

## Welcome to OLQP Catholic Church!

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### Baptism:

Please call or email the office to make arrangements.

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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

### FEBRUARY 5, 2017

### FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

### First Sunday of Black History Month



### National Day of Prayer for the African American Family

God of Mercy and Love we place our African American Families before You today. May we be proud of our history and never forget those who paid a great price for our liberation. Bless us one by one and keep our hearts and minds fixed on higher ground. Help us to live for You and not for ourselves, and may we cherish and proclaim the gift of life. Bless our parents, guardians and grandparents, relatives and friends. Give us the amazing grace to be the salt of the earth and the light of the world. Help us, as Your children, to live in such a way that the beauty and greatness of authentic love is reflected in all that we say and do. Give a healing anointing to those less fortunate, especially the motherless, the fatherless, the broken, the sick and the lonely. Bless our departed family members and friends. May they be led into the light of your dwelling place where we will never grow old, where we will share the fullness of redemption and shout the victory for all eternity. This we ask in the Precious Name of Jesus, our Savior and Blessed Assurance. Amen.

Holy Mary, Mother of Our Families, pray for us.

--Prayer composed by Fr. Jim Goode, OFM, who in 1989 founded  
National Day of Prayer for the African American Family

In recognition of this national day of prayer, please join with the congregation in praying this prayer at the conclusion of Prayers of the Faithful at all Masses this weekend.

THIS WEEKEND'S SECOND COLLECTION  
ARLINGTON CATHOLIC HERALD  
(Diocesan Newspaper)

## THE FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*Is 58:7-10; 1 Cor 2:1-5; Mt 5:13-16*

Next weekend's Readings:

(The Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time)

*Sir 15:15-20; 1 Cor 2:6-10; Mt 5:20-22A, 27-28, 33-34A, 37*

## OUR SICK AND HOMEBOUND STRENGTHEN US

**PLEASE PRAY FOR:** Louie Aust, Elizabeth Ball, Suri Barahona, Tim Barnes, Ronald Bashian, Francis Bilgera, Precious Bowens, April Brasard, Lynne Burgh, 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, Jamie Kors, Carmen Andrea Lara, Patrick Lawrey, Maria Linares, Lidia Montero Lopez, Mary Helen Madden, Wil McBride, Stefan McGuigan, Olga McKenzie, Martha Gladys Medina, Roberto Méndez, Mary Miller, Yvonne Mockler, Carmen Montijo, Dorothy Moran, Bob Morsches, Chelsea Murray, Nicholas, Gerri Noble-Martocci, Patrick Ogden, Delfima Pacheco-Choque, Roy Paco, 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 JANUARY 28– FEBRUARY 3

5:30 pm– for Sylvie Cachy (D) by the Cabrera Family

8 am– for Val Robert Staha (D) by Karen Staha

9:30 am– for the Kelly Sisters (D) by Susan Harris

11:15 am– for Domingo Angustia (D) by

Judy Francia Reyes & Wally Reyes

1 pm– For Sylvie Cachy (D) by the Cabrera Family

6 pm– for Kitty Johnson (D) by John Vigorita

Mon. 12:00 noon - for Cathy Manley (L)

by the Velasco & Kent Family

Tue. 12:00 noon - for MaryLou Attayek (L) by Pat Carty

Thu. 12:00 noon - for Brenda Stanley (L)

by Pat Carty & Steve Wojeick

Fri. 12:00 noon - for Cathrine Miller (D) by Francesca A. Kearney

## SUNDAY COLLECTIONS

Sunday Collection: \$13,168

Faith Direct January *weekly average*: \$7,943

**JUST\$** - About thirty percent of food grown in America is never eaten – some only because it doesn't look *perfect*. But it's just as healthy for your body, and equally as delicious for your taste buds. With help from the Just\$ program, OLQP obtains *perfectly imperfect* produce from the Capital Area Food Bank to provide supplemental food to community members via the Food Pantry. You can help feed the hungry at no cost to you by using Just\$ Giant, Safeway or Shoppers cards throughout the year for your weekly grocery shopping. You can also purchase and donate a card to the Food Pantry.

**OLQP PRAYER SERVICE** - Join us for evening prayer and song, Thursday, February 16, 7:30 - 8 pm, located in the church.

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CORNER – PRAYER

Many Catholic parents worry about children accepting the faith. The good news is that children who grow up with a solid prayer life, regularly attend Mass, and receive the Sacraments are likely to stay Catholic. Try these suggestions.

