

## 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

May 11, 2025

## THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

My sheep hear my voice;  
I know them,  
and they follow me.

*John 10:27*



Mis ovejas escuchan mi voz;  
yo las conozco y ellas me siguen.

*Juan 10,27*

### 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

#### Live Stream Mass Schedule:

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

May 10-11 9:30am and 1pm Spanish

10-11 mayo 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.

#### DIOCESAN RETIRED PRIESTS' SECOND COLLECTION!

There will be a second collection for our diocesan retired priests on the weekend of May 18. This collection is an opportunity for you to give back to our retired priests who have given the greater part of their lives to serve each of you and our diocesan Church. Currently there are 29 retired priests and an additional 22 diocesan priests who will retire in the next ten years. Please consider donating to this important collection. Thank you for your kind support.

#### SEGUNDA COLECTA PARA LOS SACERDOTES DIOCESANOS JUBILADOS

El fin de semana del 18 de mayo habrá una segunda colecta para nuestros sacerdotes diocesanos jubilados. Esta colecta es una oportunidad para recompensar a nuestros sacerdotes jubilados que han dedicado la mayor parte de su vida al servicio de ustedes y de nuestra Iglesia diocesana. En la actualidad, hay 29 sacerdotes jubilados, a quienes se sumarán otros 22 en los próximos 10 años. Por favor considere donar a esta importante colecta. Muchas gracias por su bondadoso apoyo.



NUESTRA SEÑORA REINA DE LA PAZ

11 de mayo de 2025

Cuarto Domingo de Pascua

## **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 & by appointment.

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

## **SUNDAY COLLECTIONS / COLECTAS DEL DOMINGO**

Sunday Collection / Colecta del pasado domingo: \$6.690

Faith Direct - April Average /

promedio del mes de abril: \$15,351

### **WORD & EUCHARIST MISSALETTE/**

#### **MISAL PALABRA Y EUCHARISTÍA**

Today's readings can be found on page 796

Las lecturas de hoy se encuentran en la página 797

### **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:** Christiana Achebe, 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, 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, Alexa LaRue, 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, Daphne Rufner, Marco Cristiaan Rufolo-Roger, Josefina Salgado, Carolyn Santos, Jane Shepard, Donna Smith, Jeffrey Smith, Mary E. Smith, Lora Smolenski, Eva Souza, Grace Starbird, George 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

## **FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**

### **CUARTO DOMINGO DE PASCUA**

Acts 13:14, 43-52 (51C); Revelation 7:9, 14b-17; John 10:27-30  
Hechos 13,14, 43-52 (51C); Apocalipsis 7,9, 14b-17; Juan 10,27-30

### **FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**

#### **QUINTO DOMINGO DE PASCUA**

Acts 14:21-27 (54C); Revelation 21:1-5a; John 13:31-33a, 34-35  
Hechos 14,21-27 (54C); Apocalipsis 21,1-5a; Juan 13,31-33a, 34-35

## **MASS INTENTIONS, MAY 10-16**

### **FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**

#### **INTENCIONES DE LAS MISAS, 10-16 MAYO**

#### **CUARTO DOMINGO DE PASCUA**

##### **Saturday, May 10th**

5:30 pm María Dolores Paredes D'Avis (Anniversary) (D)

by America, Zaroni Paredes & family

##### **Sunday, May 11th**

8:00 am Mary Kay Parker (D) by Laura & Marc Friday

9:30 am Augustine Medani (D) by Onyebuchi Medani

11:15 am For The Parish

1:00 pm Gregorio Antonio Quispe Burgos (Anniversary) (D)

by Yvi & Percy Quispe Silva

6:00 pm For The Parish

##### **Monday, May 12th**

12:00 pm Keith Sugarman (D) by the Oetgen family

##### **Tuesday, May 13th**

12:00 pm Sr. Myrna Francia, ICM (D) by Judith Francia-Reyes

##### **Wednesday, May 14th**

12:00 pm Padre José Nangle, OFM (D) by Koehlin family

##### **Thursday, May 15th**

12:00 pm Alice H. Francia (D) by Judith Francia-Reyes

##### **Friday, May 16th**

12:00 pm For The Parish

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

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

*Parochial Vicar / Párroco Asociado:* **Fr. Martin Vu, CSSp**, mvu@olqpva.org

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*Deacon / Diácono:* **Dcn. Tony Remedios**, tremedios@olqpva.org

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

*Business Manager / Gerente de Negocios:* **Christina Kozyn**, ckozyn@olqpva.org

*Social Justice & Outreach Minister / Ministro de Justicia Social y*

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

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**Zulema Ramallo and Henry Nguyen**

## A Consistent Ethic of Life Catholic Community

### JUST A THOUGHT... or two...

The image of Jesus as the good shepherd is one of the oldest images of Christ in Christianity.

