

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

April 13, 2025

PALM SUNDAY

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:

April 12-13 12pm and 2pm Spanish
12-13 abril 12pm y 2pm en español

MASSES / MISAS:

Weekdays / Días laborables:

Mon-Thu 12pm / lunes a jueves 12pm
Fri. 6pm / Viernes 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.

2025 PALM SUNDAY & EASTER MASS SCHEDULE

Palm Sunday Weekend—April 12-13

Special Mass Schedule

Saturday: 5:30pm Vigil Mass

Sunday: 8:00am

9:45am *Outdoor Procession*

12noon *live-streamed*

2:00pm in Spanish *live-streamed*

6:00pm

Holy Thursday — April 17

7:00pm Mass *live-streamed*

Good Friday — April 18

3:00pm Passion of the Lord, Adoration of the Cross, Communion Service
live-streamed

6:00pm Stations of the Cross
in Spanish

8:00pm Tenebrae

(Service in darkness)

Holy Saturday, Easter Vigil — April 19

8:30pm *live-streamed*

Easter Sunday—April 20

Special Mass Schedule

Church: 8:00am, 9:45am,

12noon *live-streamed*

2:00pm in Spanish *live-streamed*,

6:00pm

Fr. Ray Hall: 10:00am and

12:15pm

HORARIO DE LAS MISAS Y SERVICIOS DEL DOMINGO DE RAMOS Y LA PASCUA 2025

Fin de semana del Domingo de ramos – 12 y 13 de abril

Horario especial de Misas

Sábado: 5:30 pm Misa de vigilia

Domingo: 8:00 am

9:45 *procesión al aire libre*

12 del mediodía *transmisión en*

Vivo 2:00 pm en español

transmisión en vivo 6:00 pm

Jueves Santo – 17 de abril

7:00 pm, Misa *transmisión en vivo*

Viernes Santo – 18 de abril

3:00 pm Pasión del Señor, Adoración de la Cruz, Servicio de comunión,
transmisión en vivo

6:00 pm Viacrucis en español

8:00 pm Servicio en tinieblas

Sábado Santo, Vigilia de la Pascua – 19 de abril

8:30 pm *transmisión en vivo*

Domingo de Pascua – 20 de abril

Horario especial de Misas

Iglesia: 8:00 am, 9:45 am,

12:00 del mediodía *transmisión en Vivo*

2:00 pm en español *transmisión en vivo*, 6:00 pm

Fr. Ray Hall: 10:00 am y 12:15 pm



GOOD FRIDAY, PASSION OF THE LORD,
ADORATION OF THE CROSS, COMMUNION SERVICE
FRIDAY, APRIL 18TH, 3 PM:
HOLY LAND SHRINES

VIERNES SANTO, PASIÓN DEL SEÑOR,
ADORACIÓN DE LA CRUZ, SERVICIO DE COMUNIÓN
VIERNES, 18 DE ABRIL, 3 PM:
SANTRUARIOS DE TIERRA SANTA



NUESTRA SEÑORA REINA DE LA PAZ

13 de abril de 2025

Domingo de Ramos

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, Wed, 6:30-8 pm during Lent in the church, & by appointment.

Los sábados: 4:45-5:15 pm, Los miércoles: 6:30-8 pm durante la Cuaresma en la Iglesia, y por cita previa.

