

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:

November 15-16 11:15am and 1pm in Spanish
15-16 Noviembre 11:15am 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 CATHOLIC CHURCH



November 16, 2025

**THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME**

BLACK CATHOLIC HISTORY MONTH

**“To be Black and Catholic
means to get in touch with
the world’s Church ...”**

— *Servant of God Sister Thea Bowman*



**“All that you see
here --
the days will
come when there
will not be left a
stone upon
another stone
that will not be
thrown down.”**
Luke 21:6



**“Días vendrán
en que no
quedará
piedra sobre
piedra de todo
esto que están
admirando; todo
será destruido”.**
Lucas 21,6

THIS WEEKEND'S SECOND COLLECTION:
RETIREMENT FUND FOR RELIGIOUS
SEGUNDA COLECTA DE ESTE FIN DE SEMANA:
FONDO DE JUBILACIÓN PARA RELIGIOSAS Y RELIGIOSOS

NEXT WEEKEND'S SECOND COLLECTION:
CAMPAIGN FOR HUMAN DEVELOPMENT
SEGUNDA COLECTA DEL PRÓXIMO FIN DE SEMANA:
CAMPAÑA PARA EL DESARROLLO HUMANO

Iglesia Católica Nuestra Señora Reina de la Paz

16 de noviembre de 2025

Vigesimaltercer Domingo en el Tiempo Ordinario

A Consistent Ethic of Life Catholic Community

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 Collections / Colectas del domingo: \$9,589
Archdiocese of the Military /
Arquidiócesis para servicios Militares: \$4,025
ParishSoft Giving - weekly avg.: \$13,985

Word & Eucharist Missalette/

Misal Palabra y Eucaristía

Today's readings can be found on page 976
Las lecturas de hoy se encuentran en la página 977

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, Chris Bruns, Mary Callow, Brody Carroll, Antonio Fernandez Castillo, Louise Chambers, Fred Clarke, Carmen Rosa Claire, Chris Comer, Jeff Cory, Adele Crump, Mary DaLuca, Cheryl Darby, Donna Davis, 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, Jo Marie Griesgraber, Melanie Guitreaux, Joe Harrington, Harris Family, Linda Hawkins, Clare Hayden, Dee Hickey, Pamela Hoelt, Jan Hyland, Patrick Hynes, Pat Johnson, Sharon Jourdan, William Kahl, Gus Karns, Ruth Klarman, Carmen Andrea Lara, Alexa LaRue, Patrick Lawrey, John Lawyer, 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, Paul Murray, Dorothy Myrtle, Mario Amel Najarro, Karen Newman, Stephen Nutter, Julie O'Brien, Peggy O'Brien, Joseph O'Connor, Patrick Ogden, Carol Pacello, Roy Paco, Neil Parent, Catherine Parr, Mary Pasquarella, Mark Pazich, Minnie Pazich, Paul Ramirez, Santos Ramirez, 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, Suzie Snedgen Warner, Eva Souza, Grace Starbird, George Stewart, Michael Arthur Sweat, Nancy Urquizo, Alma Reyes Valentin, Carina Vaquez, Robin Vogel, Robert & Maureen Wallace, Jim Webster, Al Williams, Kate Witkowski, Lauren Wolfe, Mary Woods

THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME VIGESIMOTERCER DOMINGO EN EL TIEMPO ORDINARIO

Malachi 3:19-20a (159C); 2 Thessalonians 3:7-12; Luke 21:5-19
Malaquías 3,19-20a (159C); 2 Tesalonicenses 3,7-12; Lucas 21,5-19

THE SOLEMNITY OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE LA SOLEMNIDAD DE NUESTRO SEÑOR JESUCRISTO, REY DEL UNIVERSO

2 Samuel 5:1-3 (160C); Colossians 1:12-20; Luke 23:35-43
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MASS INTENTIONS, NOVEMBER 15-21 THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME INTENCIONES DE LAS MISAS, 15-21 NOVIEMBRE VIGESIMOTERCER DOMINGO EN EL TIEMPO ORDINARIO

