

PRECIOUS BLOOD CATHOLIC CHURCH

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EPIPHANY CATHOLIC SCHOOL
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MASSES

Saturday: 6:00 p.m.
Sunday: 8:30 & 11:00 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
Patricia Reed, Director of Religious Education
Miriam Medina, Dir. of Liturgy/Hispanic Liaison
Hannah Masson, Director of Music
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-6)
12:15 – 1:30 p.m. (7-12)

EPIPHANY CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Preschool: 3 & 4 year old
Elementary: K-5
Middle School: 6-8

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May 18, 2014
“Fifth Sunday of Easter”

Mass Readings and Intentions for the Week:

Sun. May 18 8:30 AM Kathleen Bouchard (special intention)

Sun. May 18 11:00 AM Elena Kagan (special intention)

Mon. May 19 Sonia Sotomayor (special intention)

Readings: Acts 14:5-18 Jn 14:21-26

Tues. May 20 Duane Depue (dec)

St. Bernardine of Siena, Priest

Readings: Acts 14:19-28 Jn 14:27-31a

Wed. May 21 Samuel Alito (special intention)

St. Christopher Magallanes, Priest and Companions, Martyrs

Readings: Acts 15:1-6 Jn 15:1-8

Thurs. May 22 – John Roberts (special intention)

St. Rita of Cascia, Religious

Readings: Acts 15:7-21 Jn 15:9-11

Fri. May 23 – Pat DiiBon (dec)

Readings: Acts 15:22-31 Jn 15:12-17

Sat. May 24- 8:30 AM – Dan Peacock (dec)

Readings: Acts 16:1-10 Jn 15:18-21

Sat. May 24 6PM – Stephan Breyer (special intention)

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

Fifth Sunday of Easter

Jesus, the Way

Reading I Acts 6:1-7 (the need of assistants)

Reading II 1 Peter 2:4-9 (living stones)

Gospel John 14:1-12 (last discourse: the way, the truth, and the life)

Key Passage I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. (John 14:6)

Adult: In a challenge you face right now, what will it mean to live the way of Jesus Christ?

Child: Name some ways you can be more like Jesus when you are playing with your friends or family.



ALTAR FLOWERS You may request flowers. Many weekends are available.

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: Hector Baez, Ric Barklund, Taylor Bartley, Danny Call, Elizabeth Carlton Occhiogrosso, Dr. Tom Calhoun, Michael Combs, Cynthia Davies, Bill Daley, Diane Denton, Sue Doetzer, Jackie Fancher, John Farrelly, Regan Flemming, Ryleigh

Flemming, Wanda Gearing, Bill Goetz, Billy Hall, Ann Harrison, Joan Helton, Betty Hescocx, Kate Dillon Hogan, Eileen Hunter, Alex Hyde, Jean Johnson, Freda Kratochvil, Ann Kroenert, Mary Logan, Bryan Lorenz, Frank McPhillips, Phillip Leo Mercer, Efen Diaz Miguel, Jim Minihan, Beth Moreland, Marcia Peacock, Shawn Peet, Rich Rosado, Jerry Roy, Ines Sanchez, Roberto Sanson, Yrene Rey, Cissy Staiger, Ray Tap, Tracey Toomey, John Victor 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: Gracious Lord, we believe in the amazing gift of your son. We share this offering with the unceasing prayer that your work in this world will spring up and break forth in all corners of this global community. We pray in the name of Jesus Christ, the Way, the Truth, and the Life. Amen. **John 14:1-14**

OFFERTORY COLLECTION

Offertory Collection (5/11)	\$10,287.93
Faith Direct	\$8,219.00
Epiphany (5/11)	\$190.00
Epiphany Faith Direct	\$47.00
Building Fund (5/11)	\$395.00
Building Fund Faith Direct	\$395.00



THIS WEEK AT PRECIOUS BLOOD

CONGRATULATIONS to Michael Philip Buckley and Eme Demskis Buckley who were united together in Holy Matrimony on Saturday, May 10th.

WE PRAY FOR Sharon Purtell who recently passed on to her heavenly reward.

WE WELCOME into our parish family, Angel Miguel Camacho, son of Hector Camacho Guitierrez and Asley Villatoro Molina and Norma Haught, daughter of Thomas Douglas Haught and Reina Aguilar, who were baptized Sat. May 17th.

ALUMINUM COLLECTION is this weekend **May 18th**. No steel please.

BISHOP'S LENTEN APPEAL from our last report from the diocese: of the 949 households 331 have made pledges or 35% for a total of \$122,545 or **111% of our goal**. A big thank you to all who have participated.

SECOND COLLECTION this weekend is for the Diocesan Retired Priests. Currently there are 21 retired priests who served our diocese and an additional 17 diocesan priests who are anticipated to retire within the next 10 years. Please consider donating to this special collection. Thank you for your support.

HOLY SPIRIT INTERACTIVE (HSI) Next meeting will be Wednesday, May 21, at 7:00 pm in the Annex. Topic is "In Pursuit of Excellence." All are welcome.

ST IGNATIUS PRAYER STUDY GROUP meets on **Wed., from 9:30-10:30 AM** in the rectory meeting room.

RCIA The next session will be **Tuesday, May 20th**. The start of Period IV, called Mystagogia.

PRO-LIFE "That is the dignity of America, the reason she exists, the condition of her survival, yes, the ultimate test of her greatness: to respect every human person, especially the weak and most defenseless ones, those as yet unborn." *Pope St. John Paul II*

AAA WOMEN FOR CHOICE BABY BOTTLE CAMPAIGN plastic baby bottles are available in the back of the church. Please take one home and fill it with your contribution to the pregnancy center and **return** to the church by **June 1**. Please make your checks payable to Precious Blood. Thank you for your generosity.

ST.STEPHEN'S FOOD CLOSET needs saltine crackers, chicken helper, hand soap and vegetable soup (only 10 cans on hand).

NEWS AND NEEDS



MUSIC Today is the birth date of Pope St. John Paul II who said that "Do not abandon yourselves to despair. We are the Easter people and hallelujah is our song." May we allow the power of the resurrected Lord to be an ever-present song in our hearts and in our lives.



SPRING YARD SALE is scheduled for Sat. May 24 from 8 AM- 2 PM in the Parish Garage. Members of the Knights will be available Mon. May 19-Fri. May 23rd from 6-8:30PM to accept your SALEABLE donations. To arrange for pick-up of large bulky items contact Joe Kratochvil 825-7273; Mario Calvano, 829-0690; or John Brown, 825-1681. Also delicious home baked goods will be available from the Ladies Auxiliary. Shop early for the best selections.

LEGION OF MARY "The great forces which shape the world--politics, the mass media, science, technology, culture, education, industry and work--are precisely the areas where lay people are especially competent to exercise their mission (of expressing the Gospel in their lives). If these forces are guided by people who are true disciples of Christ, and who are, at the same time, fully competent in the relevant secular knowledge and skill, then indeed will the world be transformed from within by Christ's redeeming power." (Pope St. John Paul II)

FAITH DIRECT: With spring here and summer approaching, now is a great time to enroll in the automatic electronic giving program with Faith Direct. Electronic giving, in place of envelopes, is simply the easiest way for you to make your weekly offering. **Faith Direct has two dates, the 4th or 15th of the month, for you to make your weekly offertory support.** Please consider enrolling by visiting www.faithdirect.net and use our church code, **VA226**, or pick up an enrollment form from the church rectory office or in the church foyer.



On Wednesday
May 7th the
Second, Third
and Eighth grade
classes went on

a field trip to the **Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception and the American Indian Museum**. Georgia Cooley and Charlie Adams were the gift bearers at mass celebrated in the Crypt Church. The school received compliments after mass from several nuns who said our manners and behavior were exemplary. Way to go Epiphany students! The day wrapped up at the American Indian Museum with an amazing movie and tour.

On Saturday May 10th students, parents, parishioners, and teachers were all involved in our spring cleanup at our new school site. A generous family from one of our supporting parishes donated new plants, flowers, and mulch. We had a wonderful day of fellowship and cooperation as we worked to spruce up the flower beds and front entrance of the school building. Once planting was completed, all of us had a picnic enjoying the labors of a good day's work. Hotdogs, hamburgers, chips, and drinking water were provided by Dr. Michael Watts. I would personally like to thank all the volunteers who gave up their Saturday to participate in this wonderful community event.

CCD TEACHER MEETING with Fr. Anselme on Wed. May 28th at 7 PM in the Parish Hall.

AROUND THE DIOCESE/VIRGINIA

GO FORTH WITH HEARTS ON FIRE

WORKSHOP is a diocesan workshop based on the pastoral letter by Bishop Loverde. This workshop is designed to bring a hands-on engagement with the contents of the letter, and how to apply them directly to your spiritual, personal, family and professional life. **Sat. May 31st** at Our Lady of Good Counsel in Vienna, VA. Morning Session Option (8:30-11:30 AM cost is \$25 and does not include lunch) Full Day Option (8:30 AM-2:00 PM cost is \$40 does include lunch) Register at www.arlingtondiocese.org/heartsonfire/workshop.

Pope Francis: What does "evangelize" mean? To give witness with joy and simplicity to what we are and what we believe in.

2014 MARCH FOR MARRIAGE will be June 19th in Washington DC on the Capitol Grounds. Visit www.MarriageMarch.org. Stand Up. Protect Freedom. Defend Marriage.

JOB OPPORTUNITY: Part-time teller position at BB & T. Must be fluent in both English and Spanish. Apply for requisition #412089 - 703 James Madison Hwy, Culpeper, VA Apply online at BBT.com/careers Please use the specific six-digit requisition number for the position of interest.

NFB BELL BRAILLE PROGRAM Across the country, affiliates of the National Federation of the Blind (NFB) are gearing up for the 2014 NFB Braille Enrichment for Literacy and Learning (BELL) season. The NFB BELL Program is a two-week-long summer course focusing on Braille literacy for blind and low-vision students. Please find more information for each program and the application at www.nfb.org/bell-program. If you have any other questions, contact Natalie Shaheen at nshaheen@nfb.org.

MATURE CAREGIVERS WANTED Serving Culpeper, Fauquier, Madison, Orange, and Rappahannock county areas. To become part of the ACTI-KARE RESPONSIVE IN-HOME CARE team as a Caregiver. Please call Linda Lamb (540)727-0024

SEPARATED AND DIVORCED CATHOLICS of the Archdiocese of Washington will present the Third Annual Father Vince O'Brien Memorial Day Retreat for Separated And Divorced Catholics at the Loyola Retreat House, Faulkner, Maryland, on May 23 - 25, 2014. At this year's retreat Monsignor Maury O'Connell will be the retreat director and will present short sessions on the theme "Peace and Solace for Troubled Times". For the flyer and to register: http://www.rc.net/washington/sdc/SDC_2014_Retre.at.pdf

CULPEPER "POWER PACK" PROGRAM was founded by Jen Hulse two years ago to help elementary school children with food items through the weekend. Jen has asked our parish to collect 100% fruit juice boxes to fill these Power Packs. She will need 5000 juice boxes for next school year. The first drive is to collect 2500 by August 1st. A box will be available for these collections. For more info contact Kelly Wilton at 825-4795 or wilton3knr@yahoo.com

Frequently Asked Questions

What is the meaning behind the making of the cross on our forehead, mouth and heart before the reading of the Gospel?

It mirrors the blessing a Deacon receives prior to proclaiming the Gospel - "may God be in your mind, on your lips and in your heart as you proclaim His holy Gospel."

Should parishioners remain kneeling after Communion until all the extra hosts are put back in the Tabernacle?

The general custom has been to kneel until the Blessed Sacrament is placed in the Tabernacle. But it is equally appropriate to sit. The primary consideration should be reverence and meditative prayer, whether this comes through silence or through a Thanksgiving hymn.

What does the light in the nave (near the Tabernacle) symbolize?

It is called a Sanctuary Lamp. It is lit when the Blessed Sacrament is reserved in the Tabernacle.

What is the symbolism of dipping our fingers in holy water and making the sign of the cross?

It recalls our baptism into Christ, which makes us members of the Church, the Body of Christ.

What are the rules of fasting before Communion and why is it done?

The Eucharistic fast is intended to focus our minds on the solemnity of what we are doing in receiving Communion. Originally, the fast was from midnight before receiving Communion, later that was reduced to three hours for food, and now it is one hour from food and liquids other than water and medicine.

For a lay person, the fast is one hour before receiving, not an hour before Mass begins. This applies to everyone who is of age to receive Communion. In case of severe hardship or very advanced age or illness, even the one hour can be dispensed.

Why and when should we genuflect?

Genuflection is a sign of reverence to the Blessed Sacrament. So, it is customary and proper to genuflect whenever we come into or leave the presence of the Blessed Sacrament reserved in the Tabernacle. We are making a sign of reverence before the Real Presence of Our Lord, Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity in the Tabernacle.

Whenever the Blessed Sacrament (the consecrated Host) is present, we make this sign of respect as a way of acknowledging that He is really present here.

We are *not* genuflecting to the altar, but rather to the Blessed Sacrament.

How should we receive the Eucharist?

It is important to remember as we approach the altar that we receive Jesus. We do not grab or take Communion. It is offered to us. Before you receive one should bow your head to the Sacrament (not the person in front of them in line) as a gesture of reverence to the Body of the Lord.

