

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:

February 28-March 1 11:15am and 1pm in Spanish
28 febrero—1 marzo 11:15am y 1pm en español

MASSES / MISAS:

Weekdays / *Días laborables:*

Mon-Thu 12pm / *lunes a jueves 12pm*

Fri. 6pm / *Viernes 6pm*

Weekend Mass Schedule /

Horario de Misas de fin de semana:

Saturday Vigil — 5:30pm

Misa de vigilia sábados - 5:30 pm

Sundays — 8:00am, 9:30am, 11:15am,

1:00pm (Spanish) & 6:00pm (Young Adult)

Domingos — 8:00 am, 9:30 am, 11:15 am,

1:00 pm (español) y 6:00 pm (Misa de jóvenes adultos)

DECLARACIÓN DE MISIÓN DE OLQP

La parroquia de la iglesia católica Nuestra Señora Reina de la Paz se dedica a dar testimonio de las enseñanzas de Jesucristo, especialmente el Evangelio de San Mateo, Capítulo 25:31-46. 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

March 1, 2026



SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

THE LIGHT IS ON FOR YOU LENTEN

RECONCILIATION PROGRAM:

The Sacrament of Penance is offered each Wednesday evening during Lent from 6:30 to 8:00pm (except April 1).

This Lenten Wednesday evening program also includes: Reconciliation Service or Sung Stations of the Cross. See schedule below:

Sung Stations of the Cross: 7:00pm – March 11 and 25

Reconciliation Services:

7:00pm – March 4 Bilingual Reconciliation Service

6:30pm – March 18 Family Reconciliation Service (open to all)

Time Change during Lent for DAILY Mass on FRIDAYS: 6:00pm

March 6, 13, 20, & 27

LA LUZ ESTÁ ENCENDIDA PARA USTED

PROGRAMA DE RECONCILIACIÓN DE LA CUARESMA:

El Sacramento de la Penitencia se ofrece todos los miércoles por la noche durante la Cuaresma de 6:30 a 8:00pm (excepto el 1ro de abril).

Este programa los miércoles de Cuaresma también incluye: el servicio de reconciliación o el Vía Crucis cantado. Vea el horario abajo:

El Vía Crucis cantado: 7:00pm – el 11 y el 25 de marzo

Servicios de reconciliación:

7:00pm – 4 de marzo (bilingüe)

6:30pm – 18 de marzo servicio de reconciliación para familias (abierto a todos)

Cambio de horario durante la Cuaresma para la Misa

DIARIA los viernes: 6:00pm

6, 13, 20, y 27 de marzo

Christ's face
became as
dazzling as
the sun,
His clothes as
radiant as light.

Matthew 17:2



Su rostro
resplandeció
como el sol,
y su ropa se
volvió blanca
como la luz.

Mateo 17:2

Iglesia Católica Nuestra Señora Reina de la Paz

1 de marzo de 2026

Segundo Domingo de Cuaresma

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, Wed, 6:30-8 pm during Lent in the church, & by appointment.
Los sábados: 4:45-5:15 pm, Los miércoles: 6:30-8 pm durante la Cuaresma en la Iglesia, y por cita previa.

SUNDAY COLLECTIONS / COLECTAS DEL DOMINGO

Sunday Collections / Colectas del domingo: \$7,010
Black & Indian Missions / Misiones Negras E Indias: \$2,494
Ash Wednesday European Relief / Apoyo para Europa: \$1,704
ParishSoft Giving - weekly avg.: \$15,099

Word & Eucharist Missalette/

Misal Palabra y Eucaristía

Today's readings can be found on page 176
Las lecturas de hoy se encuentran en la página 177

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, 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, 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

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

SEGUNDO DOMINGO DE ADVIENTO

Genesis 12:1-4a (25A); 1 Timothy 1:8b-10; Matthew 17:1-9
Génesis 12,1-4a (25A); 1 Timoteo 1,8b-10; Mateo 17,1-9

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

TERCER DOMINGO DE ADVIENTO

Exodus 17:3-7 (28A); Romans 5:1-2, 5-8; Matthew 4:5-42
Éxodo 17,3-7 (28A); Romanos 5,1-2, 5-8; Mateo 4,5-42

