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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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:

January 13-14 — 8am and 1pm Spanish 13-14 enero — 8am y 1pm en español

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.

OUR LADY QUEEN OF PEACE CHURCH January 14, 2023

SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Mass Honoring Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Monday, January 15, 11:00am

Misa para honrar al Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Lunes, 15 de enero, 11:00am

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



Él les dijo: "Vengan a ver". *Juan 1,39*



NUESTRA SEÑORA REINA DE LA PAZ 14 de enero de 2024

Segundo domingo en el Tiempo Ordinario

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION / PREPARACIÓN SACRAMENTAL Baptism / Bautizo:

Please email Baptism Coordinator Mary Ann Suhocki, baptism@olqpva.org.

Por favor mande un correo electrónico a la coordinadora de los bautizos, Mary Ann Suhocki, baptism@olgpva.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: Faith Direct (December Average / promedio del mes de diciembre): \$13,496

WORD & EUCHARIST MISSALETTE/ MISAL PALABRA Y EUCARISTÍA

Today's readings can be found on page 170 Las lecturas de hoy se encuentran en la página 171

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, 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 Claure, Chris Comer, Jeff Cory, Adele Crump, Mary DaLuca, Cheryl Darby, Jim Davis, Adrienne DiCerbo, Ernest Donatto, Patricia "Pat" Dowd, Calista Downey, Tim Felker, Irene Fitzpatrick, Elizabeth (Bunny) Foster, Yevette Francois, Anne Fullerton, Iva Futrell, Karen Gammache, Trishann Ganley, Francine Gemmill, Jean Giambalvo, Fred Gladbach, Nancy Gormley, Yolanda Gregorio, Melanie Guitreaux, Joe Harrington, Harris Family, Sally Harrs, Linda Hawkins, Clare Hayden, Dee Hickey, Patrick Hynes, Lillian Jay, Pat Johnson, Sharon Jourdan, William Kahl, Ruth Klarman, 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 Morrisey, 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, Alma Reyes Valentin, Carina Vaquez, Robin Vogel, Robert & Maureen Wallace, Kate Witkowski, Lauren Wolfe, Mary Woods, Malcolm Young, Claudia Zapata, Kate Zopp.

SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME SEGUNDO DOMINGO EN EL TIEMPO ORDINARIO

1 Samuel 3:3b-10, 19 (65B); 1 Cornithians 6:13c-15°, 17-20; John 1:35-42

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THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME TERCER DOMINGO EN EL TIEMPO ORDINARIO

Jonah 3:1-5, 10 (68B); 1 Cornithians 7:29-31; Mark 1:14-20 Jonás 3,1-5, 10 (68B); 1 Corintios 7,29-31; Marcos 1,14-20

MASS INTENTIONS, JANUARY 13-19 SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME INTENCIONES DE LAS MISAS, 13-19 ENERO SEGUNDO DOMINGO EN EL TIEMPO ORDINARIO

Saturday, January 13th

4:00 pm the parish

5:30 pm Bob Wilson (D) by 5:30 pm Choir

Sunday, January 14th

8:00 am Bob Wilson (D) by Chuck & Carol Moran 9:30 am Margaret Howe (D) by Minkisi Ministry 11:15 am Edward Franklin Bennett (D) by Laurie de-Freese 1:00 pm El Cristo Negro de Esquipulas (Feast Day) by the parish 6:00 pm Nicanora David (D) by Emma Francia & family

Monday, January 15th

11:00 am – Mass honoring Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Tuesday, January 16th

12:00 pm María Canchucaja (D) by María Cabrera Wednesday, January 17th

12:00 pm Mary Ann Krisman-Scott (D) by Neil & Lynn Parent
Thursday, January 18th

12:00 pm Alba Rosalba Conklin (D) by John & Shari Zamarra
Friday, January 19th
12:00 pm the parish

SACRAMENTAL LIFE OF THE PARISH / VIDA SACRAMENTAL DE LA PARROQUIA

This weekend we welcome three new Christians. Este fin de semana le damos la bienvenida a tres nuevos cristianos.

Aria Michelle Riva, Majura Mae Aloys & Noah Ryan Barsness

Baptized January 13 / Bautizados el 13 de enero

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JUST A THOUGHT...OR TWO...