### **Instill confidence in Prayer:**

Pray regularly as a family and attend Mass. Write down special intentions together, including prayers of thanksgiving, and post them on the parish prayer wall.

### **Be clear about your own faith:**

The most powerful catechesis we offer to our children is our own example. That means explaining our faith well, living it fully, and practicing it faithfully (discipleship in action). If sports, work and recreation take precedence to Mass and our own spiritual growth, children receive mixed messages about the importance of faith.

### **Teach children to understand what they believe:**

It's not enough to memorize prayers, but important to explain the meaning behind the words.

Help your child understand and relay back the meaning of what it is you are asking/sharing with God.

### **Know God's Word:**

Make it a habit to talk about the Gospel and Scripture readings during the week. Take home a "table-talk" handout and reflect on the Gospel and how it pertains to your life around the kitchen table. Keep a children's Bible handy and use it together.

## REBUILDING AFTER HURRICANE DAMAGE, PHASE 2 - The

Pastoral Council in Medor could not satisfy all the families in the first phase of the aid received for Hurricane Matthew. In the second phase, they helped the families who received nothing in the first phase. This included: 100 sheet metal pieces for 20 families to repair the roofs of their homes; 50 bags of cement destined to 10 families to repair their homes; and pea (bean) seeds, banana plants, baby goat, nails for 40 families. In addition, because the La Source chapel school was damaged heavily and needed reconstruction, iron, planks, rock, sand, gravel, nails, boards, 200 sheet metal pieces and 150 bags of cement were purchased for the construction of a new school building.

**Check out Dr. Sue's blog** on Medor: [marysusancarlson.tumblr.com](http://marysusancarlson.tumblr.com)

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

**LENTEN DAY OF PRAYER**, Saturday, March 4,– Escape to San Damiano in White Post, VA and make this a more fruitful Lent. Fr. John Cregan will lead the Day. Please pre-register by calling San Damiano at 540-868-9220 or [h.esparza@arlingtondiocese.org](mailto:h.esparza@arlingtondiocese.org). Check-in begins at 9 am and the day concludes after Mass - about 3 pm. The cost for the day is \$30 and includes lunch.

## 2017 MARKS THE 100TH ANNIVERSARY OF OUR LADY OF FATIMA APPARITIONS - In honor of the Centennial celebration

Our Lady Queen of Peace is offering a wonderful travel opportunity lead by Fr. Brandon: **A Pilgrimage to FATIMA & LOURDES with BARCELONA** from November 12 – 21, 2017. If you are interested and want to learn more about cost and logistics, please contact: Fr. Brandon: [bnghuyen@olqpva.org](mailto:bnghuyen@olqpva.org)

## SACRAMENTAL LIFE OF THE PARISH

This week we welcome 1 new Christian:

**Nallely Chavez Segovia** - who will be baptized 1 pm Sunday

**JUST A THOUGHT OR TWO...** In the first reading the prophet Isaiah proclaims: "Thus says the Lord: share your bread with the hungry, shelter the oppressed and the homeless" ...and Psalm 112 says that the just person is a light in the darkness! In the Gospel, Jesus challenges his disciples to let their light shine, to be like beacons lighting a city on a hillside! And by allowing their light to shine they will lead others to see their good deeds and thus see the glory of God. So that through doing good we both give glory to God and show forth the glory of God. Jesus also uses the metaphor of salt for the lives of the disciples and challenges them to be sure to not let their lives "lose their flavor" and become tasteless. It is interesting to note that in the ancient world, a world without refrigeration, salt was the only way to preserve fish and meat. Just as light is essential for life to exist, so too salt was crucial for survival! So comparing the disciple's lives to salt had multiple layers of understanding and significance. What is clear is that Jesus is calling the disciples to be on guard to make sure that the manner in which they live their lives "shine" with the "light of the values of the Gospel", that their lives are lived in such a manner that they have the "flavor of the Gospel." So we too, as disciples of Jesus, are called to the same, to let our lives "shine" and to be sure that our lives "taste" of values of the Gospel of Jesus Christ. As so often said, the call to discipleship is no easy call, it is difficult and challenging but we do not respond alone because by virtue of our Baptism we are strengthened with the Holy Spirit. It is this Spirit, the Spirit of God, that emboldens us and impels us to go forth into the darkness to let our light shine, to share our bread with the hungry and to shelter the oppressed, the immigrant and refugee! How will I let my light shine this week? What areas of my life most "taste" like the Gospel? Blessings, Fr Tim