MASS INTENTIONS, FEBRUARY 28 – MARCH 6

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

INTENCIONES DE LAS MISAS, 28 FEBRERO – 6 MARZO

PRIMER DOMINGO DE ADVIENTO

Saturday, February 28th

5:30 pm Iseult McCloskey (D) by Jennifer Smith

Sunday, March 1st

8:00 am For The Parish

9:30 am Pedro Guerrero (D) by Libby McNulty

11:15 am The City of St. Jude, Montgomery, AL (Special Intention)
by Susan Bruns

1:00 pm Mercedes Cueva Hidalgo (Birthday) (L)

by Isabel Hidalgo

6:00 pm For The Parish

Monday, March 2nd

12:00 pm Luciana Moloche de Cabrera (Anniversary) (D) by Lilia Koechlin

Tuesday, March 3rd

12:00 pm For The Parish

Wednesday, March 4th

12:00 pm María Canchucaje (D) by María Margarita Cabrera

Thursday, March 5th

12:00 pm Margarita Turina Urrea (D) by Ann Johnson

Friday, March 6th

6:00 pm Catherine Conroy (D) by Laurie de Freese

SACRAMENTAL LIFE OF THE PARISH /

VIDA SACRAMENTAL DE LA PARROQUIA

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

**Emilia Jane Bivin, Matteo Adriel Rodríguez,
Eloise Maeve Lindsey, Theodore Robert Lindsey,
Kieran William Lindsey**

Baptized February 28 / Bautizados el 28 de febrero

EN MEMORIA DE FELIPE D. MONTAÑO

Falleció en los brazos del Señor el 16 de febrero de 2026 Felipe había sido un miembro de la comunidad hispana de la parroquia por muchos años. Por favor, recuerde a su familia y amigos en sus pensamientos y oraciones. Se ha programado una Misa Exequial el sábado 7 de marzo a la 1 pm.

IN MEMORY OF FELIPE D. MONTAÑO

He passed away in the arms of the Lord on February 16, 2026 Felipe had been a member of the parish's Hispanic community for many years. Please keep his family and friends in your thoughts and prayers. A Funeral Mass has been scheduled for Saturday, March 7 at 1 pm.

OLQP PARISH STAFF / PERSONAL DE LA PARROQUIA

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

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JUST A THOUGHT... or two...

When we hear today's Gospel, we might wonder what actually happened on that mountain? The scene we are presented with is quite dramatic: Jesus is transfigured with an "other worldly" brilliance that glowed like the sun. And two prophets, long dead, appear and converse with Jesus and then suddenly there comes the voice of God...speaking the same words that were heard at Jesus' baptism... "this is my beloved son in whom I am well pleased"....but this time, God adds, "listen to him."

This is clearly an essential moment in the lives of the three disciples who witness this proclamation of Jesus' true identity as the Son of God. And yet Jesus tells them to "tell no one the vision until after the Son of Man has been raised from the dead."

Can you imagine how they must have been just "bursting at the seams" with desire to tell the other disciples?...To share this amazing experience where they had seen long dead prophets and saw Jesus transfigured before their very eyes and then, on top of that, they *heard* the "voice of God speak, to them"!

Remember it was not just a proclamation of Jesus' divine identity but also instruction from God directly to them to "listen to him!"

I think that Lent can be a time of honing our listening skills, of taking time to slow down in the midst of our chaotic lives and to listen... just listen for God speaking to us.

In our busyness and preoccupation, we can often *miss the word spoken "to us" and spoken "for us" by God*. In today's Gospel Jesus took the three disciples *apart* up a mountain... a retreat of sorts...and there *apart from the others* they had an encounter with The Divine.

Taking *time apart* is certainly not easy in the world in which we live, especially in the midst of this chaos we are currently living in, but in order to remain centered and maintain our sense of being disciples of Jesus *we all need to take time apart to sit with Jesus...and listen, listen to where he is calling us in our life*.

Long before science told us that almost all forms of meditation are beneficial to the whole person -- body, mind and spirit -- Jesus made it clear that whether retreating to a deserted place or just going into our rooms, *being apart for quiet prayer is essential*. Scripture tells that Jesus took time apart to pray. So too, we are called to take time apart to meditate...not to fill the silence with words but to just sit and listen and *to rest in God*. And then from that place of silence we can move to a place of informed action, *Gospel action!*

So let us hone our listening skills this Lent and *commit to take time apart to sit with God* and allow God to "transfigure us" so that we might go out and transfigure the world! To transfigure the world by standing up with and for the poor and the marginalized, demanding racial justice, and working for fair and just immigration change, and lasting change in the way immigrants and refugees are treated in this country, and standing with all of those who are suffering...wherever we encounter them.

