

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:

August 3-4— 9:30am and 1pm Spanish
3-4 agosto - 9:30am 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

August 4, 2024

EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

FORTY HOURS DEVOTION AT OLQP

August 7-9!

Forty Hours will begin with a Mass on Wednesday, August 7th at 8:00PM and conclude with Benediction on Friday, August 9th at 12:00 Noon, followed by the daily Mass. Click [here](#) for the signup link.

¡DEVOCIÓN DE LAS CUARENTA HORAS OLQP: 7-9 de agosto!

Las Cuarenta Horas comenzarán con una Misa el miércoles, 7 de agosto a las 8:00PM y terminarán con una Bendición eucarística el viernes, 9 de agosto a las 12:00 del mediodía, seguidas por la celebración de la Misa diaria. [Haga clic aquí](#) para obtener el enlace de registro.

Whoever
Believes
in me
will never
Thirst.

John 6:35



El que
cree en
mí nunca
tendrá
sed.

Jose 6,35

NEXT WEEKEND'S SECOND COLLECTION:

MISSION COOPERATIVE PLAN —

OBLATES of St. Francis de Sales

COLECTA DEL FIN DE SEMANA PRÓXIMO:

PLAN COOPERATIVO MISIONARIO - OBLATOS

NUESTRA SEÑORA REINA DE LA PAZ

4 de agosto de 2024

Decimotavo Domingo del 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

Sat, 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: \$9325.50

Faith Direct (July Average /
promedio del mes de julio): \$14,305

WORD & EUCHARIST MISSALETTE/

MISAL PALABRA Y EUCARISTÍA

Today's readings can be found on page 630

Las lecturas de hoy se encuentran en la página 631

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, Sheila Betit, 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, Patricia "Pat" Dowd, Calista Downey, Tim Felker, Irene Fitzpatrick, Elizabeth (Bunny) Foster, Yvette Francois, Anne Fullerton, Joseph Funk, Iva Futrell, Trishann Ganley, Francine Gemmill, Jean Giambalvo, Fred Gladbach, Nancy Gormley, Yolanda Gregorio, Joe Marie Griesgraber, Fr. Tuck Grinnell, Melanie Guitreaux, Joe Harrington, Harris Family, Sally Hars, Linda Hawkins, Clare Hayden, Dee Hickey, Pamela Hoeft, Patrick Hynes, 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, Zoe A. Muñoz, Chelsea Murray, Connie Murray, Ellen Murray, Paul Murray, Dorothy Myrtle, Mario Amel Najarro, Karen Newman, 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, Donna Smith, 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, Jim Webster, Kate Witkowski, Lauren Wolfe, Mary Woods

EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

DECIMOCTAVO DOMINGO DEL TIEMPO ORDINARIO

Exodus 16:2-4, 12-15 (113B); Ephesians 4:17, 20-24; John 6:24-35
Éxodo 16,2-4, 12-15 (113B); Efesios 4,17,20-24; Juan 6,24-35

NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

DECIMONOVENO DOMINGO DEL TIEMPO ORDINARIO

1 Kings 19:4-8 (116B); Ephesians 4:30-5:2; John 6:41-51
1 Reyes 19,4-8 (116B); Efesios 4,30-5,2; Juan 6,41-51

MASS INTENTIONS, AUGUST 3-9

EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

INTENCIONES DE LAS MISAS, 3-9 AGOSTO

DECIMOCTAVO DOMINGO DEL TIEMPO ORDINARIO

Saturday, August 3rd

5:30 pm for the parish

Sunday, August 4th

8:00 am for the parish

9:30 am LeRoy Fields (D) by Michael Fields

11:15 am Maureen Shields (Birthday) (D) by Kathleen Shields

1:00 pm The Transfiguration of the Divine Savior of the World.
(Feast Day) by the parish

6:00 pm Joyce Kuklok (D) by Julene Jarnot

Monday, August 5th

12:00 pm - Feast of "El Divino Salvador del Mundo"

