

## 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 the parish office 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

**JULY 30, 2017**

## SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY

## IN ORDINARY TIME



"The kingdom of heaven is like a treasure buried in a field..."

- Mt 13:44

## THE 17TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

1 Kgs 3:5, 7-12; Rom 8:28-30; Mt 13:44-46

Next weekend's Readings: (**Feast of the Transfiguration of the Lord**)

Dn 7:9-10, 13-14; 2 Pt 1:16-19; Mt 17:1-9

## OUR SICK AND HOMEBOUND STRENGTHEN US

**PLEASE PRAY FOR:** Lousie Aust, Elizabeth Ball, Suri Barahona, Ronald Bashian, Francis Bilgera, Debra Billings, Precious Bowens, April Brassard, Lynne Burgh, Brody Carroll, Louise Chambers, Carmen Rosa Claire, Jeff Cory, Ginny Cox, Mary DaLuca, Cheryl Darby, Adrienne DiCerbo, Ernest Donatto, Mike Dorsey, Marye Embrey, Irene Fitzpatrick, Judie Francia, Yvette Francois, Karen Gammache, Trishann Ganley, Carmen Gonzalez, the Harris Family, Linda Hawkins, Clare Hayden, Ida Hernandez, Dee Hickey, Margaret Hodges, Beatriz Uribe Jaramillo, Rodrigo Jaramillo, Raymond Jay, Pat Johnson, Karen Krahn, Rebecca Krahn, 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, Clem Munno, Chelsea Murray, Indira Murillo, Nicholas, Denise Noland, Ann O'Brien, Patrick Ogden, Delfima Pacheco-Choque, Roy Paco, Catherine Parr, Mary Pasquarella, Patrick, Catherine Peake, Paul Ramirez, Maritza Roldan, Carolyn Santos, Susan Savage, Jane Shepard, Mary Shookhoff, Jeffrey Smith, Mary E. Smith, Eva Souza, Paul Steinmetz, Michael Arthur Sweat, Rose Trujillo, Nancy Urquizo, Stephen Utley, Jim Webster, Dottie Williams, Mary Woods, Claudia Zapata.

## MASS INTENTIONS FOR JULY 29– AUGUST 4

5:30 pm—for Lawrence Dias (D) by Jude Dias

8:00 am—for Paul Popernack Sr. (D) by Carol & Bill Salosky

9:30 am—for George & Betty Melhalko (D) by the Children

11:15 pm—for Bernard Kager (D) by James A. Crowe

1:00 pm—for Francisco Diaz (D) by Carmen Diaz

6:00 pm—for Alexander L. Kostka (D) by Kathy Kostka

Mon. 12:00 noon—for Christopher Pagara (D) by Marlyn Caldo

Tue. 12:00 noon—for Alexandra Hargrove (L)

by Emma Grayeb Hargrove

Thu. 12:00 noon—for Bernard Kager (D) by Mark A. Crowe

Fri. 12:00 noon—for Paul Winston Magtanong (L)

by Friends of Mafe Domingo

## SUNDAY COLLECTIONS:

Sunday Collection: \$10,512

Faith Direct (July Average): \$8,723

**JUST\$** - As summer vacations begin, children are more likely to be at risk of hunger. Half the proceeds from the Just\$ program helps support the OLQP Food Pantry, so your use of the Just\$ Giant and Shoppers cards helps children in need in our community.

**MINKISI** - Spend a summer evening with the Minkisi ministry at their monthly scripture prayer and reflection, Mon., Aug. 6, 7:15 pm, in Parish Discussion Room/Parish Office. After the Rosary for Peace, Celestine Person-Green will lead the meditation on Psalm 34:4. Save the date – Nov. 11, 9-3:00, for the annual mini-retreat, "My Soul Does Magnify the Lord!" For more information, contact Cecilia Braveboy, jisaac3@verizon.net or 703-979-5389.