If I am not already meditating, can I add three, five-minute periods of meditation to my day? How can I make time to hear God...and what God might be calling me to? In my prayer life, how is God calling me to respond to the current political chaos, and/or, to whom is God calling me to reach out to?

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

Fr. Tim



CREATION CARE CORNER LENT—A TIME FOR CHANGE

Consider positive lifestyle changes during Lent. The U.S. Bishops tell us we are called not only to abstain from luxuries during Lent, but to a true inner conversion of heart as we seek to follow Christ's will more faithfully. In *Laudate Deum*, Pope Francis urged us to modify lifestyles to reduce pollution and waste, and to "consume with prudence." Francis noted that even though these everyday actions will not produce an immediate, noticeable effect on climate change or our ecology, "we are helping to bring about large processes of transformation" and more emphasis on a culture of caring for creation. In doing so, we model important behavior for others to emulate.

IN CHRIST, WE ARE ONE

Every household's participation strengthens our parish and our diocese - all gifts are vital. Large or small, your gift unites us in supporting ministries serving tens of thousands: seminarian formation, Catholic Charities, youth programs, religious education, and more. Let's reach 100% participation together. Give at Mass or online at arlingtondiocese.org/bla, or scan the QR code:



Scan Me

SUNG STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Come refresh your soul during Lent with the Sung Stations of the Cross. In the musical style of Taize, these unique stations invite you to pray along with thoughtful reflections on the Via Crucis and join in a meditative refrain. The Sung Stations will be offered on March 11 and 25 at 7:00pm. Reconciliation is also offered on these dates from 6:30pm-8:00pm. For more information, contact Monica Perz-Waddington: monica.perz@verizon.net

RETURN LAST YEAR'S BLESSED PALM

A basket is at the back of church where last year's blessed palm can be placed. The palm will be used to make ashes for next year's Ash Wednesday. Thank you.

CRS RICE BOWL -- On our Lenten journey, how will Prayer, Fasting and Almsgiving guide you and your family? Can we re-commit to end global hunger? Yes - if you have a Rice Bowl on your table. It's an adventure. Thank you for supporting parents in Ghana who receive training in health, nutrition and early childhood development. Pick up a Bowl today from the back of church. Visit crsricebowl.org/week-2 to read this week's Story of Hope.

SUPPORTING OUR SISTER PARISH:

Living the Gospel with the people of Medor

Our Haiti Easter Drive invites us to live out the Gospel in a concrete and loving way through our twinning relationship with St. Joseph parish in Medor, Haiti. For nearly three decades, Our Lady Queen of Peace and St. Joseph have walked together in faith, strengthening our trust in the Lord and in one another. This year's drive will support 2,400 students studying in five primary schools and one secondary school, along with vital agroforestry and clean water programs that nurture both body and soul in Medor. When Jesus says, "Rise, and do not be afraid," He speaks to our Medor family amid daily challenges, and to us as well, calling us to stand together in hope. As one parish family united across miles, we ask for your prayers for the people of St. Joseph parish, and for your financial contributions so that, together, we may continue to rise in faith and love with our Medor brothers and sisters.

Please pray for peace and security in Haiti.

SPRING 2026 E-CARE

The spring 2026 Environmental Collection and Recycling (E-CARE) event is happening Saturday, March 28, from 8:30am to 3pm, rain or shine, at Wakefield High School (1325 S. Dinwiddie St). This free, biannual event allows Arlington residents to safely dispose of household hazardous materials and old electronics. Small metal items will also be accepted. See link for details: Arlington County

¡EN CRISTO SOMOS UNO!

La participación de cada familia fortalece nuestra parroquia y nuestra diócesis – todas las contribuciones son vitales. Grande o pequeña, su donación nos une en el apoyo de ministerios que sirven a decenas de miles de personas: la formación de seminaristas, Caridades Católicas, programas juveniles, educación religiosa y muchos más. Alcancemos juntos el 100% de participación. Done en Misa, en línea en arlingtondiocese.org/bla o escanee el código QR.



