

# PRECIOUS BLOOD CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Culpeper, Virginia 22701  
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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: 9:40 – 10:55 a.m. (K-12)

## **EPIPHANY CATHOLIC SCHOOL**

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

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July 27, 2014

“Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time”

**Mass Readings and Intentions for the Week:**

**Sun. July 27 8:30 AM – John Riddick (dec)**

**Sun. July 27 11:00 AM- Ellsworth Kohler (dec)**

**Mon. July 28- Helen Peet (dec)**

Readings: Jer 13:1-11, Mt 13:31-35

**Tues. July 29- Jim Minihan (healing)**

St. Martha

Readings: Jer 14:17-22 Jn 11:19-27

**Wed. July 30- Eileen Ford (dec)**

St Peter Chrysologus, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

Readings: Jer 15:10, 16-21 Mt 13:44-46

**Thurs. July 31 –Roger Corum (healing)**

St. Ignatius of Loyola, Priest

Readings: Jer 18:1-6 Mt 13:47-53

**Fri. August 1- James Burke Jr. (dec)**

St. Alphonsus Liguori, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

Readings: Jer 26:1-9 Mt 13:54-58

**Sat. August 2 8:30 AM- Jay Dawley (dec)**

St Eusebius of Vercelli, Bishop and St Peter Julian

Eymard, Priest, BVM

Readings: Jer 26:11-16, 24 Mt 14:1-12

**Sat. August 2 6:00 PM – Ann Kroenert (dec)**

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

**Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Reading I 1 Kings 3:5, 7-12 (wisdom of Solomon)

Reading II Romans 8:28-30 (God’s love for all)

Gospel Matthew 13:44-46 (the treasure and the pearl)

Key Passage Matthew 13:44 (the Kingdom to field)

**Adult:** What would you be willing to “sell,” or do without, in order to achieve your dreams for yourself or your family?

**Child:** What good thing do you want so much that you would give up something else to get it?

**ALTAR FLOWERS**



This weekend are in loving memory of Widge Aitken from Pat Aitken.

**WE WELCOME** into our parish family Cristian Ramon son of Juan and Rosario Rodriguez, Alice Noemi Fuentes daughter of Jose Fuentes and Elida Cortez, Ariana Villareal daughter of Saul Villarreal and Margarita Chavez who were baptized on Saturday, July 26.

**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, Lisa Ballard, Ric Barklund, Taylor Bartley, Danny Call, Dr. Tom Calhoun, Clairmont family, Michael Combs, Roger Corum, Cynthia Davies, Bill Daley, Sue Doetzer, Jackie Fancher, John Farrelly, Regan Flemming, Ryleigh Flemming, Wanda Gearing, Bill Goetz, Ian Gross, Billy Hall, Linda Hemler, Betty Hescox, Eileen Hunter, Alex Hyde, Mary Logan, Bryan Lorenz, Beth May, Sherie McAlpine, Frank McPhillips, Phillip Leo Mercer, Efren Diaz Miguel, Jim Minihan, Beth Moreland, Mary Neureither, Marcia Peacock, Shawn Peet, Rich Rosado, Eugenia Rossetti, Jerry Roy, Ines Sanchez, Roberto Sanson, Yrene Rey, Mary Lyn Sheehan, Cissy Staiger, Ray Tap, Tracey Toomey, 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:** Holy Spirit, you search the recesses of our minds and the depths of our hearts. You call us to be not only givers but also receivers of your gift of grace. We believe that you will multiply our gifts to draw us nearer to your side. As we offer these financial gifts, we are grateful to be joined to the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. **Amen. Romans 8:26-39**

**OFFERTORY COLLECTION**

Collection (7/20)	\$6,531.20
Epiphany (7/20)	\$184.00
Building fund (7/20)	\$194.00

Sunday mass times will be changing to 8:00am and 11:30am beginning August 24<sup>th</sup>.

## THIS WEEK AT PRECIOUS BLOOD

**VISITING PRIEST** This weekend we welcome Father Jesto Michael Bwalya from the Camboni Missionaries.

**HOLY SPIRIT INTERACTIVE (HSI)** Next meeting will be TUESDAY, August 12, at 7:00 pm at the home of Steve and Ellie Johnston (857 Fox Den Road, Culpeper). Topic is "Dealing with Failure." All are welcome.

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

**ALTAR SOCIETY** will be meeting this coming Friday, August 1<sup>st</sup>, following daily mass in the rectory meeting room. Please bring gift basket ideas, new banner theme ideas, and a friend. We will be planning for the upcoming year. New members are always welcome. Contact Ellie Johnston for details (540) 829-81225.