I remember seeing it in the catacombs of Rome...painted on the walls of ancient caverns by a people of faith from long ago. What is it about this image that has captivated the minds and hearts of Christians for centuries?

Surely for the postmodern, mostly urban culture of the West, this image may well seem a bit arcane and less accessible than it was to our ancestors. Jesus is depicted, through the use of this image, as a shepherd, who was, in that time and in that culture, a relatively unimportant, and certainly not powerful, figure.

The disciples and all those who followed Jesus around experienced Jesus as kind and gentle, like the "good" shepherd who watches over the sheep with great care and concern and even risks his/her own safety for the sake of the sheep.

And we as a church have, of course, just received a new "good shepherd," with the election of Pope Leo XIV. He invoked this image in his first words to the world:

*"Peace be with you all!*

*Dear brothers and sisters, these are the first words spoken by the risen Christ, the Good Shepherd who laid down His life for God's flock. I would like this greeting of peace to resound in your hearts, in your families, among all people, wherever they may be, in every nation and throughout the world.*

*Peace be with you! It is the peace of the risen Christ. A peace that is unarmed and disarming, humble and persevering. A peace that comes from God, the God who loves us all, unconditionally."*

This image of God as a good shepherd, as a kind and gentle god, was somewhat unique in Jesus' time, but then so was the idea of a god who would be willing to suffer and die for us.

I believe that this image of the Good Shepherd has endured precisely because of its radical departure of a more common

image of a distant and disinterested and sometimes even vengeful god. A reality that was much more common in the religions of the ancient world.

The gods were deities to whom you made sacrifices to appease their anger and rage for any possible slights or missteps against them you may have made, and thus survive for another day.

This image of "the good shepherd" tells us that our God loves us and cares for us and journeys with us as we travel through the valleys and hills of our lives. Our God holds us in his hands!

But too, it may well speak to us of what we are called to be...in Christ's image... "good shepherds" of the lost and vulnerable, of the poor and the forsaken. As disciples of Christ we are called to reach out to the poor; to reach out to the marginalized and the ones society and our new administration dismisses or demeans. As disciples we are called to stand up for them and with them demanding justice and the protection of their rights.

And as we have just recently celebrated Earth Day, we recognize that truly "good shepherds" also recognize the importance of all of creation and the responsibility for our environment, for our sheep depend on a healthy ecosystem. So as "good shepherds" we are also called to care for creation, to be aware of how our lives impact the earth and the lives of all other living creatures.

And so we ask ourselves: how am I being called to be a "good shepherd"...in my family, in my school or place of work, in my community, in my nation, and in the wider world? What am I willing to risk "as a good shepherd" for the sake of the flock...for the sake of creation...for building up of the Reign of God where all people are respected, valued and loved?

And special Easter blessings to all mothers and to all the women who "mother", care for, protect, teach and mentor the young and not so young. Thank you! May the peace of the Risen Christ be with you always!

Easter Blessing,

Fr. Tim

**To all the women of OLQP on this special day when we honor "mothers" -**

**those who care for and nurture others:**

**We wish you a blessed and joy-filled day today.**

**Thank you for all you do to enrich our lives and care for our daily needs.**

**A todas las mujeres de OLQP este día especial cuando honramos a las "madres"-**

**quienes cuidan y nutren a otras personas:**

**Hoy les deseamos un día de bendiciones y alegría.**

**Gracias por todo lo que hacen para enriquecer nuestras vidas y ocuparse de todas nuestras necesidades diarias.**



**CONGRATULATIONS**

to our 2025 Jubilee of Youth  
FLYAWAY FUNDRAISER RAFFLE WINNERS:

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| 1. Moseley Causey | 3. Germaine Leahy |
| 2. Cora Martin    | 4. Jane Oates     |

Thank you to everyone who entered and for your continued support of our youth and young adult ministries.