Saturday, November 15th

5:30 pm Bob Wilson (Birthday) (D) by Kate Wilson

Sunday, November 16th

8:00 am For The Parish

9:30 am Vince Jordan (D) by Minkisi Ministry

11:15 am Protacio Jose Francia (D) by Luis R. Francia, Sr.'s family

1:00 pm Rufino Roger Villca Yucra (Birthday) (D) by Lourdes Villca Yucra

6:00 pm Ana Chuman (D) by Lilia Koechlin

Monday, November 17th

12:00 pm - Funeral Service-Joey Barresi

Tuesday, November 18th

12:00 pm Francis (Anniversary) (D) by the Lovo family

Wednesday, November 19th

12:00 pm Thomas C. Johnson (D) by his family

Thursday, November 20th

12:00 pm Deceased Members of the Oetgen-Sheean family
by the Oetgen Family

Friday, November 21st

12:00 pm Tomas Chan Gonzaga (D) by Judith Francia-Reyes & family

OLQP PARISH STAFF / PERSONAL DE LA PARROQUIA

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Zulema Ramallo and Henry Nguyen

JUST A THOUGHT...or two...

As we are careening towards the end of the liturgical year, our readings look towards the end times. The first reading, the Prophet Malachi warns that the proud and evildoers will be set on fire and turned to stubble! The same prophet also warns doom and destruction to those who turn their backs on widows, orphans and aliens and those who refuse to pay a just wage to their workers. And while it all sounds like bad news, he also says that the sun of justice will arise with “healing rays” for those who fear the Lord.

In the Gospel, Jesus clearly tells his disciples that it will not be easy for them...nor for us! Jesus tells them that they need to be prepared because some of them will be hated and handed over and some put to death, all because of his name! But he will secure them! And he said to them that by perseverance they would secure their lives! So, Jesus tells the disciples that they have an active role to play...they have to preserve in the struggle of their discipleship and their proclamation of the Good News! Jesus makes it clear that it is no easy thing to be a disciple! The costs are great...even one’s life may be demanded of them!

He warns of hard times to come, and we now live in hard times: wars and civil unrest rage, tyrants rule with iron fists and cruel hearts bent on building up their personal wealth at the cost of their people’s welfare and very lives.

Here, we worry about food insecurity, access to healthcare and affordable housing in one of the richest countries in the world...1 out of 5 children go to bed hungry, and so very many of our elected politicians seem not to care at all, only interested in pet projects that keep them in office.

All of these readings that tell of the evils that will befall the nations in the end times are meant as a warning, telling us to be on guard against greed and cruelty and lack of love of neighbor. But they also tell of the sun of justice coming with it healing rays.

Jesus promises to be with us until the end of time, never leaving us abandoned. So in the midst of all the suffering and chaos this is hope that comes to us through our faith in God’s desire that we continue to build up the Reign of God...by living our discipleship through our words and actions in our daily lives; by who and what we stand with and who and what we stand against; by choosing kindness and compassion over cruelty and hate.

Sacred scripture tells us that in the end, God’s ways always prevails, and we are not alone in the struggle for what is good and right and just, for the Holy Spirit dwells within each one of us and guides us and guards us as we move forward.

Fr. Tim

E-GIVING PEW STICKERS TAKE YOU TO ParishSOFT GIVING

The e-giving stickers on the backside of the pews will take you to the new online giving portal: ParishSOFT Giving. If you have an established account, click on sign in. If you are making a one-time gift use “give now,” enter the donation amount and click on one-time gift then make your fund selection (Sunday Collection, Food Pantry, General Donation, etc.) and continue to complete the form.

If you are having problems accessing your account (formerly Faith Direct), please contact donor support: 866-930-4774 option 6 or donorsupport@parishsoft.com.

Remember to use the email address you originally used when you created the account with Faith Direct. ParishSOFT Giving: <https://giving.parishsoft.com/App/Giving/FD-271>

LAS PEGATINAS DE E-GIVING LE LLEVAN A ParishSOFT GIVING

Las pegatinas de e-giving en la parte de atrás de las bancas le llevarán al nuevo portal de donaciones en línea: ParishSOFT Giving. Si tiene una cuenta establecida, haga clic en *sign in*. Si hace una donación única, use “give now,” ponga la cantidad de la donación y haga clic en “one time gift” y entonces seleccione su fondo (Sunday Collection, Food Pantry, General Donation, etc.) y continúe para completar el formulario.

