buy gift cards. Clues to watch for – email address is other than his, the language used just doesn't sound like him and there's a level of urgency that feels unrealistic. These are fake messages – both email and text messages. If you are at all unsure, please call the parish office for verification.

SHOEBOX MINISTRY FOR ARLINGTON'S HOMELESS

Why a Shoebox? Biodegradable, portable, lightweight, re-useable.
What Goes Inside? Personal care, health and comfort items (lotion, toothpaste, toothbrush, soap, socks, shampoo, nail clipper, gloves, flashlight, lip balm, notepad, pen, and some candy).
Suppose I do not have a shoebox! Shop for suggested items, individually, or buy a large quantity of one item. Hotel samples are in high demand too. Deliver the bag to church on Dec 11/12
What is the timeframe? The packing, wrapping, storing process happens on Dec 11-12 this year. Deliver all items on that weekend.
What if I hate to wrap? To add dignity and delight to our mundane gifts, we wrap all shoeboxes in the Founders Room starting at 10:30. Boxes and fillings are welcome after all Masses. Leave at the back of the church or bring directly to the Founders Room.
What if I love to wrap? Wrap your boxes at home. Designate for a man or a woman. OR offer to be part of our Organizing and Wrapping Teams in the Founders Room, one hour shifts, small, safely-spaced and masked groups. December 12 from 10:35 AM till we finish.
Can children participate? Wrapping is a multi-generational family sport on Shoebox Sunday. There are tasks for even 3 year olds (accompanied by their family). One hour shifts start at 10:30.
Any other info? Remember there are more than twice as many men as women needing our gifts in Arlington this year. This is nearly a 35 year old tradition at Queen of Peace. Empty shoe boxes are desperately needed, but only on Dec 11-12. Scarves are donated by the Scarves for the Homeless Committee.
How do I/we volunteer to shop? to donate? to wrap? Because this year is likely to be different, we need to know about participation.
Send an email to gr8est9@gmail.com (AnnFelker) to plan for wrapping and distribution. Please, then thank you

MATTHEW 25 NEEDS WINTER CLOTHING

We are always grateful for your donations, but we are getting more summer clothing than winter. Please review your closets and offer some of your gently worn winter clothing for men, women, children, and infants. Thank you very much.

REFLEXIONES DIARIAS DE ADVIENTO

Apúntese para recibir una reflexión sobre las Lecturas del día escrita por unos de los feligreses de OLQP durante el tiempo de Adviento. Las reflexiones se mandan por correo electrónico en inglés o en español según prefiera. Apúntese usando este enlace – <https://forms.gle/WtsWDwdK9153Ac6Q8> o contacte a Bob Finke: bfinke1@verizon.net

INSCRÍBASE EN LA PARROQUIA / PONGA AL DÍA SU INFORMACIÓN / DÉJENOS SABER QUE SE MUDA

Si no se ha inscrito oficialmente en la parroquia, los invitamos a hacerlo. Es muy útil para nosotros tener información correcta. Visite el sitio web de la parroquia (www.olqpva.org), haga clic en "about us" >> "register" >> "register with us". Si necesita poner su información al día o quisiera una copia de la información que tenemos en los archivos para su familia, por favor mándele un mensaje a Jeannette Gantz Daly: jgantzdaly@olqpva.org.

POR FAVOR NO RESPONDA A CORREOS ELECTRÓNICOS O TEXTOS QUE PIDEN AYUDA

Estos mensajes que parecen ser del Padre Tim continúan siendo un problema. El Padre Tim no le va a pedir ayuda de esta manera y de seguro no le va a pedir que vaya a la farmacia a comprar tarjetas de regalo. Detalles en que tiene que fijarse – la dirección del correo electrónico no es el del Padre, la manera de decir las cosas no es la del Padre y la urgencia del mensaje no es realista. Estos son mensajes son falsos – tanto los del correo electrónico como los textos. Si no está totalmente segura/o, por favor llame a la oficina de la parroquia para obtener verificación.