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ESTACIONES DE LA CRUZ CANTADAS

Venga y refresque su alma durante la Cuaresma con las estaciones de la cruz cantadas. En el estilo musical de Taize, estas estaciones únicas le invitan a orar con reflexiones meditativas del Vía Crucis y a repetir una frase meditativa. Las Estaciones Cantadas se ofrecerán el 11 y el 25 de marzo a las 7:00pm. La reconciliación también se ofrecerá en estas fechas de 6:30pm a 8:00pm. Para recibir más información, contacte a Monica Perz-Waddington: monica.perz@verizon.net

DEVUELVAN LAS PALMAS BENDITAS DEL AÑO PASADO

Hay una cesta en la parte trasera de la iglesia donde puede poner las ramas benditas del año pasado. Las ramas se van a usar para hacer las cenizas para el Miércoles de ceniza del año que viene. Gracias.

PLATO DE ARROZ CRS – En nuestra jornada de Cuaresma, ¿cómo pueden la oración, el ayuno y las limosnas guiar a usted y a su familia? ¿Podemos volver a comprometernos a eliminar el hambre en el mundo? Sí – si tiene un Plato de arroz en su mesa. Es una aventura. Gracias por apoyar a madres y padres en Ghana que reciben entrenamiento en salud, nutrición y desarrollo de la primera infancia. Obtenga un Plato de arroz hoy de la parte trasera de la iglesia. Visite crsricebowl.org/week-2 para leer la Historia de esperanza de esta semana.

APOYANDO NUESTRA PARROQUIA HERMANA:

Viviendo el Evangelio con las personas de Medor

Nuestra Campaña de Cuaresma para Haití nos invita a vivir el Evangelio de una manera concreta y cariñosa por medio de nuestra hermandad con la parroquia St. Joseph en Medor, Haití. Por casi tres décadas, Nuestra Señora Reina de la Paz y St. Joseph han caminado juntas en fe, fortaleciendo nuestra confianza en el Señor y unos con otros. La campaña este año va a apoyar a 2,400 estudiantes en cinco escuelas primarias y una secundaria, junto con programas agroforestales y de agua limpia que cuidan el cuerpo y el alma en Medor. Cuando Jesús dice, "Levántense; no tengan miedo," él le habla a nuestra familia de Medor en medio de retos a diario y nos habla a nosotros también, llamándonos a unirnos en esperanza. Como una familia parroquial unida a través de las millas, les pedimos sus oraciones para las personas de la parroquia St. Joseph y por sus contribuciones financieras para que, juntas, podamos seguir creciendo en fe y amor con nuestras hermanas y hermanos.


Por favor recen por la paz y la seguridad en Haití.

E-CARE DE LA PRIMAVERA 2026


El evento de la primavera del 2026, Recolectión y reciclaje ambiental (E-CARE), se va a celebrar el sábado, 28 de marzo de 8:30am a 3pm, llueva o haga sol, en Wakefield High School (1325 S. Dinwiddie St). Este evento gratis y semestral, les permite a personas que viven en Arlington que se deshagan de artículos domésticos peligrosos y de aparatos electrónicos viejos. También se aceptan artículos pequeños de metal. Vea el enlace para obtener detalles: Arlington County

YOUTH MINISTRY:

MINISTERIO PARA ADOLESCENTES:

- Applications for Young Disciples Work Camp scheduled for June 22 - 26, 2026, for rising 7th, 8th, and 9th graders, are open: <https://tinyurl.com/OLQPYDWC2026>. Join us for a week of faith, fellowship, and service to the OLQP community and beyond. Join us for an information session, Sunday, March 1st, from 4:30pm - 5:30pm in Casa Guadalupe, or see the flyer at the back church.
- You Buy, We Fry - Take Out Lenten Fish Fry #2 - Join us Friday, March 6 at 6:00pm for Fr. Martin's 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. Pre-order today - <https://tinyurl.com/OLQPVAFISHFRY> or scan here:  or for more details, contact Rebecca Grant Jenkins, Director of Youth & Young Adult Ministries. To pay in advance, please go to **Parishsoft:** <https://giving.parishsoft.com/app/giving/FD-271?tab=home> ,

MINISTERIO PARA ADOLESCENTES:

- Ya puedes mandar la solicitud: <https://tinyurl.com/OLQPYDWC2026> para el Young Disciples Work Camp programado para futuros estudiantes de los grados 7, 8 y 9, del 22 al 26 de junio del 2026. Únete a nosotros para celebrar una semana de fe, compañerismo y servicio a la comunidad de OLQP y otras. Únete a nosotros para participar de una sesión informativa el domingo, 1ro de marzo, de 4:30pm a 5:30pm en Casa Guadalupe o mira el volante en la parte de atrás de la iglesia.
- Usted compra, nosotros freímos Pescado frito #2 durante la Cuaresma para llevar - Únase a nosotros el viernes, 6 de marzo a las 6:00pm para la cena que el Padre Martin va a tener de 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 de los ministerios de adolescentes y jóvenes adultos. ¡Ordene por anticipado: <https://tinyurl.com/OLQPVAFISHFRY> o escanee aquí:  Para obtener más detalles, contacte a Rebecca Grant Jenkins, Directora de los ministerios de adolescentes y jóvenes adultos. Para pagar por adelantado, por favor vaya a **Parishsoft:** <https://giving.parishsoft.com/app/giving/FD-271?tab=home> y escoja "Fellowship Fundraiser" en el cuadro desplegable.

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.

ADVOCATES for JUSTICE

Advocates! continue to stay engaged. Follow the actions that the Virginia General Assembly has been taking in Richmond because the 60-day session is moving along with great speed to the March 14th conclusion. As noted previously, all bills that passed one chamber were heard again in the other chamber and while many have been passed, some will be tabled until next year. Several bills are deemed to have a financial impact and were considered by the House Appropriations Committee and the Senate Finance and Appropriations Committee. Additionally, each chamber released its proposal for a state budget, marking the transition from committee review to floor debate and compromise. The final biennial budget will shape state spending priorities for the next 2 years. *Follow the Money!*

NOW is the acceptable time for justice advocates to connect with elected Members to remind them that the *budget is a moral document and must benefit people over profit*. How resources are "assigned and used" paints a picture of what state leaders believe is critically important to achieve. If spending bends the moral arc toward justice then all Virginians will be beneficiaries.

Advocates for justice are faithful witnesses at the intersection of where Faith Street meets State Street. Justice advocates show up and speak up with moral courage for the moral imperative and for a moral budget. The prophet Isaiah challenges advocates, "Cry out full-throated and unsparingly, lift up your voice like a trumpet blast..." (IS 58:1) Bolster your moral courage with prayer as prayer nourishes action. Ask, what is God challenging us to do on behalf of God's people and all creation? Is our community ready to answer God's call by responding, *here we are, send us!*



STONE SOUP SUPPER SERIES

Stone Soup Supper Series continues Friday, March 6, with 6:00pm daily Mass in the Church followed by a modest meal in Fr. Ray Hall. The speaker begins at 7:00pm -- Fr. Tim Hickey, CSSp., our pastor, will talk about almsgiving: time, talent and treasure. If you want to hear about a different take on what Lent has to offer, come join us for a wonderful evening.

INVITATION TO OLQP WOMEN'S FAITH SHARING BOOK CLUB

March 5 – April 16, Thursdays, 7pm, OLQP Library
Book: "Slowing Down to the Speed of Joy"
by Matthew Kelly

Greetings! Please join Mary Wulf and other parish women for a book club meeting weekly on Thursdays at 7pm in the OLQP library. We will be starting our discussion of Matthew Kelly's "Slowing Down to the Speed of Joy" on Thursday March 5. It's a short book packed with helpful lessons for life in the fast lane for a woman who knows slowing down would help, but needs God's help with the how. Hope you can join us - please buy and bring your own copy of the book.

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.olqpva.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: jgantz Daly@olqpva.org

KUDOS TO OLQP in recognition of the generous donations to Arlington County's Department of Human Services Annual Foster Family Holiday Event. Thank you to Rebecca Carpenter and Debra Johnson, coordinators of OLQP's Building Forever Families Ministry, for their work in bringing this great outreach opportunity to our community. Thank you to all who participated!

RESTORATIVE PRACTICE: LEARNING CIRCLE

Restorative practices encourage a multiplicity of voices in the process of discernment, building relationships and responding to conflict. These practices, adapted from Restorative Justice work, can be formative for communities of faith and are powerful resources in dialogue with neighbors and the world beyond our walls.