Si tiene problemas accediendo a su cuenta (anteriormente Faith Direct), por favor contacte apoyo para donantes; 866-930-4774 opción 6 o donorsupport@parishsoft.com.

Recuerde usar la dirección de correo electrónico que usó originalmente cuando creó la cuenta con Faith Direct. ParishSOFT Giving: <https://giving.parishsoft.com/App/Giving/FD-271>

YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY:

Join The TAU Young Adult Ministry for its annual **Advent Morning of Reflection** on Saturday, December 6th. This parish-wide event will be a walk through Advent with John the Baptist, Mary, and Joseph led by Sister Liz Sjoberg of the Daughters of Charity of St. Vincent de Paul. Sister Liz is the Vocational Director for the Sisters of Charity and co-hosts the "In the Company of Charity" podcast on the Spotify and Apple platforms. To reserve your spot, please email Rebecca Grant Jenkins, rgrantjenkins@olqpva.org.

YOUTH MINISTRY:

OLQP 80th Anniversary Christmas Ornaments will be available for purchase by pre-order after the Masses November 22nd - December 14, while supplies last. The double-sided acrylic ornaments, with English and Spanish, are \$12 each. When pre-ordering through our ParishSoft Giving page, choose Christmas Ornament in the drop-down box. Proceeds go to the Youth & Young Adult World Youth Day 2027 pilgrimage. See flyers in the back of the church for pictures of the ornament. To pre-order, go to: <https://tinyurl.com/OLQPOrnament> or scan the QR code:



MINISTERIO DE JÓVENES ADULTOS:

Únete al **Ministerio TAU de jóvenes adultos para su Mañana de Reflexión de Adviento** el sábado, 6 de diciembre. Este evento parroquial va a ser un recorrido por el Adviento con Juan Bautista, María y José. La hermana Liz Sjoberg de las Hermanas de la Caridad de San Vicente de Paul va a dirigir el evento. La Hermana Liz es la directora de vocaciones de las Hermanas de la Caridad y co-patrocinadora el podcast "In the Company of Charity" en las plataformas Spotify y Apple. Para reservar tu lugar, por favor envíale un correo electrónico a Rebecca Grant Jenkins, rgrantjenkins@olqpva.org.

MINISTERIO DE ADOLESCENTES:

Los adornos navideños en OLQP celebran su 80 aniversario y van a estar disponibles para la compra por adelantado después de las Misas del 22 de noviembre al 14 de diciembre hasta que se agoten. Los adornos acrílicos, de doble cara, con inglés y español, cuestan \$12 cada uno. Cuando ordene por anticipado por la página ParishSoft, escoja *Christmas Ornament* en el cuadro de lista desplegable. Lo que se recaude va a apoyar la peregrinación del Día mundial de la juventud y jóvenes adultos 2027. Vea los volantes en la parte trasera de la iglesia para ver fotos de los adornos. Para ordenar por anticipado, vaya a: <https://tinyurl.com/OLQPOrnament> o escanee el código QR.

WORLD YOUTH DAY 2027 INFORMATION MEETING

Youth & Young Adults, 16-35, there will be a World Youth Day 2027 information meeting, December 2nd, at 7pm in the Founders Room. Youth & Young Adults 16-35 are the focus of this Diocesan pilgrimage to Asia. This meeting is just informational, no commitments is required. Contact Rebecca Grant Jenkins for details, rgrantjenkins@olqpva.org.

REUNIÓN INFORMATIVA DÍA MUNDIAL DE LA JUVENTUD 2027

Adolescentes y jóvenes adultos, de 16 a 35 años, va a haber una reunión informativa para el Día mundial de la juventud, el 2 de diciembre a las 7pm en el Founders Room. Los adolescentes y los jóvenes adultos son el centro de atención de esta peregrinación a Asia. Esta reunión es solo informativa y no se requiere un compromiso. Contacta a Rebecca Grant Jenkins para obtener detalles, rgrantjenkins@olqpva.org.