**FELICIDADES**

**A LAS PERSONAS GANDORAS DE LA RIFA  
FLY AWAY PARA RECAUDAR FONDOS**

**Para el jubileo de nuestros peregrinos adolescentes:**

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|-------------------|-------------------|
| 1. Moseley Causey | 3. Germaine Leahy |
| 2. Cora Martin    | 4. Jane Oates     |

Gracias a todas las personas que participaron en la rifa y por su continuo apoyo de nuestros ministerios para adolescentes y jóvenes adultos.

**ATTENTION OLQP PARISH COMMUNITY:**

**Parking Lot Repaving**

The Parking Lot will be closed Thursday and Friday May 29<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup> for paving and stripping. A full 48 hours will be needed to complete the job. The Ministry Center will also be closed during this time.

Buildings that can be entered from 19<sup>th</sup> St or Edgewood St will be open for Masses and meetings and ministry access (Church, Parish Office Building, Hall, 1915 Edgewood St).

Please plan to park on the street. The parking lot will open again Saturday morning.

**FEDERAL WORKERS** -- We will gather on Tuesday, May 13, at 7pm in the Library of Father Ray Hall. The theme will be *Moving beyond being Fed up* and the second topic being discussed is *Career Advancement*. Please join us for these hours of information and fellowship.

**FOOD COLLECTION WEEKEND: This weekend, May 10-11**, is food collection weekend to stock our very busy food pantry, 981 families served this past Wednesday! Please pick up some or all of 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, 1lb bags of white rice, 1lb 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.

**GUN VIOLENCE PREVENTION & MEMORIAL DAY**

**PARADE:** Join fellow OLQP members for the Falls Church City Memorial Day Parade and Festival on Monday, May 26<sup>th</sup>. We participate with the Concerned Citizens Against Gun Violence for this event. If you would like to participate with the contingency for Our Lady Queen of Peace, please contact Sally Diaz-Wells:

[sdiazwells@olqpva.org](mailto:sdiazwells@olqpva.org)

**NATIONAL FOSTER CARE MONTH**

May is National Foster Care month, and OLQP parishioners join together to support children and youths in our local foster care system. We will donate personal care items to Comfort Cases, a local organization that provides new backpacks full of vital supplies for kids in the system. You can drop off your donations throughout the month of May in the vestibule of Fr. Ray Hall. Contact the *Building Forever Families* ministry for more information ([Debralpholqp@gmail.com](mailto:Debralpholqp@gmail.com) or [Rebecca.e.carpenter@gmail.com](mailto:Rebecca.e.carpenter@gmail.com)). Thank you!

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**ATENCIÓN COMUNIDAD DE LA PARROQUIA OLQP:**

**Repavimentación del estacionamiento**

El estacionamiento va a estar cerrado el jueves, 29 y el viernes 30 para repavimentarlo y rayarlo. Se necesitan 48 horas para completar el trabajo. El Ministry Center también va a estar cerrado esos dos días.

Los edificios a los que se puede entrar de 19th St. o Edgewood St. van a estar abiertos para las Misas, reuniones y acceso a los ministerios (la iglesia, el edificio de la oficina parroquial, el Hall, 1915 Edgewood St).

Por favor planee estacionar en la calle. El estacionamiento abrirá otra vez el domingo por la mañana.

**TRABAJADORES FEDERALES** – Nos vamos a reunir el martes, 13 de mayo, a las 7pm en la Biblioteca de Father Ray Hall. El tema va a ser *Más allá del estar harto* y el Segundo tema que se discutirá es *Desarrollo profesional*. Por favor únase a nosotros para estas horas informativas y diversión.

**EL FIN DE SEMANA DE RECOGIDA DE ALIMENTOS:** El fin de semana del 10-11 de mayo, es el fin de semana de recogida de alimentos para nuestra despensa de alimentos. Por favor compre algunos de estos artículos o todos: Tuna en latas o en sobres, harina instantánea de maíz amarilla para tortillas (no corn meal), cereal (de baja azúcar), lata de fruta en su propio jugo, lata de maíz, lata de guisantes dulces, bolsas de 1lb. de arroz blanco, bolsas de 1lb. de frijoles negros, pintos o lentejas, 1 caja de 1lb de macarrones y queso, botella de 24 onzas de aceite, caja de 1 lb. de pasta y salsa para pasta. Gracias por su continuo apoyo.

