

PRECIOUS BLOOD CATHOLIC CHURCH

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MASSES

Saturday: 6:00 p.m.
Sunday: 8:00 & 11:30 a.m.
4:00 p.m. (SPANISH)
Daily: 8:30 a.m.
Holy Days: 8:30 a.m. & 7:00 p.m.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday – Friday: 8:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.

PARISH STAFF:

Rev. Anselme Malonda-Nkuanga, CICM, Pastor
Ramon Tirado, Deacon
Kathy Semerling, Business Manager
Hannah Masson, Director of Music
Patricia Reed, Director of Religious Education
Miriam Medina, Dir. of Liturgy/Hispanic Liaison
Toni-Ann Gambale, Office Assistant
Theresa Watson, Choir Director
John Flemming, Heritage Choir Director
Robert Wiersberg, Director of R.C.I.A.
Mary Flemming, Coordinator of Youth Ministry
Jim Oliver, Principal, Epiphany School
Barbara Terry, Director, Epiphany Pre-School
Anne Schuyler, Office Manager, Epiphany School

REGISTRATION

A warm welcome is extended to new parishioners. New members can register with the parish office during office hours. Registration forms are also available in the Church vestibule and can be dropped in the collection basket during Mass. Parish registration is required for reception of the Sacraments (Baptism, Confirmation and Matrimony) and letters of eligibility to serve as Godparent or sponsor.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

is available on Saturday: 4:30–5:30 p.m. and any other time upon request.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Registered parishioners who are requesting baptism for their child should contact the parish office to sign up for the required pre-baptismal classes.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

is celebrated after a period of preparation of not less than six months. Registered parishioners who wish to marry at Precious Blood should contact the parish office during office hours before making any other arrangements.

CCD CLASSES

Sunday: 9:30 – 10:45 a.m. (K-12)

EPIPHANY CATHOLIC SCHOOL

1211 Grandview Avenue
Culpeper, VA 22701
Preschool: 3 & 4 year old
Elementary: K-5
Middle School: 6-8
office@preciousbloodcatholicchurch.com
www.preciousbloodcatholicchurch.com



January 18, 2015
“Second Sunday in Ordinary Time”

Mass Readings and Intentions for the Week

Sun. January 18

- 8:00 AM – The Erickson Family
- 11:30 AM – Nick Bianco (dec)
- 4:00 PM – Roni Estrada Espana

Mon. January 19 – For the People

Readings: Heb 5:1-10, Mk 2:18-22

Tues. January 20 – For the People

Readings: Heb 6:10-20, Mk 2:23-38

Wed. January 21 – Communion Service – St. Agnes, Virgin and Martyr

Readings: Heb 7:1-3, 15-17, Mk 3:1-6

Thurs. January 22 – Patrick Kearney – Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children

Readings: Heb 7:25-8:6, Mark 3:7-12

Fri. January 23 – William Craven (dec) – St. Vincent, Deacon and Martyr; St. Marianne Cope, Virgin

Readings: Heb 8:6-13, Mk 3:13-19

Sat. January 24 – St. Francis de Sales, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

Readings: Heb 9:2-3, 11-14, Mk 3:20-21

- 8:30 AM – Communion Service
- 6:00 PM – Richard Noonan (dec)

(If you would like a Mass Intention said please call or stop by the office.)

Second Sunday in Ordinary

Time Come and See

Reading I 1 Samuel 3:3–10, 19 (revelation to Samuel)

Reading II 1 Corinthians 6:13–15, 17–20 (against sexual immorality)

Gospel John 1:35–42 (the first disciples)

Key Passage: They said to him, “Rabbi” (which translated means Teacher), “where are you staying?” He said to them, “Come and see.” They came and saw where he was staying, and they remained with him that day. (John 1:38b–39)

Adult: What qualities do you have that would cause others to recognize you as a disciple of Jesus?

Child: What does it take to be a follower of Jesus?

Pope Francis: “Sunday is the Lord’s Day. Let us find time to be with him.”

MINISTRY TO THE SICK: Fr. Anselme visits Culpeper Hospital twice a week on Tuesday and Friday. Please notify the rectory if you wish to have someone visited. Arrangements should also be made with the rectory for an Extra-ordinary Minister to bring Holy Communion to shut-ins on a regular basis. Emergency sick calls can be arranged at any time.