SUNDAY COLLECTIONS / COLECTAS DEL DOMINGO

Sunday Collection / Colecta del pasado domingo: \$8,830

Faith Direct - March Average / promedio del mes de marzo: \$13,116

WORD & EUCHARIST MISSALETTE/

MISAL PALABRA Y EUCARISTÍA

Today's readings can be found on page 760

Las lecturas de hoy se encuentran en la página 761

BULLETIN DEADLINE / PLAZO PARA EL BOLETÍN

Wednesday 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, Mary Callow, Brody Carroll, Louise Chambers, Carmen Rosa Claire, Chris Comer, Jeff Cory, Adele Crump, Mary DaLuca, Cheryl Darby, Jim Davis, Adrienne DiCerbo, Calista Downey, Tim Felker, Elizabeth (Bunny) Foster, Yvette Francois, Anne Fullerton, Joseph Funk, Iva Futrell, Trishann Ganley, Francine Gemmill, Fred Gladbach, Nancy Gormley, Yolanda Gregorio, Jo Marie Griesgraber, Fr. Tuck Grinnell, Melanie Guitreaux, Joe Harrington, Harris Family, 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, Betty Mills, 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, Stephen Nutter, 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, Nancy Urquizo, Alma Reyes Valentin, Dan Van Belleghem, Carina Vaquez, Robin Vogel, Robert & Maureen Wallace, Jim Webster, Kate Witkowski, Lauren Wolfe, Mary Woods

PALM SUNDAY

DOMINGO DE RAMOS

Procession: Luke 19:28-40 (37C); Isaiah 50:4-7; Philippians 2:6-11; Luke 22:14-23,56

Procesión: Lucas 19,28-40 (37C); Isaías 50,4-7; Filipenses 2,6-11;

Lucas 22,14-23,56

THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

DOMINGO DE PASCUA LA RESURRECCIÓN DEL SEÑOR

Acts 10:34a, 37-43 (41C); Colossians 3:1-4 or 1 Corinthians 5:6b-8; John 20:1-9

Hechos 10,34a, 37-43 (41C); Colesenses 3,1-4 or 1 Corintios 5,6b-8; Juan 20,1-9

MASS INTENTIONS, APRIL 12-18

PALM SUNDAY

INTENCIONES DE LAS MISAS, 12-18 ABRIL

DOMINGO DE RAMOS

Saturday, April 12th

5:30 pm Mimma Christina Colorito (Anniversary) (D) by Gashaye Fanta

Sunday, April 13th

8:00 am - Joel "JB" Hudson (D) by the Oetgen family

9:45 am - Cesar Francia (D) by Susan Francia & family

12:00 pm - Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion

2:00 pm - Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion

6:00 pm - Joanne Winger (D) by Susan Bruns

Monday, April 14th

12:00 pm Padre José Nangle, OFM (D) by the Donato Muñoz family

Tuesday, April 15th

12:00 pm James Shea (Anniversary) (D) by Phyllis Shea

Wednesday, April 16th

12:00 pm For The Parish

Thursday, April 17th

7:00 pm - Holy Thursday

Friday, April 18th

No Mass

3:00 pm - Passion of the Lord, Adoration of the Cross, Communion Service

OLQP PARISH STAFF / PERSONAL DE LA PARROQUIA

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A Consistent Ethic of Life Catholic Community

JUST A THOUGHT... or two...

Palm Sunday's readings carry the sorrows and the weight of the world. The false accusations, denials, betrayals, injustice, and beatings Jesus faced are heartbreaking.

Today's Eucharist begins with great joy -- with palm branches in hand, we sing victorious hymns to commemorate Jesus' triumphant entry into Jerusalem.

Like the crowds, we too welcome and rejoice in his reign. Similar to the disciples, we are also excited and filled with wonderful expectations. However, when we listen to the passion of Jesus Christ, the mood of the crowds as well as that of the disciples changes swiftly. The crowds are fickle, cheering for Jesus one day and shouting "crucify him" the next day.

Even many of his closest friends and followers sheepishly denied their knowledge of and association with him, and in cowardly fashion, abandoned him out of fear for their own safety.

Jesus, on the other hand, is resolved to faithfully carry out his mission: the proclamation of the advent of the Reign of God and of **God's lavish love and forgiveness poured out for each one of us, and for the earth itself... "for God so loved the world"**.

Through the suffering and death of Jesus we have been saved and forgiven and our sins and guilt put as far from us "as the East is from the West"!