There is a clear theme of "being called" in today's readings. In the first reading Samuel is called and called, and called even a third time before it is made known to him that it is God who is calling him. And finally he responds, "speak Lord for your servant is listening."

The psalm, correspondingly, proclaims "here I am Lord; I have come to do your will." And the Gospel reading we hear tells of Jesus' calling of the first disciples. As Jesus walked along the road, John the Baptist saw him and cried out "behold, the Lamb of God." Several of John's disciples leave him and begin to follow Jesus asking him where he is staying and Jesus responds "come and you will see"...and they follow him.

It is interesting to note that when one of the disciples (Andrew) brings his brother to Jesus, Jesus immediately changes his name from Simon to Peter! In the Bible when there is a name change, such as Abram to Abraham, Sarai to Sarah or Saul to Paul, it usually signals a significant change in the person and their relationship to God. It can also signal that their lives are about to change, that they are about to swerve from the road they are traveling down, onto a new path... one specifically chosen for them by God.

Peter's name change is no less significant, he is about to become "the chief" of this, as of yet unformed, band of followers of Jesus. In Jesus' act of changing Simon's name he is calling him to come and follow him. If he accepts the name change, then he accepts the invitation to follow Jesus.

I often think that it was so much easier for the disciples to hear the call and to follow since Jesus was right there, physically present to them. They could audibly hear his preaching. They could see and read his facial expressions and his hand and body gestures, but for those of us who come later to this band of followers... well it's a little harder for us to know exactly what the call is and where it is leading us.

Sometimes the call is clear and well-articulated, but sometimes it is not so clear or well-articulated.

Sometimes it seems muffled and downright confusing.

So, we have to pay close attention and listen carefully... especially as there is so much competition for our attention.

There are so many other voices that seem to all speak at the same time -- we can be like Samuel, a bit confused and not sure at first, but if we stay engaged

and "make time" to listen for that small, still voice of the Holy Spirit that dwells within each one of us...then, perhaps, we will hear the invitation to "come and follow" and we will find the path we are being called to travel.

In the end the invitation is clear, but the many "voices" of our lives and the world around us distract us and gain our attention and so we can find ourselves confused and unsure of the path to follow. By refocusing our attention and making time to listen we can, like Samuel and Simon, "come and follow".

The Gospel message is surely "the call." It records Jesus' words and actions — what he called his disciples to do, how to live, how to love one another and to welcome and love the one who was "other" and the one who was "the stranger", to feed the hungry, to clothe the naked, to shelter the homeless, and to reach out to the poor and the marginalized.

The Gospels are the "lenses" through which we are called to view the world around us and through which we can judge and decide upon what action we are called to take. The Gospel is the Word of God and it seeks to speak to us, to call us to the path that we, as disciples, are called to follow. With all the violence and chaos that has erupted in the world around us, and the violence here at home that threatens to get worse, we need to hold strong to the Word of God that has been spoken to us through the Gospels and to listen to the promptings of the Holy Spirit who dwells within us to respond to it.

Let us remember, "the light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overcome it." (Jn 1: 5) In the midst of turmoil there is much darkness, but The Light shines, and it shines within you and me; it shines within all of us as the community of The Light! Let us listen to the call of the Holy Spirit and let us use the Gospels as our guide for our response to the chaos swirling around us. Let us not give up hope for a brighter day!

Let our light shine by standing up against and working to root out the sins of systemic racism, white supremacy, and nationalism! Let us live up the to the clarion call of the Gospels to love God with our whole being and our neighbor as ourselves, fighting the great lie that one group of people is worth more or better than another! And let us pray for and work towards a more peaceful and just nation!

Blessings, Fr. Tim

Una comunidad católica con una ética consistente con la vida

HOLY HOUR SONG – SILENCE – SCRIPTURE

Please join us in the church for Holy Hour on the fourth Thursday of the month at 7pm. We will gather this month on the 25th. We will meditate on Scripture readings, (in Spanish and English), sing Taizé style songs and sit quietly in prayer in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament. A wonderful opportunity to slow down and sit with God in the midst of our busy lives.

FOOD PANTRY -- This weekend is the parish Food Collection for our busy food pantry. If you are unable to bring food, please consider dropping off donations anytime during the week or making a monetary donation on our website. Thank you for your continued support.