## YOUNG ADULT FAITH SHARING

Join us for a summer 6-pack! We'll meet Wednesday evenings for 6 weeks from 6:45-8pm in the Parish Office Discussion Room (3 more weeks to go: August 2nd– August 16th). We will focus on Sunday's readings to help us enhance our experience of the Mass. You don't need to be at every session to be a part of the group. All young adults are welcome! Contact Alison Vaux-Bjerke if you'd like to join or if you have any questions: atvaux@gmail.com

## YOUNG ADULT PRAISE & WORSHIP

### Thursday, August 3rd at 7:30 pm

Our 6 pm Young Adult Choir will be leading a Praise & Worship session on August 3rd at 7:30 pm. Please join us in the church for an hour of great music and fellowship. No musical talent is required. The evening begins at 7:30 pm and ends at 8:30 pm. Contact Rachel Tenpenny-Chigas for more information: raychelynn\_11@hotmail.com

**SCHOOLS IN HAITI**- In addition to the primary and secondary schools in Medor, St. Joseph parish also has four outlying chapel schools, three of which are supported by Our Lady Queen of Peace. St. Joseph parish is huge- 74 square miles! Without roads it would be difficult, if not impossible, for children in the far reaches of the parish to walk to the Medor schools each day. Parents in these outlying areas pleaded with the pastor to open nearby primary schools called chapel schools, so that their children could receive an education. The three small chapel schools are named Our Lady of Fatima of Guerin, Our Lady of Lourdes of Altary, and Our Lady of Perpetual Help of La Source. Each school is at least a three hour walk from Medor. Together they enroll 970 children: k-6th grade. Check out Dr. Sue's blog on Medor at marysusancarson.tumblr.com

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

## ANNUAL PARISH RETREAT – Need Your Feedback

I have just returned from a Promoters' Meeting at Loyola on the Potomac, the Jesuit Retreat House where our parish has been making an annual retreat for the last five years. For four of those years, we have made the retreat at the end of April. Since that retreat is shared with other parishes and fills up quickly, I am suggesting that we choose a September or October weekend instead. **However, I would like feedback before any decision is made.** Please give me your preference. theabarron@yahoo.com or 703-354-0580. God bless you. Thea Barron

**OLQP "ELDERS"** - The group-formerly known as "Senior Singles" has morphed into OLQP "Elders". By popular demand we welcome all parishioners who self-define as "elder". We have had 2 lovely meals together; and our agenda/schedule is set by those who show up. Our hope is moving from coping to thriving! Please join us! jomarietiesgraber@yahoo.com

**JUST A THOUGHT OR TWO...** In today's Gospel Jesus compares the Reign of God to an immense treasure...a pearl of great price. Who among us has not dreamt of finding such a treasure? Imagine the impact it would have upon your life. How would you use it...what would you do differently within your life? That is exactly what Jesus is challenging us to do...to think of how different our lives would be if we "lived" in the Reign of God...all the time! Usually when we think of finding a treasure we immediately think of financial gain and how that would change our lives and the lives of our family. But in this case we are challenged to think about how our lives would change from the point of view of how we love one another, how we care for each other...*how we live the Gospel* in our day to day lives. Finding and falling in love with the Reign of God is the whole point of the parables we hear today. Pedro Arrupe, SJ, the former Superior General of the Jesuits, once wrote: *"Nothing is more practical than finding God, that is, than falling in love in a quite absolute way. What you are in love with, what seizes your imagination, will affect everything. It will decide what will get you out of bed in the morning, what you will do with your evenings, how you will spend your weekends, what you read, who you know, what breaks your heart and what amazes you with joy and gratitude. Fall in love, stay in love and it will decide everything"*. What is at the center of my life...what motivates what I read, what gets me out of bed in the morning? How might my life be different if I were totally and completely in love with the Reign of God; if building up the Reign of God came first before everything else?

Blessings,  
Fr Tim

### **QUEEN OF PEACE ARLINGTON FEDERAL CREDIT UNION**

Phone (703) 521-8615; web site: [www.qpafcu.com](http://www.qpafcu.com)

**Office Hours:** Sunday, 10:45 a.m.- 1:00 p.m., Saturday 4:30 p.m. – 5:25 p.m. (before the 5:30 p.m. Mass), the first Thursday of the month, 7:30 -9:00 p.m., and by appointment. The office is located in the Ministry Center, first floor, main entrance to building.