LORD HEAR THE PRAYER FOR OUR

SICK, Especially: Jan Ambrose, Hector Baez, Lisa Ballard, Ric Barklund, Mike Bosma, Amber Bouchard, Mikey Bradford, Tom Brown, Chris Butler, Dr. Tom Calhoun, Michael Combs, Roger Corum, Katherine Craig, Cynthia Davies, Bill Daley, James Driscoll, Jackie Fancher, Regan Flemming, Ryleigh Flemming,

David Matthew Gendron, Bill Goetz, Billy Hall, Elizabeth Hartwell, Betty Hescoc, Marilyn Hoffmann, Eileen Hunter, Alex Hyde, Harold Lawrence, Mary Logan, Bryan Lorenz, Frank and Lucille McPhillips, Phillip Leo Mercer, Efen Diaz Miguel, Jim Minihan, Beth Moreland, Mary Neureither, Barbara Noonan, Marcia Peacock, Shawn Peet, James Robles, Adelfa Salvador, Ines Sanchez, Cissy Staiger, Ray Tap, Joyce Vosworth and for all those who ask for our prayers and wish to remain anonymous. May they feel God’s protective hand and return to good health. **Call the rectory if you want a name to remain after six weeks.**

OFFERTORY PRAYER: Merciful God, you provide us with so many opportunities to follow Jesus’ teaching and to live as modern-day disciples. We sometimes respond to your call with enumerable excuses or unfounded worries. We confuse our spiritual longing with the need for possessions. Yet, these things only provide a false sense of security. As we offer these financial resources, transform us so that we are stirred to hear your call on our lives. We pray in the name of the Redeeming One, Jesus the Christ. Amen. **John 1:43-51**

OFFERTORY COLLECTION

Collection (1/11)	\$ 9,242.83
Building Fund	\$ 215.00
Epiphany School	\$ 50.00

FAITH DIRECT

Collection	\$ 8,588.00
Building Fund	\$ 341.00
Epiphany School	\$ 207.00

1st Collection \$ 1,018.00

Thank you to all who donated to defray the costs of the envelope system. If you have not done so, please consider it.



ALTAR FLOWERS In honor of the birthday of Jim Minihan and in loving memory of Patricia Minihan given by Sandy Minihan.

FAITH DIRECT: Start the New Year off with a new way to support our Church! *Faith Direct!* By supporting Precious Blood Parish through *Faith Direct*, both you and our parish can more easily project your future contributions. You can sign up online at www.faithdirect.net using our church code: VA226 or stop by the office for a paper form.

THIS WEEK AT PRECIOUS BLOOD

FRIDAY DAILY MASS on January 23rd will be held at Epiphany Catholic School.

SECOND COLLECTION on January 25th, 2015 will be held for the Church in Latin America.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION will take place every Thursday from 9am-9pm.

EXODUS BIBLE STUDY will meet for Lesson 14 on Thursday morning, January 22nd in the lounge at 9:30am.

ST. IGNATIUS STUDY GROUP will continue meeting on Wednesdays at 9:30am in the lounge.

ADULT EDUCATION PROGRAM "FAITH AND THE BIG QUESTIONS" Today's presentation (Jan. 18) again looks at the big question: "*Is There Evidence That God Exists?*" Come discover compelling evidence within ourselves, within human nature, demonstrating God's existence. This PowerPoint and video-based presentation will strengthen our faith and provide valuable information for discussion with those we know who may doubt the existence of God. Next Sunday's presentation (on Jan. 25) explores the latest Catholic teaching on the big question: "*Which is True: Creation, Evolution, or Both?*" The topic on Feb. 1 is: "*Why Would a Loving God Allow Evil, Pain and Suffering?*" All adults are encouraged to attend these sessions from 9:40-10:40 am in the Parish Hall.

ADULT CATECHESIS The weekly RCIA Class meets at 6:45 pm in Room 30-32 on Tuesday. All are welcome. Please call or text Bob Wiersberg (C [540-222-8672](tel:540-222-8672)).