Familia Hidalgo & Cuva (D) by Isabel Hidalgo

Tuesday, August 6th

12:00 pm Douglas R. Norwicki (D) by Cecilia López Oetgen

Wednesday, August 7th

12:00 pm Pravesh Arora (D) by Jude & Amit Dias

Thursday, August 8th

12:00 pm Joan Huntoon (D) by Dee Dee Tostanoski

Friday, August 9th

12:00 pm for the parish

SACRAMENTAL LIFE OF THE PARISH /

VIDA SACRAMENTAL DE LA PARROQUIA

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

Lucas Richard Gogue & Cat-Linh Violet Nguyen

Baptized July 27 / Bautizados el 27 de julio

Andres Francisco Lovo & Ronan Leo Joyce-Hopkins

Baptized August 3 / Bautizados el 3 de agosto

OLQP PARISH STAFF / PERSONAL DE LA PARROQUIA

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

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Social Justice & Outreach Minister / Ministro de Justicia Social y

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

Youth & Young Adult Minister / Ministro de Adolescentes y Jóvenes Adultos:

Rebecca Grant Jenkins, rgrantjenkins@olqpva.org

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

Cecilia López Oetgen, clopez@olqpva.org

JUST A THOUGHT... or two...

This Sunday we reflect on the Eucharist as we hear Jesus proclaim that what God asks of us is to believe in Jesus whom he sent into the world.

Jesus promises that the bread he provides does so much more than just satisfy our physical hunger — it satisfies our deepest human hungers. Jesus makes a clear connection between believing in him, as the one sent by the Father, and believing in his real presence in this “bread sent down from heaven” that we receive each time we gather around the table of the Lord.

Jesus wants the people to understand that this bread that he is offering is no ordinary bread. But rather “divine food” given because of God’s amazing love for them, God’s amazing love for us!

Over two thousand years later we still struggle to comprehend this mystery...Jesus’ real living presence in this bread, blessed, broken and shared. As a Eucharistic Community our gathering focuses on Jesus’ real presence in our midst...as we are gathered by his love.

Jesus’ extravagant gift of himself to us is not just for us...but for the sake of the world — for this suffering world caught up in the midst of wars, unimaginable poverty and famine, with millions of lives at risk because of climate change and political turmoil. But there is hope in the midst of all this distress, and the hope is the amazing transformative power of the love of God!

We are called to be the real manifestations of hope for all those people in our lives who are fearful, lonely and sick, to reach out to them, to be the “real presence” for them and to them.

The real challenge for us is to understand that as we gather for Eucharist. It is not just for our personal salvation...but that we are commissioned and sent forth to take that real presence of Jesus Christ out into a wounded world. We are called to be “Christ-bearers” bringing the healing presence of Jesus Christ to all those we meet but especially to those most in need: the marginalized, the immigrant and migrant, the disenfranchised minorities subjected to systemic racism, bigotry, misogyny and intolerance. We are emboldened to speak truth to power, both secular and religious — we are called to speak out against the sins of our nation and of our church.

This “real presence” within us emboldens us to be true disciples of Christ in action in the world building up the Reign of God through acts of kindness and generosity so the world might be, not as people in their brokenness have made it, but as God has dreamt it to be — a world of peace and justice, a world of equity and harmony where all people’s dignity is honored and respected!

And where the earth itself is respected and cared for! And so I believe we need to ask ourselves: for whom have I recently been “the real presence” of Jesus through acts of kindness and generosity? How do I share this “real presence” with my family and friends? To whom in my life is God calling me to be “the real presence” to, so that they might know how deeply and passionately they are loved by God?

Blessings,

Fr. Tim

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS AND PLAN TO
CELEBRATE FR. TIM’S
25TH ORDINATION ANNIVERSARY!**

We will be celebrating Fr. Tim’s 25th Anniversary of his Ordination to the priesthood the weekend of August 17-18. Several events are planned – plan to join us for one:

- Saturday evening outdoor reception after the 5:30 Mass
- Sunday morning “cake receptions” after each of the morning Masses
- Sunday afternoon reception with the 1pm community, and
- Sunday evening reception hosted by the young adults.