HELP THE FOOD PANTRY INCREASE ITS BUDGET

Giant Food Market at 2901-11 South Glebe Road, Arlington announced that OLQP's Food Pantry has been selected again as a nonprofit partner in the Giant Food Community Bag Program. Our Food Pantry will receive \$1 for each \$2.75 reusable Community Bag sold during the month of November 2025. Help the food pantry by purchasing recyclable food bags when you shop at Giant on South Glebe Road. Thank you.

AYUDE A QUE LA DESPENSA DE ALIMENTOS AUMENTE SU PRESUPUESTO

El supermercado Giant Food en 2901-11 South Glebe Road, Arlington anunció que la Despensa de alimentos de OLQP ha sido seleccionada otra vez como un socio sin fines de lucro en el Giant Food Community Bag Program. Nuestra Despensa de alimentos va a recibir \$1 por cada Community Bag reutilizable que se venda por \$2.75 durante el mes de noviembre 2025. Ayude a la Despensa de alimentos comprando bolsas reciclables cuando vaya de compras al Giant en South Glebe Road. Gracias.

JOIN FR. PONTIEN ON A CATHOLIC PILGRIMAGE Fatima, Lourdes, Zaragoza, Madrid

Fr. Pontien will lead a nine-day Marian Shrines pilgrimage to Portugal, France and Spain. The guided tour will be in English. Cost is \$3,900 for double occupancy and includes flight, hotel, motorcoach travel, breakfast and dinner. Those interested in single occupancy are encouraged to register early to guarantee space. (Cost does not include lunch, beverages at dinner, optional travel insurance or tips.) **A no-obligation information meeting is scheduled for November 10 at 7pm in the Founder's Room.**

Use this link for *online registration*: <https://www.unitours.com/OnlineBooking.aspx?url=UAB1110DO>

Use this link for pilgrimage details and to submit *paper registration* directly to Fr. Pontien:

<https://bit.ly/KenfackMarianShrines>

Brochures in both English and Spanish are available at the back of church this weekend.

ÚNASE AL PADRE PONTIEN PARA UNA PEREGRINACIÓN CATÓLICA

Fátima, Lourdes, Zaragoza, Madrid

Del 10 al 18 de noviembre 2026 el Padre Pontien va a ser el guía de una peregrinación mariana de nueve días a Portugal, Francia y España. La excursión guiada va a ser en inglés. El costo es de \$3,900 por habitación doble e incluye el vuelo, hotel, viajes por autocar, desayuno y cena. Las personas interesadas en una habitación sencilla deben inscribirse pronto para garantizar la disponibilidad. (El costo no incluye el almuerzo, bebidas en la cena, viajes opcionales o propinas.) **Se ha planeado tener una reunión sin compromiso para el 10 de noviembre a las 7 pm en el Founder's Room.**

Use este enlace para inscribirse **en línea**:

<https://www.unitours.com/OnlineBooking.aspx?url=UAB1110DO>

Use este enlace para obtener detalles de la peregrinación y para someter los **papeles para la inscripción** directamente al Padre Pontien: <https://bit.ly/KenfackMarianShrines>

Hay folletos disponibles en inglés y español en la parte de atrás de la iglesia este fin de semana.

CARPENTER'S SHELTER DINNER

Thursday November 20

Our dinner this month is salmon filets, fish sticks, tater tots, salad, fruit, brownies & lemonade. If you'd like to volunteer for the first time, contact mary.resnick@gmail.com to be included on email sign up. Your food can be delivered to the parish office kitchen Monday through Thursday 8:30-4:30pm the week of dinner, or to Fr. Ray Hall kitchen on the day of dinner, 4:30-5:00pm. Thank you!

NEWS FROM MEDOR

Hurricane Melissa did not cause loss of life or significant damage in Medor. This was not the case for six other rural communities that we know well through our links with Raising Haiti Foundation. Those communities suffered 37 deaths as well as major loss of livestock, crops, and homes. Please pray for people impacted by Hurricane Melissa. Please see the Haiti financial and achievement flyer in the back of church.