We may wonder at times if God really loves us...and just how much. Today we are reminded how much... as Christ spread his arms wide upon the cross -- this is how much we are loved by God!

How do I live out my identity as **"the beloved of God"**? How can I share this message of God's deep and passionate love and forgiveness with others?

To whom am I being called to open wide my arms to embrace them in the midst of their need? Who are being crucified today...the people of Ukraine, Ethiopia, South Sudan and Palestine, the millions of refugees. People crucified because of the color of their skin. People crucified for their immigration status, for who they love, what language they speak, for what part of the world or country they were born in, for their age, their gender, their intellectual or physical abilities? For all those suffering because of the chaos and outright damage that is being purposefully inflicted on our country by the current administration with absolutely no concern for the people being harmed and the lives being put at risk by the cruel and malicious decisions being made. Truly the people suffering from these decisions are sharing in the passion of Christ.

As I enter this Holy Week, whose burdens will I help to shoulder to the foot of cross as I journey with Jesus this week and meditate upon the gift of love and forgiveness, which he has so lavishly poured upon me and upon all of humanity?

Lenten Blessings,
Fr Tim

FOOD COLLECTION WEEKEND IS THIS WEEKEND, APRIL 12-13 – please help stock our food pantry! Donate 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, 1 box of macaroni and cheese, 24 oz. of oil, 1 lb. box of pasta and pasta sauce. Thank you for your continued support.

EL FIN DE SEMANA DE COLECTA DE ALIMENTOS ES EL DE ESTE FIN DE SEMANA, 12 Y 13 DE ABRIL – ¡por favor ayude a abastecer nuestra despensa de alimentos! Done algunos o todos estos artículos: tuna en latas o sobres, harina instantánea de maíz amarilla para tortillas (no cornmeal), cereal (de baja azúcar), lata de frutas en su propio jugo, lata de maíz, lata de guisantes dulces, bolsas de 1 lb. de arroz blanco, bolsas de 1 lb. de frijoles negros, pinto, lentejas, 1 caja de macaroni y queso, botella de 24 onzas de aceite, 1 caja de 1 lb de pasta y salsa para pasta. Gracias por su apoyo continuo.

Una comunidad católica con una ética consistente con la vida

CRS RICE BOWL – Palm Sunday marks the beginning of Holy Week. As we walk with Jesus this week, we remember the countless women, children and men who carry the heavy crosses of hunger, poverty, and vulnerability. How – like Simon of Cyrene – can you help to carry the crosses of our sisters and brothers in your local community and around the world? That’s a lot to think about. Remember 25% of funds raised by the Bowls stays in our own diocese. Thank you for your sacrifice. Visit crsricebowl.org/holy-week to learn more.

PLATO DE ARROZ CRS – El Domingo de Ramos marca el comienzo de la Semana Santa. Al caminar con Jesús esta semana, recordamos la enorme cantidad de mujeres, niñas, niños y hombres que cargan las pesadas cruces del hambre, la pobreza y la vulnerabilidad. ¿Cómo – igual que Simón de Cirene – puede usted ayudar a cargar las cruces de nuestras hermanas y hermanos en su comunidad local y por todo el mundo? Esto da mucho que pensar. Recuerde que el 25% de lo recaudado con los Platos se queda en nuestra propia diócesis. Gracias por su sacrificio. Visite crsricebowl.org/holy-week para aprender más.

COMMITMENT TO SERVICE – Lenten Purple Cards

Jesus rose from supper and took off his outer garments... Then he poured water into a basin and began to wash the disciples' feet and dry them with the towel from around his waist... Then he said to them, "Do you realize what I have done for you? I have given you a model to follow, so that as I have done for you, you should also do." -- John 13
Please take a purple Commitment to Service card from the back of church today and, if you haven't already done so, reflect on how you have served during Lent by completing the service card. Bring it back on Holy Thursday (April 17, 7pm Mass) as your offertory gift.