More details to come...

**¡MARQUEN SUS CALENDARIOS Y PLANEEN
CELEBRAR EL 25 ANIVERSARIO DE LA
ORDENACIÓN DEL PADRE TIM!**

Vamos a celebrar el 25 aniversario de la ordenación al sacerdocio del Padre Tim el fin de semana del 17 y 18 de agosto. Se han planeado varios eventos – planeen participar en uno de ellos:

- Una recepción al aire libre la noche del sábado después del la Misa de las 5:30
- “Recepciones con bizcochos” el domingo por la mañana después de las Misas
- Una recepción el domingo por la tarde con la comunidad de la 1pm y
- Una recepción el domingo por la noche patrocinada por los jóvenes adultos.

Pronto habrá más detalles...

THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY
Holy Day, Thursday, August 15.
Masses: 8am, 12noon and 7pm Bilingual

FOOD COLLECTION WEEKEND
Next Weekend, August 10-11

Help stock our 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 lb. bags of white rice, 1 lb. bags of black, pinto, lentil beans, 1box of macaroni and cheese, 24 oz. of oil, 1lb. box of pasta and pasta sauce. Thank you for your continued support.

CARPENTER'S SHELTER DINNER,
Thursday, August 15

Dinner this month is baked or fried chicken, non-meat entree, mac and cheese, green salad, fruit, brownies and lemonade. Contributions can be brought to the Parish Office 8:30-4:30, Monday-Thursday the week of dinner, or Fr. Ray Hall kitchen on the day of dinner 4:30-5:00pm. Please label food with dinner date & description and place it in the refrigerator, freezer or counter. If delivering directly to the Shelter (930 N. Henry Street, Alexandria), label food the same and add our church name & "dinner". If you are a new contributor, or have a question about this month's meal, please contact Bob Finke, bfinke1@verizon.net. Thank you, friends of Carpenter's!

BILINGUAL ADORATION NIGHT

The Diocesan Pastoral Juvenil Hispana invites all 18–35-year-olds to an evening of bilingual Eucharistic Adoration and sharing with snacks and music on Friday, August 9, 7-9:30 pm at St. Robert Bellarmine Chapel (George Mason Chapel). There will be an opportunity for confession during adoration and a talk given by Fr. Guillermo Gonzalez. Admission and refreshments are free. Jesus and we are waiting for you with open arms!

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA)

Are you ready to take your next steps on your journey of faith? RCIA provides a personal journey leading to transformation of mind and spirit, in which we consider and deepen our relationship with God and consider how we can serve others. Guided by the Gospel and by the examples provided by church members and fellow journeyers, you can be baptized or become fully integrated into the Catholic community of believers through the RCIA process. If you are looking into fully realizing your faith walk, you are invited and encouraged to participate. The journey begins this fall. For more information, contact Kevin and Alice Curtin (acurtin947@aol.com or 703-461-3082). Contact Cecilia Lopez Oetgen, clopez@olqpva.org, for classes in Spanish.

FIN DE SEMANA DE RECOGIDA DE ALIMENTOS
El próximo fin de semana, 10 y 11 de agosto

Ayude a abastecer nuestra despensa de alimentos. Por favor compre algunos o todos estos artículos: tuna en latas o sobres, harina amarilla de maíz instantánea (no corn meal), cereal (bajo en azúcar), lata de frutas en su propio jugo, lata de maíz, lata de guisantes, bolsa de 1 lb. de arroz blanco, bolsa de 1 lb. de frijoles negros, pinto, lentejas, 1 caja de macarrones y queso, una botella de 24 oz. de aceite, 1 caja de 1 lb. de pasta y salsa para pasta. Gracias por su continuo apoyo.