**PREVENCIÓN DE LA VIOLENCIA CAUSADA POR ARMAS DE FUEGO Y DESFILE DEL DÍA DE LA RECORDACIÓN**

– Únase a otras personas de OLQP para participar en el Desfile y festival del día de la recordación de la ciudad de Falls Church el lunes, 26 de mayo. Para este evento participamos con los Concerned Citizens Against Gun Violence. Si desea participar con la contingencia de Nuestra Señora Reina de la Paz, comuníquese con Sally Díaz-Wells: [sdiazwells@olqpva.org](mailto:sdiazwells@olqpva.org).

**MES NACIONAL DEL CUIDADO TUTELAR**

Mayo es el Mes nacional del cuidado tutelar y los feligreses de OLQP se unen para apoyar a niñas, niños y jóvenes en nuestro sistema de cuidado tutelar local. Vamos a donar artículos de cuidado personal a Comfort Cases, una organización local que provee mochilas nuevas llenas de artículos básicos para quienes están en el sistema. Puede traer sus donaciones durante mayo al vestíbulo de Fr. Ray Hall. Contacte a alguien en el ministerio *Crear familias para siempre* para obtener más información ([Debralpholqp@gmail.com](mailto:Debralpholqp@gmail.com) o [Rebecca.e.carpenter@gmail.com](mailto:Rebecca.e.carpenter@gmail.com)). ¡Gracias!

**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](mailto:rgrantjenkins@olapva.org), or drop them off. They will be scanned and returned.

### **ALEXANDRIA COMMUNITY SHELTER DINNER SERVICE - WEDNESDAY, MAY 14**

Menu: Chicken Breasts or Chicken Tenders, Macaroni and Cheese, Green Beans, Green Salad, Strawberries and Pineapple, Chocolate Chip Cookies and Lemonade

Food donations can be delivered to the parish office kitchen from Monday to Wednesday during office hours (8:30am - 4:30pm). Alternatively, you can bring food to Fr. Ray Hall kitchen on the day of the dinner between 4:15pm and 4:45pm. Please label all food items with the date and a description, and place them in the refrigerator, freezer, or on the counter.

If you are delivering food directly to the Shelter located at 2355-B Mill Rd, Alexandria, please label the items in the same manner, adding "OLQP" and "Dinner." Contact Emily Porterfield with questions: [Bellefontebarbelle@gmail.com](mailto:Bellefontebarbelle@gmail.com)

Use this link to sign-up via [Sign-Up Genius](https://www.signupgenius.com/go/409054BABA2BA7F49-56388620-acsdinnermay):

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### **CARPENTER'S SHELTER DINNER, THURSDAY, MAY 15**

Our dinner this month is baked or fried chicken, mac and cheese, salad, green beans, fruit, brownies & lemonade. Your food can be delivered to the parish office kitchen Monday through Thursday, during their office hours, 8:30-4:30, or to Fr. Ray Hall kitchen on the day of dinner, 4:30-5:00pm. Please label food with "Carpenter's Shelter", date, description and place it in the refrigerator, freezer or counter. Please note, if you're delivering directly to the Shelter (930 N. Henry Street in Alexandria), label food the same adding our church name & "dinner". If you have a question, please contact [mary.resnick@gmail.com](mailto:mary.resnick@gmail.com).

### **FEAST OF ST. ISIDORE GARDEN GATHERING**

**Thursday, May 15 | 7:00pm**  
**Isidore's Garden**

Celebrate the Feast of St. Isidore, patron saint of farmers, with a relaxed evening in our parish garden. We'll offer a brief blessing of the garden and season ahead, officially launch our garden geocache, and invite you to contribute to a garden prayer capsule—a collection of hopes and prayers to be opened next spring. Garden tours and light refreshments will be available. All are welcome—kids, families, volunteers, and anyone who enjoys peaceful moments in a beautiful garden setting. Stop by, bring a friend, or simply enjoy time in the garden. Questions? Email [julenejarnot@gmail.com](mailto:julenejarnot@gmail.com).