COMPROMISO AL SERVICIO – Tarjetas moradas de Cuaresma

Jesús se levantó mientras cenaba, se quitó el manto... echó agua en un recipiente. Luego se puso a lavarles los pies a sus discípulos y se los secaba con la toalla. ...y dijo '¿Entienden lo que he hecho con ustedes? Les he dado un ejemplo, para que hagan lo mismo que yo hice con ustedes'. – Juan 13

Por favor lleve una de las tarjetas moradas de Compromiso al servicio que están en la parte trasera de la iglesia y reflexione sobre como planea servir. Ponga su tarjeta en un lugar que sea un recordatorio diario y entonces tráigala el Jueves Santo (17 de abril) como su ofrenda del ofertorio.

DIOCESE OF ARLINGTON 7 CHURCHES PILGRIMAGE

On **Holy Thursday**, people throughout our Diocese enter into this pilgrimage of remaining with Jesus in the garden. The 7 Churches Pilgrimage is an opportunity to connect with a venerated tradition of the Church in a new way! Created by the [Office of Youth, Campus, and Young Adult Ministries](#), this pilgrimage weaves together passages from all four Gospels to take you through the narrative of Jesus' time in the Garden of Gethsemane. The 7 Churches pilgrimage is a self-guided pilgrimage that you may do on your own or with a group. There are three sets of reflections designed to help guide you through this time with Jesus in the Garden of Gethsemane; one for adults, one for teens, and one for parents to accompany younger children. For more info see the posters at the back of church or go to: <https://www.arlingtondiocese.org/Young-Adult-Ministry/7-Churches-Pilgrimage/> or E-mail yam@arlingtondiocese.org

PEREGRINACIÓN DE 7 IGLESIAS DE LA DIÓCESIS DE ARLINGTON

El **Jueves Santo**, personas de toda nuestra diócesis van a participar en esta peregrinación de quedarse con Jesús en el jardín. ¡La Peregrinación de las 7 iglesias es una oportunidad de conectar con una tradición venerada de la Iglesia de una nueva manera! La Oficina de ministerios para jóvenes, campus y jóvenes adultos creó esta peregrinación que entreteje partes de los cuatro Evangelios para llevarle por la narración del tiempo que Jesús pasó en el Huerto de Getsemaní. La Peregrinación de 7 iglesias es una peregrinación autoguiada que puede hacer sola, solo o con un grupo. Hay tres conjuntos de reflexiones diseñados para ayudar a guiarle por estos momentos con Jesús en el Huerto de Getsemaní – uno para adultos, uno para adolescentes y uno para madres y padres para acompañar a niñas y niños pequeños. Para obtener más información, vea los carteles en la parte trasera de la iglesia o vaya a: <https://www.arlingtondiocese.org/Young-Adult-Ministry/7-Churches-Pilgrimage/> o mande un correo electrónico a yam@arlingtondiocese.org

EASTER FLOWER MEMORIALS

We invite you to remember deceased loved ones – one intention per family, please -- with an Easter Flower Memorial. Memorials will be published in the bulletin on Easter Sunday April 19-20.

Complete the form below, make your donation payable to Our Lady Queen of Peace Church (donation amount is at your discretion) and send to the parish office (attention Christina) or drop in the collection basket by Monday, April 14th. Please be sure to meet the deadline of 4/14! Donations can also be made through FaithDirect.net (OLQP code: VA271) but be sure to send an email with memorial information to office@olqpva.org with "Flower Memorial" in the subject line, again by 4/14.

