

## OLQP MISSION STATEMENT

Our Lady Queen of Peace Catholic Church is dedicated to witnessing the teachings of Jesus Christ, especially the Gospel of Saint Matthew, Chapter 25:31-46. Our mission is to nurture the spirit and to encourage the potential of those we serve through liturgical celebration, educational endeavors and social ministries. The parish will continue to identify with its origin as a Black parish. As a multi-ethnic congregation we will seek to promote racial harmony and social justice. While our primary focus is within the immediate community, we will also work to provide for the well-being of the downtrodden everywhere. In this we strive for our parish community to be a caring, sharing, and loving family.

# OUR LADY QUEEN OF PEACE CHURCH

January 28, 2024

## FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Jesus taught as one  
having authority.

*Mark 1:22*



Pues enseñaba como quien  
tiene autoridad.

*Marcos 1,22*

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

### Contact / Contacto:

2700 19th St S, Arlington VA 22204  
703-979-5580, office@olqpva.org

### 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](http://www.ourladyqueenofpeace.org)

### Live Stream Mass Schedule:

#### Horario de Misas de transmisión en directo:

January 27-28 — 11:15am and 1pm Spanish

27-28 enero — 11:15am y 1pm en español

### Masses / Misas:

Weekdays / *Días laborables:*

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

Friday Daily Mass Time Change during Lent: 6pm

### 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.

THIS WEEKEND'S SECOND COLLECTION:

**CHURCH IN LATIN AMERICA**

SEGUNDA COLECTA DE ESTE FIN DE SEMANA:

**LA IGLESIA EN AMÉRICA LATINA**

NEXT WEEKEND'S SECOND COLLECTION:

**ARLINGTON CATHOLIC HERALD**

COLECTA DEL FIN DE SEMANA PRÓXIMO:

**PERIÓDICO DIOCESANO HERALD**



**NUESTRA SEÑORA REINA DE LA PAZ**

**28 de enero de 2024**

**Cuarto 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@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: \$5,892

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 576

Las lecturas de hoy se encuentran en la página 577

### **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 Claire, 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, Yvette Francois, Allison Fratus, 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 Hays, 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 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, Alma Reyes Valentin, Carina Vaquez, Robin Vogel, Robert & Maureen Wallace, Kate Witkowski, Lauren Wolfe, Mary Woods, Malcolm Young, Claudia Zapata, Kate Zopp.

## **FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

### **CUARTO DOMINGO EN EL TIEMPO ORDINARIO**

Deuteronomy 18:15-20 (71B); 1 Corinthians 7:32-35; Mark 1:21-28  
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## **FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

### **QUINTO DOMINGO EN EL TIEMPO ORDINARIO**

Job 7:1-4, 6-7 (74B); 1 Corinthians 9:16-19, 22-23; Mark 1:29-39  
Job 7,1-4, 6-7 (74B); 1 Corintios 9,16-19, 22-23; Marcos 1,29-39

## **MASS INTENTIONS, JANUARY 27-FEBRUARY 2**

### **FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

### **INTENCIONES DE LAS MISAS, 27 ENERO- 2 FEBRERO**

#### **CUARTO DOMINGO EN EL TIEMPO ORDINARIO**

##### **Saturday, January 27th**

5:30 pm Bob Wilson (D) by Alice & Kevin Curtin

##### **Sunday, January 28th**

8:00 am Fr. Joseph Hackett, CSSp. (D) by the parish

9:30 am Monica Payawal (D) by Marjorie Berdan

11:15 am Sandra Catala Bene (D) by Maria Susanna Francia

1:00 pm Aidee Cadima (D) by Pam Kay

6:00 pm James Simkovsky (D) by Simkovsky - Brown Families

##### **Monday, January 29th**

12:00 pm Patricia Harris (D) by Susan Harris

##### **Tuesday, January 30th**

12:00 pm the parish

##### **Wednesday, January 31st**

12:00 pm the parish

##### **Thursday, February 1st**

12:00 pm Connie Hickey (D) by the Hickey family

##### **Friday, February 2nd**

12:00 pm Emmet Connolly, III (D) by David & Julie Ibinson

### **OLQP PARISH STAFF / PERSONAL DE LA PARROQUIA**

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

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#### **Parish Office / Oficina parroquial**

