

## 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!**

**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:**

January 24-25 5:30pm and 1pm in Spanish

24-25 enero 5:30pm 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 25:31-46. 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



January 25, 2026

## THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Come after me,  
and I will make you  
fishers of men.

*Matthew 4:19*



Sígueme y los haré  
pescadores de hombres.

*Mateo 4,19*

THIS WEEKEND'S SECOND COLLECTION:

**CHURCH IN LATIN AMERICA**

SEGUNDA COLECTA DE ESTE FIN DE SEMANA:

**LA IGLESIA EN AMÉRICA LATINA**

NEXT WEEKEND'S SECOND COLLECTION:

**ARLINGTON CATHOLIC HERALD**

COLECTA DEL PRÓXIMO FIN DE SEMANA:

**PERIÓDICO DIOCESANO HERALD**

Iglesia Católica Nuestra Señora Reina de la Paz

25 de enero de 2026

Tercer 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: \$6,812

ParishSoft Giving - weekly avg.: \$20,920

#### Word & Eucharist Missalette/

#### Misal Palabra y Eucaristía

Today's readings can be found on page 296

Las lecturas de hoy se encuentran en la página 297

### 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, Judy Francia-Reyes, Trishann Ganley, Francine Gemmill, Fred Gladbach, Jo Marie Griesgraber, Melanie Guitreaux, Joe Harrington, Harris Family, Linda Hawkins, Clare Hayden, Dee Hickey, Pamela Hoeft, Jan Hyland, Patrick Hynes, Pat Johnson, Sharon Jourdan, William Kahl, Gus Karns, Janie J. Key, Ruth Klarman, Carmen Andrea Lara, Alexa LaRue, Patrick Lawrey, John Lawyer, Linda Lipari, Lidia Montero Lopez, Olga MacKenzie, Wil McBride, Stefan McGuigan, Martha Gladys Medina, Maria Magdalena Medrano de Ventura, Dick Melia, 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, Patrick Ogden, Carol Pacello, Roy Paco, Neil Parent, Catherine Parr, Mary Pasquarella, Mark Pazich, Minnie Pazich, Hazel Pulliam, 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

### **THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

### **TERCER DOMINGO EN EL TIEMPO ORDINARIO**

Isaiah 8:23-9:3 (67A); 1 Corinthians 1:10-13, 17;

Matthew 4:12-23 or 4:12-17

Isaías 8,23-9,3 (67A); 1 Corintios 1,10-13, 17; Mateo 4,12-23 or 4,12-17

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

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

Zephaniah 2:3; 3:12-13 (70A); 1 Corinthians 1:26-31; Matthew 5:1-12a

Sofonías 2,3;3,12-13 (70A); 1 Corintios 1,26-31; Mateo 5,1-12a

### **MASS INTENTIONS, JANUARY 24-30**

### **THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

### **INTENCIONES DE LAS MISAS, 24-30 ENERO**

### **TERCER DOMINGO EN EL TIEMPO ORDINARIO**

#### **Saturday, January 24th**

5:30 pm Salvador Villamor (D) by Susan Francia

#### **Sunday, January 25th**

8:00 am Jaime García (L) by Lilia Koechlin

9:30 am Bernard Brown (Anniversary) (D) by Cynthia Brown

11:15 am Fr. Joseph Hackett, CSSp (D) by the parish

1:00 pm Rufino Roger Villca Yucra (Anniversary) (D)

by Lourdes Villca Yucra

6:00 pm Alexander L. & Cecilia L. Kostka (Birthday) (D) by their children

#### **Monday, January 26th**

12:00 pm Mercedes & Luis Cedano (Anniversary) (L) by Lilia Koechlin

#### **Tuesday, January 27th**

12:00 pm For The Parish

#### **Wednesday, January 28th**

12:00 pm Monica Payawal (Anniversary)(D) by Marjorie Berdan

#### **Thursday, January 29th**

12:00 pm For The Parish

#### **Friday, January 30th**

12:00 pm For The Parish

### **SACRAMENTAL LIFE OF THE PARISH /**

### **VIDA SACRAMENTAL DE LA PARROQUIA**

This weekend we welcome two new Christians. Este fin de semana le damos la bienvenida a dos nuevas cristianas.