**2017 BISHOP'S LENTEN APPEAL BEGINS!** This month many of us will receive a mailing from Bishop Burbidge regarding the 2017 Bishop's Lenten Appeal (BLA). The theme for the 2017 BLA is "*Offering hands to serve and hearts to love.*" After reflecting upon the many blessings that God has given you, please prayerfully consider making a pledge to this important appeal that funds many programs and ministries that serve the people in our diocese. Through your support of this important appeal, you become the hands and heart of our Lord Jesus!

#### **BLACK HISTORY MONTH HAPPENINGS IN THE COMMUNITY**

- **150 Years Of Worship** -- Join 3 local churches, Calloway United Methodist, Lomax A.M.E. Zion and Mount Zion Baptist, as the Arlington Historical Society observes their 150 years with a panel presentation. The event takes place on Thurs. Feb. 9 at 7 pm at the Reinsch Library at Marymount University.
- **2017 Alfred Street Baptist Church Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCU) College Festival** -- Over 70 colleges, universities and other organizations will be represented Sat., Feb. 18 – Doors open at 9 am, T.C. Williams High School (3330 King St., Alexandria)
- **OLQP 2017 Black History Month Program, Sat., Feb 18, 6:30 pm**, Ministry Center Founders Room. Featured Speaker: Sia Barbara Kamara Chair, West African Ministry Faith United Church of Christ, Wash. D.C. with introduction by Dr. Robert Efimba. The 2017 Theme is "The Crisis in Black Education" with Program Focus on Education in Liberia and the Diaspora. A reception follows the program.

#### **CARPENTERS SHELTER DINNER, THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 16**

This month's meal is **chili, cornbread, chips, salad and dessert**. Sign up sheets are in the back of church. Please bring your food before 4:45 on Thursday to the Ministry Center Founders Room and place in refrigerator if required. Contact Michelle Knight at [mknight@olqpva.org](mailto:mknight@olqpva.org) with questions.

**FOOD COLLECTION WEEKEND** is February 11 and 12, to stock our Food Pantry. Please pick up a grocery bag and/or a list to fill and return next weekend. Please bring any (or all!) of the following: Instant Yellow Corn Tortilla flour (preferred brand: Maseca), 24 oz. Canola or Corn Oil, Cereal, Canned Tuna, Canned Fruit, Pasta Sauce, Pasta, Canned Vegetables, Rice, Dried Beans, and Macaroni and Cheese. Thank you for your donations!

**MATT 25: BY THE NUMBERS** - Our clothing bazaar continues to be a popular resource for the community. The store was only open for 3 weeks in December, yet our numbers were still high. **We served 965 families and distributed 7765 items.** This does not include the children's books which are not counted towards an individual's limit of 15 items. We appreciate your in-season donations and can always use additional volunteers.

**GUN VIOLENCE PREVENTION FIRST MEETING** - Join us for the inaugural meeting of our Gun Violence Prevention Team on Monday Feb. 6 at 7:00 in the Ministry Center. All are welcome. More info, contact Gerry LaPorte, [g.laporte@verizon.net](mailto:g.laporte@verizon.net)

**DEAD MAN WALKING: RELIGIOUS LEADERS DIALOGUE ON THE DEATH PENALTY** - On Monday February 6, from 7–9, join Washington National Cathedral, Catholic Mobilizing Network and Washington National Opera for a powerful evening of music and reflection from today's diverse faith leaders. Registration is free but required. Go to <http://cathedral.org/event/dead-man-walking/>

**CONFLICT RESOLUTION: AN ALTERNATIVE TO VIOLENCE** will be presented on Saturday February 18 featuring Fr. Clement Aapengunuo, PhD. Sponsored by The Diocese of Arlington Peace and Justice Commission, it will take place at Church of the Nativity in Burke. The evening begins with Mass at 5 pm; a pasta dinner, keynote presentation, roundtable discussion, and Q&A session. To make a dinner reservation, RSVP to [topeace@arlingtondiocese.org](mailto:topeace@arlingtondiocese.org). A free will donation will be accepted at the door. For more information, visit <http://www.arlingtondiocese.org/peace>.