The Haiti Christmas Drive starts November 22. Printed and electronic cards, as well as additional information, will be available next week.

Please pray for peace and security in Haiti.

NATIONAL ADOPTION MONTH -- Of the millions of children around the world living outside of family care, it is estimated that 80% of them have at least one living parent or immediate family member who could care for them. And many children around the world are cared for by a family member other than their parent – this is called kinship care. Part of the mission of the Building Forever Families ministry is to support reunification efforts so children can be returned to their biological families when it is safe and appropriate to do so. If you're interested in learning more, we invite you to join us at the annual BFF Christmas gathering on 12/7. Contact the Building Forever Families ministry for details:

Rebecca.E.Carpenter@gmail.com or
DebralphOLQP@gmail.com.

LA CENA REFUGIO DEL CARPINTERO

El jueves, 20 de noviembre

Nuestra cena este mes es filetes de salmón, palitos de pescado (fish sticks), croquetas de papa (tater tots), ensalada, frutas, brownies y limonada. Si quisiera ofrecerse de persona voluntaria por primera vez, contacte a mary.resnick@gmail.com para que le incluyan en un correo electrónico para apuntarse. Puede llevar las contribuciones a la cocina de la oficina de la parroquia de lunes a jueves de 8:30am a 4:30pm o a la cocina de Fr. Ray Hall el día de la comida de 4:30 a 5:00pm. ¡Gracias!

NOTICIAS DE MEDOR

El huracán Melissa no causó pérdida de vidas ni daños considerables en Medor. Este no fue el caso para seis otras comunidades rurales que conocemos bien a través de nuestros enlaces con *Raising Haiti Foundation*. Esas comunidades sufrieron 37 muertes como también grandes pérdidas de ganado, cosechas y hogares. Por favor, recen por las personas afectadas por el huracán Melissa.

Por favor vea el volante en la parte trasera de la iglesia sobre las finanzas y los logros en Haití.

La Campaña de Navidad para Haití empieza el 22 de noviembre. La semana próxima vamos a tener tarjetas impresas y electrónicas.

Por favor rece por paz y seguridad en Haití.

MES NACIONAL DE LA ADOPCIÓN – De los millones de niñas y niños por todo el mundo que viven fuera del cuidado familiar, se estima que un 80% tiene por lo menos una madre o un padre vivo o un familiar que pudiera cuidarles. Y muchas niñas y niños por todo el mundo están bajo el cuidado de un familiar que no es ni su madre ni su padre. A esto se le llama cuidado por familiares. Parte de la misión de ministerio de Creando familias para siempre es apoyar los esfuerzos de reunificación para que las niñas y los niños puedan regresar a sus familias biológicas cuando es seguro y apropiado hacerlo. Si está interesada o interesado en saber más, le invitamos a unirse a nosotros para la reunión anual de Creando familias para siempre el 7 de diciembre. Contacte al ministerio de Creando familias para siempre para obtener detalles: Rebecca.E.Carpenter@gmail.com o DebralphOLQP@gmail.com.

Dear Parishioners,

In November 2022, Bishop Burbidge presented 23 strategic initiatives to the People of God in the Diocese of Arlington. Among those 23 initiatives was one exploring the interest of a Catholic-based Career and Technical Education (CTE)/ Vocational Program in the diocese. Recently, the diocese completed a first survey, and in that survey over 92% of respondents enthusiastically supported such a program.

This overwhelming response prompts the effort to advance to the next step: to survey for preferences on the model (or kind) of school and the location of that school. This is a momentous idea, and I respectfully ask each of you to take the survey out of personal interest or for the good of the diocese. The survey is available in English and Spanish.