Honoring / En honor de: _____

Requested by / A petición de: _____

Donation / Donativo: \$ _____

MEMORIALES DE FLORES DE PASCUA

Le invitamos a recordar a seres queridos – por favor, una intención por familia – con un Memorial de flores de Pascua. Los memoriales se publicarán en el boletín del domingo de Pascua, el 19-20 de abril. Complete el formulario abajo, haga su donación a nombre de Our Lady Queen of Peace (usted determina la cantidad) y mándelo a la oficina parroquial (atención de Christina) o póngalo en la colecta para la fecha límite del lunes, 14 de abril. ¡Por favor, asegúrese de que llegue para el 14 de abril! También puede donar por FaithDirect.net (código de OLQP: VA271) pero asegúrese de mandar un correo electrónico a office@olqpva.org con "Flower Memorial" en la línea del asunto, para la fecha límite del 14 de abril.

2025 BISHOP'S LENTEN APPEAL

Monthly Reminders!

If you have not yet made a pledge to the BLA, please use this QR Code or complete one of the pledge envelopes in the pews.



¡Recordatorios mensuales para LA CAMPAÑA CUARESMA 2025 DEL OBISPO!

Si todavía no se ha comprometido a donar a la BLA, por favor use este código QR o complete un de los sobres de promesa en las bancas.



OLQP JUBILEE OF YOUTH FLY AWAY FUNDRAISER RAFFLE!

Starting Monday, April 7th, we will be raffling off four pairs of JetBlue® plane tickets to anywhere they fly. Tickets may be used by 03/31/2026. Please note that upon booking a credit card will be required for taxes and fees. **All proceeds benefit OLQP Jubilee of Youth Pilgrims. Participants must be registered members of OLQP.** Raffle entries accepted from 12:00am, Monday, April 7, 2025 to 11:59pm, Monday, April 21, 2025 **(Entries before or after these dates and times will not be accepted.)** \$50 per entry, multiple entries permitted. To enter go to: <https://tinyurl.com/OLQPVAFLYAWAY> or scan the QR Code:

Please use the designated button on **FaithDirect** "JetBlue Raffle for Jubilee of Youth" **(Entries will not be included in drawings unless payment has been received.)** Winners will be posted in the May 4th bulletin. **Good Luck!**



¡RIFA "FLY AWAY" PARA RECAUDAR FONDOS PARA EL JUBILEO DE LOS PEREGRINOS ADOLESCENTES DE OLQP!

Empezando el lunes, 7 de abril, vamos a rifar cuatro pares de boletos para cualquier lugar que vuela JetBlue. Los boletos se pueden usar hasta la fecha límite 31 marzo 2026. Por favor note que al hacer la reservación tiene que dar una tarjeta de crédito para cubrir los impuestos y tarifas. **Lo recaudado es para beneficiar a los peregrinos de OLQP para su jubileo. Las personas que participan tienen que ser miembros inscritos de OLQP.** Los boletos de la rifa se aceptan de las 12:00am el lunes, 7 de abril hasta las 11:59pm el lunes, 21 de abril, 2025. **(No se va a aceptar ninguna papeleta ni antes ni después de estas fechas.)** \$50 por papeleta y puede comprar múltiples papeletas. Para participar vaya a: <https://tinyurl.com/OLQPVAFLYAWAY> o escanee el código QR:

Por favor use el botón designado en **FaithDirect** "Jet Blue Raffle for Jubilee of Youth". **(No se van a incluir papeletas si no se ha recibido el pago por las mismas.)** Las personas ganadoras se van a anunciar en el boletín del 4 de mayo. **¡Buena suerte!**

CARPENTER'S SHELTER DINNER, Thursday, April 18

This month's menu is baked salmon, rice, broccoli, salad, and of course, lemonade and brownies. Your food can be delivered to the parish office kitchen Monday through Thursday, 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. Please note, if you're delivering directly to the Shelter on the day of dinner (930 N. Henry Street in Alexandria), label food the same adding our church name & "dinner". If you have a question, please email: mary.resnick@gmail.com

LA CENA REFUGIO DEL CARPINTERO es el jueves, 18 de abril

Nuestra cena este mes es salmón horneado, arroz, brócoli, ensalada y, por supuesto, limonada y brownies. ¡Por favor apúntese! Puede llevar su 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 4:30 a 5:00pm. Por favor identifique la comida con la fecha y la descripción y póngala en el refrigerador, congelador o mostrador. Si lleva la contribución directamente al Refugio (930 N. Henry Street en Alexandria), identifique la comida de la misma manera y añada el nombre de nuestra iglesia y "dinner". Si tiene alguna pregunta, por favor contacte a Mary Resnick, 703-462-4841, mary.resnick@gmail.com.