LA CENA REFUGIO DEL CARPINTERO, --
el jueves, 15 de agosto

La comida este mes es pollo asado o frito, plato principal (no carne), mac & cheese, ensalada verde, frutas, brownies y limonada. Puede llevar la comida a la cocina de la oficina de lunes a viernes de 8:30-4:30 o a la cocina de Fr. Ray Hall el día de la comida de 4:30 a 5:00pm. Por favor identifique la comida con la fecha y la descripción y póngala en el refrigerador, congelador o mostrador. Si la lleva directamente al Refugio (930 N. Henry Street en Alexandria), por favor identifíquela de la misma manera y añada el nombre de nuestra iglesia y "dinner". Si es la primera vez que trae comida o tiene alguna pregunta, contacte a Bob Finke, bfinke1@verizon.net. ¡Gracias, amistades del Refugio del carpintero!

NOCHE DE ADORACIÓN BILINGÜE

La Pastoral juvenil hispana diocesana invita a todos los jóvenes de 18-35 años a asistir a una noche de Adoración eucarística bilingüe y compartir con refrigerios y música el viernes, 9 de agosto de 7-9:30 pm en la capilla St. Robert Bellarmine (capilla de George Mason). Habrá oportunidad para confesarse durante la adoración y un tema impartido por el Padre Guillermo González. La entrada y los refrigerios son gratis. ¡Jesús y nosotros te esperamos con los brazos abiertos!

RITO DE INICIACIÓN CRISTIANA DE ADULTOS (RICA)

¿Qué diferencia puede marcar Dios en mi vida? RICA es el camino para quien busca una relación más profunda con Dios y una mejor comprensión de la fe católica ya sea que recién está comenzando su viaje de fe, viene de otra tradición cristiana y desea explorar el catolicismo o es una persona católica bautizada que busca los sacramentos. ¡Únase a nosotros! Para más información, comuníquese con Cecilia López al 703-642-6465.



**MISSION APPEAL – OBLATES OF
ST. FRANCIS DE SALES
2nd Collection August 10-11**

The Mission Appeal: The Oblates of St. Francis de Sales serve some of the poorest people in the world as parish priests, ministers, educators and social workers by providing human and spiritual support to them. The funds raised help provide living supplies, establish food centers and support work training centers as well as provide transportation vehicles to transport children to school and activities. The donations raised support the oversight of a hospital and seminary in the Ivory Coast in North Africa and help ensure female students choose a path other than prostitution due to their poor living and social backgrounds. Saint Francis de Sales Catholic school in Parakou just north of Benin opened three years ago and needs financial help for children's programs and activities.

CURSILLO ULTREYA – ALL ARE WELCOME! Calling all Cursillistas, those interested in the Cursillo community, and anyone looking for friends and faith sharing. You are invited to an Ultreya on Saturday, August 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 and Linda at OLQP.Ultreya@gmail.com for more information.

FOOD PANTRY NEEDS MORE DRIVERS

If you haven't already heard this amazing news – the parish is now serving more than 800 families each week who need food assistance. That's each week! We can really use your help if you own a SUV/van/truck and can lift at least 25 pounds. Please contact Sally Diaz-Wells sdiazwells@olqpva.org for details.

Thank you to all our parishioners who provide food each week to our community in need. And a very special thank you to Jim, Roger and Susan for helping with food pickup for the food pantry!

BLACK CATHOLIC MINISTRY

Share, Teach and Reflect Corner!

The sixteen Black Catholic founders of Our Lady Queen of Peace, after World War II and with the Spiritan Fathers, 'had church' in a racially segregated time with the freedom of worship, the reception of sacraments, religious education, and community celebrations. "In 1945, Bishop Peter Ireton granted the request of sixteen Black Catholics to establish their own church in Arlington County where they could worship in dignity. They were Joseph Bowman, Clarence & Selena Brown, Alice Butler, Lawrence & Jessie Butler, Irma Carter, Hattie Ellis, Mary Fernanders, Edward Marshall, Grace McGwinn, Edward & Alice Moorman, Constance Spencer, Sophia Terry and Thaddenia West." With the founders' spirit, let us continue to spread the Good News!