The survey will be available from Oct 23 – November 23. You may find the survey here at this link or this QR code:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/CTEVOTECH>



Queridos feligreses,

En noviembre 2022, el Obispo Burbidge presentó 23 iniciativas estratégicas al Pueblo de Dios en la diócesis de Arlington. Entre esas 23 iniciativas se encontraba una que explora los intereses de un Programa vocacional en la diócesis de carreras y educación técnica basado en el catolicismo (*Career and Technical Education (CTE)/Vocational Program*). Recientemente, la diócesis completó una primera encuesta y en esa encuesta más del 92% de quienes respondieron apoyó tal programa.

Esta inmensa respuesta impulsa el esfuerzo de avanzar al próximo paso: hacer una encuesta para averiguar las preferencias del modelo (o tipo) de escuela y la ubicación de esa escuela. Esta idea es trascendental y les pido respetuosamente que completen la encuesta debido a su interés personal o por el bien de la diócesis.

La encuesta está disponible en inglés y en español. La encuesta estará disponible del 23 de octubre al 23 de noviembre. Puede encontrarla aquí en este enlace o este código QR:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/CTEVOTECH>

REMEMBERING OUR LOVED ONES:

The Book of Life

The month of November is traditionally a time of remembering and giving thanks for the many blessings God has given us in our lives. In this light, we call attention to the *Book of Life* in our sanctuary. We invite anyone who has experienced a loss this past year to add the name of that person to our *Book of Life* at the end of Mass. This will be a continual reminder to us year round of those who have gone before us marked with the sign of the faith and the need to reach out to those who have suffered a recent loss.

2025 SHOEBOX PROJECT

The annual Shoebox Project will take place on Sunday, December 14. This wonderful initiative helps us share warmth and care with our unhoused sisters and brothers during the holiday season. This year, we are implementing an extended donation drop-off window from December 1–13. Some suggested donations are: *travel size toiletries, socks, hats, gloves, etc.* A comprehensive list of items and volunteers' signs up will be published in the following weeks. Please clearly label all donations "Shoebox Project." Kindly do not send or drop off donations before December 1, as we will not have space for storage. If you have any questions please contact Monica Rivera at (787-603-6654), monicariver@gmail.com. Thank you for helping us spread kindness and compassion this season. ❤️



CHILDREN'S BOOKS NEEDED

The Food Pantry is seeking donations of children's new and gently used books (nursery rhymes, ABC's, early readers, children's education, etc.) for preschoolers through early grade levels. Books in both English and Spanish are welcome. Please leave clearly marked donations in the back of the church during your weekend masses, deliver to the ministry center, or leave in the Matthew 25 donation bin (which will be available after Thanksgiving). These books bring smiles of delight to children accompanying their parents to the Food Pantry!

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.

2ND ANNUAL SPREADING CHRONIC KIDNEY DISEASE AWARENESS through Gospel and Sacred Music with Maestro Jeffrey Corry (former 8am choir director), Sunday, November 23, 4pm at Pennsylvania Avenue Baptist Church, Washington DC. All proceeds will be donated to the Urban Kidney Alliance. Join us!

ECO-TIP: As we prepare for the season of Thanksgiving, let us follow the example of our Indigenous brothers and sisters by giving profound thanks for the many earthly gifts from our Creator, including the abundance of food provided by plants and animals. Respect these gifts by sharing them, not taking more than we need, and using all that we take.

RECORDANDO A NUESTROS SERES QUERIDOS:

El Libro de la vida

Tradicionalmente, el mes de noviembre es cuando recordamos y damos gracias por las muchas bendiciones que Dios nos ha dado en nuestras vidas. Por eso, destacamos el *Libro de la vida* en nuestro santuario. Invitamos a cualquier persona que ha sufrido la pérdida de un ser querido este último año a que añada el nombre de esa persona en el *Libro de la vida* después de la Misa. Este libro será un recordatorio constante para nosotros durante todo el año de las personas que han fallecido marcadas con la señal de nuestra fe y de la necesidad de ofrecerles apoyo a quienes han sufrido una pérdida reciente.