**FAITH DIRECT:** With summer here, 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 4<sup>th</sup> or 15<sup>th</sup> of the month, for you to make your weekly offertory support.** Please consider enrolling by visiting [www.faithdirect.net](http://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.

### **3 MORE REASONS TO MAKE YOUR OFFERTORY GIFT THROUGH FAITH DIRECT**

1. Less work for our parish office staff to post contribution records
2. Offertory cards enable you to witness your gift of treasure
3. Earn credit card points for your offertory gifts

**PRO-LIFE** "All too often, as we know from experience, people do not choose life, they do not accept the 'Gospel of Life' but let themselves be led by ideologies and ways of thinking that block life, that do not respect life, because they are dictated by selfishness, self-interest, profit, power and pleasure, and not by love, by concern for the good of others." Pope Francis

## NEWS AND NEEDS

**ALTAR SERVER TRAINING** will be held between the Sunday Masses on July 27<sup>th</sup>, August 3<sup>rd</sup>, and August 10<sup>th</sup> for children in the 5<sup>th</sup> grade and up. For more information contact Robert Beattie at Robert\_Brian\_Beattie@alum.villanova.edu

**ST.STEPHEN'S FOOD CLOSET** beef stew, canned meat, any fruit, any vegetable (no beans please), rice and pasta side dishes, individual hot and cold cereals, canned pasta.

**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL** begins today July 27<sup>th</sup> from 6:00pm to 8:30pm for children ages PreK-



4 to 4th grade. Stop by the parish hall to see its transformation into a "Circus of the Stars"! Please contact Mary Flemming at 540.522.9254 or [MaryPBCCYouthMinistry@yahoo.com](mailto:MaryPBCCYouthMinistry@yahoo.com) for more information.

**MORNING BIBLE STUDY** begins on Thursday, September 4<sup>th</sup>, at 9:30 in the rectory meeting room. We will study the Book of Exodus. Please join us and learn how everything in the Exodus event points the way to Jesus Christ, the Lamb of God and how the manna in the desert prefigures the Holy Eucharist. Materials will be ordered no later than August 18. Call Joanna Madorma at (540) 829-2235 for information or to register.

**MUSIC** This Friday is the feast of St. Alphonsus Liguori, who wrote that: "Who is there that ever receives a gift and tries to make bargains about it? Let us, then, return thanks for what He has bestowed on us." Has the Lord gifted you with a voice or musical ability only to find that you have put your own limits to what, when or how you will use it? Show your thanks by sharing those gifts with our music ministry and parish. We especially need the gift of more KEYBOARDISTS. For more information, please contact Mrs. Hannah Masson at 540-229-5329 or [hannahmasson@yahoo.com](mailto:hannahmasson@yahoo.com)



**DIOCESE OF ARLINGTON SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION** provides scholarships to low income new students who want to enroll in our diocesan Catholic schools. For more information contact Jeanne at [J.Combos@arlingtondiocese.org](mailto:J.Combos@arlingtondiocese.org)



Construction is moving forward on the new school site. With

less than 30 days before orientation there is still much to do. We are currently looking for volunteers to assist with the opening of our new school facility. Many projects are in the works. Two very special projects that need help are the Mary Garden, which will be placed in front of the school entrance and the moving project. Please contact the school @ 825-9017 if you can help this summer.

**LEGION OF MARY** meets on Wednesdays at 7pm in the rectory basement. Please come join us!

**AROUND THE DIOCESE/VIRGINIA**

**HAVE ROOM IN YOUR HEART AND HOME?**

Please consider hosting an international High School student. Students simply need a bed of their own, three meals a day and a place in your family and heart. For more information, call Teresa Paccassi 540-878-6900.

**RISK JESUS EVANGELIZATION CONFERENCE**

Join Bishop Loverde at Hylton Memorial Chapel in Woodbridge on September 27 for a unique opportunity to deepen your faith and invite a friend who is searching. Former atheist Jennifer Fulwiler and Anglican convert Fr. Dwight Longenecker will address the concerns of those who identify as “former Catholics” and “nones” (no religious affiliation), as well as strengthen the faith of practicing Catholics. Our own Fr. Juan Puigbo will also speak, and music will be provided by acclaimed singer-songwriter Marie Miller. So take the first step – Risk Jesus, and invite a friend, family member, neighbor or colleague to join you! Tickets are \$25 through August 31 and \$40 thereafter. For more information or to register, visit [www.arlingtondiocese.org/riskjesus](http://www.arlingtondiocese.org/riskjesus)

**CATHOLIC NEWS ON YOUR SMARTPHONE**

Get the latest news on local parish activities, Catholic schools and the latest happenings with Pope Francis and the Vatican delivered to your inbox. Visit [bit.ly/1f2bJo5](http://bit.ly/1f2bJo5) to sign up for the Arlington Catholic Herald’s e-newsletter.

