

# PRECIOUS BLOOD CATHOLIC CHURCH

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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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**August 3, 2014**  
**“Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time”**

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

**Sun. August 3 8:30 AM – Pat Diibon (dec)**

**Sun. August 3 11:00 AM- Stanley Tomaszewski (dec)**

**Mon. August 4- Ann Kroenert (dec)**

St John Vianney, Priest

Readings: Jer 28: 1-17 Mt 14:22-36

**Tues. August 5- Lea Schlosser (special intention)**

Readings: Jer 30:1-2, 12-15, 18-22 Mt 14:22-36

**Wed. August 6- Ann Kroenert (dec)**

The Transfiguration of the Lord

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

**Thurs. August 7 – Jorge Schneider (dec)**

St Sixtus II, Pope and Companions, Martyrs; St Cajetan, Priest

Readings: Jer 31:31-34 Mt16:13-23

**Fri. August 8- Christine Platte (dec)**

St Dominic, Priest

Readings: Na 2:1, 3:1-3, 6-7 Mt 16:24-28

**Sat. August 9 8:30 AM- Maria Urbana Francia (dec)**

St Teresa Benedicta of the Cross, Virgin and Martyr; BVM

Readings: Hb 1:12-2:4 Mt 17:14-20

**Sat. August 9 6:00 PM – David Canavan (dec)**

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

**Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Reading I Isaiah 55:1-3 (invitation to grace)

Reading II Romans 8:35, 37-39 (indomitable love of Christ)

Gospel Matthew 14:13-21 (Jesus feeds five thousand)

**Key Passage** For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. *Romans 8:38–39*

**Adult:** To whom could you bring the assurance of Christ's love this week?

**Child:** Jesus fed the crowds today. How does he offer you spiritual nourishment?

**ALTAR FLOWERS**



Correction: Altar flowers last weekend were in honor of Alicia Reyes Basilio's quincenera. Flowers this weekend are in loving memory of Widgie Aitken.

**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, Michael Combs, Roger Corum, Cynthia Davies, Bill Daley, Sue Doetzer, James Driscoll, Jackie Fancher, John Farrelly, Regan Flemming, Ryleigh Flemming, Wanda Gearing, Bill Goetz, Billy Hall, Linda Hemler, Betty Hescocx, Eileen Hunter, Alex Hyde, Mary Logan, Bryan Lorenz, Sherie McAlpine, Frank McPhillips, Phillip Leo Mercer, Efren Diaz Miguel, Jim Minihan, Beth Moreland, Mary Neureither, Marcia Peacock, Shawn Peet, Rich Rosado, Jerry Roy, Ines Sanchez, Roberto Sanson, Yrene Rey, 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:** Loving Father, you powerfully fill the voids in our lives. You reveal your compassionate grace by the simple act of always being present. You unselfishly feed us when we are hungry and quietly walk with us when we feel alone. Combine this offering with others so that all of your children can be filled with the power of your redeeming spirit. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen. *Matthew 14:13-21*

**OFFERTORY COLLECTION**

Collection (7/27)	\$7939.51
Collection- Faith Direct (7/27)	\$995.00
Camboni mission (7/27)	\$3558.87
Building fund (7/27)	\$10.00
Building fund- Faith Direct (7/27)	\$75.00
Epiphany (7/27)	\$11.00
Epiphany- Faith Direct (7/27)	\$2.00
Foundation for the Future (7/27)	\$200.00

## **THIS WEEK AT PRECIOUS BLOOD**

**DON'T FORGET!** Beginning August 24<sup>th</sup>, Sunday mass times will change to 8:00am and 11:30am.

**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.

**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.

**PRO-LIFE** "Selfishness and fear are at the root of the (pro-abortion) legislation... We in the Church have a great struggle to defend life... life is a gift not a threat." *Pope Benedict XVI*

## **NEWS AND NEEDS**

**ST.STEPHEN'S FOOD CLOSET** pancake mix & syrup, cereal and single oatmeal packets, rice and pasta side dishes, single serving microwave meals.

**ANNUAL CHURCH PICNIC** Join us one and all on Sunday, September 7, 3-7pm, as we gather at the Epiphany school fields, 1211 Grandview Ave, for games, races, moon bounces and slides, themed gift basket raffles, DJ and live music! The grill will be hot, the drinks will be cold, so all we need is YOU: our parish community! So that we have plenty for all, please register online at: [www.signupgenius.com](http://www.signupgenius.com); "find a sign up"; enter [canavan22701@comcast.net](mailto:canavan22701@comcast.net); click "search"; click "annual church picnic"! Those without internet, or who don't want to do the online process, can sign up in the foyer.