GABRIEL PROJECT NEEDS BABY ITEMS

If your new year's resolution takes you in the direction of decluttering/downsizing/cleaning, please remember to save warm clothing and items for the babies of the *Gabriel Project*. We are in dire need of clothes, blankets and coats in sizes 6 months to 2T. Anything and everything useful for babies is greatly appreciated. Please drop off donations with "Gabriel Project" noted on the bag/box; drop in the Matt 25 bins Mon & Wed, 9-7pm; Tues, Thurs, Sat & Sun, 9-12noon (no donations on Fridays). Thank you for your support!

PRISM YOUTH MINISTRY:

Please contact Rebecca Grant Jenkins, Director of Youth and Young Adult Ministries, for more details or to volunteer for any of the following, rgrantjenkins@olqpva.org:

- The Youth Ministry Winter Lock-In, will be 7pm, Friday January 26th – 7am Saturday, January 27th.
 See the fliers at the back of church for details or to register go to: http://tinyurl.com/OLQPLockin2024.
- Calling all night owls & early birds! Volunteers are needed for the OLQP PRISM Youth Ministry Winter Lock-In, Friday, January 26, 7PM 7AM. Shifts are every two hours between 6pm 8am. The evening will include games, food, faith discussions, adoration, reflection time, a service project or two, movies, and more. It's an awesome way to connect with our teen ministry group. NO experience necessary, but you do have to be or become compliant with diocesan child safety protocols!
- Young Disciples Work Camp Volunteers
 Needed! Work Camp for rising 7th, 8th, and 9th graders on the OLQP campus, June 24-29th.
- Catholic Heart Work Camp Volunteers Needed! We are heading to Niagara Falls, NY, July $21^{st} 26^{th}$ for a week of service, faith development, and fun! Worksites include local agencies, as well as the Tuscarora Indian Reservation.

HORA SANTA CANCIÓN – SILENCIO – ESCRITURAS

Por favor únase a nosotros en la iglesia para una Hora Santa el cuarto jueves del mes a las 7pm. Este mes nos reuniremos el 25. Meditaremos las lecturas de las Escrituras, (en español e inglés), cantaremos canciones al estilo Taizé y nos sentaremos en silencio en oración en presencia del Santísimo Sacramento. Esta es una oportunidad maravillosa para tranquilizarnos y pasar unos momentos con Dios en medio de nuestras vidas ajetreadas.

LA DESPENSA DE ALIMENTOS — Este fin de semana es el de la Colecta de alimentos en la parroquia para nuestra atareada despensa de alimentos. Si no puede traer comida, por favor considere traer donaciones en cualquier momento esta semana o hacer una donación monetaria en nuestro sitio web. Gracias por su continuo apoyo.

EL PROYECTO GABRIEL NECESITA ARTÍCULOS PARA BEBÉS

Si su resolución de año nuevo le lleva a despejar, reducir o limpiar, por favor recuerde guardar ropa invernal y artículos para los bebés del **Proyecto Gabriel**. Necesitamos urgentemente ropa, frazadas y abrigos en tallas desde 6 meses a 2T. Apreciamos cualquiera y todos los artículos para bebés. Por favor lleve las donaciones a los contenedores de Mateo 25 los lunes y miércoles, de 9-7pm y escriba "Gabriel Project" en la bolsa/caja; los martes, jueves, sábados y domingos, de 9 a las 12 del mediodía (no aceptamos donaciones los viernes). ¡Gracias por su apoyo!

MINISTERIO DE ADOLESCENTES PRISM:

Por favor contacte a Rebecca Grant Jenkins, Directora del Ministerio de adolescentes y jóvenes adultos para obtener más detalles o para ofrecerse de voluntaria/o para cualquiera de los siguientes, rgrantjenkins@olgpva.org:

- ♦ El Lock-in del invierno del Ministerio de adolescentes va a ser de las 7PM, del viernes 26 de enero a las 7AM del sábado 27. Ve los volantes en la parte de atrás de la iglesia para obtener detalles o para inscribirte ve a: http://tinyurl.com/OLQPLockin2024.
- ♦ ¡Llamando a todas las personas amantes de la noche y madrugadoras! Se necesitan personas voluntarias para el PRISM Lock-in del invierno de OLQP del Ministerio de adolescentes, el viernes, 26 de enero, de 7PM a 7AM. Los turnos son cada dos horas entre las 6pm y las 8am. La noche va a incluir juegos, comida, discusiones de la fe, adoración, tiempo para reflexionar, uno o dos proyectos de servicio, películas y más. Es una manera maravillosa de conectarse con nuestro grupo de ministerio de adolescentes. ¡NO necesita tener experiencia, pero sí tiene que cumplir con la normativa de los protocolos de la diócesis que se relacionan con la seguridad de las niñas y los niños!
- iSe necesitan personas voluntarias para el Campamento de trabajo de discípulos jóvenes de OLQP! El Campamento de trabajo va a ser para estudiantes que empiezan los grados 7, 8 y 9, del 24 al 29 de junio en el campus de OLQP.
- ◆ ¡Se necesitan personas voluntarias para el Catholic Heart Work Camp! ¡Vamos a ir a las Cataratas del Niagara, NY, del 21 de julio al 26 para pasar una semana de servicio, desarrollo de la fe y diversión! Los lugares de servicio incluyen agencias locales, como también la Reservación india Tuscarora.

THANK YOU NOTE FROM MEDOR:

As we wrap up the Haiti Christmas Drive, we are so grateful to have the privilege of being able to play a small part in the lives of our brothers and sisters in Medor. Here is a note that exemplifies that privilege. A man from Medor gave it to an OLQP visitor several years ago. He wrote: "On behalf of the people of Medor I want to thank Our Lady Queen of Peace for the gift of education for our children. I want to thank you for the gift of a daily meal for the children. I want to thank you for the gift of better health for the community through clean water and sanitation. I want to thank you for the gift of trees that decrease floods and bring us cooling shade and nourishment. But most of all I want to thank you for your enriching gift of hope: the hope of a better life."

MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR FROM YOUR PARISH FAMILY — The 2024 Jospehite calendars are at the back of church. Please take one home for your family's use.

CARPENTER'S SHELTER DINNER – Thursday, January 18

January's dinner is salmon, rice, green beans, salad, fresh fruit, lemonade and brownies. Your food can be delivered to the parish office kitchen Monday through Friday, during their office hours, 8:30-4:30pm, 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. If you are a new contributor, or have a question, please contact Mary Resnick, 703-462-4841, mary.resnick@gmail.com. Thank you!

INCLEMENT WEATHER POLICY

Evening and weekend activities (except scheduled Masses): OLQP follows the decision of Arlington Public Schools for cancellation of evening and weekend activities. Those traveling outside the local school district should use their best judgment. For the most up-to-date information for Arlington Public Schools, please call 1-866-322-4277 or visit School Status Alerts - Arlington Public Schools (apsva.us)

Parish Office Staff and Weekday Activities, 8:30am-4:30pm: Office and weekday activities follow the decision of the Federal Government. Tune in to your local radio and tv stations for updated information or visit www.opm.gov/policy-data-oversight/snow-dismissal-procedures/

<u>Scheduled Masses</u>: The decision to cancel Masses within the Diocese of Arlington is made by Bishop Burbidge and broadcast on local radio and tv stations.

To the extent it is possible, notice will be placed on the parish website www.ourladyqueenofpeace.org and parish calendar http://calendar.olqpva.org/. Use your best judgment when traveling outside the immediate area.

UNA NOTA DE MEDOR PARA DAR LAS GRACIAS:

Al llegar al final de la Campaña Navideña para Haití, estamos tan agradecidos de tener el privilegio de poder desempeñar un pequeño papel en las vidas de nuestras hermanas y hermanos en Medor. Aquí está una nota que ilustra ese privilegio. Hace unos años un hombre de Medor le dio la nota a un visitante de OLQP. Él escribió: "En nombre de las personas de Medor quiero darle las gracias a Nuestra Señora Reina de la Paz por el regalo de la educación de nuestras niñas y niños. Quiero darle las gracias por el regalo de una comida diaria para las niñas y niños. Quiero darle las gracias por el regalo de mejorar la salud para la comunidad por medio de agua limpia e higienización. Quiero darles las gracias a ustedes por el regalo de árboles que disminuyen las inundaciones y nos traen sombra fresca y nutrición. Pero sobre todo quiero darles las gracias por el regalo enriquecedor de la esperanza: la esperanza de una vida mejor".

FELIZ NAVIDAD Y FELIZ AÑO NUEVO DE SU FAMILIA PARROQUIAL – Los calendarios josefitas para el 2024 están en la parte de atrás de la iglesia. Por favor lleve uno a casa para el uso de su familia.