2025 PROYECTO DE LAS CAJAS DE ZAPATOS

El Proyecto anual de las cajas de zapatos va a ser el domingo, 14 de diciembre. Esta iniciativa maravillosa nos ayuda, durante la temporada festiva, a compartir la calidez y el cuidado con nuestras hermanas y hermanos que no tienen hogar. Este año vamos a implementar una ventana de donación ampliada del 1ro al 13 de diciembre. Algunas sugerencias para donaciones son: *artículos de tocador de viajes, medias, gorros, guantes, etc.* Vamos a publicar una lista más completa durante las próximas semanas. Por favor, marque claramente todas las donaciones con "Shoebox Project" y no las mande o traiga antes del 1ro de diciembre porque no tendremos espacio para guardarlas. Si tiene preguntas por favor contacte a Mónica Rivera (787-603-6654), monicariver@gmail.com. Gracias por ayudarnos a difundir la bondad y la compasión esta temporada. ❤️

SE NECESITAN LIBROS PARA NIÑAS Y NIÑOS

La Despensa de alimentos busca donaciones de libros para niñas y niños, nuevos y de poco uso (canciones infantiles, ABC, libros de lectura para principiantes, educación infantil, etc.) para prescolares hasta niveles de primeros grados. Se aprecian libros en inglés y en español. Por favor deje donaciones bien identificadas en la parte trasera de la iglesia durante las Misas de los fines de semana, llévelos al Ministry Center o déjelos en el contenedor de Mateo 25 (va a estar disponible después del Día de acción de gracias). ¡Estos libros les dan mucha alegría a las niñas y niños que acompañan a sus padres cuando van a la Despensa de alimentos!

REGISTER WITH THE PARISH

UPDATE YOUR INFORMATION

LET US KNOW YOU'RE MOVING

If you have not officially registered with the parish, we invite you to do so. Updated, accurate information is very useful to us, especially in communicating important news like a weather-related closure. Visit the parish website (www.olqppva.org) click on About Us >> Register >> Register With Us.

If you have had an addition to your family, if you have had a change of address or if you would like to know what information we have on file for your family, please send a message to Jeannette Gantz Daly in the parish office: jgantzdaly@olqppva.org

OUR LADY QUEEN OF PEACE CATHOLIC
THANKSGIVING



Please bring basket food items by Friday! Drop off at Hall or in Food Bins

Drive-thru drop-off for pies, potatoes & frozen turkeys Saturday & Sunday

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 22nd, 9AM-5PM

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 23rd, 9AM-6PM

THROUGH THE OLQP PARKING LOT

FOOD ITEMS NEEDED!

BUILD A BASKET AND FEED A FAMILY FOR THANKSGIVING

(NOTE: TRUNK POP IS FOR PIES, POTATOES & FROZEN TURKEY ONLY)

Items needed by Friday, November 21:

- One can of cranberry sauce
- One bag of 1 lb. white rice or box of stuffing
- One can of corn and one can of green beans
- Two boxes of corn bread
- Two boxes of mac and cheese
- Two jars/cans of gravy
- One can of sweet potato or yams

Items needed on Sat. or Sun., Nov 22 –23:

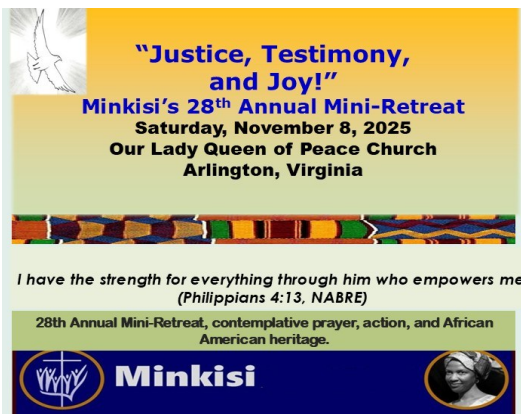
- One pie, homemade or store bought (fresh, NOT frozen)
- One Frozen TURKEY 10-15 lbs. preferred, (NOT fresh)
- Five lbs. bag of fresh potatoes

If you signed up to volunteer, please show up.

We are counting on you to help!!

Donations benefit the OLQP Food pantry Thanksgiving Build-a- Basket Program and their continued efforts to feed the hungry in our community!