**CONSISTENT ETHIC OF LIFE** - At OLQP we pray for, stand with and defend any human life threatened by violence or deprivation. We need people who are passionate about life issues who will build a team to enable our parish to embrace this Consistent Ethic concept. Meetings are Thursdays, Feb 9 and Mar 9 at 7:30pm. Please join us. Questions or curious?: [Shari.zamarra@gmail.com](mailto:Shari.zamarra@gmail.com), 703-323-9367.

**ECO TIP:** To melt ice on your windshield, spray a mixture of 2 parts rubbing alcohol and one part water. Reduces need to run the car to melt and saves stress of chopping ice.

# Black History Month 2017

By **Veronica Dabney**

The national theme for Black History Month 2017, as designated by the Association for the Study of African American Life and History (ASALH), is “**The Crisis in Black Education**”. This is a seminal issue for a community who after 200 years of total educational deprivation, has had just over 150 years to try to catch up. It is an important question when you consider that over 100 of those 150 years were mired in de jure school segregation. During the era of segregation, black communities struggled to provide adequate education to their children in the face of meager funding; substandard buildings; outdated, used and many times no books; poorly trained and under-compensated teachers; and the list of legalized neglect goes on.

Oftentimes black communities formed their own educational institutions because of lack of support from the government. This was especially prevalent in the south. In recent years black citizens have formed committees all over the south to chronicle and preserve the history of these patched together “colored” schools. On a personal note, my cousin, Alice Lindsey, a retired D.C. school teacher, embarked on a nearly 20 year odyssey with members of her hometown community in Jarvisburg, N.C. to restore the Jarvisburg Colored School. It is the school my mother, Lena Alfred (d), an OLQP elder, and many of her siblings and cousins attended in the 1920’s, 30’s and beyond, until the school was closed in 1950. The renovated school, now a museum, has been placed on the National Register of Historic Places by the U.S. Dept. of the Interior. 1/

After the civil war ended in 1865,

governments were amenable to building a separate (but unequal) school system, including Historical Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs). Even after the passage of the Brown v. Board of Education desegregation ruling in 1954, black communities all over the country had to fight to enroll their children in newly desegregated schools. This is not some far off chapter covered in cobwebs in history books. In historical terms, it was just yesterday. It has been chronicled many times at OLQP that there are still members attending church here who helped desegregate catholic schools in Arlington and Alexandria.

But, that is history. The question is, how far has black education progressed since the end of the civil war, and how far is there still left to go? In some respects the answer depends on which part of the country you want to look at, and who you want to believe. Results, to say the least have been uneven. Certainly there has been some measurable progress in the last few decades. But which metric is best in measuring that progress? Do you mark progress by the number of students graduating from high school and attending college? Those numbers have gone up steadily in the past 50 years. Do you count progress by test scores and student achievement? Those numbers have also gone up, but still have not reached parity with other groups. Or, do you measure by drop out rates, the disparity in funding for inner city schools or some other measure?

Then there are all the “solutions” to the problems plaguing black education, including the disputes over charter schools and/or school vouch-

ers versus adequate resources for public schools, as well as related issues such as the role of teachers unions. All and all, these are extremely difficult problems, with important but confusing answers that are too often overly politicized to the point where there are no clear answers. Predictably little is solved.

The dilemma was outlined succinctly in the following excerpt from ASALH’s Executive Summary of the 2017 Black History Month theme, “The Crisis in Black Education” 2/:

“Throughout the last quarter of the twentieth century and continuing today, the crisis in black education has grown significantly in urban neighborhoods where public schools lack resources, endure overcrowding, exhibit a racial achievement gap, and confront policies that fail to deliver substantive opportunities. The touted benefits of education remain elusive to many blacks of all ages. Tragically, some poorly performing schools serve as pipelines to prison for youths.

Yet, African American history is rich in centuries-old efforts of resistance to this crisis: the slaves’ surreptitious endeavors to learn; the rise of black colleges and universities after the Civil War; unrelenting battles in the courts; the black history movement; the freedom schools of the 1960s; and local community-based academic and mentorship programs that inspire a love of learning and thirst for achievement. Addressing the crisis in black education should be considered one of the most important goals in America’s past, present, and future.”

The February 2017 Bulletin series will explore many of these issues.

1/ <http://www.historicjarvisburgcoloredschool.com/index.shtml>

2/ <https://asalh100.files.wordpress.com/2014/11/2017-black-history-theme.pdf>