WE'RE STILL ACCEPTING PHOTOS, ARTICLES, HISTORICAL DOCUMENTS, AND MEMORABILIA FOR OLQP'S 80TH ANNIVERSARY. If you have any of these OLQP items to share, we would be greatly appreciative. Please email scans of your material to Rebecca Grant Jenkins, rgrantjenkins@olapva.org, or drop them off. They will be scanned and returned.

TODAVÍA ESTAMOS ACEPTANDO FOTOS, ARTÍCULOS, DOCUMENTOS HISTÓRICOS Y MEMORABILIA PARA EL 80 ANIVERSARIO DE OLQP. Si tiene algunos de estos artículos para compartir, lo apreciaríamos mucho. Por favor escanee estos artículos y envíenselos a Rebecca Grant Jenkins, rgrantjenkins@olapva.org, o tráigalos. Los escanearmos y se los devolveremos.

BASH 2025! MIDDLE SCHOOL DIOCESAN EVENT

Join Catholic middle school students from around the Diocese of Arlington (6th-8th graders) in celebration of our Catholic faith and love of the Lord. This event includes music, games – Gaga Ball, rock climbing wall, inflatables, food – pizza, Rita's, Smiley's Ice Cream, inspirational speakers, confessions, and a Vigil Mass for Sunday, with Bishop Burbidge. Please contact Rebecca, Youth & Young Adult Minister, rgrantjenkins@olapva.org, to sign up.

WHEN: Saturday, May 10, 3:30 pm - 8:30 pm

WHERE: Bishop O'Connell High School, Arlington

COST: \$15.00 per participant (youth and adults)

¡BASH 2025! EVENTO DIOCESANO PARA ESTUDIANTES DE ESCUELA MEDIA

Únete a otros estudiantes católicos de escuela media de la Diócesis de Arlington (estudiantes de grados 6 a 8) para celebrar nuestra fe católica y nuestro amor por el Señor. Este evento incluye música, juegos – Gaga Ball, pared de escalada (rock climbing wall), hinchables (inflatables), comida – pizza, Rita's, helado de Smiley's, oradores inspiradores, confesiones y una Misa de vigilia para el domingo con el Obispo Burbidge. Por favor contacta a Rebecca, Ministro para adolescentes y jóvenes adultos, rgrantjenkins@olapva.org, para inscribirse.

CUÁNDO: el sábado, 10 de mayo, de 3:30 pm a 8:30 pm

DÓNDE: Bishop O'Connell High School, Arlington

COSTO: \$15.00 por participante (jóvenes y adultos)

ENGLISH CONVERSATION GROUPS

Catholic Charities will be having online English Conversation Groups for adults. Classes are Monday & Wednesday from 7-8 pm from April 23—June 25. To register, call 571-208-1572 or email ewd@ccda.net.

MEN'S RETREAT - April 24-27

Join men from across the Arlington Diocese for the next Men's Cursillo Weekend. It is a retreat, but also so much more. It is an opportunity to examine and celebrate yourself, deepen your relationship with Christ, and continue – or begin – your faith journey with the love and support of the Christian community. You will grow spiritually, make new friends, and experience Christ's unlimited love. For more information, or to register to attend the retreat, contact Jennifer at OLQP.Ultreya@gmail.com or visit the website: arlingtoncursillo.org.

Programs that are open to the entire community, but offered in English only.

Programas que le dan la bienvenida a toda la comunidad, pero que solo se ofrecen en inglés.