*Business Manager / Gerente de Negocios:* **Christina Kozyn,**  
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*Social Justice & Outreach Minister / Ministro de Justicia Social y*

*Acercamiento (bilingüe):* **Sally Díaz-Wells,** sdiazwells@olqpva.org

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**Rebecca Grant Jenkins,** rgrantjenkins@olqpva.org

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**Zulema Ramallo**

**JUST A THOUGHT...OR TWO...**

Historically we know that by the end of the 5<sup>th</sup> century B.C.E. the prophets of Israel strangely fell silent. God seemed to have stopped raising up mouthpieces to speak his words to his people until John the Baptist appears on the scene in Judea announcing the coming of the Messiah and points out Jesus as the “Lamb of God,” the long awaited one!

When Jesus began his public ministry he not only spoke with authority, healed the sick and cast out demons, but what he said touched the people deeply. His words rang true to their inner hearts just as Jeremiah, one of the later prophets, had predicted.

Jesus spoke with the power of the Lord! Something that had long disappeared from the land of Israel...the prophetic voice that had gone silent was speaking once again, but more powerfully than it ever had before.

In today’s Gospel it is pointed out...he was from Nazareth! The demon who speaks out was trying to put down Jesus by calling out his “backwater” home town... recalling Nathaniel’s words from John’s Gospel, “could anything good ever come from Nazareth?”

But finally, the unclean spirit recognizes Jesus as “The Holy One of God”! And the people are astonished by Jesus’ authority with which he taught, and that even unclean spirits obeyed him!

But the religious leaders and the elders of the people would become fearful of Jesus and the power he exercised in word and deed. What they couldn’t see is what the “unclean spirit” was able to see: Jesus’ oneness with the Father! They could not see his power was from his identity as “The Holy One of God.”

Who are the prophetic voices we listen to today? And what are they calling us to?

Are you being called to be prophetic in word and action?

Through our baptism each one of us has been anointed to be a prophet -- to live prophetic lives. Lives that challenge the injustices of the world. Lives that challenge racism and bigotry and misogyny. We are called to live lives that heal and bring wholeness to a wounded, warring and suffering world by who and what we stand with and by who and what we stand against.

You and I, we are called to be prophets who speak out and act out on behalf of the immigrant, the refugee and the stranger. To be builders of peace and makers of justice! This is our prophetic call received at our baptism and sealed in the power of the Holy Spirit! Now is the time to live our discipleship, to claim our prophetic role in building up the Reign of God; to live and to love as the children of God, whom we truly are, and to allow that identity to shape how we live and act in the world!

Blessings,

Fr. Tim

**2024 BISHOP’S LENTEN APPEAL (BLA) BEGINS!**

The 2024 BLA mailing was recently sent to parishioners. The theme this year is shared with the theme of our Diocesan Jubilee: “Behold, I make all things new.” After reflecting upon the blessings God has given you, please prayerfully consider a pledge. As we look forward to the celebration of the 50-year Golden Anniversary of our diocese, let us renew our commitment to the Lord and be inspired to share what we have received from Him. You make a gift at [www.arlingtondiocese.org/BLA](http://www.arlingtondiocese.org/BLA) or scan the QR code below:



**SCAN ME**

**COMIENZA LA PETICIÓN CUARESIMAL DEL OBISPO DE 2024**

En fecha reciente se envió correspondencia sobre la Petición cuaresmal del Obispo de 2024 a los feligreses. El tema este año se comparte con el tema de nuestro año del Jubileo Diocesano: “He aquí que yo haré nuevas todas las cosas.” Después de reflexionar sobre las bendiciones que Dios les ha dado, les ruego que, en espíritu de oración, consideren hacer una promesa de contribución. Al esperar con interés la celebración del Aniversario de Oro de nuestra diócesis, al cumplir 50 años, renovemos nuestro compromiso con el Señor y sintámonos inspirados para compartir lo que hemos recibido de Él. Ustedes pueden hacer una donación en línea en [www.arlingtondiocese.org/bla](http://www.arlingtondiocese.org/bla) o escanear el código QR que aparece a continuación:



**ESCANÉAME**

## **2022 CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS**

Please watch for your 2023 contribution statement in the mail. Statements detailing your 2023 donations are being mailed through the end of the month. Please note: USPS service in our area has been sporadic so please be patient; however, if you have not received your statement by the second week in February please email or call Christina, [ckozy@olqpva.org](mailto:ckozy@olqpva.org), 703-979-5580, to have a copy emailed or resent. Thank you.