**LLAMAMIENTO MISIONERO – OBLATOS DE SAN
FRANCISCO DE SALES,
SEGUNDA COLECTA agosto 10 y 11**

El Llamamiento misionero: los oblatos de San Francisco de Sales sirven a algunas de las personas más pobres del mundo como sacerdotes, ministros, educadores y trabajadores sociales al proveerles apoyo humano y espiritual. Los fondos recaudados proveen suministros vitales, establecen centros de alimentación y apoyan centros de entrenamiento como también proveen vehículos para la transportación para llevar a niñas y niños a la escuela y las actividades. Las donaciones que obtienen apoyan la supervisión de un hospital y un seminario en la Costa de Marfil en el norte de África y ayudan a garantizar que las niñas que estudian escojan un camino diferente al de la prostitución debido a su contexto vital y social. La escuela católica San Francisco de Sales en Parakou, justo al norte de Benin abrió hace tres años y necesita ayuda financiera para los programas y las actividades de las niñas y niños.

ULTREYA DE CURSILLO – ¡TODAS LAS PERSONAS CON BIENVENIDAS!

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

**LA DESPENSA DE ALIMENTOS NECESITA MÁS
PERSONAS PARA CONDUCIR**

Si todavía no ha escuchado esta gran noticia – la parroquia ahora sirve semanalmente a más de 800 familias que necesitan ayuda alimentaria. ¡Esto es cada semana! Realmente podemos usar su ayuda si tiene un SUV/una camioneta/un camión puede levantar una carga de por lo menos 25 libras. Por favor contacte a Sally Díaz-Wells, sdiazwells@olqpva.org, para obtener detalles. Gracias a todas las personas de la parroquia que proveen comida semanalmente para nuestra comunidad. ¡Y un agradecimiento especial a Jim, Roger y Susan por ayudar con la recogida de alimentos para la despensa!

MINISTERIO CATÓLICO NEGRO

¡Rincón de compartir, enseñar y reflexionar!

Las dieciséis personas católicas negras que fundaron Nuestra Señora Reina de la Paz, después de la Segunda Guerra mundial y con los sacerdotes espiritanos, celebraron servicios religiosos en una época de segregación racial con la libertad de ofrecer culto, recibir los sacramentos, recibir educación religiosa y tener celebraciones comunitarias. "En 1945, el Obispo Peter Ireton concedió la solicitud de dieciséis personas católicas negras de establecer su propia iglesia en el condado de Arlington donde podrían ofrecer un culto digno. Eran Joseph Bowman, Clarence y Selena Brown, Alice Butler, Lawrence y Jessie Butler, Irma Carter, Hattie Ellis, Mary Fernanders, Edward Marshall, Grace McGwinn, Edward y Alice Moorman, Constance Spencer, Sophia Terry y Thaddenia West". ¡Con el Espíritu de las personas fundadoras, continuemos difundiendo las Buenas Nuevas!

GUN VIOLENCE PREVENTION

For 10+ years on the 14th of every month a cadre of advocates for justice form a witness line in front of the National Rifle Association (NRA) headquarters on Waples Mill Rd., Fairfax. All are welcome and encouraged to join us on Wednesday, August 14 at 10:00 am. Many of us wear orange to show our support for gun safety laws. Because thousands are maimed or killed in the US each year due to readily available guns, we advocate for state and local legislation to curb access to guns. Our Christian ideals and values call us to advocate for life, especially the life of our brothers and sisters. We welcome the presence of others, especially people of faith. We meet on the sidewalk at 11250 Waples Mill Rd., Fairfax 22030.

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.

BACK TO SCHOOL SPECIAL - Sunday August 18 – Don't cook, come to Ledo Pizza in Springfield for dinner. 10% of all checks go to TEACH. Your generosity will feed your family and help students in Guatemala go to school. It's a win-win. Check details at www.teacham.org or call Shari Zamarra 703-216-5129.

