

## Welcome to OLQP Catholic Church!

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Monday-Friday — 12 Noon

### Weekend Mass Schedule:

Saturdays — 5:30 pm Vigil

Sundays — 8:00 am, 9:30 am, 11:15 am,

1:00 pm (Spanish), and 6:00 pm (Young Adult Mass)

### Baptism:

Please call or email the office to make arrangements.

### Marriage Preparation:

Please contact Fr. Tim, Fr. Brandon, or Deacon Tony at least six months before wedding date to complete requirements.

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### OLQP MISSION STATEMENT

Our Lady Queen of Peace Catholic Church is dedicated to witnessing the teachings of Jesus Christ, especially the Gospel of Saint Matthew, Chapter 25:31-46. Our mission is to nurture the spirit and to encourage the potential of those we serve through liturgical celebration, educational endeavors and social ministries. The parish will continue to identify with its origin as a Black parish. As a multi-ethnic congregation we will seek to promote racial harmony and social justice. While our primary focus is within the immediate community, we will also work to provide for the well-being of the downtrodden everywhere. In this we strive for our parish community to be a caring, sharing, and loving family.

## Our Lady Queen of Peace Church Nuestra Señora Reina de la Paz

### OCTOBER 2, 2016

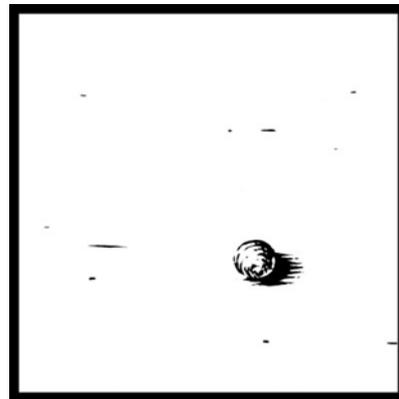
## TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

### SPECIAL MASS SCHEDULE NEXT WEEKEND

Parish Picnic at Barcroft Park

Saturday: 5:30 pm Vigil

Sunday: 8 am, 9:30 am, 12 noon Bilingual, 6 pm  
(no 11:15 or 1 pm Masses next weekend)



**"If you have faith the size of a  
mustard seed,  
you would say to this  
mulberry tree,  
'Be uprooted and planted in  
the sea,'  
and it would obey you."**

*Lk 17:6*

## TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*Hab 1:2-3, 2:2-4; 2 Tm 1:6-8, 13-14; Lk 17:5-10*

Next Sunday's Readings: (28th Sunday in Ordinary Time)

*2 Kgs 5:14-17; 2 Tm 2:8-13; Lk 17:11-19*

## OUR SICK AND HOMEBOUND STRENGTHEN US

**PLEASE PRAY FOR:** Lousie Aust Elizabeth Ball, Suri Barahona, Ronald Bashian, Francis Bilgera, Precious Bowens, April Brassard, Lynne Burgh, Kathy Burns, Brody Carroll, Louise Chambers, Carmen Rosa Claire, Mary DaLuca, Cheryl Darby, Adrienne DiCerbo, Ernest Donatto, Mike Dorsey, Marye Embrey, Irene Fitzpatrick, Judie Francia, Yvette Francois, Allison Fratus, Karen Gammache, Trishann Ganley, Carmen Gonzalez, Karen Greene, the Harris Family, Linda Hawkins, Clare Hayden, Ida Hernandez, Dee Hickey, Margaret Hodges, Beatriz Uribe Jaramillo, Raymond Jay, Pat Johnson, Carmen Andrea Lara, Patrick Lawrey, Maria Linares, Lidia Montero Lopez, Mary Helen Madden, Wil McBride, Stefan McGuigan, Olga McKenzie, Martha Gladys Medina, Bette Mehalko, Roberto Méndez, Mary Miller, Yvonne Mockler, Carmen Montijo, Dorothy Moran, Bob Morsches, Chelsea Murray, Nicholas, Patrick Ogden, Michelle O'Keefe, Delfima Pacheco-Choque, Roy Paco, Mary Rita Prah, Catherine Parr, Mary Pasquarella, Patrick, Catherine Peake, Paul Ramirez, Kate Ring, Maritza Roldan, Carolyn Santos, Susan Savage, Jane Shepard, Mary Shookhoff, Jeffrey Smith, Mary E. Smith, Eva Souza, Paul Steinmetz, Phillip Stewart, Michael Arthur Sweat, Rose Trujillo, Nancy Urquizo, Stephen Utley, Claudia Waller, Dottie Williams, Mary Woods, Claudia Zapata.