**Emma Elvira Ramallo Escalona &**

**Elodie O'Hara Gavaldá Appel**

Baptized January 24 / Bautizadas el 24 de enero

### OLQP PARISH STAFF / PERSONAL DE LA PARROQUIA

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

*Parochial Vicar / Párroco Asociado:* **Fr. Martin Vu, CSSp**,

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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

*Youth & Young Adult Minister / Ministro de Adolescentes y Jóvenes Adul-*

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

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

**Cecilia López Oetgen**, clopez@olqpva.org

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

The theme this weekend is God's call and our response, but there is a focus on the urgency of responding to that call... an urgency in building up the Reign of God...NOW! The Gospel tells of the disciple's response to Jesus' call -- they respond without hesitation, dropping what they were doing and following him immediately.

As disciples, we too are called and expected to drop everything and follow Jesus...not only proclaiming the Gospel with our words, but through our actions.

Discipleship is about following "the way" ...God's way. And **God's way is "the way of love" ... of being for the other as Jesus is for us...and this truly is the Good News.** It seems more than we can do, and it would be if not for the Holy Spirit being right there **with us** every step of the way, guiding us and gently pushing us forward! That Divine indwelling is what guides us in living out our discipleship of Jesus Christ in our daily lives, through our words and actions.

There is urgency in discipleship; we are not to tarry and be about many other things, but rather to live in such a way *that our very lives proclaim God's amazing love for all peoples in all places.* It is a monumental task, but we can, each one of us, each in our own way live it out...not perfectly, but with the willingness to listen to the call of the Gospel, the call of Christ, and respond to the best of our ability at that time and in that place, and if we fall, get back up and answer the call again.

The Good News is preached by our loving of each other, especially by our loving of the poor, the marginalized, the immigrants, the "Dreamers" and the refugees. By loving the one who is "other" than "me" and loving those most in

need of being loved...not just with our words but with our actions.

It means that we must speak out and act out against the unethical and anti-Gospel methods being taken by our government against immigrants, migrants and even foreign students here legally on visas. It violates our rule of law! This cruel treatment of immigrants and migrants violates their human dignity and is fundamentally anti-Christian.

We are called, as Pope Francis said, "to draw close to them"! We are called to work for racial justice. We are called to work for an end to white supremacy and "Christian" nationalism...which is truly anything but Christian. It is completely antithetical to the life, words and actions of Jesus Christ! We must recognize it and call it out for what it is!

We are called to be ambassadors of the Reign of God and must stand up against all of those previously mentioned destructive, unjust and anti-Gospel political realities, which cannot exist in and are hostile to the Reign of God.

We are called to not just preach about the Reign of God, but making it present by how we live our lives...lives of peace-making and justice-building, guided by and built upon the principles, values, words and actions of Jesus Christ as proclaimed in his Gospels!

May we not let the political chaos and darkness overwhelm us, for Christ is our peace and our light, which no chaos or darkness can overcome!

May the peace and light of the Risen Christ be upon you all!

Fr. Tim

## DIOCESAN NEWSPAPER SECOND COLLECTION –

### Next Weekend, February 1

The Arlington Catholic Herald is the official newspaper and news source of the Diocese of Arlington. This award-winning, biweekly publication provides Catholic news and information about our diocese, the U.S. bishops, and the Vatican, reaching approximately 100,000 homes across Virginia and beyond — and offering 24/7 coverage at [catholicaherald.com](http://catholicaherald.com). Please consider contributing to the annual second collection on January 31–February 1, 2026, which helps our parish support the Catholic Herald in its mission to spread the Good News. Checks may be made payable to Our Lady Queen of Peace, with "ACH Second Collection" written on the memo line.

OLQP's 2026 assessment is more than \$28,000. We pay \$14 per household for 80% of our registered families. Please help defray the cost by supporting next weekend's second collection.

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## LA SEGUNDA COLECTA PARA EL PERIÓDICO DIOCESANO el próximo fin de semana, 1° de febrero

El Arlington Catholic Herald es el periódico oficial y la fuente de noticias de la Diócesis de Arlington. Esta publicación quincenal premiada, provee las noticias católicas e información sobre nuestra diócesis, los obispos de los EE.UU. y el Vaticano. Llega a alrededor de 100,000 hogares en Virginia y más allá y ofrece una cobertura de 24 horas y 7 días en [catholicaherald.com](http://catholicaherald.com).

Por favor considere contribuir a la segunda colecta anual el 31 de enero y el 1° de febrero 2026, que ayuda a nuestra parroquia a apoyar el Catholic Herald en su misión de difundir las Buenas Nuevas. Puede hacer los cheques a nombre de Our Lady Queen of Peace y escriba "ACH Second Collection" en la línea del asunto.

El costo del 2026 para OLQP es más de \$28,000. Pagamos \$14 por hogar por el 80% de nuestras familias inscritas. Por favor ayude a sufragar el costo apoyando la segunda colecta el próximo fin de semana.