CARE FOR CREATION MEETING

Please join the parish Integrity of Creation Team for their monthly meeting. Our August meeting will be August 5 at 7pm via Zoom. This month we are finalizing our plans for the Season of Creation which begins Sept. 1. For more information and for the Zoom link, please email: michellem.knight@gmail.com

MASS OF THANKSGIVING

Most Rev. Michael F. Burbidge invites you to join him in celebrating a special Mass of Thanksgiving for the completion of the Cathedral of Saint Thomas More renovations. Pray with us on Sunday, September 8, the Feast of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, at the 11 am Mass; a reception will follow in Burke Hall. The Cathedral of Saint Thomas More, 3901 Cathedral Lane, Arlington. www.cathedralstm.org

JOIN MARIAN HOMES, INC. FOR A CASINO NIGHT FUNDRAISER on September 27 at 7:00pm, at the Country Club of Fairfax. All proceeds support intellectually disabled adults. Purchase tickets here: <https://shorturl.at/vm2XD> Contact marketing@marianhomes.org for more information. Enjoy a night of high stakes and excitement to benefit the Marian Homes, Inc. capital campaign. Tickets are \$100 until August 1.

PREVENCIÓN DE LA VIOLENCIA CAUSADA POR LAS ARMAS DE FUEGO

Por más de 10 años, el 14 de cada mes, un grupo de personas que abogan por la justicia forman una fila de testimonio frente a la sede de la National Rifle Association (NRA) en Waples Mill Rd., Fairfax. Todas las personas son bienvenidas y animadas a unirse a nosotros el miércoles, 14 de agosto a las 10:00am. Muchos de nosotros vestimos algo de color naranja para demostrar nuestro apoyo por las leyes sobre seguridad de las armas de fuego. Debido a que en los EE. UU. miles sufren heridas o mueren cada año porque las armas son de fácil acceso, abogamos por legislación estatal y local para reducir el acceso a las armas. Nuestros ideales y valores cristianos nos llaman a abogar por la vida, especialmente la vida de nuestras hermanas y hermanos. Le damos la bienvenida a todas las personas, especialmente a personas de fe. Nos reunimos en la acera en 11250 Waples Mill Rd., Fairfax 22030.

OLQP FORTY HOURS DEVOTION

August 7-9, 2024

In honor of the Golden Jubilee of the Diocese of Arlington this year, celebrations of Forty Hours Devotion have been going on throughout the Diocese. Our Forty Hours Devotion will be held at OLQP August 7th-9th; please use sign up to take part, this way we can be sure that someone will always be present for adoration. We need people to sign up to be present for adoration and prayer around the clock during the full Forty Hours Devotion including through the night.



Forty Hours will begin with a Mass on Wednesday, August 7th at 8:00PM and conclude with Benediction on Friday, August 9th at 12:00 Noon, followed by the daily Mass.

- Adoration will continue around the clock, except during noon Mass on Thursday, August 8th
- Come to pray by yourself, as a family, or as a ministry group
- Bring a friend or three!
- Need at least 2 parishioners present between, 9pm—6am
- Even if slots are full, come!
- To sign up and for more details, go to:

<https://tinyurl.com/OLQPVA40Hours2024>

- Or scan the QR Code, here :



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OLQP Annual Backpack & School Supply Drive



Our 2024 Backpack & School Supply Drive is well underway, but we still need your help to send all **850** local children (including Afghan & Ukrainian children) back to school ready to learn!

WE ARE DOWN TO THE WIRE so your help with BACKPACKS AND SCHOOL SUPPLIES is critical.

Please check the [Signup Genius](#) – there are lots of odds and ends still needed. The signup genius is updated in real time so that’s the best way to let us know what you plan to donate and to let others know what is still needed.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050e4ca5ae29abfb6-olqp7#/>

Shopping online? Ship directly to parish, by noting “school supply drive” in the address (OLQP, School Supply Drive, 2700 19th St S, Arlington VA 22204-5262)

Prefer to make a monetary donation? Donations labelled “Backpack drive” can be dropped in the Sunday collection, dropped off in the parish office, or made online through [Faith Direct](#).