#### **ISIDORE'S GARDEN**



**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](mailto:rgrantjenkins@olapva.org), o tráigalos. Los escanaremos y se los devolveremos.

### **CENA DEL REFUGIO DE ALEXANDRIA COMMUNITY EL MIÉRCOLES, 14 DE MAYO**

Menú: Pechugas de pollo o filetes de pollo, macarrones y queso, frijoles verdes, ensalada verde, fresas y piña, galletas con trocitos de chocolate y limonada. Puede llevar las donaciones de comida a la cocina de la oficina de la parroquia de lunes a miércoles durante las horas de trabajo (8:30am a 4:30pm). También puede llevar comida a la cocina de Fr. Ray Hall el día de la cena entre las 4:15pm y 4:45pm. Por favor identifique la comida con la fecha y la descripción y póngala en el refrigerador, congelador o mostrador.

Si va a llevar la comida directamente al Refugio en 2355-B Mill Rd, Alexandria, por favor identifíquela de la misma manera y añada "OLQP" y "Dinner". Contacte Emily Porterfield si tiene preguntas: [Bellefontebarbelle@gmail.com](mailto:Bellefontebarbelle@gmail.com) Use este enlace para apuntarse por [Sign-Up Genius](https://www.signupgenius.com/go/409054BABA2BA7F49-56388620-acsdinnermay):

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### **LA CENA REFUGIO DEL CARPINTERO, EL JUEVES, 15 DE MAYO**

La cena este mes es pollo asado o frito, macarrones y queso, ensalada, judías verdes, frutas, brownies y limonada. Puede llevar sus contribuciones a la oficina de la parroquia de lunes a jueves de 8:30 a 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. Atención, si va a llevar la comida al refugio directamente el día de la comida (930 N. Henry Street in Alexandria), identifíquela de la misma manera y añada el nombre de nuestra iglesia y "dinner". Si tiene alguna pregunta, por favor contacte a Mary Resnick, [mary.resnick@gmail.com](mailto:mary.resnick@gmail.com).

### **REUNIÓN PARA LA FIESTA DEL JARDÍN DE SAN ISIDORO**

**Jueves, 15 de mayo | 7:00pm**  
**Jardín de Isidoro**

Celebre la fiesta de San Isidoro, santo patrón de agricultores, pasando una noche relajada en el jardín de nuestra parroquia. Ofreceremos una breve bendición para el jardín y la temporada que viene, oficialmente iniciaremos el geocaché de nuestro jardín y les invitaremos a contribuir a una cápsula de oración del jardín – una colección de lo que esperamos y oraciones que veremos la primavera que viene cuando la abramos. Va a haber visitas guiadas y refrigerios. Todas las personas son bienvenidas – niñas, niños, familias, personas voluntarias y cualquiera que disfruta de momentos de calma en un hermoso jardín. Venga, traiga a una amiga o un amigo o simplemente disfrute de pasar tiempo en el jardín. ¿Tiene preguntas? Mande un correo electrónico a [julenejarnot@gmail.com](mailto:julenejarnot@gmail.com).

**MAKING PLANS FOR THE SUMMER?** Make sure to plan for your offertory as well! When your summer travels take you away from Sunday Masses, eGiving lets you continue to support our parish and the ministries you cherish. You can sign up from your computer, smartphone or tablet, and set up a recurring donation or make a one-time gift.

Recurring gifts sustain our parish through the busy summer months. You'll provide us with consistent support, even if you're away on a Sunday, so the programs, services, and ministries that mean so much to our community will never miss a beat. Sign up today by visiting [faith.direct/VA271](http://faith.direct/VA271) or call their Customer Service team at 866-507-8757.

**CRS RICE BOWL** – We are still looking for your bowls. Please turn them in as soon as possible so we can celebrate the total funds raised. If you wish to write a check payable to OLQP with CRS Rice Bowl on the memo line. Your generosity has supported neighbors near and far. Hope your journey has been one of learning. Thank you.