## **PRISM YOUTH MINISTRY:**

**Young Disciples Work Camp registration is open!** Work Camp for rising 7<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>, and 9<sup>th</sup> graders on the OLQP campus, June 24-29<sup>th</sup>. Adult Volunteers needed. Spaces are limited; registration closes on February 4<sup>th</sup>. Please contact Rebecca for more details or to volunteer, [rgrantjenkins@olqpva.org](mailto:rgrantjenkins@olqpva.org).

**Catholic Heart Work Camp registration is open!** We are heading to Niagara Falls, NY, July 21<sup>st</sup> – 26<sup>th</sup> for a week of service, faith development, and fun! Worksites include local agencies, as well as the Tuscarora Indian Reservation. Adult Volunteers are also needed! Spaces are limited; registration closes on February 11<sup>th</sup>. Contact Rebecca for more information or to volunteer. [rgrantjenkins@olqpva.org](mailto:rgrantjenkins@olqpva.org). Our first meeting will be Thursday, February 22<sup>nd</sup>, 6:30pm.

**MATTHEW 25** No donations will be accepted the week of January 29 through February 4. We do this because the storage area of the store needs to share space with our Faith Formation program. This will happen each month until June 2024. Please save your donations until after this period. Thank you.

## **CURSILLO ULTREYA – ALL ARE WELCOME!**

Calling all Cursillistas, those interested in the Cursillo community, and anyone looking for friends and an opportunity for faith sharing. You are invited to an Ultreya on Saturday, February 10 at 6:45pm (after the 5:30pm mass). An Ultreya is an opportunity to gather in community to pray, eat, and share personal stories of God's Grace. Bring food or drinks to share and join fellow parishioners of all ages in the Founder's Room of the Ministry Center. Contact Jennifer & Linda at [OLQP.Ultreya@gmail.com](mailto:OLQP.Ultreya@gmail.com) for more info.

**FAMILY BINGO NIGHT - The St. Mary of Sorrows** Council 8600 Knights of Columbus will hold a Bingo to support TEACH, a non-profit organization that actively responds to the schooling needs of underserved children in Maya communities in Guatemala. The Bingo will be held at St. Mary of Sorrows, 5222 Sideburn Road, Fairfax 22032 on Saturday, February 3, from 6:30 – 8:30pm. \$10 for 2 cards. Chili, Hot Dogs and Bake Sale. Everyone is invited to come and play and win some great prizes. Questions? [Shari.zamarra@gmail.com](mailto:Shari.zamarra@gmail.com), 703-323-9367.

## **CERTIFICACIÓN DE CONTRIBUCIÓN DEL 2022**

Esperamos la certificación de su contribución de sus donaciones del 2023 a la parroquia. Las certificaciones detallando sus donaciones se están enviando de ahora hasta finales de mes. Por favor tome nota: el servicio de correo en nuestra área ha estado esporádico así que por favor tenga paciencia, pero si no ha recibido la certificación para la segunda semana de febrero por favor mándele un correo electrónico o llame a Christina, [ckozy@olqpva.org](mailto:ckozy@olqpva.org), 703-979-5580 para recibir una copia por correo electrónico o para volver a recibirla. Gracias.

## **MINISTERIO DE ADOLESCENTES PRISM:**

**¡La inscripción para el Campamento de trabajo de discípulos jóvenes está abierta!** El Campamento de trabajo para estudiantes que empiezan los grados 7,8 y 9 va a ser en el campus de OLQP, del 24 al 29 de junio. Se necesitan personas adultas voluntarias. El espacio es limitado y la inscripción termina el 4 de febrero. Por favor contacten a Rebecca para obtener más detalles o para ofrecerse de persona voluntaria, [rgrantjenkins@olqpva.org](mailto:rgrantjenkins@olqpva.org).