LA CENA REFUGIO DEL CARPINTERO - es el jueves, 18 de enero

Nuestra cena este mes es salmón, arroz, frijoles verdes, ensalada, frutas frescas, limonada y brownies. Puede llevar la comida a la oficina de la parroquia de lunes a viernes, durante las horas de trabajo de 8:30 a 4:30pm, o a la cocina de Fr. Ray Hall el día de la comida de 4:00 a 5:00pm. Por favor identifique la comida con la fecha y la descripción y póngala en el refrigerador, congelador o mostrador. Si es la primera vez que contribuye o tiene alguna pregunta, por favor contacte a Mary Resnick, 703-462-4841, mary.resnick@gmail.com. ¡Gracias!

NORMAS ANTE LA INCLEMENCIA DEL CLIMA

Las actividades nocturnas y de fin de semana (con excepción de las Misas programadas): OLQP sigue la decisión de las escuelas públicas de Arlington para la cancelación de actividades nocturnas y de fin de semana. Las personas que no están en el distrito del sistema escolar local deben usar su discreción. Para obtener la información más actualizada sobre las escuelas públicas de Arlington, por favor llame al 1-866-322-4277 o visite School Status Alerts - Arlington Public Schools (apsva.us)

Personal de la Oficina Parroquial y actividades durante la semana, 8:30am a 4:30pm: La Oficina y las actividades durante la semana siguen la decisión del gobierno federal. Sintonice las emisoras de radio y televisión locales para obtener información actualizada o visite www.opm.gov/policy-data-oversight/snow-dismissal-procedures/

Misas programadas: La decisión de cancelar las Misas en la Diócesis de Arlington es del obispo Burbidge y se transmite por las estaciones de radio y televisión locales. En la medida que sea posible, el aviso se pondrá en el sitio web de la parroquia www.ourladyqueenofpeace.org y en el calendario de la parroquia http://calendar.olqpva.org/. Por favor use su discreción cuando viaja afuera del área inmediata.

PARISH ADVISORY BOARD – CALL FOR NOMINATIONS!

Did you know OLQP has elected lay leadership that supports Fr. Tim and parish activities? Parish Advisory Board (PAB) members commit to attend bimonthly meetings (i.e. six times per year; currently 2nd Thursday of the month), serve on committees as needed, and listen to and present parishioners' views. The PAB strives to represent the many backgrounds, ages, Mass cohorts, and ministry groups of the parish. Six (6) seats are up for election, with new members serving a twoyear term. Registered parishioners who have been active for at least two years are eligible and encouraged to consider the PAB - nominate yourself or a fellow parishioner. Nomination slips are available in the sanctuary, or you may submit nominations via email to chrisbng@gmail.com. (Please include the nominee's full name, phone number, and email address). The nomination period closes at the end of the day on Sunday, February 4.

JUNTA CONSULTORA DE LA PARROQUIA – ¡LLAMADO DE NOMINACIONES!

¿Sabía que OLQP elige un liderazgo laico que apoya al Padre Tim y las actividades parroquiales? Los miembros de la Junta Consultora de la Parroquia (PAB, por sus siglas en inglés) se comprometen a asistir a reuniones bimensuales (seis veces al año, actualmente el segundo jueves del mes), a servir en comités según sea necesario y a escuchar y presentar las opiniones de los feligreses. La PAB se esfuerza por representar los muchos orígenes, edades, grupos de Misas y grupos de ministerio de la parroquia. Hay seis plazas sujetas a reelección, cada una por un período de dos años. Personas inscritas en la parroquia que han estado activas durante al menos dos años son elegibles y se les anima a considerar la PAB. Usted se puede nominar o nominar a otra persona miembro de la iglesia. Los formularios de nominación están disponibles ahora en el santuario o puede enviar las nominaciones por correo electrónico a chrisbng@gmail.com. (Por favor incluya el nombre completo, número de teléfono y dirección de correo electrónico de la persona nominada). El período de nominación termina al final del día el domingo, 4 de febrero.

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.

FAITH DIRECT ONLINE GIVING

The new year is filled with hope and promise as we seek to grow our vital ministries, explore new ways to share the good news of Christ's love, and reflect His care and mercy to those in need throughout the community. To continue to make a difference in 2024, Our Lady Queen of Peace is reaching out to our parishioners.