BEGINNERS BIBLE STUDY will have its second meeting on Tuesday, January 20th at 7pm, downstairs in the Lounge of the Parish Hall Facility. The Beginners Bible Study will meet every Tuesday with the last meeting taking place on March 3rd. If you have questions, please contact Mac McPhillips at (540) 547-2123 or email him at MacHimself@gmail.com

NEWS AND NEEDS

OFFICE CLOSED The office here, at Precious Blood will be closed tomorrow, January 19th in honor of Martin Luther King Jr. Day.

ALUMINUM COLLECTION will be held by the Knights of Columbus TODAY, January 18th.

ST.STEPHEN'S FOOD CLOSET Needs for this week: personal hygiene items (i.e. dental products, shaving needs, deodorant, etc.), microwave soups in containers, jelly, condiments (i.e. ketchup, mustard, etc.) and volunteers (please see below).

FOOD CLOSET VOLUNTEERS We have had a sudden loss of "food giver" volunteers!! "Food givers" are the volunteers who interview the clients to find their needs and dislikes. They work in 2 hour shifts, always with at least 1 other person. You can work as often as you wish or once a month. This is not a walk-in position. There is a training period and work with an experienced person before being added to the schedule. For more information please call Peggy Hayes who is in charge of this section. Her number is: [\(540\)937-6329](tel:540937-6329).

MARCH FOR LIFE will take place on January 22nd in Washington, DC. There are sign-up sheets available for those who are interested in participating. Please contact Scott Klose for additional information and any questions by phone at (540) 718-7574.

OUTSTANDING YOUNG MAN/WOMAN OF THE YEAR Between the ages of 12-19? Private, public or homeschooled? Residing within our community? Impressive resume? You are eligible to be recognized for your excellence. Stop by the office BEFORE March 1st to learn how or call Deborah Quetsch (540-522-7972), Kelly Bennett (540-987-3153), or Franc Toner (540-829-6787).

HEAT SHELTER VOLUNTEER MEETING

Precious Blood will be hosting the homeless shelter (Culpeper Heat Shelter) from Jan 25 thru Jan 31st 2015! Please contact us through heatshelter@gmail.com with your interest. Our shelter volunteers will then be contacting you over the next 2 weeks for assistance (Food, Supplies, Chaperones, Volunteering). Thank You and God Bless!

MUSIC Tomorrow we celebrate the birth of *Martin*



Luther King, Jr. who said that “Music and singing played a critical role in inspiring, mobilizing, and giving voice to the civil rights movement. The freedom

songs are playing a strong and vital role in our struggle. They give the people new courage and a sense of unity. I think they keep alive a faith, a radiant hope, in the future, particularly in our most trying hours”. May we find in our parish’s music and singing the same courage and unity as we try to keep our faith alive during and struggles and trials of our increasingly secular world.



Happy New Year to all of our Epiphany Families! Our school celebrated the Feast

of Epiphany with a luncheon served by our PTO on Wednesday, January 7th. It was a wonderful event and our students looked fantastic in their dress up attire. The Wise Men visited the classrooms and handed out small gifts to the students. *A BIG THANK YOU* to our PTO and parent volunteers that prepared meals for 140 plus, and to our Wise Men Roger Depue, Steve Lee and Frank Walusek.

Epiphany will host a Winter Open House/Shadow Day on January 27th. If you know anyone who is looking for a great Catholic Education or an alternative to the public school system for their children, please encourage them to contact us. Not only do we have 18 years of a great reputation, but Epiphany is the only fully accredited private school in Culpeper County. We provide our students with a solid Catholic and academic foundation. Please help us spread the word about our great school! Most of our new families join our community because they heard about our school through a friend, coworker, or neighbor. We encourage all of you to invite prospective families to our Open House/Shadow Day or feel free to forward their contact information to

office@epiphanycatholicsschool.org

WORKCAMP 2015 MEETING For all teens and adults AND adults who are interested in participating in our diocesan WORKCAMP, we will hold an informational meeting Sunday, January 25th from 11-11:30am at the Precious Blood Annex Building. For more information/questions please contact Kelly Bennett at kellybennett94@aol.com or my cell at (703) 501-2206.