**¡La inscripción para el Ministerio de adolescentes Catholic Heart Work Camp está abierta!** ¡Vamos a ir a las Cataratas del Niágara, NY, del 21 al 26 de julio para una semana de servicio, desarrollo de la fe y diversión! Los lugares de trabajo incluyen agencias locales, como también la Reservación india Toscarora. ¡También se necesitan personas adultas voluntarias! El espacio es limitado y la inscripción termina el 11 de febrero. Contacten a Rebecca para obtener más información o para ofrecerse de persona voluntaria, [rgrantjenkins@olqpva.org](mailto:rgrantjenkins@olqpva.org). Nuestra primera reunión va a ser el jueves, 22 de febrero, a las 6:30pm.

**MATEO 25** – La semana del 29 de enero al 4 de febrero no se aceptarán donaciones. Hacemos esto porque el área de almacenamiento de la tienda tiene que compartir espacio con nuestro programa de Formación de fe. Esto va a suceder todos los meses hasta junio del 2024. Por favor guarde sus donaciones hasta después de esta fecha. Gracias.

## **ULTREYA DE CURSILLO –**

### **¡TODAS LAS PERSONAS SON BIENVENIDAS!**

Un llamado a todas las personas cursillistas en la comunidad de los Cursillos y cualquiera que busca amistades y una oportunidad para compartir la fe. Está invitada/o a asistir a una Ultreya el sábado, 10 de febrero a las 6:45pm (después de la Misa de las 5:30pm). Una Ultreya es una oportunidad de reunirse en comunidad para orar, comer y compartir historias personales de la gracia de Dios. Traiga comida o bebidas para compartir y reunirse con otros feligreses de todas las edades de la parroquia en el Founder's Room del Ministry Center. Contacte a Jennifer y Linda: [OLQP.Ultreya@gmail.com](mailto:OLQP.Ultreya@gmail.com) para obtener más información.

**NOCHE DE BINGO PARA FAMILIAS** – El Consejo de los Caballeros de Colón 8600 de **St. Mary of Sorrows** va a tener un Bingo para apoyar TEACH, una organización sin lucro que activamente responde a las necesidades escolares de niñas y niños marginados en comunidades maya en Guatemala. El Bingo va a ser en St. Mary of Sorrows, 5222 Sideburn Road, Fairfax 22032 el sábado, 3 de febrero, de 6:30 a 8:30pm. \$10 por 2 cartones. Habrá chili, perros calientes y venta de dulces. Todas las personas están invitadas a venir, jugar y ganar algunos premios maravillosos. Si tiene preguntas, comuníquese con [Shari.zamarra@gmail.com](mailto:Shari.zamarra@gmail.com), 703-323-9367.

## **MASSES and SERVICES for ASH WEDNESDAY -- February 14**

Outdoor Prayer Service with Distribution of Ashes:  
8:00am and 5:00pm

Mass with Distribution of Ashes: 12noon

Bilingual Mass with Distribution of Ashes: 7:00pm

Prayer Service with Distribution of Ashes: 9:00pm

*(Outdoor services will take place in the church if  
inclement weather.)*

## **THE LIGHT IS ON FOR YOU LENTEN RECONCILIATION PROGRAM:**

*The Sacrament of Penance is offered each Wednesday  
evening during Lent from 6:30 to 8pm (except March 27).*

*At the same time, Reconciliation Service or Sung Stations of  
the Cross will be offered in the church beginning at 7pm.*

*Sung Stations of the Cross (in English): 7 pm – February 21,  
March 6 & 20*

*Bilingual Reconciliation Service: 7 pm – February 28*

*Family Reconciliation service: 6:30 pm -- March 13*

## **MISAS y SERVICIOS el MIÉRCOLES DE CENIZA – 14 de febrero**

Servicio de oración al aire libre con distribución de las cenizas:  
8:00am y 5:00pm