## MASS INTENTIONS FOR OCTOBER 1-7

5:30 pm - for Mark Henriquez (D) by the Casey Family

8:00 am - for Raymond Baker (D) by Marilyn T. Baker

9:30 am - for Jim Healy (D) by Frank Finamore

11:15 am - for Helen & Charles Brewer (L) by Rick & Cheryl Herndon

1:00 pm - for Custodio & Eduvigis Zeballos (D) the Montano Family

6:00 pm - for Joselito Anonuevo Yaptengo (D) by Judy & Wally Reyes

Mon. 12:00 noon - for William Tunney, Jr. (D)

by Noble-Martocci Family

Fri. 12:00 noon - for Sonia Dias D'Souza (D)

by Rita, Juderica & Amit Khetarpaul

## SUNDAY COLLECTIONS

Sunday Collection: \$10,976

Faith Direct September *weekly average*: \$8,321.62

**JUST\$** -- A population too malnourished to work suffers long-term economic consequences, and a malnourished person can suffer a 10 percent reduction in his/her lifetime earnings. By purchasing Giant, Safeway or Shoppers cards, you are supporting the hungry in our community and orphans of AIDS in Africa, at no cost to you.

**PARISH MEMBER NEEDS RIDE TO CHURCH** Do you have room in your car for one more and live in the Alexandria area? Ann Reap who uses a manual wheelchair is seeking a ride on a regular or semi-regular basis. If you can help, please contact her: 703-407-7312.

## SACRAMENTAL LIFE OF THE PARISH

This week we welcome new Christian:

**Mabel Caitlyn Shuy - Baptized 3 pm Sunday.**

**PEACE ASPIRATIONS...** All the arms we need are for hugging. – unknown author

## FIRST COMMUNION REGISTRATION

**Monday, October 3rd at 7:00 pm**

## CONFIRMATION REGISTRATION

**Monday, October 17<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm**

*Because we anticipate very large classes this year and have limited parish resources, participation in our Sacramental Preparation Programs is only open to families actively worshipping at OLQP, and enrolled in our Religious Education program. For more information contact Katie: [Kremedios@olqpva.org](mailto:Kremedios@olqpva.org)*

## TECHNOLOGY IN MEDOR

Thanks to the efforts of many people, there has been a sure and steady introduction of technology in Medor, a place where it was previously nonexistent. Solar power allowed for the initiation of a computer program for Medor's secondary school. Pere Luckson hired a computer teacher and requested that we send laptops to the school's newly dedicated computer lab. OLQP delegations have delivered more than 30 laptops. There are enough computers to provide each secondary school student one hour of computer instruction every other week.

A medical delegation from OLQP leaves for Medor on October 18 to conduct a medical mission there. Please pray for the team as they prepare for their trip. **Check out Dr. Sue's blog** on Medor at [marysusancarlson.tumblr.com](http://marysusancarlson.tumblr.com)

Please continue to pray for our sisters and brothers in Haiti!

## MINKISI SMALL GROUP MEDITATION

"Blessed are the Merciful". Come to Minkisi ministry's small group meditation on Monday, October 3, 7:15 pm in the Parish Discussion Room/Parish Office. Barbara Harris will lead the scripture prayer and reflection with Psalm 147:11. Also, register early for the annual Minkisi mini-retreat, Saturday, November 5, led by Therese Wilson Favors. For more information, contact Cecilia: [jisaac3@verizon.net](mailto:jisaac3@verizon.net) or 703-979-5389.

## BISHOP O'CONNELL HIGH SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE

**SUNDAY, OCT. 16, 1-4 PM**

Visit renovated science labs, learn more about the curriculum, meet teachers, administrators and coaches, and chat with current students. No RSVP necessary. Presentation begins at 1 pm in the auditorium. For more details, visit [www.bishopoconnell.org](http://www.bishopoconnell.org) or call 703-237-1433. Bishop O'Connell High School is located at 6600 Little Falls Road in Arlington.