*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.*

#### **MEDOR REFLECTION**

In today's responsorial psalm we hear: "We are his people, the sheep of his flock". Just as Jesus, the Good Shepherd, cares for his flock, we are called to Shepherd our brothers and sisters through the partnership that OLQP shares with our Medor, Haiti family. We demonstrate this call by supporting education for 3,300 students, through the planting of 1.5M trees through the agroforestry program, and through the promotion of clean water and solar energy initiatives in Medor. As shepherds, we nurture their efforts, which have undoubtedly improved life in Medor, as former students return as adults to fill full-time jobs, as more families have clean water, and as crops grown feed the hungry. Furthermore, as the Haiti Easter Drive comes to a close, remember that all involved are His sheep - we can trust Jesus to protect us at OLQP, and our family in Medor, as our longstanding partnership continues. Please consider a donation to the Haiti Easter Drive as the Haiti Easter Drive concludes.



#### **SPANISH SPEAKING PILGRIMAGE**

Join Father Jeb Donelan's pilgrimage -- Spanish-speaking trip, although English speakers are welcome to attend. The trip dates are October 14 - 23 and the cost is \$3390 (land-only), with group airfare available from Dulles for an additional \$1274. This pilgrimage includes a number of incredible cities and shrines, such as Rome, Assisi, San Giovanni Rotondo, Orvieto and Monte Cassino.

Webpage/Registration Portal:

<https://prorometours.com/cursillodecristiandad/>  
English Brochure: <https://prorometours.com/wp-content/uploads/2021/05/Fr.-Jeb-Donelans-Brochure-6.pdf>

Spanish Brochure: <https://prorometours.com/wp-content/uploads/2021/05/Spanish-Fr.-Jeb-Donelans-Brochure-2.pdf>

**¿HACIENDO PLANES PARA EL VERANO?** ¡Asegúrese de planificar su ofertorio también! Cuando sus viajes de verano lo alejan de las Misas dominicales, eGiving le permite continuar apoyando nuestra iglesia y los ministerios que valora. Puede apuntarse desde su computadora, teléfono inteligente o tableta, y configurar una donación recurrente o hacer un regalo único.

Las donaciones recurrentes sostienen a nuestra parroquia durante los ajetrechos meses de verano. Nos brindará un apoyo constante, aunque esté fuera un domingo, y así los programas, servicios y ministerios que significan tanto para nuestra comunidad nunca perderán el ritmo.

Puede apuntarse en línea en [faith.direct/VA271](http://faith.direct/VA271) o llamar al servicio al cliente de Faith Direct al 866-507-8757.

**PLATO DE ARROZ CRS** – Todavía queremos sus platos. Por favor entréguelos tan pronto como sea posible para poder celebrar el total que se recaudó. Si desea puede escribir un cheque a nombre de OLQP con CRS en la línea del asunto. Su generosidad ha apoyado a personas cerca y lejos. Esperamos que su jornada haya sido una de aprendizaje. Gracias.

#### **THEATRE CAMPS AT ST. JAMES**

Join fellow students in the diocese to show off your dramatic flair and make new friends at this beginners acting camp. In this one week session for 3<sup>rd</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> graders, campers will gain hands-on experience in the theatre through writing their own bios for the program, memorizing their lines and learning to project their voices. Camps offered June 16-20 and 23-27, Mon-Fri, 9am-2pm. Cost: \$300.

Use this QR code to register:



#### **GUN VIOLENCE PREVENTION & GUN SAFETY ISSUES**

A virtual meeting (ZOOM) is planned for Wednesday, May 14 at 7:30pm to discuss upcoming events and activities for participation with interested and concerned parishioners. This Zoom session (no more than 1 hour) is convened to assess interest.

Please RSVP ([anne.murphy2244@gmail.com](mailto:anne.murphy2244@gmail.com)) to receive the zoom link to join the discussion.