Misa con distribución de las cenizas: 12 del mediodía

Misa bilingüe con distribución de las cenizas: 7:00pm

Servicio de oración con distribución de las cenizas: 9:00pm

*(El servicio al aire libre tendrá lugar en la iglesia si hay mal  
tiempo.)*

## **LA LUZ ESTÁ ENCENDIDA PARA TI PROGRAMA DE RECONCILIACIÓN DE CUARESMA:**

*El Sacramento de la Penitencia se ofrece todos los miércoles  
por la noche durante la Cuaresma de 6:30 a 8pm (excepto el 27  
de marzo).*

*Al mismo tiempo, se ofrecerá el Servicio de reconciliación o el  
Vía Crucis*

*cantado en la iglesia empezando a las 7pm.*

*El Vía Crucis cantado (en inglés): 7 pm – 21 de febrero, 6 y 20  
de marzo*

*Servicio de reconciliación bilingüe: 7 pm – 28 de febrero*

*Servicio de reconciliación para familias: 6:30 pm – 13 de marzo*

## **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  
\(apsva.us\)](http://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/](http://www.opm.gov/policy-data-oversight/snow-dismissal-procedures/)

**Scheduled Masses:** 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](http://www.ourladyqueenofpeace.org) and parish  
calendar <http://calendar.olqpva.org/>. Use your best  
judgment when traveling outside the immediate area.*

## **AS THE WINTER FLU, RSV AND COVID CASES RISE**

all around us, please take care to follow the latest CDC  
guidelines regarding these illnesses aware that for those  
who may be immunocompromised or have other health  
issues, these airborne illnesses can be life threatening. If  
you are sick please remember that the obligation to attend  
Sunday Mass is lifted. We continue to offer masks near the  
main entrance to the church. We also recognize that not  
everyone who coughs or sneezes has a cold or is contagious  
with an illness, but may suffer from asthma, COPD and or  
other chronic condition. Thank you for your caution and for  
your care of our sisters and brothers.

## **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  
\(apsva.us\)](http://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. Sintone las  
emisoras de radio y televisión locales para obtener información  
actualizada o visite [www.opm.gov/policy-data-oversight/snow-  
dismissal-procedures/](http://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](http://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.*

## **LOS CASOS DE LA GRIPE INVERNAL, RSV Y COVID AUMENTAN**

a nuestro alrededor. Por favor preocúpese de  
seguir las últimas directrices de la CDC relacionadas con estas  
enfermedades, consciente de que para las personas que pueden  
estar inmunocomprometidas o que tienen otros problemas de  
salud, estas enfermedades transmitidas por el aire pueden ser  
mortales. Si se siente enferma/o recuerde que la obligación de  
asistir a Misa se suprime. Continuamos ofreciendo mascarillas  
cerca de la entrada principal de la iglesia. También reconocemos  
que no todas las personas que tosen o estornudan tienen  
catarro o podrían tener una enfermedad contagiosa, sino que  
pueden sufrir de asma, COPD y otras condiciones crónicas.  
Gracias por su cuidado y preocupación por nuestras hermanas y  
hermanos.

**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 two-year 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](mailto: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](mailto: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.*

**THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE FROM OLQP was read  
at the Christmas Masses in St. Joseph of Medor  
Parish:**

*Christmas Greetings to everyone in St. Joseph parish! Isaiah tells us, "For unto us a child is born. Unto us a son is given". A silent night, a star above, a blessed gift from God: the baby Jesus arrives bringing the gift of faith, the blessing of hope, and the peace of His love.*

*It is Jesus who joined St. Joseph parish and Our Lady Queen of Peace parish together. We ask the baby Jesus to provide His light to illuminate our path and His peace to fill our hearts as we work together and love each other. May the deepening relationship of our two parishes be our treasure for the New Year.*

*As we rejoice in the miracle of Christ's birth, may the hearts of everyone in both parishes be filled with His love, and may our lives be filled with God's endless blessings.*

*Amen and Merry Christmas!*

*With love,*

*The Parishioners of Our Lady Queen of Peace*

**THE ADVOCATE -- OLQP's Newsletter**

A new issue of The Advocate is now available on the parish website: [www.ourladyqueenofpeace.org](http://www.ourladyqueenofpeace.org) (homepage, column along the right side). This issue features Fr. Joe Nangle, OFM – Teacher of Peace, Spotlight on Dr. Sue Carlson and several articles on our amazing youth! If you would like to receive The Advocate in your inbox with each new issue, please send a message to Jeannette in the parish office, [jgantdaly@olqpva.org](mailto:jgantdaly@olqpva.org).