Begin the new year with eGiving to help sustain and build ministries throughout 2024 that reflect the steadfast promise of God's love. The need is great in our community, and your generous online gifts will help people all around us. We prayerfully request that you consider signing up for eGiving from your computer, smartphone or tablet. You can set up a recurring donation or make a one-time gift by visiting faith.direct/VA271 or calling 866-507-8757. Thank you for your continued support of our parish family. Blessings, Fr. Tim and Fr. Martin

NATIONAL EUCHARISTIC CONFERENCE

There is a National Eucharistic Conference to be held in Indianapolis, IN, July 17th-21st, 2024. The Arlington Diocese has put together a conference package that includes a 5-day registration pass, four nights accommodation with continental breakfast, and farewell lunch. The Office of Youth, Campus, and Young Adult Ministries is also sponsoring a bus trip to the Conference, for those 16-35. Please see the bulletin board in the back of church for registration information or reach out to Rebecca Grant Jenkins. Her information is on the front of the bulletin and on the OLOP website.

ARLINGTON'S 2024 MLK TRIBUTE- STONES OF

HOPE -- Don't miss <u>Arlington's annual</u> tribute to Dr. Martin <u>Luther King Jr.</u> The program will be held on Sun., Jan. 14 from 5-6:30 pm at <u>Wakefield High School</u>. Join us as we honor the life and legacy of MLK through the fourteen quotes inscribed at the Stones of Hope memorial in Washington D.C. Learn more about this event here and tell us you're coming on **Facebook!**"

NEW YEAR'S BLESSING

... May every day be a New Year's Day for you a chance to forgive and be forgiven, to start again.

May you take courage to begin anew, to become who you are becoming, this and every day."

Steve Garnaas-Holmes: www.unfoldinglight.net

If, in this new year, you are looking for a chance to start again and are struggling with any of life's challenges from divorce, loneliness, parenting, job or other stresses, consider having a trained **Stephen Minister**, who, through compassionate listening and God's grace, will walk beside you. Confidentiality and a caring relationship are hallmarks of this ministry.

If you have questions, or think you might benefit from a Stephen Minister, please contact Joan Brown: jogebrown737@gmail.com or 703-608-5059.

RESTORATIVE JUSTICE

Our world feels disconnected and divisive, unable to find ways to co-exist peaceably. OLQP's Restorative Circles offer an unconventional way to re-connect through deep listening and shared storytelling, fostering restorative values of equal voice, inclusivity, and compassion, and collaboration toward approaching difficult and troubling topics with a refreshed community-based perspective. Join us in January for a restorative approach to discussing poverty in our community. Click on https://tinyurl.com/ycxrdzkj to find the dates/times and to register to attend. Contact Bill Casey at 703-568-3438 or b13909@comcast.net for more information.

PROMOTING A CONSISTENT ETHIC OF LIFE

Join the Initiative on Catholic Social Thought and Public Life at Georgetown University for an online dialogue in the week leading up to the March for Life.

Promoting a Consistent Ethic of Life: Investing in Low-Income Children and Families, Tuesday, January 16, 12:30 – 1:30pm. More information and RSVP: bit.ly/ConsistentEthicGU

BUILDING A WORLD WITHOUT NUCLEAR WEAPONS: An urgent imperative

This month, as we celebrate the third anniversary of the entry into force of the Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons (TPNW) and the second anniversary of the publication of Archbishop John Wester's pastoral letter calling for nuclear disarmament, Living in the Light of Christ's Peace, Pax Christi Massachusetts, along with Pax Christi USA and dozens of other co-sponsors, offers this online forum focused on the grave concern regarding the increasing threat of nuclear war and what ordinary citizens can do to prevent it. Saturday, January 27, 2-4 PM Eastern, on Zoom >>Use this link to register<<

HAVEN OF NORTHERN VIRGINIA OFFERS BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT SERVICES to those who have suffered the loss of a loved one. We are a non-sectarian, non-profit organization that has been serving the local community since 1976. During that time, we have provided emotional support to thousands of grieving family members who are struggling to deal with a death. We are trained volunteers who provide peer support. We are not therapists and no one is paid. Specific programs include ongoing groups and workshops for suicide loss, widow/ widower/partner loss and parent loss. Additionally, individual meetings and community presentations are held throughout the year. Our website is: www.havenofnova.org. If you have the need to speak to Haven, please call 703-941-7000. In addition, if you would like to learn more about possibly becoming a Haven volunteer, please call. A Haven volunteer training class is forming and will begin late February, early March.