## YOUTH MINISTRY:

- **The Catholic Heart Workcamp Zoom information meeting is postponed until Sunday, February 8th, at 5:00pm.** Due to an administrative error, Catholic Heart Work Camp is tentatively scheduled for July 19 - 24, 2026 **OR** July 12 -17, for rising 8th - 12th graders. Applications are now open: <https://tinyurl.com/OLQPVACHWC2026>. Please see the flyer in the back of church for details. Adult Volunteers - Get involved with Work Camp! This week-long service program relies on parishes making a community effort. Join us!
- Got some time on your hands? Adult volunteers needed to accompany our youth at our weekly gatherings, retreats, and work camps. No experience is necessary! Virtus training and background checks are required. If interested, please complete the interested form here, <https://tinyurl.com/OLQPVAYMVOL>. For more information, please contact Rebecca Grant Jenkins, Director of Youth & Young Adult Ministries, [rgrantjenkins@olqpva.org](mailto:rgrantjenkins@olqpva.org).
- **You Buy, We Fry Fellowship Fish Fry** - Join us Friday, February 20 at 6:00pm for Fr. Martin's **Take Out Lenten Fish Fry** of fish, shrimp, or combo dinner with fries and coleslaw. \$15.00 per order. Proceeds go to support the Youth & Young Adult Ministries work camp mission and pilgrimage trips. Please see the flyers at the back of church to place your order, today! Or for more details, contact Rebecca Grant Jenkins, Director of Youth & Young Adult Ministries, [rgrantjenkins@olqpva.org](mailto:rgrantjenkins@olqpva.org). To pay in advance, please go to: <https://giving.parishsoft.com/app/giving/FD-271?tab=home> , then choose "Fellowship Fundraiser" in the drop-down box.

**MATTHEW 25 is looking for sorters.** They work to get the store restocked and sort and store items. The days are Monday through Thursday from 9am until 12noon in the Ministry Center. Volunteer one day a week or four; we just need help. Interested, please contact Sally Diaz-Wells at [sdiazwells@olqpva.org](mailto:sdiazwells@olqpva.org)

**FOOD PANTRY** is looking for help with picking up bread on Thursday mornings. The bread is donated to us, but we need to pick it up in Lorton. Interested? Please contact Sally Diaz-Wells at [sdiazwells@olqpva.org](mailto:sdiazwells@olqpva.org).

**GABRIEL PROJECT** has a wonderful dilemma! We are overwhelmed with baby donations! We ask that other than size 4 or 5 diapers, strollers, walkers or highchairs you hold onto baby donations until February. We appreciate your support; we just need to distribute the inventory; that way we know what we have and/or need. Thanks so much!

### **DINNER & FAITH SHARING - All Are Welcome!**

Are you looking for community? Interested to share your faith with new friends? Join the Arlington Cursillo community and fellow parishioners on Saturday, Feb 14 at 6:45pm (after the 5:30pm mass) in the Founders Room of the Ministry Center. Together we will pray, eat, and share personal stories of God's Grace. Dinner is a potluck, so bring food or drinks to share. Questions - contact Jennifer & Linda at [OLQP.Ultreya@gmail.com](mailto:OLQP.Ultreya@gmail.com).

## MINISTERIO PARA ADOLESCENTES:

- ¿Tiene tiempo extra? Se necesitan personas adultas para ser voluntarias y acompañar a nuestros jóvenes. ¡No necesita tener experiencia! Se requiere entrenamiento Virtus y una verificación de antecedentes. Si está interesada/o, por favor complete el formulario de interés aquí, <https://tinyurl.com/OLQPVAYMVOL>. Para obtener más información, por favor contacte a Rebecca Grant Jenkins, Ministra de los ministerios para adolescentes y jóvenes adultos, [rgrantjenkins@olqpva.org](mailto:rgrantjenkins@olqpva.org).
- **Pescado frito, usted compra, nosotros freímos** – Únase a nosotros el viernes, 20 de febrero a las 6:00pm. El Padre Martin va a freír pescado para **el Pescado frito de Cuaresma para llevar a casa**. Va a tener pescado, camarones o una cena combinada con papas fritas y ensalada de col. El costo es de \$15 por pedido. Los ingresos van a apoyar el campamento de trabajo y las peregrinaciones. ¡Vea los volantes en la parte trasera de la iglesia para hacer su pedido hoy! O puede obtener más detalles si contacta a Rebecca Grant Jenkins, Ministra de los Ministerios de adolescentes y jóvenes adultos, [rgrantjenkins@olqpva.org](mailto:rgrantjenkins@olqpva.org). Para pagar por adelantado, por favor vaya a: <https://giving.parishsoft.com/app/giving/FD-271?tab=home> y escoja "Fellowship Fundraiser" en el cuadro desplegable.