**FAITH STREET meets STATE STREET:** The Virginia General Assembly convened for its 2024 Session on January 10. In the 2-1/2 weeks since, our elected state representatives have been writing legislation, meeting constituents, attending an untold number of committee meetings to present, defend or oppose and vote on bills, many of which have implications for Virginians. Should we pay attention to their work? YES ~ we must! Democracy is NOT a spectator sport. When Pope Francis wrote his 2018 letter on the call to holiness (Gaudete Et Exsultate) he suggested that our political concern and advocacy must be focused on the lives of people struggling in poverty and all who are rejected and discarded by society. Francis wrote that "we cannot uphold an ideal of holiness that would ignore injustice in the world." Pope Francis' episcopacy for the past decade reflects clearly that he is not "meddling in politics" to be partisan, but to proclaim the gospel of Jesus Christ, which has profound political implications. Worshipers in this parish have heard this message amplified by our Spiritan Clergy whose service to this parish encourages members' active commitment to, and work for justice. Monitor the work of your State Senator and State Delegate through the Virginia General Assembly website ([viriniageneralassembly.gov](http://viriniageneralassembly.gov)) and communicate with them on issues of concern.

**ECO-QUOTE:** We do not inherit the Earth from our ancestors; we borrow it from our children.

*Native American Proverb*

## STONE SOUP SUPPER SERIES

Our annual series will begin Friday, February 16. Join us each week: 6pm Mass followed by a modest meal with a speaker or film beginning promptly at 7pm.

This year's theme is **Back to Basics - The Three Pillars of Lent: Fasting, Prayer, and Almsgivings**. If you need a refresher or just want to hear a different take on what Lent has to offer, come join us for a wonderful evening each Friday, Feb 16 – Mar 22. The meal and speaker/film will be in Father Ray Hall.

## BLACK HISTORY MONTH IN FILM (BHMIF)

The Social Justice and Ujamaa Committees are sponsoring a film series starting on Thursday, February 1, at 7pm in the Ministry Center Founders Room. This year's theme is Celebrating Black Artistry. We will be watching the movie "Black Art: The Absence of Light." The first two films (Thursday evenings) will be hybrid; the last two will be in-person only (Saturday afternoon). *We are pleased to be able to accommodate those who do not like to drive at night and hope this will encourage greater participation.* For the zoom information, contact Sally Diaz-Wells at [sdiazwells@olqpva.org](mailto:sdiazwells@olqpva.org)

## LIVE JESUS! 2024

"Bloom where you are planted," this year's theme for Live Jesus – how Salesian wisdom grounds us to live well where we are! Register at [oblates.org](http://oblates.org) for Saturday, March 9, 8am-12:45pm at Bishop Ireton High School. Speakers: Fr. Kevin Nadolski, OSFS, Fr. Matt Hillyard, OSFS and Kathleen McNutt. A morning of reflection with continental breakfast, speakers, fellowship and prayer.



## 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](http://faith.direct/VA271) or calling 866-507-8757. Thank you for your continued support of our parish family.

*Blessings, Fr. Tim and Fr. Martin*

## L'Arche GWDC -

### Community Connections Program

We are thrilled to announce the launch of this new program, and we want YOU to be a part of it! Once a month people with and without disabilities will gather to have fun and create relationships, through life-giving activities together. Visit [larche-gwdc.org/CCP](http://larche-gwdc.org/CCP) for more information and to sign up!