**Credit Union Membership for the Whole Family/household!** Our Federal Credit Union Charter defines the Field of Membership as being open to Parish members and employees, Immediate family (wherever they live) of parish members and employees, and Immediate family/household of any current credit union member. "Immediate family" is defined as spouse, child, sibling, parent, grandparent, grandchild, stepparents, stepchildren, stepsiblings, and adoptive relationships. Please see the credit union if you have any questions.

**Payroll Deduction, Automatic Transfers, Direct Deposit:** Credit Union members can send payroll deductions to their credit union account and/or have the credit union (at no charge) pull funds from a checking account at another credit union or bank. You may also direct federal and state income tax refunds to your account at the credit union. See the credit union for details.

### **OLQP SENIOR STAFF POSITION AVAILABLE:**

#### **SOCIAL JUSTICE OUTREACH MINISTER**

The parish is seeking a **full time social justice outreach minister** to replace Michelle Knight who will be moving out of the area. For a full description of the position and necessary qualifications please contact us at: [office@olqpva.org](mailto:office@olqpva.org) Deadline for application is August 11, 2017.

**JUSTFAITH** - Do you find yourself wondering how to live your faith in today's complex world? Responding to the world's needs takes reflection, study, prayer, and community. The *JustFAITH* program offers all of these. Consider joining a group. For more information, contact Michelle Knight: [mknight@olqpva.org](mailto:mknight@olqpva.org)

**BACKPACK DRIVE** - All school supplies need to be donated by August 4! We are collecting to fill 213 backpacks, but we **need 48 more backpacks**. We need a few of most items, but the most needed school supplies include: pencil boxes, markers, colored pencils and pencil sharpeners. Place your donations in the blue bins in the parking lot. Thank you for your helping our student neighbors arrive prepared for school!

### **OLQP INTERFAITH MEDITATION – Monday, July 31**

Join Ani Rinchen Khandro and Dr. Sanaa Sharnoubi for interfaith meditations from the Buddhist and Sufi Muslim traditions on Monday evening, July 31 from 7:30 to 9:00 pm in the OLQP Founders Room. By voluntary donation: \$10 suggested. A program of the Interfaith Meditation Initiative.

### **RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA)**

**What difference can God make in my life?** The RCIA is a gradual process of formation for those seeking a deeper relationship with God and a better understanding of the Catholic faith. Whether you are just beginning your faith journey, are already baptized in another Christian tradition and want to explore Catholicism, or are seeking sacramental preparation, RCIA is the pathway. The journey begins with a "no-strings" inquiry session on Thursday, Sept. 21, at 7 pm in Founders Room. Join us! For information, contact Kevin and Alice Curtin at [acurtin947@aol.com](mailto:acurtin947@aol.com) or 703-461-3082.

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS!** **OLQP's Annual Parish Picnic** is Sunday, September 10, 1-5 pm at Barcroft Park. Details to come. Special Mass schedule on Picnic Sunday – a combined 12 noon bilingual Mass takes the place of 11:15 and 1 pm.

**ECO TIP:** Garden watering: if top two-three inches are dry, it's time to water. Use sprinklers or soakers to provide a deep watering rather than a brief spray with hose. Best to water early morning or evening.

# Study says doing away with immigration program

[Rhina Guidos](#)

Citing the significant economic contributions of immigrants under a federal program known as Temporary Protected Status, a new study says ending the program -- as some in the Trump administration have suggested -- would negatively impact the U.S. economy. That's because more than 80 percent of the approximately 325,000 immigrants in the country with the status known as TPS have jobs, many have mortgages, pay taxes and work in industries crucial to the economy, such as construction, child care and health care, and collectively have some 273,000 U.S.-born children, says a July report by the Center for Migration Studies in New York. Kevin Appleby, the center's senior director of international migration policy, said if extensions for the migrants are not granted or the program is terminated, crucial industries would see a shortage of workers, banks would see defaults in mortgages, and government coffers would lose out on tax revenues and consumer spending.

"Let's hope the financial industry realizes that," he said.

Deporting TPS recipient parents also would create thousands of orphans in the country, which would increase foster care costs, place a burden on local and state governments, and alienate the children affected, said Appleby. He was one of three officials from the center who explained the report "Statistical and Demographic Profile of the U.S. Temporary Protected Status Populations From El Salvador, Honduras and Haiti" in a July 20 video conference.