GUN VIOLENCE PREVENTION advocates gather at the National Rifle Association Headquarters every 14th of the month to show our loving concern for the victims of gun violence across the country. This 10+ year gathering is a peaceful witness attended by people of faith. **On January 14, the 1 hour gathering begins at 2:00pm.** The NRA HQ is located at 11250 Waples Mill Rd., Fairfax, VA 22030.

ECO-TIP: *Reduce plastic use.* Cut back on the use of disposable plastic such as grocery and storage bags, plastic wrap, cutlery, straws and coffee cup lids. Stop buying bottled water -- use water bottles instead. When eating out, bring your own containers to take surplus food home, use glass storage containers in fridge. It's not about doing everything; it's about doing something.

IN MEMORIAM



Margaret Howe, Died in the Lord December 26
Bob Wilson, Died in the Lord January 3
Sally Krahn, Died in the Lord January 9

It is with profound sadness and a heavy heart that we say goodbye to three very dear, faithful and dedicated members. May they rest in the loving arms of our God, and may their families feel God's loving embrace in the midst of their sadness and loss.

Margaret was a member for thirty-five years, severing as both Lector and Eucharistic Minister. In 2022 she moved to NJ to be closer to family; she was 88 years old. Tentative arrangements for a Memorial Mass are scheduled for Saturday, April 27, at 10:30am. Repast immediately following, in Fr. Ray Hall.

Bob and Kate were faithful members until they recently moved out of the immediate area. Bob was a dear, gentle person who sang with the 5:30 Vigil Mass choir for about fifteen years, here at OLQP. A Memorial Mass will be celebrated Saturday, February 10, at 12noon. Repast will follow in Fr. Ray Hall.

Sally and her husband Steve have been faithful members for nearly twenty years. Sally was very active, serving on many of the parish ministries and always offering assistance where needed. She fought to remain involved even as health issues became more difficult. Funeral arrangements will be announced at a later date.

Mass Honoring the Life and Work of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

OLQP's UJAMAA Committee invites you to attend Mass on Martin Luther King Day

Monday, January 15, 2024 Mass at 11am

With OLQP's Gospel Choir and A reading from one of Dr. King's memorable speeches

Every form of discrimination against individuals and groups-whether because of race, ethnicity, religion, gender, economic status, or national or cultural origin- is a serious injustice which has severely weakened our social fabric. Racism is a sin; a sin that divides the human family, blots out the image of God among specific members of that family, and violates the fundamental human dignity of those called to be children of the same Father. Racism is the sin that says some human beings are inherently superior and others essentially inferior because of races.

-U.S. Catholic Bishops, Brothers and Sisters to Us

Unfortunately, we still encounter in the world a closed-minded attitude and even one of rejection, due to unjustified fears and concern for one's own interests alone. These forms of discrimination are incompatible with belonging to Christ and to the Church. ... The Church has a precise message: to work so that this world of ours, which is often described as a "global village", may truly be more united, more fraternal, more welcoming. ... Always put human beings and the respect for human rights at the center....

-John Paul II, 2 June 2000



-Pope Francis, 12 June 2014

"The fundamental sin is exploitation, whether it be expressed in the domination of male over female, white over black, rich over poor, strong over weak, armed military over unarmed civilians, human beings over nature. These analogously abusive patterns interlock because they reset on the same base: a structure where an elite insists on its superiority and claims the right to exercise dominative power over all others considered subordinate, for its own benefit."

-Elizabeth Johnson, She Who Is, 27

Everyone can be great, because everyone can serve.

-Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

Thoughts for Your Consideration

Isaiah says he will not be quiet until God's glory is revealed – until those who are forsaken or desolate are welcomed back and become again "my delight" and "espoused."

Paul says the glory of God can be found in the diversity of human gifts. Jesus reveals the glory of God at the wedding feast – when there is enough good wine for all to enjoy a great feast.

A person like Dr. King, whose holiday is tomorrow, would not be quiet until the diversity of gifts in all human beings was respected and cherished.

We are about to enter the week of Prayer for Christian Unity and pray that all our religious faiths will help us to honor every-one's gifts as a united community.

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