We are also in urgent need of volunteers – lots of volunteers...

- to help assemble the backpacks
- to bring the backpacks to the distribution site, and
- to help with distribution.



HERE ARE THE DATES AND TIMES. CAN YOU HELP?

- ♦ Wed, August 7 from 1-4pm, 2nd Floor Ministry Center Classrooms
- ♦ Sun, August 11 from 1-5pm, 2nd Floor Ministry Center Classrooms
- ♦ Fri, August 16 from 10-2pm, urgent need for at least 10 people who can carry filled backpacks to distribution site
- ♦ Fri, August 16 from 4:30-9:30pm for the start of the distribution — Spanish speakers urgently needed

We really need your help!!!

Please signup [here](#) to volunteer

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0B45A4AC29A3F5C70-49950245-2024#/>

Questions? please contact Patvinkenes@yahoo.com

Senate fails to advance bipartisan tax bill with poverty-fighting child tax credit

By [Kate Scanlon](#)

WASHINGTON (OSV News) — The U.S. Senate on Aug. 1 failed to advance a bill that would have expanded the child tax credit, a provision some Catholic organizations have long sought as a pro-family and anti-poverty effort.

The tax bill — The Tax Relief for American Families and Workers Act — was approved overwhelmingly by the House in January. But it failed to clear a procedural vote in the Senate in a 48-44 vote, failing to meet the upper chamber's 60-vote filibuster threshold to proceed to debate.

The legislation would have made more families eligible for the child tax credit. Reports from the U.S. Census Bureau, academic institutions and other nonprofit research organizations found a significant decrease in child poverty as a result of a COVID-19 pandemic-era expansion of the credit that has since expired.

In a press conference following the vote, Senate Majority Leader Chuck Schumer, D-N.Y., called it “disappointing and stunning” that Senate Republicans rejected the bill.

Schumer said the bill would have helped families and businesses, eased the housing crisis, and provided relief for those impacted by natural disasters.

“Rare is the moment that Senate Republicans are even to the right of the House Republicans,” Schumer said.

Senate Minority Leader Mitch McConnell, R-Ky., said in comments

on the Senate floor that the bill needed to undergo a revision process, and that instead, prior to the chamber's August recess, Schumer “decided to squeeze in one more vote that isn't ready for prime time.”

“Colleagues on this side of the aisle have serious unresolved concerns,” McConnell said about the bill, arguing it would “weaken work requirements.”

“Today's vote isn't surprising, but it is disappointing,” Patrick Brown, a fellow at the Ethics and Public Policy Center's Life and Family Initiative in Washington, told OSV News Aug. 1.

“If Congress is serious about being pro-family, it should pass bills aimed at helping reduce the cost of having and raising kids, which this bill would have done,” Brown said. “The politics of an election year meant that a fairly straightforward expansion of the child tax credit to working-class families with multiple kids, plus some business credits aimed at spurring innovation, couldn't make it across the finish line.”

Brown added, “It's going to be even more important for Congress to focus on expanding support for low- and middle-income families when it deals with next year's tax bill.”

In January, the House approved the legislation in a 357 to 70 vote.

The proposed child tax credit would have provided a tax break for qualifying households with children that could be claimed even by families who do not normally file a return. Households could have eventually received

the full refundable value of the child tax credit so long as they earned at least \$2,500.

Currently, the child tax credit is \$2,000 per child, but the maximum refundable amount of that credit is \$1,600.

According to the nonpartisan Tax Policy Center, families would have seen an average of \$680 tax cut, with most of the impact felt by families making under \$40,500.

The tax relief would have had a substantial direct impact on U.S. Catholic households. According to Pew Research, 55% of Catholic households make under \$50,000, including 36% making under \$30,000.

However, the child tax credit's current form is not permanent either. Without action from Congress, the child tax credit's current levels will expire after 2025 and revert to 2017 levels of \$1,000 per child, affecting all families who currently benefit.

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