**MATEO 25 busca personas para clasificar ropa.** Trabajan para reponer ropa, clasificar y guardar los artículos. Los días son de lunes a jueves de 9am hasta las 12 del mediodía en el Ministry Center. Sea voluntaria/o un día o cuatro a la semana. Necesitamos ayuda. Si está interesada/o, por favor contacte a Sally Díaz-Wells: [sdiazwells@olqpva.org](mailto:sdiazwells@olqpva.org)

**LA DESPENSA DE ALIMENTOS** está buscando ayuda para recoger el pan los jueves por la mañana. El pan es donado, pero tenemos que ir a Lorton para recogerlo. ¿Está interesada/o? Por favor contacte a Sally Díaz-Wells: [sdiazwells@olqpva.org](mailto:sdiazwells@olqpva.org).

**¡EL PROYECTO GABRIEL** tiene un dilema maravilloso! ¡Estamos abrumadas/os con donaciones para bebés! Pedimos que guarde sus donaciones hasta febrero excepto pañales talla 4 ó 5, cochecitos, andadores o sillas altas. Apreciamos su apoyo, pero solo necesitamos distribuir el inventario y de esa manera sabemos lo que tenemos y/o necesitamos. ¡Muchas gracias!

### **CENAR Y COMPARTIR LA FE**

#### **¡Todas las personas son bienvenidas!**

¿Busca una comunidad? ¿Está interesada/o en compartir su fe con nuevas amistades? Únase a la comunidad de Cursillo de Arlington y otros feligreses el domingo, 14 de febrero a las 6:45pm (después de la Misa de las 5:30pm) en el **Founders Room** del Ministry Center. Rezaremos, comeremos y compartiremos historias personales de la gracia de Dios. La cena es compartida (potluck), así que traiga comida o bebidas para compartir. Si tiene preguntas contacte a Jennifer y Linda: [OLQP.Ultreya@gmail.com](mailto:OLQP.Ultreya@gmail.com).

## INCLEMENT WEATHER POLICY

Evening and weekend activities (except scheduled Masses): OLQP follows the decision of Arlington Public Schools for cancellation of evening and weekend activities. Those traveling outside the local school district should use their best judgment. For the most up-to-date information for Arlington Public Schools, please call 1-866-322-4277 or visit:

[www.apsva.us/post/inclement-weather-announcements/Parish Office Staff and Weekday Activities](http://www.apsva.us/post/inclement-weather-announcements/Parish-Office-Staff-and-Weekday-Activities), 8:30am-4:30pm:

Office and weekday activities follow the decision of the Federal Government. Tune in to your local radio and tv stations for updated information or visit:

[www.opm.gov/policy-data-oversight/snow-dismissal-procedures/](http://www.opm.gov/policy-data-oversight/snow-dismissal-procedures/)

Masses: The decision to cancel Masses within the Diocese of Arlington is made by Bishop Burbidge and broadcast on local radio and tv stations.

*To the extent it's possible, notice will be placed on the parish website and recorded on the phone message. Please use your best judgement when traveling outside the immediate area.*

## 2025 CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS

Please watch for your 2025 contribution statement in the mail. Statements detailing your 2025 donations are being mailed through the end of the month. Please note: USPS service in our area has been sporadic so please be patient; however, if you have not received your statement by the second week in February please email or call Christina, [ckozyn@olqpva.org](mailto:ckozyn@olqpva.org), 703-979-5580, to have a copy emailed or resent. Thank you.

## IN CHRIST, WE ARE ONE

The 2026 Bishop's Lenten Appeal has begun, and you should be receiving a letter from Bishop Burbidge. This year's theme is *'In Christ, We Are One.'*

The BLA is how we come together as a diocesan family to support ministries no single parish could provide alone - forming our future priests, providing Catholic Charities services to families in crisis, strengthening youth ministry, training religious education teachers, and bringing Christ's hope to thousands across the diocese.

**Our goal as a parish is 100% participation.** We're asking every family and household to prayerfully consider a gift - **no amount is too small.** Whether you can give \$25 a month or \$500 as a one-time gift, your participation matters and unites us as one Body in Christ.

Please consider a **monthly recurring gift** to spread your generosity throughout the year and make a greater impact over time.

You can give online at [arlingtondiocese.org/bla](http://arlingtondiocese.org/bla) or return your commitment card by mail. Thank you for your generosity.