**ECO-TIP** from the Integrity of Creation Ministry: Subscribe to environmental updates in your community! Check out [arlingtonva.us/About-Arlington/Newsroom/Subscribe](http://arlingtonva.us/About-Arlington/Newsroom/Subscribe), [alexandriava.gov/eNews](http://alexandriava.gov/eNews), [fallschurchurchva.gov/list.aspx](http://fallschurchurchva.gov/list.aspx), [fairfaxcounty.gov/email/lists/](http://fairfaxcounty.gov/email/lists/), [fairfaxva.gov/residents/news-and-information/fairfax-city-connected](http://fairfaxva.gov/residents/news-and-information/fairfax-city-connected), [dc.gov/page/subscribe](http://dc.gov/page/subscribe), [montgomerycountymd.gov/mcg/subscribe.html](http://montgomerycountymd.gov/mcg/subscribe.html), and/or [princegeorgescountymd.gov/news-events/news/sign-myppgc-emails-and-notifications](http://princegeorgescountymd.gov/news-events/news/sign-myppgc-emails-and-notifications).



11 de mayo de 2025

Amados hermanos y hermanas en Cristo:

Nuestros sacerdotes diocesanos han dedicado su vida a servirnos y a guiarnos en nuestro peregrinaje de fe a lo largo de nuestra existencia y muchos siguen ofreciendo su ministerio sacerdotal durante la jubilación. Han renovado en nosotros la gracia de Cristo al celebrar los sacramentos, predicar el Evangelio, darnos aliento para cargar las cruces de la vida y rezar por nosotros y nuestras familias. Siguen rezando por nosotros y sirviendo a la diócesis y al Pueblo de Dios durante sus años de jubilación.

En la actualidad, hay 176 sacerdotes diocesanos al servicio de la Diócesis de Arlington. De ellos, 29 sacerdotes están jubilados y, en los próximos diez años, otros 22 llegarán a la edad de jubilación. En todas las Misas celebradas el fin de semana del 17 y 18 de mayo, se realizará en las parroquias la segunda colecta anual para los sacerdotes jubilados.

Los fondos de esta colecta anual se emplearán para atender varias necesidades específicas, incluso los continuos gastos operativos de la *Villa de Jubilación Sacerdotal Santa Rosa de Lima*, una residencia para un máximo de 15 sacerdotes. Esta colecta especial también proporcionará fondos para la atención de salud, el cuidado en hogares geriátricos y el fondo de pensiones de los sacerdotes después de la jubilación.

Les ruego que sean generosos en la medida de sus posibilidades, de manera que nuestros sacerdotes, que han servido fielmente al Pueblo de Dios en la diócesis, puedan recibir cuidado en sus años de jubilación.

Que Nuestro Señor Jesús los bendiga con su paz y con más fe, esperanza y amor durante el Año Jubilar y siempre.

Fielmente en Cristo,

Monseñor Michael F. Burbidge  
Obispo de la Diócesis de Arlington



May 11, 2025

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Our diocesan priests dedicated their lives to serving and guiding us on our life-long journey of faith, and many continue to offer their priestly ministry in retirement. They renewed us in the grace of Christ by celebrating the sacraments, preaching the Gospel, offering encouragement through life's crosses, and praying for us and our families. They continue to pray for us and serve the diocese and God's people in their retirement years.

Currently there are 176 diocesan priests serving the Diocese of Arlington. Of these, 29 priests are retired, and over the next ten years, 22 additional priests will reach retirement age. At all Masses on *May 17-18*, the annual second collection for retired priests will take place in parishes.

The funds from this annual collection address several specific needs, including the ongoing operational expenses of the *Saint Rose of Lima Priests' Retirement Villa*, a residence for up to 15 priests. This special collection will also provide funds for clergy post-retirement health care, nursing home care, and the priests' pension fund.

I ask you to be as generous as possible so that our priests, who have faithfully served the People of God in the diocese, may be cared for in their retirement years.

May Our Lord Jesus bless you with his peace and increased faith, hope, and love throughout the Jubilee Year and always.

Sincerely in Christ,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Michael F. Burbidge".

Most Reverend Michael F. Burbidge  
Bishop of Arlington



# SUPPORT YOUR RETIRED PRIESTS

## Areas of Support:

- St. Rose of Lima Priests' Retirement Villa
- Funds for future healthcare needs
- The Priests' Pension Fund

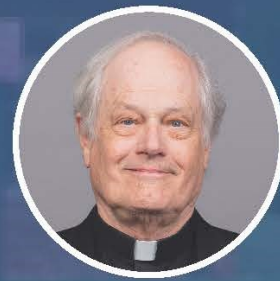


"My retired brother priests and I are truly blessed to know of the care and compassion shown by parishioners through this special collection which helps to support us in our retirement years."