**SCREENING OF "VOICELESS"** - Please join the OLQP Respect Life Ministry for a screening of "Voiceless" at the AMC Hoffman Theatre, Hoffman Town Center (206 Swamp Fox Road, Alexandria) Saturday, October 8th at 3:55 pm. (Eisenhower Metro stop) The pro-life Christian film won several awards at secular film festivals and is opening nationwide that weekend. It is rated PG-13. Tickets (\$10.50) can be obtained by contacting [SaraDina4Life@verizon.net](mailto:SaraDina4Life@verizon.net)

**JUST A THOUGHT OR TWO...** In today's Gospel we hear the apostles asking Jesus to increase their faith, a seemingly appropriate request. But Jesus rebuffs their request. Why do they need more faith...they were with Jesus in the flesh...they had seen his miracles first hand, they had heard his preaching...what more did they need? Perhaps they were fearful of their doubts, perhaps they saw that some of them had more faith than others within their group. Perhaps the one who asked wanted to impress Jesus or possibly he was struggling with his own faith in Jesus. Regardless of the reason for the question, Jesus responds basically telling them all that however much faith they have, it is sufficient to do all things. I often have conversations with folks about faith and doubt, so often people express a sense of shame or embarrassment at what they perceive as "a lack of faith". And yet in today's Gospel Jesus tells us that even faith the size of a mustard seed is sufficient! That leaves all kinds of room for doubt...but Jesus focuses on the power of that "tiny faith" and the reality that with even a little faith great things can happen! My takeaway from this Gospel is that while we all have doubts, just like the apostles, the faith we do have is sufficient to do what we have been called to do! In and through the power of the Holy Spirit, that lives within each one of us, we can indeed respond to the Gospel way of life, building up the Reign of God through working for justice and building peace in the world. What are my doubts and where is my faith strong? What actions will I take this week to live out my discipleship?

God's Blessings,  
Fr. Tim

### **ANNUAL PARISH PICNIC – Sunday, October 9** **Barcroft Park - 1-5 pm**

Special Mass Schedule on Picnic Sunday – 12 noon bilingual Mass (in place of 11:15 and 1 pm)  
Please see today's bulletin insert for details and map to the park, and please sign up to help. The sign up poster is at the back of church (on the Carpenter's bulletin board). Additional help is needed here at the parish Sunday morning. If you can help in the kitchen Sunday morning, please contact Bernadette Lozano, 571-236-7664, valdezbdv@yahoo.com



**A limited number of PARISH PICTURE DIRECTORIES** will be available for sale (\$5) the weekend of October 1-2 after each of the Masses while supplies last. If you had your picture taken for the directory, you are entitled to a free directory. Those not yet picked up will be available the same weekend.

**DAYTIME VOLUNTEERS NEEDED AT AFAC** - AFAC (Arlington Food Assistance Center) provides supplemental groceries to over 2,300 Arlington families each week. We're looking for volunteers able to help on weekdays for 2 programs. For more information about either, emailvolunteer4afac@afac.org, call 703-845-8486 or go to www.afac.org

**ECO-TIP:** Compost yard waste to develop new soil rich in nutrients and humus. Consult the internet for methods easiest for you.

**SEASON OF CARE OF CREATION** - In the final chapter (6) of *Laudato Si'*, Pope Francis speaks to us of spirituality and education. He urges us toward a new lifestyle and challenges *compulsive consumerism*. He reiterates Pope Benedict's statement that "purchasing is always a moral, not simply economic, act (*Caritas in Veritate*, #66). Francis reminds us of The Earth Charter (earthcharter.org). He says we have a shared responsibility for others and the world. He encourages us to pray in our struggle for justice, love and peace. **ACTION** ideas for this concluding week: in your daily prayer, pray for our earth in thanksgiving and hope. Read *Laudato Si'*.

**"FEAST OF ST. FRANCIS" PROGRAM** On Tuesday, October 4, the Integrity of Creation Team will host a program to conclude our "Season of Care of Creation" activities. The program was created by Catholic Climate Covenant. The theme is "Dial Down the Heat: Cultivate the Common Good for our Common Home," and focuses on answering Pope Francis' call for engaging in civil and constructive dialogue on climate protection. You are invited to attend, to engage in discussion and activities. The event will be held in the Ministry Center at 7:00. For more information, contact Michelle Knight, mknight@olqpva.org

**SEASONAL CHANGE AT MATT 25 BAZAAR** - It is time to distribute fall and winter clothing. Please search your closets for *gently worn* clothing to donate. Please keep your spring and summer items until next spring. Our storage space is very limited. We only take children's books.