EL MINISTERIO ANUAL DE OLQP DE LAS CAJAS DE ZAPATOS PARA PERSONAS SIN HOGAR

Volvemos a la normalidad poco a poco, pero esto es importante...el Ministerio de las cajas de zapatos regresa a formar parte de nuestra lista de las oportunidades de extensión comunitaria del tiempo de Adviento... con varios cambios. Para empezar, pueden entregar todas las cajas de zapatos que han estado guardando solo el fin de semana del 11/12 de diciembre. Debido a los esfuerzos mejorados en la Despensa de alimentos y Mateo 25 (un poco más del doble de volumen, aun ahora), no hay espacio para cosas extra (como cajas de zapatos que están en sus closets) hasta que la *Official Wrapping Station* (la estación oficial para envolver regalos) abra después de la Misa de las 9:30 el 12 de diciembre. Empiece a buscar gangas para comprar y artículos de cuidado personal en volumen (champú, loción, pasta de dientes, cepillos de dientes, medias calurosas, cuchillas de afeitado, desodorante, guantes, jabón, contenedores de plástico, plumas y libretas, artículos para la comodidad personal y dulces navideños.) Planee llenar su propia caja o entregar cajas y sus contenidos a miembros de la parroquia que las envolverán por usted. Todos nuestros regalos se distribuirán en nuestra comunidad local a personas para quienes estos artículos son un lujo. Debido a que en nuestra configuración comunitaria hay "retransmisión" y "en persona", no tenemos idea de la reacción que tendremos este año. Pedimos un compromiso virtual para la participación para poder planear con las personas que van a recibir y el evento de envoltura en 12 de diciembre. Si planea crear una caja de zapatos para regalar... Si planea comprar los artículos que irán en las cajas... Si usted y su familia y amistades planean ayudar con el envoltorio en 12 de diciembre, por favor mándele un correo electrónico (fecha límite el 4 de diciembre) a Ann Felker, gr8est9@gmail.com. Tradicionalmente, nuestra parroquia ha llenado 400 cajas de zapatos los años anteriores al cambio en el mundo. Lo que va a pasar este año es un misterio. Por favor responda.

MATEO 25 NECESITA ROPA DE INVIERNO

Siempre le agradecemos sus donaciones, pero estamos recibiendo más ropa de verano que de invierno. Por favor examine sus closets y ofrezca alguna de su ropa de invierno para hombres, mujeres, niñas/os y bebés. Muchas gracias.

JUST A THOUGHT...OR TWO...

Happy New Year! ...no, I've not lost it...today we celebrate the First Sunday of Advent...the beginning of the church's liturgical year.

Advent is truly a "wonder-filled" season. We look to the deep blue night sky...shimmering with a billion stars, each one a reminder of the dawn of creation...of the promise of the long awaited savior.

There is something about staring up at the night sky...something awe inspiring and spiritual in nature, it calls us to look beyond ourselves.

Advent is a time to "make time" ...in the midst of all the commercialism, in the midst of all of the chaos that we call "the holiday rush", we are called to slow down, to stand back and to reflect...to take time to allow the wonder of the Great Christmas Event to settle into our souls.

It is a time meant to shake us loose from the ordinariness of our daily lives and to allow ourselves to be wrapped up in the awe and wonder of the Incarnation -- the fact that our God so deeply loves us and that God's very self became human to prove that love to us.

That love is **for you**...just as you are! This amazing love is for all of God's creation, **for all peoples and for the earth itself!**

This Advent we find ourselves in the midst of one the largest humanitarian crises in recent memory, as we struggle through this pandemic that has claimed the lives of over five million people worldwide. And, in the midst of this horrible pandemic, our sisters

and brothers flee war, violence and terror; they wander the earth in search of a home.

As we reflect on the wonder and awe of God's amazing love for the earth and all humanity let us raise our voices and our hands to make sure that these refugees, and all who wander the earth in search of finding "home", be taken in. Let us not allow fear to rule our lives, but rather the love of Christ!

Just as the Holy Family was made refugees by the tyrant Herod, so too these sisters and brothers of ours flee violence and war, let us work to make sure they find a "home" too! Let us not allow the immensity of the crisis to paralyze us and convince us we can do nothing -- for in Christ we can do all things. What can I do this Advent to help in the midst of these humanitarian crises?

As I open my heart to the love of God this Advent season can I also open it to refugees and migrants and speak up on their behalf? How can I make sure my voice is heard amidst all the vitriolic anti racial justice hate speech?

This year let our Advent gift to the world be a promise to work for and pray for peace and justice. What could be of greater value for a world plagued by religious and political divisions and torn apart by terrorism and war...through prayer and action we "prepare the way of the Lord"!

Advent Blessings,
Fr Tim

***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.***

REJOICE! JOURNEY WITH MARY - Join us for the **Young Adult Advent Afternoon of Reflection** on Saturday, December 4th from 1-4pm. This mini-retreat will be lead by Sister Marie Benedict Elliott, FSE. Come as we journey with Mary this Advent season. Send an email to rgrantjenkins@olqpva.org to register.

JUST\$\$ - OLQP continues its **Just\$ Holiday Sale Event of Giant and Safeway Grocery cards** after all masses (except for the 1:00 PM) this weekend and next, and the first two weekends in December (4/5 and 11/12). The cards for sale were purchased but not sold due to the pandemic shutdown. Parishioners can purchase cards for their own holiday shopping, to give as holiday gifts, and to donate to personal causes. Also, cards that are purchased and donated back to the parish will go to the "Pastor's Outreach Fund" where they may be used for any number of programs - food assistance, Gabriel Project, Shoeboxes for the Homeless, Brown Bag Lunches for SEEC day laborers, etc. Father Tim has a plan to fairly distribute donated cards. Currently, Giant and Safeway cards are available in various denominations. You can purchase cards with cash or check.

"O COME, O COME EMMANUEL!" All are invited to **MINKISI's Advent Scripture Prayer and Reflection**, at 6:45-9:00 pm, December 6, in Zoom. Jackie Smith will lead the meditation on Luke 3:16. For program questions, contact facilitator Cecilia Braveboy, jisaac3@verizon.net or for registration assistance, Melody Atkinson, melatkinson72@gmail.com. Further details and registration: <https://bit.ly/MinkisiDecember2021>.

ECO-TIP: Online shopping's "free returns with free shipping" policy can be an inducement to order more items than you plan to keep. Be wise in what you order, as an estimated 25% of returns, especially clothing, ends up in landfills.

THE CHURCH AND INDIGENOUS PEOPLE OF CANADA: A RACIAL JUSTICE TRAGEDY

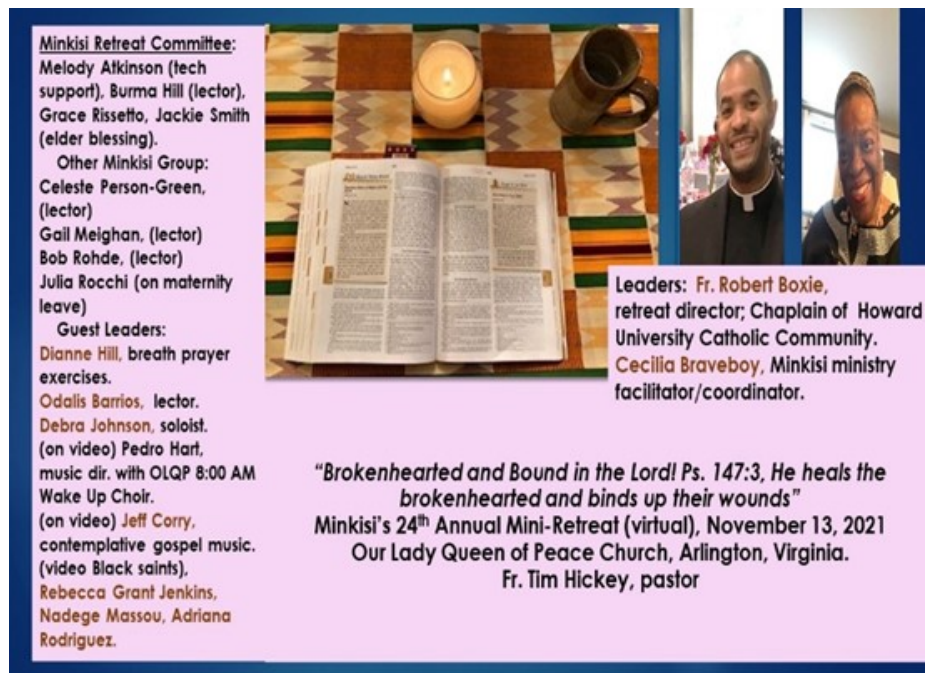
Please join the Racial Justice Ministry of St. John Neumann Church on Tuesday, December 14, at 7 pm via Zoom for this special presentation. For over 100 years starting in the 1880s, an estimated 150,000 indigenous Canadian children were taken from their homes and sent to schools run mainly by the Catholic Church in Canada. (Catholic organizations ran similar boarding schools in the U.S.) Unmarked graves of thousands of these children have been found on former Catholic school properties. To learn more about this tragedy, the current situation of indigenous people of Canada, and most importantly, what the Canadian government and Catholic Church are doing to achieve truth and reconciliation, we'll hear from Gerry Kelly and Donna Naughton. Mr. Kelly has served as Director of the Aboriginal Affairs Secretariat of the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops and helped establish the Catholic Aboriginal Council for Reconciliation. Ms. Naughton, an Anishinaabe woman, is Executive Director of the Kateri Native Ministries in Ottawa and a member of the Indigenous and Non-Indigenous Relations Committee of the Archdiocese of Ottawa. To register, go to <https://bit.ly/3bM15ZX> by December 13 and fill out the short registration form.

Black Catholic History Month November 1st—30th

The parish theme is

**“Brokenhearted and Bound in the Lord! *Psalm 147:3*,
He heals the brokenhearted and binds up their wounds.”**

We have been celebrating this month with the 24th Annual Minkisi Retreat (retreat dir. Fr. Robert P. Boxie) on Nov. 13, and a series of four articles in the parish bulletins written by Black Catholic leaders. This fourth article is an abbreviated message on the Minkisi Retreat from Cecilia Braveboy. Up to 40 people from parishes in the Washington metro area gathered in the retreat in Zoom. Have a blessed Sunday on this First Week of Advent! Come, Lord Jesus, Come! ~ ~ ~



Minkisi Retreat Committee:
Melody Atkinson (tech support), Burma Hill (lector), Grace Risetto, Jackie Smith (elder blessing).
Other Minkisi Group:
Celeste Person-Green, (lector)
Gail Meighan, (lector)
Bob Rohde, (lector)
Julia Rocchi (on maternity leave)
Guest Leaders:
Dianne Hill, breath prayer exercises.
Odalis Barrios, lector.
Debra Johnson, soloist.
(on video) Pedro Hart, music dir. with OLQP 8:00 AM Wake Up Choir.
(on video) Jeff Corry, contemplative gospel music. (video Black saints).
Rebecca Grant Jenkins, Nadege Massou, Adriana Rodriguez.

Leaders: Fr. Robert Boxie, retreat director; Chaplain of Howard University Catholic Community. Cecilia Braveboy, Minkisi ministry facilitator/coordinator.

“Brokenhearted and Bound in the Lord! Ps. 147:3, He heals the brokenhearted and binds up their wounds”
Minkisi’s 24th Annual Mini-Retreat (virtual), November 13, 2021
Our Lady Queen of Peace Church, Arlington, Virginia.
Fr. Tim Hickey, pastor

Dear Minkisi Retreat Friends, We are so thankful each year for this Retreat time, and a lot of kudos to our retreat director **Fr. Robert Boxie!** God is Good! *Our virtual Retreat prayer-journey outline on November 13th* included:

- A gathering and matching of Prayer Partners, followed by welcome greetings from OLQP pastor Fr. Tim Hickey.
- An Elder’s blessing given by Jackie Smith.
- The Opening Prayer from Fr. Robert P. Boxie (Chaplain, Howard University Catholic Community), followed by two videos-- a viewing/

praying with “Montage of Black Saints and Intercessions” (compiled by OLQP director Rebecca Grant Jenkins & Young Adults); and words of wisdom with a video of Servant of God Sr. Thea Bowman singing, “Give Me That Ole Time Religion” [music avail. in [Complete Collection of Songs of My People](#), Sr. Thea Bowman].

- A guided meditation by Cecilia on “holding/serving our expectant cup” with me, you, the Goodness of God and the people, places and things in your life whether good, bad, or ugly. “He’s Got the Whole World in His Hands”.

- The Responsorial Psalm Reading 16:5, 8, 9-10, 11 by lectors Celeste Person Green and Bob Rohde; followed by “If I Can Help Somebody”, sung by Debra Johnson.
- A homily from Fr. Boxie on the the Gospel Reading, John 4:5-15, 21-24, on the woman at the well with Jesus. Followed by video of ValLimar Jansen singing “Lord is My Light” [music avail. in Psalms from the Soul, Vol. I-Advent, Christmas tide].
- The General Intercessions with lectors Burma Hill, Gail Meighan and Odalis Barrios, and Fr. Boxie.
- Prayer with a liturgical dance video of the St. Augustine’s Gospel Choir singing “Total Praise” on the Black Lives Matter Plaza in DC. [“Total Praise” avail. in Praise & Worship Songs of Richard Smallwood.]
- A three-part Self-Brunch Contemplative Prayer segment: video of Jeff Corry in concert at Shakespeare Theater (DC), ~ breath prayer exercises led by Dianne Hill, ~ and the Large Group reflection on the morning meditation “holding/serving the expectant cup” led by Cecilia.
- The two-hour afternoon session Fr. Boxie’s faith-tabletalks, reflection questions and Large Group discussion and dialogue; followed by Fr. Boxie’s Closing Prayer, Blessing, and a video of the OLQP 8:00 AM Wake Up Choir with director Pedro Hart, singing “He Touched Me”.

Some Retreat takeaways:

► Father’s Boxie’s faith-tabletalk questions for your reflection:

- 1) Describe the “cup” that is the gift of my life—with all that it entails and which has been given to me personally by God. Have I fully embraced this cup or showed any resistance to it? Why or why not?
- 2) Is there anything that prevents me from accepting who I am, as I am, with everything that I am, despite

the pain, hurts, lies, struggles, wounds, and even my brokenness? Why or why not?

3) Have you had any experiences of receiving a “cup of sorrow” that, with God’s grace, was able to be transformed into a “cup of joy,” and what did you learn from that?

4) Identify an action—realistic and measurable—that you can take going forward to help you drink the cup that you have received from God.

► Here is the link for “The Surrender Novena” that Fr. Boxie mentioned: <https://catholicexchange.com/the-surrender-novena-let-jesus-take-care-of-everything>.

► His recommended book: *Can you Drink the Cup?* by Henri J.M. Nouwen, Ave Maria Press.

Upcoming events: The Minkisi Advent Scripture Prayer and Reflection is “O Come, O Come, Emmanuel!” 6:45-9:00 pm., Monday, December 6. See details in this bulletin.

OLQP food pantry for the hungry: Each retreatant was asked to consider a “freewill donation” and/or monetary or food donations to OLQP-Arlington Thanksgiving food collection on November 21-22. This is a year-round parish food pantry that weekly distributes food to over 700 families in the South Arlington community.

In closing, I’m singing: “**He has done great things for me....I’m gonna let my little light shine...**” We have much to be thankful for all that God has done for us! Amen! Amen! (Hope you had a) blessed Thanksgiving and (will have) a meaningful Advent/Nativity/New Year’s season.

~ ~ ~Cecilia Braveboy,

facilitator/coordinator of the Minkisi ministry.