-Msgr. John Cregan

## Our Priests at a Glance:

- Diocesan Priests: 176
- Retired: 29
- Retiring within 10 years: 22



"Being retired and living at St. Rose of Lima Priest Retirement Villa is a great blessing. I am thankful for all who support us in our retirement."

-Fr. Tuck Grinnell



**Special Collection is  
May 17th-18th!**



## May is National Foster Care Month



Foster Care is a temporary living arrangement providing care and parenting for children who can no longer live in their homes due to abuse, neglect or other severe family problems. Children may need foster families for a few days, months or longer.

National Foster Care Month provides an opportunity to focus on the needs of children and youth in foster care. We are encouraged to get involved in their lives – whether as foster parents, volunteers, mentors, employers, or in other ways. At OLQP, we support children in foster care and their foster families in a variety of ways, including through the *Building Forever Families* ministry.

### **Kids in foster care need you. Here's how you can support them:**

- **Become a foster or adoptive parent.** [AdoptUSKids.org](http://AdoptUSKids.org) or [AlexandriaVA.gov/adoption](http://AlexandriaVA.gov/adoption)
- **Support an unaccompanied refugee minor (URM).** [Lsnca.org](http://Lsnca.org)
- **Become a mentor to a local youth in foster care.** [BestKids.org](http://BestKids.org)
- **Support young people aging out of the foster care system.** [LifesetNetwork.org](http://LifesetNetwork.org)
- **Sponsor a child for a summer or a weekend, and advocate to help them find their forever family.** [KidSave.org](http://KidSave.org)
- **Join the BFF ministry in donating supplies to Comfort Cases, providing personal items for children as they transition into foster care.** [ComfortCases.org](http://ComfortCases.org)
- **Pray that waiting children will find the security and love of a forever family.**

For more info, or to join the *Building Forever Families* ministry, contact Debra & Ralph Johnson ([Debralpholqp@gmail.com](mailto:Debralpholqp@gmail.com)) or Rebecca Carpenter ([Rebecca.e.carpenter@gmail.com](mailto:Rebecca.e.carpenter@gmail.com))

# May is National Foster Care Month

*You can make a difference for children in our area!*

Did you know there are more than 11,000 children in foster care in Virginia, Maryland, and D.C., and more than 425,000 nationally?

The *Building Forever Families (BFF)* ministry at OLQP supports these kids in a variety of ways, especially during National Foster Care Month.

Throughout the month, **we will gather items to donate to Comfort Cases, and we encourage all OLQP parishioners to join us.** Comfort Cases gives new backpacks to children in our local foster care system, to help them transport their belongings during what can be a time of great instability.

***Donations of NEW items can be dropped off any time in May, in the plastic bin in the vestibule of Father Ray Hall, or in the office. Thank you for helping children in our foster system!***



***Backpacks or small duffel bags***  
***Small blankets***  
***Shampoo & Conditioner***  
***Deodorant***  
***Coloring books & Crayons***  
***Lotion***

***Pajamas (newborn to adult XXL)***  
***Toothbrushes & Toothpaste***  
***Soap or Body Wash***  
***Stuffed animals***  
***Journals & Pens/Pencils***  
***Books (for toddlers to teens)***

Questions? Contact Debra Johnson at [Debralpholqp@gmail.com](mailto:Debralpholqp@gmail.com).



## A Prayer for Pope Leo XIV

God of all people,

In trust and gratitude, we turn to your Holy Spirit. We know your Spirit has been active during this time of conclave, guiding the prayerful discernment that has brought your Church to this important moment. Now, as Pope Leo XIV assumes the Petrine Ministry, we pray that your Spirit draw ever closer to our new Holy Father, illuminating his path so that he may faithfully see and respond to the needs of your people.

We pray that Pope Leo XIV be strengthened in his ministry. May he continue building bridges that connect us to one another. May he be an example of faith, hope and love. We pray that you give him joy in his work and a renewed fervor for your Gospel message. May he never lose sight of Christ who walks before us and among us — particularly in the most vulnerable, the forgotten and the outcast.

Christ Jesus, bless Pope Leo XIV — and bless us, your holy people, as together we strive to be your Body in our wounded world.

Amen.

(jesuits.org)