QUESTIONS? CONTACT SALLY DIAZ-WELLS: SDIAZWELLS@OLQPVA.ORG



November is the month of All Saints and All Souls. The National Black Catholic Clergy Caucus in July 1990 designated November as Black Catho-

lic History Month to celebrate the long history and proud heritage of Black Catholics. OLQP Minkisi ministry offers this third article in a five-Sunday series in November written by African American/ Black Catholic leaders. In this article Tia Noelle Pratt discussed the rationale and motive for her September 2025 book, **Black and Catholic, Racism, Identity and Religion**, published by Notre Dame Press. She is also the author of the "Black Catholic Syllabus...a collection of resources related to Black Catholics in the United States." ~ ~ ~

"There is time for the church to support black Catholics—if it has the will to do so," by Tia Noelle Pratt in America Jesuit Review (2019).

Enough. Enough with the white supremacist structures that hold on to their power in the institutional church with tightly clenched fists while feigning disbelief that [black Catholics](#) exist.

I am currently working on a book about systemic racism in the Catholic Church and how it impacts African-American Catholic identity. If my book can do only one thing, I want it to end to the incredulosity that surrounds the very idea that black people are Catholic.

Globally speaking, black people have been practicing Catholicism since the earliest days of the church. Additionally, black people were practicing Catholicism in North America for more than 200 years before the United States was founded. Yet, African-American Catholics are constantly required to [justify their existence](#). People like [the Rev. Augustus Tolton](#), [Charles Randolph Uncles, S.S.J.](#), [Thea Bowman, F.S.P.A.](#), and [Cyprian Davis, O.S.B.](#), spent their lives working to make sure the church hierarchy and the people in the pews knew something as basic as that there are black people who are Catholic. Enough!

In my book, I discuss the ways the institutional church is a source of trauma for African-American Catholics instead of the "cosmopolitan canopy" it purports itself to be. The sociologist Elijah Anderson has defined the [cosmopolitan canopy](#) as "islands of civility in a sea of racial segregation" and as "settings that offer a [respite](#) from the lingering tensions of

urban life and an opportunity for diverse peoples to come together." If the Catholic Church were truly catholic, it would be these things for African-Americans. It would be a place where blacks could find respite from racial segregation.

I was asked to explain for **America** readers how the church falls short of this goal. But the question presumes that the church wants to be a cosmopolitan canopy, and I am not convinced that it does. Unfortunately, it has been a place where such segregation is heightened and perpetuated.

[Slavery](#), [segregated liturgies](#) and systematic exclusion from [the priesthood](#) and [religious life](#) are just some of the ways we have seen this happen. This history does not exist in a vacuum. It has ramifications for our contemporary church.

Institutions like [Georgetown University](#) exist because of the sacrifice of slaves. With a [minuscule number](#) of black priests, religious sisters and religious brothers, black Catholics in the United States do not see themselves and their experiences reflected in positions of prominence the way white Catholics do. Exclusionary practices mean that a strong tradition of African-Americans pursuing these vocations never developed.

Now, as the Catholic landscape in cities like Baltimore, New York, Philadelphia and Chicago changes, these centers of Catholic life in the United States are seeing many schools and churches close, with parishes being reorganized accordingly. These changes disproportionately impact the poor and racial minorities. At a time when economic inequality is growing rapidly and the effects of racism are being felt more strongly than at perhaps any time in the last 50 years, black Catholics who need their church the most are losing their resources.

Additionally, we see a failure in the church to support [Black Lives Matter](#), which subsequently alienates the young people the church will depend on if it is to have a sustainable future. At the National Black Catholic Congress in 2018, Auxiliary Bishop Fernand Cheri III of New Orleans [spoke at a session for young black Catholics](#): "To the black youth, I apologize to you as a leader of the church because I feel we have abandoned you in the Black Lives Matter movement, and I apologize. Partly, I didn't understand it, and by the time I did understand it, it was too late—the moment was gone."

Taken from the back cover of the [Black and Catholic](#) book: "Tia Noelle Pratt is assistant vice president and director of mission engagement and strategic initiatives in the Office for Mission and Ministry and assistant professor of sociology at Villanova University." ~ ~ ~