## 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 OLQP website.

## 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](mailto:b13909@comcast.net) for more information.

## 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](http://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.

# WORLD COURT TELLS ISRAEL TO PREVENT ACTS OF GENOCIDE IN GAZA

**BY STEPHANIE VAN DEN BERG, REUTERS, BASSAM MASOUD, REUTERS, NIDAL AL-MUGHRABI**

The World Court ordered Israel on Friday to prevent acts of genocide against the Palestinians and do more to help civilians, although it stopped short of ordering a ceasefire as requested by South Africa.

While the ruling denied Palestinian hopes of a binding order to halt the war in Gaza, it also represented a legal setback for Israel, which had hoped to throw out a case brought under the genocide convention established in the ashes of the Holocaust.

The court found that Palestinians were protected under the convention, and that there was a case to be heard about whether their rights were being denied in a war that the court said was causing grievous humanitarian harm. It also called for Palestinian armed groups to release hostages captured in the Oct. 7 attacks that precipitated the conflict.

Palestinian officials largely hailed the decision. The Palestinian Foreign Ministry said it was a welcome reminder “no state is above the law.” Sami Abu Zuhri, a senior Hamas official told Reuters the decision would contribute to “isolating the occupation and exposing its crimes in Gaza.”

Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu said that the court had “justly rejected the outrageous demand” to deprive Israel of what he called the “basic right to defend itself,” by ordering it to halt fighting.

“But the mere claim that Israel is committing genocide against Palestinians is not only false, it’s outrageous, and the willingness of the court to even discuss this is a disgrace that will not be erased for generations.”

Israeli Security Minister Itamar Ben-Gvir mocked the ruling in a two-word social media post with a Yiddish-style putdown: “Hague shmague.”

South Africa brought the case to the International Court of Justice earlier this month, asking it to grant emergency measures to halt the fighting, which has killed more than 26,000 Palestinians and displaced the majority of the population in a more than three-month campaign of intensive bombardment.

It accused Israel of state-led genocide in its offensive, begun after Hamas militants stormed into Israel killing 1,200 and kidnapping more than 240. Israel sought to have the case thrown out.

The judges ordered Israel to take all measures within its power to prevent its troops from committing genocide, punish acts of incitement, take steps to improve the humanitarian situation and report back on its progress in a month.

It did not decide the merits of the genocide allegations, which could take years. Although the ruling cannot be appealed, the court has no mechanism to enforce its decision.

Israel had demanded the case be thrown out, calling South Africa’s allegations false and “grossly distorted.” It says it has acted in Gaza in self defence against a foe that attacked first, and blames Hamas for harm to civilians for operating among them, which the fighters deny.

The South African government, allowed to make the case under the legal principal that genocide is such a grave crime that all countries are duty-bound to prevent it, hailed the court order as a “decisive victory” for international rule of law.

“South Africa sincerely hopes that Israel will not act to frustrate the application of this Order, as it has publicly threatened to do, but that it will instead act to comply with it fully, as it is bound to do,” its foreign ministry said in a statement.

The country’s Deputy President Paul Mashatile and Justice Minister Ronald Lamola were seen cheering and dancing at a gathering of the governing African National Congress party following the court’s verdict, which was televised live.

## Assault on Khan Younis

On the ground in Gaza, the war has entered a particularly destructive phase, with the heaviest fighting in weeks now taking place in crowded areas jammed with hundreds of thousands of people who fled elsewhere.

On Friday, Israel kept up its bombardment of the main Southern city of Khan Younis, where it said it was involved in “intensive battles,” with forces striking dozens of Hamas fighters and infrastructure from the air and ground.

Residents said gunbattles raged overnight, with Israeli forces blowing up buildings and houses in the western part of the city in what has become one of its biggest offensives so far, waged among hundreds of thousands of displaced civilians.

Israel said it had discovered some 200 tunnel shafts and destroyed more than 130 militant infrastructure sites in its latest operations, as well as killing “numerous militants.”

Palestinians say Israel has blockaded hospitals making it impossible for rescuers to reach the dead and wounded. Israel denies blockading hospitals and says Hamas fighters are to blame for fighting near them for operating there.

“We believe many victims are still under the rubble and on the roads, the occupation prevents ambulance and civil emergency teams from reaching them,” Gaza health ministry spokesman Ashraf Al-Qidra said.

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