AROUND THE DIOCESE/VIRGINIA

WORLD WIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER “If you are called, reply, Speak, LORD, for your servant is listening.” What is God calling you to in your Sacrament of Marriage? The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekends are 20-22 Feb 2015 in Herndon or 17-19 April, 2015 in Fredericksburg. For more information or to apply, call [703-378-4150](tel:703-378-4150) or email applications@renewmarriage-vanorth.org

JOIN 1,000 FELLOW CATHOLICS FOR THE DIOCESAN MEN’S CONFERENCE! All men of the parish are invited to our diocese’s sixth annual Men’s Conference on Saturday, March 7th, 2015. This year’s conference—entitled *Victory Over the Common Enemy*—will feature renowned speaker Fr. Larry Richards and author Neal Lozano exploring the presence of sin and evil in our lives, and how to overcome them. Breakfast, lunch, and Mass with Bishop Loverde are included. Join your brothers in Christ for a day of prayer, learning, and fellowship in the Lord. PLEASE NOTE NEW CONFERENCE LOCATION—FOXCHASE MANOR IN MANASSAS. For more details please go to www.arlingtondiocese.org/men or to register. Registration is \$45 before Feb. 7 and \$55 thereafter.

FOR ALL LADIES The Ladies Auxiliary of the Knights of Columbus Battlefield Council 10246 would like the ladies of your parish to join us in a Day of Recollection.
Date of Recollection: January 31, 2015
RSVP by: January 24, 2015 ** RSVP's can be made by calling **Carleen Delio (540)412-9608**. Reservations are requested **ONLY** for those who plan to stay for the luncheon. Reservations are not required for those who plan to attend Mass and remain for the talks.

Speaker: Sister Susan Louise, Eber OSFS
Topics: Spirituality: Our Lives in Balance; Salesian Oblate Spirituality.

This Sunday begins the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity. (Jan 18-25)

As we find ourselves in this presence, we realize all the more that we may not regard divisions in the Church as something natural, inevitable in any form of human association. Our divisions wound Christ's body, they impair the witness which we are called to give to him before the world. The Second Vatican Council's Decree on Ecumenism, appealing to the text of Saint Paul (1 Cor 1:13), significantly states: "Christ the Lord founded one Church and one Church only. However, many Christian communities present themselves to people as the true inheritance of Jesus Christ; all indeed profess to be followers of the Lord but they differ in outlook and go their different ways, as if Christ were divided". And the Council continues: "Such division openly contradicts the will of Christ, scandalizes the world, and damages the sacred cause of preaching the Gospel to every creature" (*Unitatis Redintegratio*, 1). We have all been damaged by these divisions. None of us wishes to become a cause of scandal. And so we are all journeying together, fraternally, on the road towards unity, bringing about unity even as we walk; that unity comes from the Holy Spirit and brings us something unique which only the Holy Spirit can do, that is, reconciling our differences. The Lord waits for us all, accompanies us all, and is with us all on this path of unity.

Christ, dear friends, cannot be divided! This conviction must sustain and encourage us to persevere with humility and trust on the way to the restoration of full visible unity among all believers in Christ. Tonight I think of the work of two great Popes: Blessed John XXIII and Blessed John Paul II. In the course of their own lives, both came to realize the urgency of the cause of unity and, once elected Bishops of Rome, they guided the entire Catholic flock decisively on the paths of ecumenism. Pope John blazed new trails which earlier would have been almost unthinkable. Pope John Paul held up ecumenical dialogue as an ordinary and indispensable aspect of the life of each Particular Church. With them, I think too of Pope Paul VI, another great promoter of dialogue...The work of these, my predecessors, enabled ecumenical dialogue to become an essential dimension of the ministry of the Bishop of Rome, so that today the Petrine ministry cannot be fully understood without this openness to dialogue with all believers in Christ. We can say also that the journey of ecumenism has allowed us to come to a deeper understanding of the ministry of the Successor of Peter, and we must be confident that it will continue to do so in the future. As we look with gratitude to the progress which the Lord has enabled us to make, and without ignoring the difficulties which ecumenical dialogue is presently experiencing, let us all pray that we may put on the mind of Christ and thus progress towards the unity which he wills. And to journey together is already to be making unity!

Dear brothers and sisters, let us ask the Lord Jesus, who has made us living members of his body, to keep us deeply united to him, to help us overcome our conflicts, our divisions and our self-seeking; and let us remember that unity is always better than conflict! And so may he help us to be united to one another by one force, by the power of love which the Holy Spirit pours into our hearts (cf. *Rom* 5:5). Amen.

Pope Francis 01/27/2014 conclusion of the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity