

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 23:31-46. 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

November 5, 2023

THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Whoever exalts himself
will be humbled;
but whoever humbles himself
will be exalted.

Matthew 23:12



Porque el que se enaltece
será humillado y
el que se humilla
será enaltecido.

Mateo 23,12

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

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Office Hours

Horas de oficina

Monday-Friday — 8:30am to 4:30pm
Lunes a viernes — 8:30am a 4:30pm

Website / sitioweb:

www.ourladyqueenofpeace.org

Live Stream Mass Schedule:

Horario de Misas de transmisión en directo:

November 4-5 — 11:15am and 1pm Bilingual
4-5 noviembre 11:15am y 1pm en bilingüe

MASSES / 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.

NEXT WEEKEND'S SECOND COLLECTION:

RETIREMENT FUND FOR RELIGIOUS

COLECTA DEL FIN DE SEMANA PRÓXIMO:

FONDO DE JUBILACIÓN PARA RELIGIOSAS Y RELIGIOSOS



NUESTRA SEÑORA REINA DE LA PAZ

5 de noviembre de 2023

Vigésimoprimer Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION / PREPARACIÓN SACRAMENTAL

Baptism / Bautizo:

Please email Baptism Coordinator Juderica Dias,
baptism@olqpva.org.

Por favor mande un correo electrónico a la coordinadora de los bautizos, Juderica Dias, baptism@olqpva.org.

Marriage Preparation/ Preparación para el matrimonio:

Please contact the parish office at least six months before your 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, 4:45-5:15 pm and by appointment.

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

SUNDAY COLLECTIONS / COLECTAS DEL DOMINGO

Sunday Collection / Colecta del pasado domingo: \$6,252

Faith Direct (September Average /

promedio del mes de septiembre): \$14,303

WORD & EUCHARIST MISSALETTE/

MISAL PALABRA Y EUCARISTÍA

Today's readings can be found on page 410

Las lecturas de hoy se encuentran en la página 411

BULLETIN DEADLINE / PLAZO PARA EL BOLETÍN

Wednesdays 9am — office@olqpva.org

OUR SICK AND HOMEBOUND STRENGTHEN US /

NUESTROS ENFERMOS Y CONFINADOS NOS FORTALECEN

PLEASE PRAY FOR / POR FAVOR OREMOS POR: Suri

Barahona, Gene Bétit, Grace Bialecki, Cindy Bianga, Francis Bilgera, Joseph Leopold Bissonnette, Precious Bowens, April Brassard, Dave Brassard, Evie Brown, Lynne Burgh, Brody Carroll, Louise Chambers, Carmen Rosa Claire, Chris Comer, Jeff Cory, Mary DaLuca, Cheryl Darby, Jim Davis, John Demajo, Adrienne DiCerro, Ernest Donatto, Patricia "Pat" Dowd, Calista Downey, Tim Felker, Irene Fitzpatrick, Elizabeth (Bunny) Foster, Yvette Francois, Susan Fratus, Anne Fullerton, Iva Futrell, Karen Gammache, Trishann Ganley, Francine Gemmill, Jean Giambalvo, Fred Gladbach, Nancy Gormley, Yolanda Gregorio, Melanie Guitreaux, Harris Family, Sally Harrs, Linda Hawkins, Clare Hayden, Dee Hickey, Margaret Howe, Patrick Hynes, Lillian Jay, Pat Johnson, Sharon Jourdan, Cindy Kernick, Ruth Klarman, Sally Krahn, Carmen Andrea Lara, Patrick Lawrey, John Lawyer, Kathleen Love, 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 Morrissey, Luis R. Muñoz, Chelsea Murray, Dorothy Myrtle, Mario Amel Najarro, Julie O'Brien, Peggy O'Brien, Patrick Ogden, Carol Pacello, Roy Paco, Neil Parent, Catherine Parr, Mary Pasquarella, Mark Pazich, Minnie Pazich, Paul Ramirez, Santos Ramirez, Jeanna Reynolds, Jacob and Jaxson Rivera, Maritza Roldan, Marco Cristiaan Rufolo-Roger, Josefina Salgado, Carolyn Santos, Jane Shepard, Mary Shookhoff, Jeffrey Smith, Mary E. Smith, Lora Smolenski, Eva Souza, Grace Starbird, Nina Stewart, Michael Arthur Sweat, Carmelita and Roy Tucker, Nancy Urquizo, Stephen Utley, Carina Vaquez, Robin Vogel, Robert & Maureen Wallace, Bob Wilson, Kate Witkowski, Lauren Wolfe, Mary Woods, Claudia Zapata, Kate Zopp.

THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

TRIGESIMOPRIMER DOMINGO DEL TIEMPO ORDINARIO

Malachi 1:14b-2:2b, 8-10 (151A); 1 Thessalonians 2:7b-9, 13;

Matthew 23:1-12

Malaquías 1,14b-2,2b, 8-10 (151A); 1 Tesalonicenses 2,7b-9, 13;

Mateo 23,1-12

THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

TRIGESIMOSEGUNDO DOMINGO DEL TIEMPO ORDINARIO

Wisdom 6:12-16 (151A); 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18 or 4:13-14

Matthew 25:1-13

Sabiduría 6:12-16 (151A); 1 Tesalonicenses 4,13-18 or 4,13-14;

Mateo 25,1-13

MASS INTENTIONS, NOVEMBER 4-10

THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

INTENCIONES DE LAS MISAS, 4-10 NOVIEMBRE

TRIGESIMOPRIMER DOMINGO DEL TIEMPO ORDINARIO

Saturday November 4th

4:00 pm the parish

5:30 pm Zofia Gruszecka (D) by Beata Gruszecka

Sunday November 5th

8:00 am Jacqueline Klopner (D) by Michelle Klopner

9:30 am Ricardo Yabes (Birthday) (D) by the Yabes family

11:15 am Fr. Leonard J. Tuozzolo, CSSp. (D) by the parish

1:00 pm Teófila Manzo (D) by María Teresa Laguna

6:00 pm Edith Bohanan (D) by Maggie & Ray Luca

Monday November 6th

12:00 pm Bill Hyde (D) by Ann F. Johnson

Tuesday November 7th

12:00 pm Stephanie Schank (D) by Martha & Larry Romans

Wednesday November 8th

12:00 pm Patricia Harris (D) by Minkisi Ministry

Thursday November 9th

12:00 pm James Kruhly (D) by Mary Eileen Dixon

Friday November 10th

12:00 pm the parish

OLQP PARISH STAFF / PERSONAL DE LA PARROQUIA

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JUST A THOUGHT...OR TWO...

Pope Francis has talked about the priests who walk around looking like they just came from a funeral... he asks, where is their joy? He seems to wonder about their inner life and their outer life.

Jesus' harsh words for his religious leaders are because he felt that they were frauds. They made, in perfect fashion, all the outward pious signs but the signs were empty for inside; they were mean and cruel men. They made life difficult for their followers and did nothing to help them.

In today's Gospel, Jesus is challenging his disciples not to become the pious frauds that he has called out some of the religious leaders to be. Just like the prophet Malachi in the first reading, Jesus calls out the hypocrisy of those who are supposed to be the leaders of the people and who are called to lead by example but do not.

And today it is no different. In the church and in our nation some leaders fail. I include myself in the group for I am far from sinless. We have priests and bishops who have covered up the sinful behavior of other priests and bishops and our political leaders, who claim to be people of faith, whose trade is fraud and whose goals are to mislead the people for personal gain. Our most senior politicians lie without hesitation and their

actions show they care nothing for the poor and most vulnerable of our sisters and brothers.

Jesus challenged the integrity of the religious leaders of his day, he challenged them to live up to the call they had received from God! Pope Francis has challenged us to do the same, and for that, some plot against him or ignore him, sure that their pious acts alone will save them.

But Pope Francis has heard the call of Jesus -- it is not the perfectly performed pious act that God desires of us, but rather LOVE! Lavish love for the immigrant, for refugees and for the poor and the abandoned, for the one who is "other" from me.

As I have asked many times, am I willing to open myself up to dangers by living as a disciple of Jesus Christ? Am I willing to risk being a disciple of Jesus Christ knowing what it led to for him and for some of his closest followers? Can I open my heart wide enough to allow myself to be the beloved of God and to live from that identity, and risk my life for God? What can I do so as to better let God transform my inner self so as to match my outer actions of charity and love?

Blessings,
Fr. Tim

***"GIVE THANKS TO THE LORD,
FOR HE IS GOOD;***

HIS LOVE ENDURES FOREVER." PSALM 118:29

There's no better time than Thanksgiving to celebrate life's many blessings. As we gather around tables with friends, families, and bountiful meals, we are reminded that God enriches us to be generous and that our generosity leads to gratitude towards God. Your generous online donations will help sustain the parish and allow us to offer outreach programs such as this year's Thanksgiving Build-a-Basket program. With Faith Direct, you can make regular automatic contributions to Our Lady Queen of Peace using your credit/debit card or bank account. Register today by visiting faith.direct/VA271 or call Faith Direct Customer Service at 866-507-8757. Peace and blessings to you and your family!

***"DEN GRACIAS AL SEÑOR, PORQUE ÉL ES BUENO:
PORQUE PARA SIEMPRE ES SU MISERICORDIA".***

SALMO 118:29

No hay mejor momento que el Día de dar gracias para celebrar las muchas bendiciones de la vida. Al reunirnos alrededor de mesas con amistades, familiares y comida abundante, se nos recuerda que Dios nos enriquece para que seamos generosas/os y que nuestra generosidad nos lleva a que le mostremos agradecimiento a Dios. Su generosidad en las donaciones en línea va a ayudarnos a mantener la parroquia y nos va a permitir que ofrezcamos programas de alcance como el Programa de construir una cesta para el Día de acción de gracias de este año. Con Faith Direct, puede contribuir regular y automáticamente a Nuestra Señora Reina de la Paz usando su tarjeta de crédito o débito o su cuenta de banco. Inscribese hoy al visitar faith.direct/VA271 o llame al servicio al cliente de Faith Direct, 866-507-8757. ¡Paz y bendiciones para usted y su familia!

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, 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 year round of those who have gone before us marked with the sign of the faith and the need to reach out to those who have suffered a recent loss.

NOW is an acceptable time...

Time is almost up — that is, for VOTING in one of the most crucial elections in Virginia. On ***election day***, TUESDAY, November 7, the polls are open from 6:00am — 7:00pm. In case you forgot to register to vote, Virginia law permits same day registration. An officer of election at your polling location will assist you to register AND to vote. Check your status at <https://vote.elections.virginia.gov/>

Remember that all 140 General Assembly seats (100 State Delegates, 40 State Senators) will vacate on December 31. January 1 will mark a new year and a new beginning for the Commonwealth of Virginia. The 2024 General Assembly will open on January 10 with *many* new legislators. There were many retirements and resignations at the close of the 2023 General Assembly and a loss of incumbents in the primary election in June.

It is an important responsibility for Virginians to use their *vote* as a means of using their *voice*. Our VOTE is our VOICE! Just do it!!!

Voting in free and secure elections is a precious right!

THE GABRIEL PROJECT NEEDS VOLUNTEERS!

We are saying farewell to our fabulous set-up person that brought out our rolling bins and prepared our stage area on Tuesdays in preparation for Wednesday morning distribution. Unfortunately, her work hours have changed. That leaves a critical gap so we are looking for a replacement.

Can you give 30 - 60 minutes weekly to this wonderful ministry that serves struggling pregnant women? Volunteer any time on Tuesdays from 10am to 3:30pm. We are also in need of distribution volunteers for Wednesdays from 9am - 12pm. If you love babies and can handle a little chaos this is the volunteer role for you! Training is provided. Please contact Rosie Saberton at 703-966-4975, rosie.saberton@verizon.net.

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, destacamos el *Libro de la vida* (los nombres de los difuntos) en nuestro santuario. 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* después de la Misa. Este libro será un recordatorio constante durante todo el año para nosotros de las personas que han fallecido marcados con la señal de nuestra fe y de la necesidad de ofrecerles apoyo a quienes han sufrido una pérdida reciente.

AHORA es un momento aceptable...

El tiempo se está acabando — es decir, para VOTAR en una de nuestras elecciones más críticas en Virginia. El ***día de las elecciones***, el MARTES, 7 de noviembre, las urnas abren de las 6:00am a las 7:00pm. Si se le olvidó inscribirse para votar, la ley en Virginia le permite inscribirse el mismo día. Un oficial de elecciones en su centro de votación le ayudará a inscribirse Y a votar. Compruebe su estatus en <https://vote.elections.virginia.gov/>

Recuerde que los 140 puestos en la Asamblea General (100 delegados estatales, 40 senadores) van a desocupar sus puestos el 31 de diciembre. El 1ro de enero va a marcar un nuevo año y un nuevo comienzo para el Territorio autónomo de Virginia. La Asamblea general del 2024 abrirá el 10 de enero con *muchos* legisladores nuevos. Con el cierre de la Asamblea General hubo muchas jubilaciones y renunciaciones, y una pérdida de titulares en la elección primaria en junio.

Para personas de Virginia una responsabilidad importante es usar su *voto* como un medio de usar su *voz*. ¡Nuestro VOTO es nuestra VOZ! ¡Hágalo!

¡EL PROYECTO GABRIEL NECESITA PERSONAS VOLUNTARIAS!

Le decimos adiós a nuestra persona fabulosa que sacaba nuestros contenedores y preparaba nuestra área el martes para la distribución del miércoles por la mañana. Desafortunadamente, sus horas de trabajo han cambiado. Eso deja un vacío crítico y por eso estamos buscando a alguien para reemplazarla.

¿Puede dedicar de 30 a 60 minutos a la semana a este ministerio maravilloso que sirve a mujeres embarazadas que sufren dificultades? Puede ofrecer su ayuda a cualquier hora los martes entre las 10am y las 3:30pm. También necesitamos personas voluntarias para la distribución los miércoles de 9am a 12 del mediodía. ¡Si le encantan los bebés y puede manejar un poco de caos, este es el trabajo voluntario para usted! Hay entrenamiento disponible. Por favor contacte a Rosie Saberton —703-966-4975, rosie.saberton@verizon.net.

FOOD PANTRY IS LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS

Volunteers needed to help pick up purchased bulk items from two markets. Availability during the morning and some weekends would be great. Willing to use your own car would be great, too. You would be helping us get the necessary food that is needed each week to feed our neighbors. Interested? Contact Sally Diaz-Wells: sdiazwells@olqpva.org

LA DESPENSA DE ALIMENTOS BUSCA PERSONAS VOLUNTARIAS

Se necesitan personas voluntarias para ayudar a recoger compras al por mayor de dos mercados. Si está disponible durante la mañana y algunos fines de semana sería maravilloso. Si está dispuesta/o a usar su propio auto sería muy bueno también. Usted estaría ayudándonos a buscar los alimentos necesarios que se necesita cada semana para alimentar a nuestros vecinos. ¿Está interesada/o? Contacte a Sally Díaz-Wells: sdiazwells@olqpva.org

*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.*

FOOD COLLECTION WEEKEND is next weekend, November 11-12, to stock our very busy food pantry. Please pick up some or all these items: canned/pouch tuna, Instant yellow corn tortilla flour (not corn meal), cereal (low sugar), can of fruit in its own juices, can of corn, can of sweet peas, 1 lbs. bags of white rice, 1 lbs. bags of black, pinto, lentil beans, 1 box of macaroni and cheese, 24 oz. of oil, 1 lbs. box of pasta and pasta sauce. Thank you for supporting the parish's food pantry!

NEWS FROM MEDOR

Medor's agro-forestry program includes an animal husbandry component. It is called the "Passing Gift Program" because farmers who care for the program's goats do not own the goats until they have passed two offspring to other farmers.

The Passing Gift Program began in 2015 with 15 goats. By July 2023 the program included 212 goats. Livestock in Medor is described as the family's bank account, as animals can be sold to cover expenses of tuition, funerals, and other necessities. Thank you for helping to support this wonderful program.

Please pray for peace and security in Haiti.

ED TALKS – *Walking with the Other*

On Monday, November 6, at 7pm **Jack McHale** and **Katie Remedios** will discuss *Walking with the Other* as it relates to Feast on the Streets ministry. Please come out and support our guests. All talks will be held in the Founders Room in the Ministry Center from 7-9pm. Light refreshments will be served. For more information, contact Sally Diaz-Wells, sdiazwells@olqpva.org.

BLACK CATHOLIC MINISTRY S.T.A.R., SHARE, TEACH AND REFLECT CORNER!

Keren Charles (and her sisters) came to OLQP when they moved to Arlington from Trinidad in 2004. For nearly 20 years, Keren's work for the World Bank has provided opportunities for travel throughout Africa. At OLQP, she has ministered as: a catechist, a member of the Haiti Committee (including travelling to Medor in 2010), a member of the Parish Advisory Board, a developer of the parish directory and assisted at annual Minkisi retreats. Keren currently coordinates the Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, is a member of the Ujamaa Committee, is a 9:30 Mass Coordinator, a lector, and an altar server in our faith community.

CARPENTER'S SHELTER DINNER – Thursday, November 16

For dinner menu this month please email Mary: mary.resnick@gmail.com. She's thinking Middle Eastern – yum!, but got caught out of town without an internet connection.

Remember, food can be delivered to the parish office kitchen Monday through Friday, during their office hours, 8:30-4:30, or to Fr. Ray Hall kitchen on the day of dinner, 4:30-5:00pm. Please label food with date and description and place it in the refrigerator, freezer or counter. Note, if you're delivering directly to the Shelter (930 N. Henry Street in Alexandria), label food the same and add our church name & "dinner". If you are a new contributor, Mary is eager to welcome you (703-462-4841, mary.resnick@gmail.com). Thank you!

ECO-QUOTE: "Some effects of the climate crisis are already irreversible, at least for several hundred years, such as the increase in the global temperature of the oceans, their acidification and the decrease of oxygen." Chapter 15, Pope Francis, *Laudate Deum*, Oct. 2023



**Please give to those who
have given a lifetime.**

**Done a los que
donaron su vida.**

Retirement Fund for Religious

Elderly religious need your help. Like those pictured, nearly 25,000 senior sisters, brothers and religious order priests have dedicated their lives to serving others by praying for us, ministering to all, educating the young, caring for those who are sick and helping those in need—usually for little or no pay. Today, their religious communities do not have enough retirement savings. Your donation will make a real difference by providing essential care, medicine and other necessities. Please give generously.

Top row, from left:
Brother Charles Douglas, SSJ, 88;
Sister Marianna Danko, SSMI, 80;
Father James Day, OSST, 77.

Bottom row, from left:
Sister Celeste Burgos, MHSH, 79;
Sister Brenda Cherry, OSP, 84.

November 11-12, 2023

Fondo para la Jubilación de Religiosos

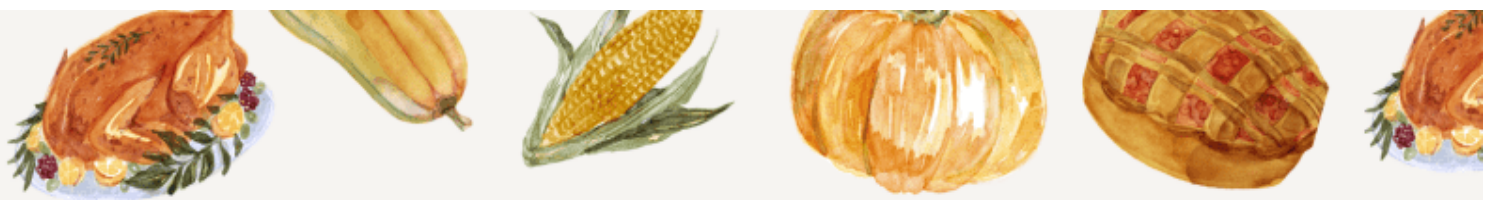
Los religiosos ancianos necesitan su ayuda. Al igual que los que aparecen en la foto, casi 25,000 hermanas, hermanos y sacerdotes de órdenes religiosas ancianos han dedicado su vida al servicio de los demás rezando por nosotros, asistiendo a todos, educando a los jóvenes, atendiendo a los enfermos, ayudando a los necesitados y generalmente por un pago escaso o ninguno. Hoy día, las comunidades religiosas carecen de ahorros suficientes para su jubilación. Su donativo mejorará mucho las cosas proporcionando cuidados esenciales, medicamentos y otras necesidades. Sean generosos.

Arriba, desde la izq.:
Hermano Charles Douglas, SSJ, 88;
Hermana Marianna Danko, SSMI, 80;
Padre James Day, OSST, 77.

Abajo, desde la izq.:
Hermana Celeste Burgos, MHSH, 79;
Hermana Brenda Cherry, OSP, 84.

11 y 12 de noviembre de 2023

retiredreligious.org



OLQP THANKSGIVING BUILD-A-BASKET PROGRAM

HELP “BUILD A THANKSGIVING FOOD BASKET”

BASKET ITEMS & VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

DONATE BASKET ITEMS TO FEED AN ENTIRE FAMILY ON THANKSGIVING!

- * Send an email to OLQPThanksgiving@gmail.com to sign up to help with a complete meal
- * Donate a complete “basket” (bag) or as many items that you can afford
- * If your budget allows, please consider donating more than one complete basket
- * If you wish to donate money instead, please send an email and drop off your donation to the office
- * Drop off non-perishables in Father Ray Hall by Friday, November 17
- * Drive by and drop off frozen turkeys, potatoes, and pies at the Trunk Pop Food Collection, on Sat., Nov. 18th 9am—5pm, and Sunday, November 19th, 9am—6pm (volunteers will be available to un-

“The Fixings” for a complete basket (bag) includes ALL of the following:

- One bag of 1 lb. white rice or box of stuffing
- One can of corn and one can of green beans
- One pie, homemade or store bought (fresh, NOT frozen)
- One Frozen TURKEY 10-15 lbs. preferred, (NOT fresh)
- Five lbs. bag of fresh potatoes
- One can of cranberry sauce
- Two boxes of corn bread
- Two boxes of mac and cheese
- Two jars/cans of gravy
- One can of sweet potato or yams

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

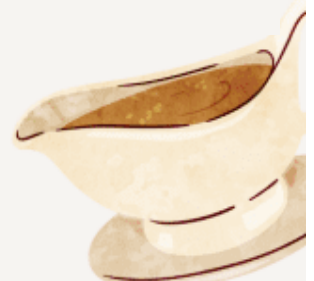
- * To volunteer go to: <https://tinyurl.com/OLQPVATURKEY> OR click the QR Code below
- * NOVEMBER 1 THROUGH 17— Shop to buy nonperishable items for the meals (will be reimbursed)
- * SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 18 & 19:
 - Drive by Father Ray Hall and drop off frozen turkeys, pies and potatoes
 - Come to Father Ray Hall and help receive DONATIONS and deliver food
- * MONDAY, NOVEMBER 20 – Help DISTRIBUTE Thanksgiving food bags

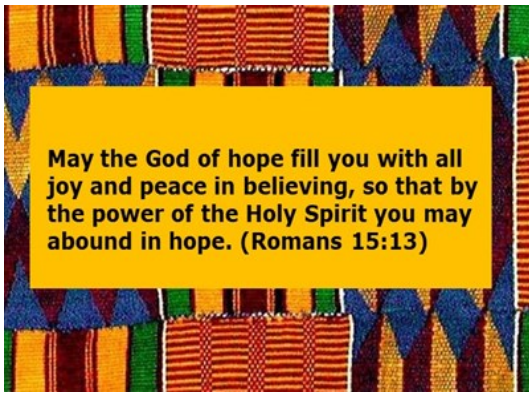


THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

HAPPY THANKSGIVING!

For more details, questions, or to learn about this OLQP tradition,
Please contact Sally Diaz-Wells, sdiazwells@olqpva.org





November is the month of All Saints and All Souls and it's also Black Catholic History Month. The National Black Catholic Clergy Caucus in July 1990

“designated November as Black Catholic History Month to celebrate the long history and proud heritage of Black Catholics.” In 2023, the OLQP Minkisi’s 26th annual theme is “Feel Joy” based on Romans 15:13 verse. Minkisi will have a virtual program on Nov. 6th; and offers this first article in a series of bulletin articles written by Black Catholic leaders. The Diocese of Arlington-Black Catholic Ministries held its annual event on Nov. 4 at OLQP this year, too.

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White America has a selective memory of MLK’s dream By FATHER BRYAN MASSINGALE, SJ

Martin Luther King Jr’s landmark, “I Have A Dream” speech is a masterpiece of public religious discourse, yet its radical force is often diluted and suppressed. (*U.S. Catholic.org*, September 12, 2023)

Sixty years ago, on August 28, 1963, a young Black minister addressed what was the largest assembly of civil rights protesters in the nation’s history. He recounted the country’s legacy of broken promises over racial equality, which he described as checks returned marked “insufficient funds.” He described the “great trials and tribulations” that so many had endured: harassment, beatings, and the horror of being crammed in dank, narrow jail cells for their convictions. Yet he implored them to continue their grinding, treacherous, and dangerous work for justice: “Go back to Mississippi, go back to Alabama, go back to South Carolina, go back to Georgia, go back to Louisiana, go back to the slums and ghettos of our northern cities, knowing that somehow this situation can and will be changed.” And then, at the urging of a gospel singer, Mahalia Jackson, he shared a dream: a litany of inspirational visions of what one day will be because of what they dared to do now. Martin Luther King Jr. dreamed while Black.

People study King’s landmark “I Have A Dream” speech as a masterpiece of public religious discourse. The speech is a powerful melding of the highest aspirations of the nation’s ideals with the Judeo-Christian tradition’s prophetic conviction of the equal human dignity of all people, without exception.

And yet, today the radical force of this seminal address is often diluted and suppressed. Most know only the final three minutes of this 20-minute speech. Many of us can recall King’s hope that his children will one day live in a country where they will be judged by their character not their skin color. But few know the searing critique that preceded his expression of hope. We pass over his denunciation of a nation whose deeds rarely match its professed creeds and whose commitment to justice for Black and poor people is too often tepid, anemic, and half-hearted at best. We forget his scathing criticisms of those who would settle for a false peace that suppresses the terrible realities of inequitable housing, employment, education, and health care.

Our memory of King is selective. Jonathan Eig, in his recent biography of King, observes that people hear of his dream of universal brotherhood but not his call for “fundamental change in the nation’s character, not his cry for an end to the triple evils of materialism, militarism, and racism.”

In a growing number of places, King’s speech and especially his later writings cannot be taught in public schools. His uncompromising critique of the nation’s deeply embedded structural racism is rejected as a form of “critical race theory”—which is the label some give to any racial analysis that makes too many white people uncomfortable.

In our Western culture, with our overly rational educational systems, we tend to disparage dreams and visions as being impractical. We dismiss them as idle distractions. But I have long been obsessed with the power of the human imagination, especially the imagination of the despised, disdained, and stigmatized. I am inspired by how, despite all that they have been through and still endure, people dream of new worlds. We persist in the hope that reality not only should—but will—be other than it is. Dreams are what propel people to do risky and dangerous things for the sake of justice.

Anniversaries are times of remembrance and rededication. We must remember King more fully and accurately. He summons us to dare to dream boldly, audaciously, even subversively. For in the face of ongoing wars, xenophobic nationalisms, and anti-Black violence, we don’t need less imaginative hope. The need for animating visions, sustaining dreams, and motivating imaginations is more, not less, urgent.

Like King, we must dream of and work for a world animated by true Christian love for all, especially the least among us. As he said in 1967, near the end of his life, “I still have a dream, because, you know, you can’t give up in life. . . . I still have a dream that one day justice will roll down like water, and righteousness like a mighty stream. . . . I still have a dream today.”