## NORMAS ANTE LA INCLEMENCIA DEL CLIMA

Las actividades nocturnas y de fin de semana (con excepción de las misas programadas): OLQP sigue la decisión de las Escuelas Públicas de Arlington para la cancelación de actividades nocturnas y de fin de semana. Las personas que estuvieran fuera del sistema escolar local deben utilizar su mejor juicio. Para obtener la información más actualizada sobre las Escuelas Públicas de Arlington, por favor llame al 1-866-322-4277.

Personal de la Oficina Parroquial: las actividades de la Oficina y del día siguen la decisión del Gobierno Federal. Sintone las emisoras de radio y televisión locales para obtener información actualizada.

Misas: La decisión de cancelar las misas dentro de la Diócesis de Arlington es hecha por el obispo Burbidge y transmitida por las estaciones de radio y televisión locales.

En la medida de lo posible, el aviso será colocado en el sitio web de la parroquia y en el mensaje telefónico.

## RESÚMENES DE CONTRIBUCIONES DEL 2025

Espere el resumen sus contribuciones de donaciones del 2025 a la parroquia por correo. Los resúmenes detallando sus donaciones se están enviando hasta finales de mes. Por favor tome nota: el servicio de correo en nuestra área ha estado esporádico así que por favor tenga paciencia, pero si no ha recibido la certificación para la segunda semana de febrero por favor mándele un correo electrónico o llame a Christina, [ckozyn@olqpva.org](mailto:ckozyn@olqpva.org), 703-979-5580 para recibir una copia por correo electrónico o para volver a recibirla. Gracias.

## EN CRISTO SOMOS UNO

La Petición Cuaresmal del Obispo del 2026 ha comenzado y los feligreses inscritos deberán recibir una carta de Monseñor Burbidge enviada por correo postal. El tema de este año es *'En Cristo, somos uno'*.

La Petición Cuaresmal del Obispo es la forma en que nos unimos como familia diocesana para apoyar ministerios que ninguna parroquia podría sostener por sí sola: la formación de nuestros futuros sacerdotes, la prestación de servicios de Caridades Católicas a familias en crisis, el fortalecimiento del ministerio de adolescentes, la capacitación de maestros de educación religiosa y la difusión de la esperanza de Cristo a miles de personas en toda la diócesis.

**Nuestra meta como parroquia es lograr el 100% de participación.** Les pedimos a todas las familias que consideren con oración hacer una donación; **ninguna cantidad es demasiado pequeña.** Ya sea que puedan donar \$25 al mes o \$500 como un regalo único. Su participación es importante y nos une como un solo Cuerpo en Cristo.

Por favor considere hacer una donación mensual recurrente para extender su generosidad a lo largo del año y lograr un mayor impacto con el tiempo.

Puede donar en línea en [arlingtondiocese.org/bla](http://arlingtondiocese.org/bla) o enviar su tarjeta de compromiso por correo. Gracias por su generosidad.

**PARISH ADVISORY BOARD –  
CALL FOR NOMINATIONS!**

Did you know OLQP has elected lay leadership that supports Fr. Tim and parish activities? Parish Advisory Board (PAB) members commit to attend bimonthly meetings (currently 2nd Thursday of the month), serve on committees as needed, and listen to and present parishioners' views. The PAB strives to represent the many backgrounds, ages, mass cohorts, and ministry groups of the parish. Six (6) seats are up for election, with new members serving a two-year term. Registered parishioners who have been active for at least two years are eligible and encouraged to consider the PAB – nominate yourself or a fellow parishioner. Nomination slips are available in the sanctuary, or you may submit nominations via email to [olqpelection@gmail.com](mailto:olqpelection@gmail.com). (Please include the nominee's full name, phone number, and email address). The nomination period closes at the end of the day on Sunday, February 8.

**CATHOLIC PILGRIMAGE to Fátima, Lourdes, Zaragoza, Madrid with Fr. Pontien Kenfack ZOOM Meeting or In-person** – Please mark your calendars for Tuesday, February 17, 6-8pm. Contact Fr. Pontien for the zoom link if that's your preference: [pkenfack@olqpva.org](mailto:pkenfack@olqpva.org). All pilgrims preparing for the trip to Fátima, Lourdes, Madrid, and Zaragoza with Fr. Pontien this year are invited to a meeting either in person in the Ministry Center, Founders Room or via Zoom. All who are interested and who would like to learn more are encouraged to attend. Please contact Fr. Pontien for the zoom link or come in person.

