

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 E. Grandview Avenue
Culpeper, VA 22701
Preschool: 3 & 4 year old
Elementary: K-5
Middle School: 6-8
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February 8, 2015
“Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time”

Mass Readings and Intentions for the Week

Sun. February 8

- 8:00 AM – Richard Noonan (dec)
- 11:30 AM – Aron Daniel Churnin (dec)
- 4:00 PM – For the People

Mon. February 9 – Antoinette Stevens (healing)

Readings: Gn 1:1-19, Mk 6:53-56

Tues. February 10 – For the People – St. Scholastica, Virgin

Readings: Gn 1:20-2:4a, Mk 7:1-13

Wed. February 11 – Clara Casey (dec) – Our Lady of Lourdes

Readings: Gn 2:46-9, 15-17, Mk 7:14-23

Thurs. February 12 – For the People

Readings: Gn 2:18-25, Mk 7:24-30

Fri. February 13 – For the People

Readings: Gn 3:1-8, Mk 7:31-37

Sat. February 14 – St. Cyril, Monk, and Methodius, Bishop

Readings: Gn 3:9-24, Mk 8:1-10

- 8:30 AM – For the People
- 6:00 PM – For the People

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

ATTENTION: If you requested a Mass Intention for a specific day and the intention was not acknowledged, please stop by the office. Unfortunately, there has been an error with our computer system and we would like to correct it as best we can. We truly apologize.

OFFERTORY PRAYER: Living God, your love for us is so unfathomable. Open our ears to hear the cries of your neediest children. Open our eyes to see human injustice. Open our minds to think about compassion in all circumstances. Continue to increase our willingness to give so that we may lead lives fully focused on ministry to others. We place these offerings upon your altar in gratitude for your guidance and love. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen. *Isaiah 40:21-31*

OFFERTORY COLLECTION

Collection (2/1)	\$ 10,072.17
Arlington Catholic Herald	\$ 606.05
Building Fund	\$ 120.00
Epiphany School	\$ 50.00

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, Jorge Alvarado, 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, Elizabeth Hartwell, Betty Hescocx, Marilyn Hoffmann, Eileen Hunter, Alex Hyde, Harold Lawrence, Kimberly Lemus, Mary Logan, Bryan Lorenz, Camilla Lynne, Frank and Lucille McPhillips, Marion Meadows, Phillip Leo Mercer, Efren Diaz Miguel, Jim Minihan, Beth Moreland, Mary Neureither, Marcia Peacock, 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.**

**Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Comfort for the Sorrowful**

- Reading I Job 7:1–4, 6–7 (Job's first reply)
- Reading II 1 Corinthians 9:16–19, 22–23
(Paul's recompense)
- Gospel Mark 1:29–39 (cure of Peter's mother-in-law and other miracles)

Key Passage: That evening, at sundown, they brought to him all who were sick or possessed with demons. And the whole city was gathered around the door. And he cured many who were sick with various diseases, and cast out many demons. (Mark 1:32–34a)

Adult: When have you felt the sadness of Job? When have you felt the joy of those who witnessed the healing works of Jesus?

Child: What could you do this week to comfort someone who is sad?



ALTAR FLOWERS are available for request. Please stop by the office.

Pope Francis: True love does not pay attention to the evil it suffers. It rejoices in doing good.

THIS WEEK AT PRECIOUS BLOOD

FRIDAY DAILY MASS on February 13th will be held at Epiphany Catholic School.

SECOND COLLECTION on Ash Wednesday, February 18th will be held to aid the Church in Central & Eastern Europe.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION UPDATE Eucharistic Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament will finish at 5pm on Thursday, February 19th.

NEEDED Someone who can visit the Most Blessed Sacrament on Thursdays for Eucharistic Adoration. The hours of need are 1pm-2pm and 5pm-6pm. If you would like to help with these times and would like to spend some quiet time with Jesus, call Joanna Madorma at 829-2235.

EXODUS BIBLE STUDY will meet for Lesson 17 on Thursday morning, February 12th in the lounge at 9:30am.

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

ADULT EDUCATION PROGRAM Today's (Feb. 8) session features an EWTN "Journey Home Roundtable" DVD in which former Baptists—Fr. Gray Bean, David Currie, and Stephen Ray—discuss the differences in beliefs and practices between Baptists and Catholics. A short Q&A/discussion will follow. All adults are encouraged to attend these sessions from 9:40-10:40 am in the Parish Hall. However, there will not be an adult ed session next Sunday, Feb. 15, due to the Altar Society Breakfast. Sessions resume on Feb. 22 with a look at the Big Question: "Is There Scientific Evidence that Life Has an Intelligent Cause?"

HOLY SPIRIT INTERACTIVE (HSI) Next meeting will be WEDNESDAY, Feb. 11, at 7:00 pm at the home of Jill Devine (19060 Clair Manor Drive, Culpeper). Topic: "What a Friend We Have in Jesus." All are welcome.

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 fourth meeting on Tuesday, February 10th 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 MacHimself@gmail.com

NEWS AND NEEDS

HOLY HOUR TOMORROW during this special year of Consecrated Life, as announced by Pope Francis, there will be a HOLY HOUR tomorrow, Monday, Feb. 9 at 7:00 pm, for VOCATIONS. Let us join together before our Lord as we pray for an increase in vocations especially within our own diocese and homes, for Jesus said: "The harvest is abundant but the laborers are few, so ask the master of the harvest to send out laborers for his harvest."

CRY ROOM Dear Parishioners, please note that the cry room is for children WITH an adult. It is very important that our mothers and fathers with children have seats available to them within the room so that they do not have to stand for the entirety of the mass. Thank you for the understanding and cooperation.

ST.STEPHEN'S FOOD CLOSET Needs for this week: cereal (hot & cold), beef stew, mac & cheese and volunteers (call Peggy Hayes at 540-937-6329).

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. Also, with that recognition comes a monetary award for your achievements! Stop by the office BEFORE March 1st to learn how or call Deborah Quetsch (540-522-7972), Kelly Bennett (540-987-3153), or Frainc Toner (540-829-6787).

ALUMINUM COLLECTION by the Knights of Columbus will be held next Sunday, February 15th.

THE LADIES AUXILIARY of the Knights of Columbus will meet Tuesday, February 10th at 10am in the Parish Hall.



The banner which was displayed in our church all week during Catholic

School Week detailed Faith, Knowledge, Discipline and Dividends for Life. These fundamentals set Catholic schools apart from other educational choices. Catholic schools pay attention to the vocation of teachers and their participation in the Church's evangelizing mission. A Catholic educator is a role model for students and gives testimony by his/ her life and commitment to this mission. Once again, I ask families that have heard great things about Epiphany Catholic School to consider it for your child. Please visit the school anytime for a visit or call 825-9017 for an appointment.

Congratulations to the following students for outstanding achievement in the 2nd Quarter!

High Honors – All Grades 93+

Grade 3: Natalie Allen, Hailey Hatfield, Rosemary Petrovitch

Grade 4: Jonathon Storey

Grade 5: Brady Allen, Elizabeth Allen, Rachel Dillon, Meagan Fay

Grade 7: Kaitlyn Storey

Honors – All Grades 85+

Grade 3: Jacob Adams, Martina Borgia, Luke Dixon, Yelizsa Elliott, Monica Lee, Tinisi Norman, Faith Tingler, Kassidy van Hoven, Abigail Virag

Grade 4: Charles Adams, Georgia Cooley, Madison DiPlacido, Kurt Elias, Carson Klemann, Jairo Rivera, Eliza Sisk, Gianna Young

Grade 5: Michael Nunberg, Edward Petrovitch, Olivia Sisk, Maeghan Stockli

Grade 6: Alexandre Delettre, Riley Fay, Mary Katherine McNamara, Dominick Pross, Mary Semerling, Benjamin Virag, Rebecca Watts

Grade 7: Maricruz Hernandez, Steven Hoffman, Caine Ingerski

Grade 8: Keely Cooley, Emily Hatfield, Alison Moura, Benjamin Spencer, Charles Virag

Perfect Attendance – At school all day, every day

Kindergarten: Zachary Kemble, Catherine Maragos

Grade 1: Madelyn Corradi, Brandon Valdez-Perez

Grade 2: Hunter Regis

Grade 3: Jacob Adams, Martina Borgia, Yelizsa Elliott, Rosemary Petrovitch

Grade 4: Ezequiel Cano, Georgia Cooley, Isabelle Randolph, Jairo Rivera, Savanna Veazey

Grade 5: Lajoya Banks, Meagan Fay, Edward Petrovitch

Grade 6: Riley Fay, Dominick Pross, Mary Semerling

Grade 7: Dylan Bradley, Nicholas DiGuilio, Sarah Hatfield, Steven Hoffman, Caine Ingerski, Grace Laybourne

Grade 8: Keely Cooley, Emily Hatfield, Erica Veazey, Troy Wenk

MARDI GRAS The Altar Society is inviting everyone to join us for our First Annual Mardi Gras fundraising event. This is a family fun event with a meal in a New Orleans style. Join us for Breakfast, Lunch or Dinner, craft sales, music, and games after each of the three Sunday masses. Prices vary and will be posted closer to event. King Cakes can be preordered for pick up on Feb 14th and 15th. Sign-up sheet posted in the Church foyer.

MUSIC The hymn **PRECIOUS LORD, TAKE MY HAND** was written by **Rev. Tom Dorsey**



after the death of his pregnant wife while he was away on a revival. "This song is very dear to me ... when I got home the next day, I had the body moved. I had a bouncing boy. But that night, the baby died. That was double trouble. I felt like going back on God. He had mistreated me I felt. About a week later, after we had put the baby and the wife away in the same casket, I was sitting with the late Theodore Fry, just drowsing. Just like water dropping from the crevice of a rock, the words dropped into the music, 'Take my Hand, Precious Lord.'"

AROUND THE DIOCESE/VIRGINIA

"Picturing Mary" at The Museum of Women in the Arts has more than 60 Renaissance- and Baroque-era masterworks from the Vatican Museums, and other collections until 4/12/15. The captions explain the Church's teaching on Mary. Free for youth 18 years and younger, \$10 for adults. The National Gallery of Art is showing 10 paintings with religious themes by El Greco, including 3 from other collections, until 2/16/15.

BE A STEWARD Join Bishop Loverde by pledging a monetary amount to the BLA this year! Please consider becoming a member of the BLA Leadership Giving Circle as an expression of your commitment to charity and compassion for others. You are encouraged to read the envelopes distributed at mass for a better understanding.

WORLD WIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER This Sunday is World Marriage Day! Attend a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. The upcoming weekends are 20-22 Feb 2015 in Herndon or 17-19 Apr 2015 in Fredericksburg. For more info or to apply, call [703-378-4150](tel:703-378-4150) or email applications@renewmarriage-vanorth.org

ON GRATITUDE

It's important to have a grateful heart. It's good for the soul. It's one thing to be in an undesirable state of being and another to chronically complain. Scripture tells us to be content in any situation, but sometimes it's harder than it seems. Gratitude by definition is the readiness to show appreciation for something. And if we take one step at a time without obsessing about the past or future, it's easier to be grateful for the present moment. As difficult as it may seem at times, it's probably not as bad as we've made it out to be in our own minds. I think it's important to have a "reality check" accompanied by counting our blessings to remain content in any situation as we are told to do.

Scripture tells us that we are to be generally grateful for God's goodness, and if that's all that we have to be appreciative for, it's a lot! Scripture reminds us to be grateful for a new day and living in it. Living to see another day is a sign of God's faithfulness. Part of God's goodness is also listening to our prayer and answering it. We are told in Ephesians to "never cease to give thanks" to the Lord: "Giving thanks always for all things to God and the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ," (Eph. 5:20). In other words, remaining in Christ through prayer and a positive attitude is the secret behind gratitude - available to all if we take the time to seek it.

In fact, offering your life to God on a daily basis brings peace naturally and opens the door wide open to gratitude. It is in this state that we find God when everything else is noisy and stressful. My favorite time of day to count my blessings and give thanks to the Lord is first thing in the morning, to remind myself that I am not alone and to petition for my daily needs. I rest in peace knowing that God will answer and that my needs will be met. The Morning Offering is an essential part of my prayer life that blesses me every day:

Most holy and adorable Trinity, one God in three Persons, I praise You and give You thanks for all the favors You have bestowed on me. Your goodness has preserved me until now. I offer You my whole being and in particular all of my thoughts, words, and deeds, together with all the trials I may undergo this day. Give them Your blessing. May Your divine love animate them and may they serve Your greater glory.

I make this morning offering in union with the divine intentions of Jesus Christ who offers himself daily in the holy sacrifice of the Mass, and in union with Mary, his Virgin Mother and our Mother, who was always the faithful handmaid of the Lord. Amen.

<http://www.catholic365.com/article/711/on-gratitude.html>

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