**SAVE THE DATE - SUNDAY, OCTOBER 16** from 3:30 to 5:30 VOICE (Virginians Organized for Interfaith Community Engagement) will hold their next major action. Do you want to do something about gun violence, affordable housing and other community issues? Show your support by attending this event. For more information contact Nicole Spence-Goon, nickkiluv@yahoo.com

### **CATHOLIC CHARITIES TOILETRIES COLLECTION**

Thank you to everyone who contributed to the collection of toiletries last weekend. We worked together with the local Church of Latter Day Saints and collected almost 900 pounds!! They will be distributed to food pantries throughout the Arlington Diocese, particularly in the rural areas. Those living in poverty who receive food stamps, cannot buy these products through that program.

**FOOD SECURITY CAMPAIGN** -- The Food Security Team will be holding the Bread for the World 2016 Offering of Letters campaign (<http://www.bread.org/offering-letters>) October 22 and 23 to tell Congress we support increased funding for nutrition and health of mothers, newborns and young children, particularly funding for international maternal and child nutrition programs in the Department of State foreign operations appropriations bill's global health account. This campaign enables parishioners to write letters to their Senators and Representatives to help this vulnerable population. We ask you to complete a form letter, with room for your personal message, after masses on the 22<sup>nd</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup>, and we then personally deliver them to the Hill. More info. will be in next week's bulletin.

# Love Is Risky. But Fear Is Worse

By **Joe Kay**

I covered the 2004 Summer Olympics in Athens, Greece. On my day off, I wanted to visit the Parthenon, which took some logistical planning with the public transit system. I don't know Greek, so I had to study the train map to figure out a travel plan.

What I didn't plan for was getting to the train station where I needed to transfer lines and then realizing that all the signs were in Greek — duh! I had no idea where to go. I looked at my map and then at the signs and then back at my map, trying to discern which train platform I needed.

I was totally at a loss. And apparently, it showed.

A woman noticed my confusion. She smiled and said something in Greek that I didn't understand. She didn't understand my response in English. I pointed to the Acropolis on my train map. She nodded, took me by the arm and walked me all the way across the station to the platform that I needed to catch the correct train. And then she smiled again and walked away.

How very cool, huh? She took the risk of reaching out to a stranger — one from a world away — and helped me get what I needed at that moment.

Love always, always, always involves taking a risk and we always will wind up getting hurt in some ways.

I thought about the Greek woman the other day when the son of a presidential candidate compared refugees to Skittles. His point was that we should fear those whom we don't know. We shouldn't take the risk of helping them because we could get hurt.

He's not the only one saying it. A lot

of people fear those who are different from them. They're afraid to love them because love always, always, always involves taking a risk and we always wind up getting hurt in some ways. Sometimes it feels safer to cowering behind walls and weapons.

Walled off from others. Walled off from love. Walled off from life itself. Merely existing instead of actually living.

To me, the saddest part is that we hear this talk from many supposedly religious people who really have no excuse for thinking that way. To be led by the spirit of a loving God means that when we see fear and pain and need around us, we head toward it and enter into it freely, risking ourselves to bring hope and healing into the world.

That's the job description. Look it up.

You take the risk of putting yourself into those moments and those lives. You put your hand in the jar even though you don't know what you'll pull out. And yes, you do it knowing there will be a price to be paid somewhere along the line.

To be led by the spirit of a loving God means that when we see fear and pain and need around us, we head toward it. That's the job description. Look it up.

But you also know that there's an even greater cost for refusing to stop and help the needy person by the side of the road. When we walk right past, we lose a little bit of what makes us all precious and human and sacred.

Giving in to fear takes us to many dark, ugly places. It's the incubator for hatred, racism, sexism, homophobia, religious conflict, political wars, and the many other evils in the world. All of them are rooted in a

fear of those who are different from us.

The alternative? Label fear for what it is — a vampire that sucks life and love out of us and our world. Recognize that those monsters beneath our beds are ones that we've created in our fearful minds. It's not easy, of course. Fear is always tugging at us, trying to hold us back from loving — not only loving others, but ourselves, too. In those moments, we have to take a breath and act like the cowardly lion who, though still trembling, marches into the witch's castle to save someone who needs us.

Even if that person is very different from us.

Leadership? It means showing courage when others insist we need to run and hide. Leaders show us how to move beyond our fears and live more fully.

Love? It means bringing light to the world's dark and scary corners, healing to people who are hurting, and hope to those who feel a sense of despair creeping close.

It means reminding people about all of the miraculous and grace-filled moments that are all around us every day. It means recognizing the beauty and the goodness in our world — those millions of acts of unexpected kindness that take our breath away.

It means noticing the stranger who is lost, feeling compassion, taking their arm and leading them to the proper place. Helping them get whatever it is that they need in that moment.

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