***NEW! Prayer Ministry at OLQP***

**THE ROSARY: Meditations on the Mysteries of Christ**  
Join us Wednesdays in the church at 12:45pm for a weekly rotation of the meditations on the mysteries of Christ: The Joyful Mysteries, The Luminous Mysteries, The Sorrowful Mysteries, The Glorious Mysteries. Come weekly or when convenient.

***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.***

**DO YOU HAVE AN HOUR A WEEK...  
To change a child's life?**

Become a Book Buddy! Alexandria Tutoring Consortium (ATC) trains volunteer tutors to work one-on-one with struggling K-2nd grade readers during the school day (between 8:00am-2:20pm), in 30-45 minute sessions (same time and day each week), now through May. Tutors receive training and have ongoing support by our staff of highly qualified educators. Ferdinand T. Day (1701 N. Beauregard Street) students are in need of tutors for the remainder of the school year with once or twice weekly sessions on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, or Thursdays. For more information or to sign up, contact Operations Manager Alexa Allmann ([aallmann@alexandriatutors.org](mailto:aallmann@alexandriatutors.org)) or visit [www.alexandriatutors.org](http://www.alexandriatutors.org)!

**JUNTA CONSULTORA DE LA PARROQUIA –  
¡SOLICITANDO NOMINACIONES!**

¿Sabía que OLQP ha elegido un liderazgo laico que apoya al Padre Tim y las actividades de la parroquia? Las personas que forman parte de la Junta Consultora de la parroquia (PAB por sus siglas en inglés) se comprometen a asistir a reuniones bimestrales (actualmente el segundo jueves del mes), a servir en comités según sea necesario y escuchar las opiniones de los feligreses actuales. La PAB se esmera por representar los diversos orígenes, edades, cohortes de Misas y grupos ministeriales. Hay 6 plazas para esta elección y las personas nuevas servirán un mandato de dos años. Personas inscritas en la parroquia que han estado activas por un mínimo de dos años son elegibles y se les anima a considerar la PAB. Puede nominarse o nominar a otra persona que pertenece a la parroquia. Las papeletas de nominación están disponibles en el santuario o puede someter nominaciones por correo electrónico a [olqpelection@gmail.com](mailto:olqpelection@gmail.com). (Por favor incluya el nombre completo de la persona nominada, su número de teléfono y dirección del correo electrónico). El período de nominación termina al final del día el domingo, 8 de febrero.

**PEREGRINACIÓN CATÓLICA a Fátima, Lourdes, Zaragoza y Madrid con el Padre Pontien Kenfack. Reunión por ZOOM o en persona** – Por favor marquen sus calendarios para el martes, 17 de febrero, de 6 a 8pm. Contacte al Padre Pontien para obtener el enlace para el zoom si eso es lo que prefiere: [pkenfack@olqpva.org](mailto:pkenfack@olqpva.org). Se invita a todas las personas peregrinas que se preparan para el viaje este año a Fátima, Lourdes, Zaragoza y Madrid con el Padre Pontien a una reunión en persona en el Founders Room del Ministry Center o por Zoom. Se anima a todas las personas interesadas y las que quisieran saber más a asistir. Por favor contacte al Padre Pontien para obtener el enlace para el zoom o venga a la reunión.

***¡NUEVO! Ministerio de oración en OLQP***

**EL ROSARIO: Meditaciones sobre los misterios de Cristo**  
Únase a nosotros los miércoles en la iglesia a las 12:45pm para una rotación semanal de las meditaciones sobre los misterios de Cristo: los Misterios gozosos, los Misterios luminosos, los Misterios dolorosos, los Misterios gloriosos. Venga semanalmente o cuando le sea conveniente. (Solo en inglés.)

**WRITERS AND ASPIRING WRITERS!** Join the 2026 Catholic Writers Conference Jan 30-31 and Feb 1. This fully virtual conference features 25 presentations on all aspects of writing and publishing. Not only will you receive excellent instruction from some of the top Catholic names in the field today, but you'll also have the opportunity to pitch your manuscript to publishers from both Catholic and secular markets. All delivered with a Catholic perspective and fellowship. \$65. Register at [https://www.bigmarker.com/series/2026-catholic-writers-confer/series\\_summit](https://www.bigmarker.com/series/2026-catholic-writers-confer/series_summit). The Catholic Writers Guild is an international 501c(3) under the authority of the Archdiocese of Indianapolis

**ECO-TIP: A Gentle Reminder** -- Remember to clean up after your pet! Pet waste can contain bacteria which transmit parasites, such as salmonella and hookworm. These can make both humans and animals sick. Decaying pet waste can also contribute to fish kills and increased pollution in local streams and the Potomac River. Help keep our waterways clean!