**MARYLAND CATHOLIC WOMEN’S CONFERENCE**

It’s time! MCWC has an exciting line-up for you. Vinita Hampton Wright is our keynote speaker. The theme is **Conformed/Transformed: Pursuing God’s Will**. Bring your Mother, sisters, daughters and friends. Saturday will end with a candlelight walk through the Grotto and back to the glass chapel for a presentation of “The Blood and The Rose”. Dates are Saturday 10/11 and Sunday 10/12. Come! [www.marylandcatholicwomen.com](http://www.marylandcatholicwomen.com) or call Jeanne 443-324-8487.

**GETTING MARRIED?**

One of the requirements for marriage preparation (Pre-Cana) is attending a conference for the engaged. Before registering, get approval from your priest or deacon. For more information, call the Office of Family Life at (703) 841-2550 or visit [www.arlingtondiocese.org/familylife/marriage.php](http://www.arlingtondiocese.org/familylife/marriage.php).

**C.A.N. JOB MINISTRY**

Christians are Networking provides a venue where job seekers can prayerfully receive free professional career counseling and take advantage of networking opportunities with other professionals. Appointments are available from 6:30-8:30pm every second and fourth Tuesday. Please call 703-944-8515 to reserve your appointment.

**WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER**

“The kingdom of heaven is like a treasure buried in a field, which a person finds and hides again, and out of joy goes and sells all that he has and buys that field.” Find again the treasure of your early marriage. The next weekends are Sep 12-14 & Nov 14-16 in Herndon. For more information or to apply, visit our website at [renewmarriage-vanorth.org](http://renewmarriage-vanorth.org) or contact us at [applications@renewmarriage-vanorth.org](mailto:applications@renewmarriage-vanorth.org) or 703-378-4150.

**PARISH WEBSITE**

visit our website to view the Institute of Catholic Culture summer schedule as well as an updated list of links to Catholic resources. <http://www.preciousbloodcatholicchurch.com/index.html>

**Pope Francis:** Dear young people, do not be mediocre; the Christian life challenges us with great ideals.

## DON'T CAST YOUR PEALS BEFORE SWINE!

Christians have God-given obligations to preach and teach the truth and to help those in need. We are told to be good neighbors, and this is illustrated in the parable of "The Good Samaritan" by a willingness to become involved. We must not take these responsibilities lightly.

But, as is usually the case, there is another side to our responsibilities as servants. Sometimes Christians, in their eagerness to be compassionate and Christ-like, fail to recognize that God put limitations on this aspect of our discipleship. It is not always good stewardship to expend the time and energy to teach the truth or to render assistance to those apparently in need of such. In fact, sometimes to do so is poor stewardship and betrays our Lord's trust in us. While we do not want this fact to be used as an excuse to ignore our responsibilities to act, neither do we want to waste the things the Lord has entrusted to us, including our lives and ourselves.

### **Pearls**

Pearls are formed by an injury to an oyster, something foreign and hurtful has entered into the oyster and the oyster has produced a pearl through the suffering they have endured from the foreign invader....

I believe the foreign invader is sin. The sin that invades us as believers is foreign to us, it is harmful to us, but God uses it to bring about God's character in us. The sin that besets us is turned around for our good. We suffer if sin is working its spiny fangs into us, but we persevere in fighting sin secreting the juices of the Holy Spirit in us fighting the sin and resulting in victory over it resulting in a pearl for God's glory.

We minister out of our own deliverance. When we are delivered from a sin then we

have something to share! We become a minister in the area we have been delivered from.

Now Jesus says don't cast your pearls before swine....The context is ministering to a Christian who has a sin in their lives and not judging them without first considering yourself. So if the context is Christian with Christian then the only answer to this is a "professing Christian" who is in sin but unrepentant, is not worthy of your ministering with the pearl produced from your suffering and healing by the Lord because that would take humility from the receiver. If a person is not also fighting sin in their lives and is not humbly seeking God for deliverance then they cannot receive your pearls and they will also detest your pearls because your pearls will convict them of their sin in such a way that they harden their hearts even more and will hate you for pointing things out and will attack you in your most vulnerable place if you open that place to them.

So Jesus is warning us to deal with the sin in our own lives and if we have deliverance in an area then we have a ministry to share with those who also are seeking deliverance but as a kindness Jesus is also protecting us from the attack of the Enemy in those who are not repentant that we should not put ourselves out there to be skewered! Also Jesus says judge not that you not be judged....If we go to confront someone else of their sin and have not dealt with the sin in our own lives then the person we are seeking to confront will turn around and confront us with our own sin and no one will benefit!!! You will be attacked and the person you sought out will not be ministered to at all! And you will be found to be a hypocrite!