**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** Today's readings repeatedly use the word "all". All who thirst. All our needs. All His ways.



All who call upon Him. They all ate and were satisfied. To satisfy all and proclaim all His ways, we need all styles and genres of music. This reflects more correctly the prayer of all those who assemble in His presence giving thanks and worshipping Him, our father, the God of all. May all of our music glorify our God and sanctify all of our assembly.



**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)

**ALTAR SERVER TRAINING** continues August 3<sup>rd</sup> and August 10<sup>th</sup> between the Sunday masses for children in the 5<sup>th</sup> grade and up. For more information contact Robert Beattie at [Robert\\_Brian\\_Beattie@alum.villanova.edu](mailto:Robert_Brian_Beattie@alum.villanova.edu)

**POWER PACK PROGRAM** The first Power Pack Program "Community Packing Day" will be held Saturday, August 9<sup>th</sup> from 9am until noon at St. Luke's Lutheran Church. The juice boxes donated by our parishioners will be used at this event! The more hands involved the faster this project will go, so come on out and help pack 2500 Power Packs for some of Culpeper's hungriest school children! For more information contact Kelly Wilton ([wilton3knr@yahoo.com](mailto:wilton3knr@yahoo.com) or 825.4795).

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

**AROUND THE DIOCESE/VIRGINIA**

**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)

**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).

**DIOCESAN MEN’S AND WOMEN’S CONFERENCES, RETREATS, AND MORE!**

For news about marriage and family, and tips for making Catholicism a part of your home, like us on Facebook: [www.facebook.com/FamilyLifeArlington](http://www.facebook.com/FamilyLifeArlington).

**NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING (NFP) CLASSES**

The Couple-to-Couple League offers NFP classes throughout Northern Virginia. Classes consist of three 3-hour sessions spaced one month apart. Total cost for course and materials is \$160 per couple (Spanish courses are \$55). For more information, visit [www.nfpvirginia.com](http://www.nfpvirginia.com). For virtual classes, visit <http://register.ccli.org/virtual>. For Spanish classes, contact Cesar and Blanca Marius at (703) 332-1054.

**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** If we believe, Jesus will give us all the food we need for our marriage. Enrich your Sacrament of Marriage by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. 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.

**Pope Francis:** The Lord loves a cheerful giver. May we learn to be generous in giving, free from the love of material possessions.

**PARISH TRIVIA**

The first services of our parish were held in Green’s Hall at the corner of Main and Davis streets in what year? Explore our website to find the answer, then stop by the rectory office for a prize! On our website you can also find the parish calendar and other updates.

<http://www.preciousbloodcatholicchurch.com/index.html>

## THE NEED TO READ THE GOSPEL

BY POPE FRANCIS

“The Gospel lets you know the true Jesus, it lets you know the living Jesus; it speaks to your heart and changes your life,” said Pope Francis during his weekly Angelus appearance in St. Peter’s Square on Sunday, July 27.

“How many people, how many saints, reading the Gospel with an open heart, have been so struck by Jesus that they have converted to Him. Let us think of St. Francis of Assisi; he was already a Christian, but lukewarm, a “rose-water” Christian. When he read the Gospel, in a decisive moment during his youth, he encountered Jesus and discovered the Kingdom of God, and from then on all his dreams of earthly glory vanished. The Gospel lets you know the true Jesus, it lets you know the living Jesus; it speaks to your heart and changes your life. And from then on, he left everything. You can effectively change the type of life you lead, or continue to do what you did before, but you are different, you are born again: you have found that which gives meaning, flavour and light to everything, even to hardship, suffering and death”.

The Pope went on to repeat the importance of reading a passage from the Gospel every day; of keeping it in our pockets, our bags, always at hand, as “everything makes sense when you find this treasure that Jesus called ‘the Kingdom of God’: that is, God Who reigns in your life, in our lives. God is love, peace and joy in every man and in all men. ... Reading the Gospel means finding Jesus and receiving this Christian joy, which is a gift from the Holy Spirit”.

“The joy of encountering the treasure of the Kingdom of God becomes clear, it can be seen”, concluded the Pontiff. “The Christian cannot conceal his faith, as it shines through in every word and every gesture, even the simplest everyday ones. The love that God has given us through Jesus shines through. Let us pray, by the intercession of the Virgin Mary, that His Kingdom of love, justice and peace may come to us and to all the world”.