### READING HIS WORD

Are you a young adult who wants to participate in Bible Study but not sure where to start? On Thursday, February 5th, at 7:00 pm at Casa Guadalupe, the TAU Young Adult Ministry is beginning a foundational Bible series to understand the Bible and navigate His word. We will be meeting once a month, during the first Thursday of every month. This series will run through June. Tell a friend and come join us! For more details please contact Rebecca Grant Jenkins @ [RGrantJenkins@olqpva.org](mailto:RGrantJenkins@olqpva.org).

### ADVOCATES for JUSTICE

Last weekend the world remembered the prophetic witness of Reverend Doctor Martin Luther King, Jr. Many speakers around the globe, and here in our Bishop's homily, Bishop Burbidge reminded us that Dr. King taught: *Injustice anywhere is a threat to justice everywhere.*

Because injustice anywhere wounds the human family, our commitment to justice as taught by Jesus demands action to protect the life and dignity of every human person. We have a shared responsibility to persevere to transform systems that harm anyone. Transformation of broken systems demands active work to change policies and laws to ensure justice now and in the future.

During these next several weeks when our elected Members of the Virginia General Assembly are legislating, it is up to us to shine a light on the systems that need to be transformed through our individual and collective actions. Eyes must be wide open to *SEE* the injustices in our Commonwealth through education, reading, listening, studying, witnessing. Our hearts must be open to *JUDGE* what we see through a Gospel lens and prayer for awakening and understanding. Our *ACTIONS* must demand the changes we seek in order to transform the injustices. *ACTIONS* = telephone calls, emails, texts, social media posts and in-person visits to the women and men who were elected to represent us. We are their constituents. Through our vote we hired them to work for us and for the common good.

Stay engaged! A free, state-wide, non-partisan resource for learning is the Virginia Public Access Project ([VPAP.org](http://VPAP.org)) — check it out for a “birds eye view” of events and opinions from a broad segment across the State. A periodic exploration of faith-based Catholic publications, some of which are often cited in the Bulletin is another tool to use. There are statements being issued by US Catholic Bishops and Cardinals cited in the US Conference of Catholic Bishops' website ([usccb.org](http://usccb.org)) that often focus on opportunities for action, especially within the federal government. Many tenets of our faith and our Church's constitution and documents provide food for thought and learning and a basis to use for advocacy for justice in the local, state, national and global communities. Our love-based efforts are an antidote to injustice everywhere.

### MASS and HEALING PRAYER SERVICE

Tuesday, January 27, scheduled for 7:30pm at St. Ann Catholic Church (5300 North 10th St). Fr. John Melmer of St. John the Beloved Church of McLean will celebrate. Confessions will be available. This liturgy comes through the diocesan Catholic Healing Ministry. For more information, please contact Richard Schaad, 703-455-6131.

### REMEMBERING HAITI'S EARTHQUAKE and the Faith of Our Twin Parish

As we remember the devastating January 12, 2010 earthquake in Haiti, we pray for the hundreds of thousands who lost their lives and the millions whose lives were forever changed. In the midst of that suffering, the people of our twin parish, St. Joseph of Medor, bore powerful witness to faith, resilience, and love of neighbor. When the primary school was destroyed, classes continued outdoors. Eventually new buildings were constructed. When the church building was severely damaged, the community continued to worship while repairs were made. As displaced families arrived in Medor, they were welcomed as Christ would welcome them, with children immediately enrolled in parish schools so their education could continue. Sixteen years later, while the world's attention has faded, the bond between Our Lady Queen of Peace and St. Joseph's remains strong, a living sign of God's enduring presence and of steady hands joined in solidarity when everything else shakes. Thank you for continuing to stand with our Medor family.

Please pray for peace and security in Haiti.

### IS GOD CALLING YOU TO BE A LAY DOMINICAN?

You are invited to join the St. Mary Magdalene Lay Dominicans for prayer, fellowship, and discussion on Sunday, February 15, from 5:00–6:45 p.m. in the Parish House of St. James Catholic Church: 913 Park Avenue, Falls Church VA 22046 (use small adjacent parking lot).

Lay Dominicans are single or married members of the Dominican Order who have responded to a call to live the Dominican way of life in their own families and occupations.

The Dominican charism is one of prayer, study, community, and apostolate. Of these, study is perhaps the most distinctive element. We are life-long learners, who put that thirst for Truth at the service of our apostolic efforts. For more information, contact Rose Folsom at [InquiryVeritas519@gmail.com](mailto:InquiryVeritas519@gmail.com).