THANK YOU- To those who attended this year's Stone Soup Suppers. We had great participation with over 75 people each Friday. Please remember that the speaker series named after our former Parochial Vicar, Fr. Ed Kelley will begin in September with a talk each month until November. Our theme for this year will be Peace and Nonviolence in honor of Father Joe Nangle, OFM. Please mark your calendars for these upcoming events.

LOOKING AHEAD – SAVE THE DATE: Saturday, May 3rd for the 2nd Annual Earth Day Dinner -Greening Our Money- following the 5:30pm Vigil Mass with a complimentary dinner & speaker. Fr. Seamus Finn, a priest of the Oblates of Mary Immaculate and global leader in faith-based and socially responsible investing will guide us in ways to do our part as faithful Christians.

VOLUNTEER TO TEACH KIDS ABOUT STAYING SAFE

Are you available on weekdays during school hours and enjoy working with kids? If so, this opportunity is for you! The Department of Family Services Body Safety Program needs volunteer classroom instructors to help empower elementary students with the tools they need to prevent or interrupt child abuse. Apply online at bit.ly/BodySafeVol or contact the Body Safety staff at DFSBodySafety@FairfaxCounty.gov or 703-324-7459. The next volunteer training is Friday, August 8th.

GRUPOS DE CONVERSACIÓN EN INGLÉS

Caridades Católicas tendrá Grupos de Conversación en inglés en línea para adultos. Las clases son lunes y miércoles de 7 a 8 pm, del 23 de abril al 25 de junio 2025. Para inscribirse, escanee el código QR, llame al (571) 208-1572 o envíe un correo electrónico a ewd@ccda.net.

RETIRO PARA HOMBRES/CABALLEROS – 24 al 27 de abril

Únase a otros hombres de la Diócesis de Arlington para el próximo fin de semana de Cursillo para hombres. Es un retiro, pero también mucho más. Es una oportunidad para examinar y celebrarse, profundizar su relación con Cristo y continuar – o empezar – su jornada de fe con el cariño y apoyo de la comunidad cristiana. Usted va a crecer espiritualmente, hacer nuevas amistades y experimentar el amor ilimitado de Cristo. Para obtener más información o para inscribirse para asistir al retiro, contacte a Jennifer: OLQP.Ultreya@gmail.com o visite el sitio web: arlingtoncursillo.org.

ALL FEDERAL WORKERS- Join us for community building on Tuesday, April 22, 2025, from 7 - 9 p.m. This evening gathering will be held in the Library, Father Ray Hall. Please RSVP to Sally Diaz-Wells at sdiazwells@olqpva.org

MEDOR REFLECTION

In today's responsorial psalm we hear: "My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?" In general, our brothers and sisters in Medor, Haiti may wonder this same thing at times, as violence and instability plague their country. We know though, that God never abandoned Jesus. Similarly, OLQP will never abandon our partnered parish in Medor. Our prayers persist with them, as does our support of the education, clean water, and agroforestry programs so that Medor can become a more sufficient community, even through uncertainty around them. We, and God, stay ever-present with them through their greatest successes and most difficult challenges. Please consider a donation to the Haiti Easter Drive, to reaffirm OLQP's commitment and partnership to assist the people in Medor, Haiti.



ADDITIONAL LENTEN RESOURCES:

Explore the many online resources available for spiritual growth during Lent. Review programs from Ignatian Spirituality, weekly reflection guides from Maryknoll, Audio meditations, Lenten family resources, Stations of the Cross and many more. Go to: [2025 Lenten Resources](#).

ECO-TIP from the Integrity of Creation Ministry: Wash your clothes in cold water and then air dry or use a dryer's low-heat setting. Most washers and dryers have a "delicates" setting that uses lower heat. High-heat laundry settings are not usually necessary and avoiding them will save energy, save money, and make your clothes last longer.



OLQP Jubilee of Youth Fly Away Fundraiser Raffle!

Starting Monday, April 7th, we will be raffling off four pairs of JetBlue® plane tickets to anywhere they [fly](#).

Tickets may be used by 03/31/2026. Please note that upon booking a credit card will be required for taxes and fees.

**All proceeds benefit
OLQP Jubilee of Youth Pilgrims.
Participants must be registered
members of OLQP.**

Raffle entries accepted from 12:00am, Monday, April 7, 2025 to 11:59pm, Monday, April 21, 2025 **(Entries before or after these dates and times will not be accepted.)**

\$50 per entry
multiple entries per item permitted.

[Enter Raffle, here!](#)



Please use the designated button on [FaithDirect](#), “Jet Blue Raffle for Jubilee of Youth” to pay for entries. **(Entries will not be included in drawings unless payment has been received.)**

Winners will be posted in the May 4th bulletin.

Good Luck!

¡RIFA “FLY AWAY” PARA RECAUDAR FONDOS PARA EL JUBILEO DE LOS PEREGRINOS ADOLESCENTES DE OLQP!

Empezando el lunes, 7 de abril, vamos a rifar cuatro pares de boletos para cualquier lugar que vuela JetBlue. [viaja](#).

Los boletos se pueden usar hasta la fecha límite 31 marzo 2026. Por favor note que al hacer la reservación tiene que dar una tarjeta de crédito para cubrir los impuestos y tarifas.

Lo recaudado es para beneficiar a los peregrinos de OLQP para su jubileo.

Las personas que participan tienen que ser miembros inscritos de OLQP.

Los boletos de la rifa se aceptan de las 12:00am el lunes, 7 de abril hasta las 11:59pm el lunes, 21 de abril, 2025. **(No se va a aceptar ninguna papeleta ni antes ni después de estas fechas.)**

\$50 por papeleta y puede comprar múltiples papeletas.

Para participar vaya a:

<https://tinyurl.com/OLQPVAFLYAWAY>

Por favor use el botón designado en [FaithDirect](#) “Jet Blue Raffle for Jubilee of Youth”. **(No se van a incluir papeletas si no se ha recibido el pago por las mismas.)**

Las personas ganadoras se van a anunciar en el boletín del 4 de mayo.

¡Buena suerte!

A reflection for Palm Sunday



Reflection: Whom does Jesus want me to serve.

God's ways are not always what we expect them to be. God chose for Jesus to make his triumphal entry into Jerusalem on a donkey—symbolizing peace and humility—rather than as a warrior king.

We may sometimes find ourselves struggling with understanding God's logic—how the outward appearance is not as important as what is in the heart. As Bishop Daniel said in one of his homilies: the Lord is not impressed by appearances but by the quality of the gift of the heart.

As I reflect on the readings for Palm Sunday, I am struck by how joy and sorrow are both part of Jesus' entry into Jerusalem—by the excitement of the crowd and at the same time the anticipation of what is to come on Good Friday, a time of redemption. Many of us may also celebrate faith in one moment yet struggle with doubt in the next.

Recently, a young eight-months-pregnant mother, with a three-year-old son, arrived at our center in McAllen, Texas. She had no place to stay and was all alone, completely at the mercy of anyone who could help her. In times like this, our faith might be the only thing we have. But at the same time, we may doubt and fail to see God's presence in our lives, in these most difficult times.

If we find ourselves struggling with dealing with what is happening in our lives today, it may be helpful to reflect on how we can accompany Jesus this Lent and consider embracing our faith with joy and with hope. And at the same time, we are reminded, in today's readings, that Jesus is among us as one who serves. We can be attentive like Jesus and respond to the needs of those around us who have no one else to help them—like the young pregnant mother with her three-year-old son who needed a place to stay. We should ask ourselves: Whom does Jesus want me to serve?

As we enter Holy Week, let us remember to deepen our faith, and to prepare our hearts for the love, sacrifice, and resurrection that lie ahead.

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