On Sunday, March 15, 2:30PM - 4:30PM, join OLQP's Restorative Practice Ministry, the Interfaith Restorative Practice Network, and other learners in an instructional restorative circle as we explore and encourage the use of restorative practices in our faith communities. Perfect for those who are new to Circle process, and would like to understand and experience restorative practice.

We hope that the circle will include broad representation of a diverse community, including diversity of faith traditions. Registration is free, and limited to 20 participants.

To Register: - <https://forms.gle/DfH6BDyWEg1u5EW17>

For more information: Michele Chang, rise2gthr@gmail.com

BEWARE OF EMAILS AND TEXT MESSAGES that appear to come from Fr. Tim and other staff members. The messages typically sound urgent and ask for a call back or immediate response. This is not the way we will communicate with you – the messages are scams. Please delete them. Always double check the sender email address to make sure it's actually a staff member.

LENTEN CALENDAR THEME is "Healthy People, Healing Planet"

This week's theme is "Thinking of our neighbors at home and around the world". Consider how your actions impact nearby neighbors and those thousands of miles away. Support local food charities and international aid organizations. Purchase fairly traded and ethically produced goods that provide workers livable wages. See the March 2 calendar video link to learn how a 16-year-old girl is working to secure justice in her Indigenous community.

As we strive for a deeper experience of the mysteries of Lent and Creation, the use of calendar can help bring us closer to our Lord as we walk together to Easter.

From the Integrity of Creation Team

Lenten Care Creation Calendar 2026

[Click here to download the calendar](#)

Or pick up a copy from the back of church.

INTEGRITY OF CREATION MINISTRY SEEKING NEW MEMBERS

Join us in engaging parishioners, encouraging sustainability practices and helping to plan events for the important work of caring for God's creation. Join our small, but mighty group of fellow parishioners in this important work. Monthly meetings are held on-line. Special events are planned during Lent, in April for Earth Month, and in the fall with an outdoor music celebration. Contact: Kathleen Brown at Kathleenabrown@verizon.net to join our ministry team.

SAVE-THE-DATE:

JOHN PAUL THE GREAT OPEN HOUSE ON MARCH 5TH

Planning for high school? Join us at John Paul the Great for a special Preview Open House for younger students on Thursday, March 5th from 4:00-5:30pm! Learn more about our rigorous college-preparatory curriculum, competitive athletics, inspiring visual and performing arts, and abundant extracurricular opportunities! **Click here to register!**

COMPASSIONATE LISTENING WORKSHOP

March 8, 3:00-5:00pm

Sponsored by: OLQP's Stephen Ministry

When you learn to listen and speak from the heart:

As a parent you increase your child's sense of value and worth

As a spouse you nurture bonds of love and respect

As an adult you deepen relationships

with friends and family we treasure

In the workplace you understand how to communicate effectively, even with those we find difficult

In our community groups we strengthen commitment to peace and advocacy.

Led by Dr. Alvarado, a clinical psychologist (30 years' experience), we will develop and enhance your compassionate listening skills through interactive and participatory practices in small groups.

Join other community members in what will be an informative and fun learning experience.

Listen

Speak from

Please pre-register: *the Heart*

smolqp@gmail.com; Louise Drucker: (703) 635-0469.

There is no fee for the workshop.

Check in at 2:45 at: Fr. Ray Hall

Our Lady Queen of Peace Catholic Church | Nuestra Señora de la Paz

You Buy, We Fry | Usted compra, nosotros freímos

Lenten Take-out | De Cuaresma - Para llevar a casa

Fish Fry Fridays | Viernes de pescado frito

MAR 6 ~ MAR 20 ~ MAR 27

6 de MAR ~ 20 de MAR ~ 27 de MAR

Founders Room, Ministry Center

Sala de los Fundadores, Centro del Ministerio

6:00pm—8:00pm

MENÚ

Choice of | Opción de:

Fish (2 pieces) | Pescado (2 pedazos)
Shrimp (8) | Camarones (8)
Combo (1 piece of fish & 4 shrimp)
1 Pedazo de Pescado y 4 Camarones

WITH | CON:

Coleslaw | Ensalada de Col
Fries | Papas Fritas
Condiments | Condimentos

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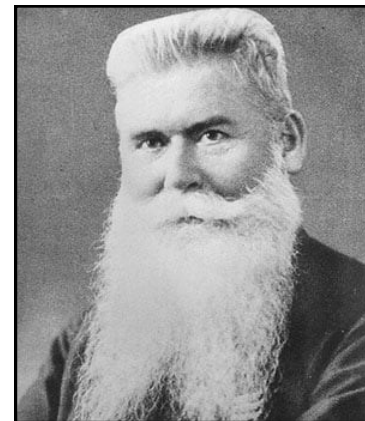
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Blessed Daniel Brottier, C.S.Sp.