### CELEBRATE BLACK HISTORY MONTH

The Racial Justice Ministry at St. John Neumann in Reston invites you to join them in celebrating Black History Month as they welcome speaker Dr. Edwin Nichols on Friday, February 13, at 7pm in the Brown-McCarthy Auditorium. Dr. Nichols will address the experience of Black Catholics in the Church, including past contributions and current examples of their active participation in revitalizing the Church. Light refreshments will begin at 6:30pm. Registration is not required but is appreciated: [saintjn.org/racial-justice-ministry](http://saintjn.org/racial-justice-ministry). All are welcome!

### ENVIRONMENTAL BOOK DISCUSSION W/THE AUTHOR

Have you ever wondered what you can do to help solve the climate crisis? Join the Integrity of Creation ministry and author Lawrence MacDonald for a discussion of his book "Am I too old to save the planet? A boomer's guide to climate action" in the Parish library on February 11 at 7:00pm. All are welcome! For more information and a chance to win a free autographed copy of the book, email Dan Herrera ([herrerawildlife@gmail.com](mailto:herrerawildlife@gmail.com)).

# Bonhoeffer challenges us to discipleship for times just like this

By Johnny Zokovitch

Events in this country have, on occasion, given me reason to seek out the words of Dietrich Bonhoeffer, the German Lutheran pastor and theologian whose discipleship to Jesus led him to resist the Nazi regime. His resistance eventually cost him his life; Bonhoeffer was executed by hanging at the Flossenbürg Concentration Camp by the SS just days before the camp was liberated in the waning days of World War II.

I find myself turning to Bonhoeffer because of his demonstration of [what it means to be a Christian when you're surrounded by a culture that stands in direct opposition to every tenet Jesus proclaimed in the gospels](#). Despite the claim that we hear every so often about the United States being a "Christian" nation, evidence of the influence of Jesus on our nation's policies seems to clearly not be the case. No one – without living in a deep state of denial – could believe that what we are seeing transpire in this country today resembles in any fashion Jesus' proclamation of the reign of God, a reign Jesus distinguished by its mercy, compassion and love, a love extended to both neighbors and enemies.

Bonhoeffer had the opportunity to wait out the war from a safe distance. His friends, fearing for his life, had encouraged him to go to the United States, beyond the reach of the Nazis. He could continue his critique of the Nazi state from across the ocean, raise the alarm about what was happening to the Jews, and organize the resistance among the German diaspora, all while also working to support those resisting in secret back at home. But Bonhoeffer realized that he could not claim a role in

the rehabilitation of Germany if he didn't also suffer and risk alongside those who were not afforded the chance to flee as he had been. So he returned. It is this profound sense of responsibility that has always moved me about Bonhoeffer.

And such then is the question for any serious follower of Jesus in the United States at this time – namely, how will we act out of our own responsibility as disciples of Jesus in a culture that is diametrically opposed to the gospel message we hear every Sunday in the pew.

I know that there is a risk in equating Nazi Germany with what is transpiring today in the United States, but the parallels as I read Bonhoeffer's writing are too easy to make. The scapegoating of Jews in 1938 has become the scapegoating of immigrants in 2026. We witness the birthing of a police state in the streets of Minneapolis and elsewhere, with specially empowered militarized forces carrying out extra-judicial campaigns seemingly answerable only to the president, with little pushback from a weak Congress and ineffectual judiciary. Propaganda that flies in the face of every fact is peddled in the daily pronouncements coming from the White House. World War II began in earnest when Hitler ignored the sovereignty of neighboring countries and took them for Germany's own self-interest; President Trump launched a military campaign against Venezuela, asserting that their oil belongs to the US, and days later threatened to take over Greenland for resources in the service of US self-interest.

But the current administration needn't be an exact facsimile of Nazi Germany

for US Christians to recognize with determined clarity that we have the same duty as Bonhoeffer, Martin Niemöller, the White Rose, and the Confessing Church movement, all Christian-based resisters to the atrocities of the Nazi program. Our resistance to what is happening in the US should be based on the same premise that Bonhoeffer and his acolytes based theirs on: Jesus – and the question of whether or not we will be his followers, his disciples. Bonhoeffer warned the Church of his time of the cost of discipleship, that Christianity without discipleship is indeed Christianity without Christ. For his own commitment to that discipleship, Bonhoeffer would go to the gallows, in imitation of the Savior he followed.

This moment then is when we learn if we are a church of disciples or just a bunch of people who go to church. Because the only authentic Christianity in this country today is a Christianity expressed in resistance to those more interested in crucifying than [following the Crucified](#).

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