Demographer Robert Warren said TPS recipients have high participation in the U.S. labor force, 81 percent to 88 percent, well above the 63 percent rate for the total U.S. population; almost half of them have mortgages, and 11 percent are self-employed, creating jobs for themselves and others, the study says. They work in construction, food service, child care centers and the health care industry, said Warren, senior visiting fellow at the Center for Migration Studies.

The TPS program has been around for 27 years and provides a work permit and reprieve from deportation to immigrants from some countries recovering from conflicts or natural disasters. Immigrants from war-torn countries such as El Salvador, Honduras and Haiti account for 90 percent of program's beneficiaries in the U.S.

Donald Kerwin, the center's executive director, said: "TPS has been a vitally important

and successful protection and humanitarian program for 27 years. It's definitely not a perfect program, but its imperfections have more to do with who it doesn't cover than who it does."

The program also doesn't provide a path toward a more permanent status for migrants since the Department of Homeland Security has to periodically grant extensions. A TPS beneficiary from Haiti, for example, who was granted protections following the devastating earthquake in 2010 has to see if the U.S. government will grant extensions to the program to determine whether she or he can legally remain the U.S. The extensions can go on for years and, in the meantime, TPS beneficiaries get jobs, get married, have children, buy homes and become involved in the community.

Though recently a six-month extension was granted to Haitians, Homeland Security on its webpage tells Haitian TPS recipients to use the time before Jan. 22, 2018, to prepare for and arrange departure from the United States. DHS also will look at what to do with TPS beneficiaries from El Salvador and Honduras in early 2018.

Kerwin said many are deeply embedded in the U.S. communities and have long contributed to the country, adding that roughly half of Salvadorans and Honduran TPS recipients have been in the country 20 years or more.

"The concern is that the Trump administration could terminate the TPS designations for these nations, which our paper concludes is the worst option," Kerwin said. "It's really not just a lose-lose option. It's a lose-lose-lose option because, as the report shows, it would be bad for the U.S., for its communities, for families, for the housing market, for certain industries in particular and for the economy overall." It also would be detrimental to the migrants' countries of origin, said Kerwin, because they already have said they can't safely accommodate returning populations. Some migrants may not leave and even those who do may attempt a return to be with family in the U.S. in the future, he said. Termination of TPS would only create yet another group of residents in the United States without legal permission, Kerwin said.

Immigrant advocate groups are urging more extensions, knowing that under a Trump administration more permanent options, and even legislative options, are simply not a reality.

The U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops' Committee on Migration has repeatedly advocated for the extensions and, in May, its chairman,

Bishop Joe Vasquez of Austin, Texas, thanked DHS for the TPS extension for Haitians.

Other groups, such as the Catholic Legal Immigration Network, said even though the extension was a positive development, it was a temporary fix. Countries such as Haiti, whose citizens benefit from the program, need more stability before masses of people are sent back, CLINIC officials said. Some say that destabilizing these countries with the influx of people is only going to result in even more people trying to leave their homelands for the U.S.

"Extension of TPS is not the perfect option but it looks to be the best available option at this point," said Kerwin, adding that legislative options would be more difficult to bring to fruition.

Many advocates worry that the worst possible option, ending the program altogether, is under consideration by the Trump administration.

DHS Secretary John Kelly "has already indicated a posture of the administration not to extend TPS to these countries. ... It's becoming clear that the administration wants to end TPS to these countries and if at all possible ... end it altogether," Appleby said.

"This administration was elected to implement policies that are in the best interest of this nation and it's clear from our report that extending TPS will be in the best interest of the nation," said Appleby. "Many within the administration want to end it for ideological reasons, but that is not in the best interest of the country and does not best serve the U.S. citizenry."

Advocates, including many faith communities, are getting ready to battle in defense of the program and of the migrants affected. After all, faith communities were instrumental at the beginning of the TPS program in the late 1980s, early 1990s, said Appleby, recalling that Bishop Nicholas DiMarzio of Brooklyn, New York, who was then the head of the bishops' Migration and Refugee Services, was involved in getting the program to become a reality under the Immigration Act of 1990. "We anticipate the faith community to be involved in this fight, if not outright leaders of it," Appleby said.

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