Daniel Brottier was born on September 7, 1876, in Ferte-Saint-Cyr, in the diocese of Blois, northern France, a son of Jean-Baptiste and Herminie Brottier. Early in his childhood, Daniel Brottier expressed his love for the faith and his desire to enter the priesthood.

He fulfilled that desire and was ordained a priest on October 22, 1899, later teaching secondary school in France. But Fr. Daniel felt a calling to the missionary life, and he joined the Congregation of the Holy Spirit in 1902. The congregation then sent him on his first missionary assignment to Senegal.



However, his stay in Senegal was short-lived due to health reasons, and he returned to France in 1906 to recover, remaining there permanently starting in 1911, because of ill health. Even though he would remain in France for the rest of his life, Fr. Daniel still yearned to be associated with the life of a missionary and raised funds for the construction of a cathedral in Dakar, Senegal, at the request of the bishop there. He secured the necessary funds over a seven-year period — including during World War I — and the African Memorial Cathedral was consecrated on February 2, 1936, just 26 days prior to Fr. Daniel's death on February 28, 1936.

With the start of World War I, Fr. Daniel volunteered to serve as a chaplain for France's 121st Infantry Regiment. Fr. Daniel believed that the intercession of St. Therese of Lisieux helped him minister to the soldiers during the war. He later founded the National Union of Servicemen to aid French veterans of all wars.

In 1923, the cardinal archbishop of Paris asked the Congregation of the Holy Spirit to take over the Orphans Apprentices of Auteuil, a shelter for the many half-starved children living on the streets of Paris. Providing refuge and education for children was an early and ongoing option for the Congregation, which often had orphanages attached to seminaries and schools.

Fr. Daniel took charge of the assignment and, for the next 13 years, expanded the orphanage and ministered to the many homeless and neglected children living on the streets. He later observed, "There has to be a minimum of well-being and comfort if these young people are to grow up without bitterness. Otherwise they will later on sow the seeds of revolt and anarchy in society."



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Fr. Daniel died on February 28, 1936, in the hospital of St. Joseph in Paris. Approximately 15,000 people attended his funeral Mass. He was buried in his beloved Chapel of St. Therese — which he built in her honor — in Auteuil on April 5, 1936. On January 13, 1983, Pope John Paul II declared Fr. Daniel Brottier "venerable," and he was beatified on November 25, 1984. As part of the process for sainthood, Fr. Brottier's body was discovered to be incorrupt when exhumed in 1962.

The Congregation of the Holy Spirit
Province of the United States
<https://spiritans.org/brottier>



Timeline of Daniel Brottier's Life

1876- Brottier is born in northern France. Brottier expressed the desire to be a priest at a young age.

1899- Brottier is ordained a priest and becomes a teacher.

1902- Brottier feels called to become a missionary and decides to join the Congregation of the Holy Spirit (Spiritans). He is sent to Senegal.

1906- Illness affects Brottier to the degree that he's sent back to France to recover. By 1910, he is sent home permanently and begins raising funds for a cathedral in Dakar, Senegal.

1914- When WWI starts, Brottier volunteers as a chaplain for France's 121st Infantry Regiment. He serves tirelessly throughout the war, praying for the intercession of St. Therese of Leseiux for protection. He earns the nickname Teflon Dan as he remains miraculously unharmed.

1923- The Spiritans are asked to take over Orphans Apprentices of Auteuil, and Brottier becomes administrator of the Orphanage.

In the next 13 years, Brottier

- Attends to the needs of children, whether or not they can be accepted into the program.
- Improves conditions significantly and helps boost the self-esteem of the children in his care. One student says: "Before I arrived at Auteuil, I had always been called by a number; Fr. Brottier called me John."
- Ensures children learning jobs like agriculture are properly paid.
- Increases the number of apprentices trained for future work from 140 to 1500.

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1984- Brottier is beatified by Pope John Paul II on November 25.