

# PRECIOUS BLOOD CATHOLIC CHURCH

114 East Edmondson Street  
Culpeper, Virginia 22701  
540-825-8945

Parish Hall – CCD Office  
540-825-1339

Epiphany Catholic School  
540-825-9017



## **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  
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**

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



**August 24, 2014**  
**“Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time”**

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

**Sun. August 24 8:00 AM – Frank Toomey (dec)**

**Sun. August 24 11:30 AM- Dee Dee Bentz (dec)**

**Sun. August 24 4:00 PM- Bernardo Chavez**

**Mon. August 25- In celebration of James and**

**Alicia Byram’s 2<sup>nd</sup> Wedding Anniversary**

**St Louis; St Joseph Calasanz, Priest**

Readings: 2 Thes 1:1-5, 11-12 Mt 23:13-22

**Tues. August 26- Diana Aruta (healing)**

Readings: 2 Thes 2:1-3a, 14-17 Mt 23:23-26

**Wed. August 27- Kathy Norris (dec)**

**St Monica**

Readings: 2 Thes 3:6-10, 16-18 Mt 23:27-32

**Thurs. August 28 – Msgr. Chester Michael (dec)**

**St Augustine, Bishop and Doctor of the Church**

Readings: 1 Cor 1:1-9 Mt 24:42-51

**Fri. August 29- pro populo**

**The Passion of St John the Baptist**

Readings: 1 Cor 1:17-25 Mk 6:17-29

**Sat. August 30 8:30 AM – pro populo**

Readings: 1 Cor 1:26-31 Mt 25:14-30

**Sat. August 30 6:00 PM – Diana Aruta (healing)**

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

**Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Reading I     Isaiah 22:15, 19-23 (Eliakim chosen by God)

Reading II    Romans 11:33-36 (praise of God)

Gospel         Matthew 16:13-20 (Peter the rock)

Key Passage   Matthew 16:15–16 (He said to God)

**Adult:** If you were asked, how would you explain Jesus to a person who had not heard of him?

**Child:** Who do you tell people Jesus is?

**ALTAR FLOWERS**



Altar flowers this weekend are in loving memory of Jorge Schneider and in celebration of Geraldine Schneider’s

birthday from Cecelia Schneider-Vial.

**Note:** Altar flowers are available for many weekends starting in October.

**CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR SCHOLARSHIP**

**RECIPIENTS:**

Fr. Leo Zonneveld Scholarship- John Minihan

Fr. Maurice du Castillon- Christina Shaw

Ladies Auxiliary- Seleste Estrada

**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: Sam Aitken, Frederic

Althor, Hector Baez, Lisa Ballard, Ric

Barklund, Taylor Bartley, Xavier Van

Bastelaer, Dr. Tom Calhoun, Michael

Combs, Roger Corum, Cynthia

Davies, Bill Daley, Sue Doetzer,

James Driscoll, Jackie Fancher, Regan

Flemming, Ryleigh Flemming, Wanda Gearing, Bill Goetz, Billy Hall, Elizabeth Hartwell, Linda Hemler, Elizabeth Hartwell, Betty Hescox, 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, 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 Lord, you have provided each of us with many similar, yet unique gifts. Thank you, Lord, for the talents and abilities of people within this congregation. We are a blessed people! Now, we unite as one body to share in this worshipful act of the offering. Giving is such a joy-filled experience! Thank you, Lord, for this opportunity to support the transformation of people’s spiritual lives through the ministry and mission of this body of Christ. Amen. *Romans 12:1-8*

**OFFERTORY COLLECTION**

Collection (8/17)	\$6,749.96
Building fund (8/17)	\$70.00
Epiphany (8/17)	\$528.00
Assumption	\$2,073.17

**Note:** our weekly goal is \$11,500.00

**MASS INTENTIONS** are available for many upcoming Masses. See the rectory office for more information

## **THIS WEEK AT PRECIOUS BLOOD**

**ALTAR SERVER TRAINING** Will be held in the church at 10:00am on September 7<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> for children in the 5<sup>th</sup> grade and up. Feel welcome to contact Robert Beattie at

[Robert Brian Beattie@alum.villanova.edu](mailto:Robert.Brian.Beattie@alum.villanova.edu)

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

**HOLY SPIRIT INTERACTIVE (HSI)** Next meeting will be **TUESDAY**, August 26, at 7:00 pm at the home of Steve and Ellie Johnston (857 Fox Den Road, Culpeper). Topic is "The Six Daily Habits of Highly Effective Christians." All are welcome.

**FAITH DIRECT:** Did you miss a weekly offering while on Summer vacation? eGiving through *Faith Direct* is the easiest and most convenient way for Precious Blood Parish to receive your weekly offering and other Church support. eGiving through *Faith Direct* will also save you time while helping Precious Blood Parish reduce our expenses. You can either go online to [www.faithdirect.net](http://www.faithdirect.net) and use our parish code **VA226** or pick up an enrollment form from the parish office and mail the form to *Faith Direct*. Thank you for your prayerful support of Precious Blood Parish. God Bless!

**PRO-LIFE** "It is a poverty that a child must die, so that you may live as you wish" *Mother Theresa*

## **NEWS AND NEEDS**

**MOMS' GROUP** Moms with kids of all ages are welcome to join. We will meet Wed, Aug 27<sup>th</sup>, from 9am-11am at Precious Blood in the Rectory Meeting Room. See you then!

**ST.STEPHEN'S FOOD CLOSET** is in need of canned meats (Vienna sausage, Spam, Treet, corned beef), vegetable soup, stuffing mix, pasta & potato side dishes (not mashed), canned vegetables (i.e peas, carrots, mixed vegetables).

**CCD REGISTRATION** is now open online. The link can be found on the homepage of our parish website.

**CCD TEACHERS AND AIDES NEEDED** CCD is in need of a 1st grade teacher, 4th grade teacher, Adult aide for 3rd grade, Adult aide for 7th grade, Adult aide that is bilingual for the CCD office, and 3 more adult aides.

**WE NEED SHOES** CCDC/Culpeper Housing and Shelter is collecting shoes in any style or condition to raise funds for our Emergency Homeless Shelter and Housing Programs. Please bring your shoe donations to Church this weekend and place them in the box in the vestibule. Any questions, call Mary McPhillips (540) 547-2123.

**LEGION OF MARY** "Judge as to the ardent love with which God would have us honour Mary seeing that He has set in her the fullness of all good: in such manner that all we have of hope, all of grace, all of salvation all - I say and let us doubt it not - flows to us from her." (St. Bernard: Sermo de Aquaeductu). To find out more about Our Lady's role in God's plan for us, come to our meetings on Wednesdays at 7 pm in the rectory basement (using the outside door near the playground).

**ANNUAL CHURCH PICNIC** Please register in the foyer or online: [www.signupgenius.com](http://www.signupgenius.com), "find a signup", enter [canavan22701@comcast.net](mailto:canavan22701@comcast.net) and click search, click "annual church picnic", scroll down, enter name/email, enter name and how many are coming. REMINDER: bring chairs and canopies for extra shade and comfort. Activities lined up for the day include: raffle drawings, moon bounces, live music, games, races, delicious dishes and desserts and good times with family and friends. Mark it: Sunday, September 7, 3-7pm.



**CHOIR REHEARSALS BEGIN!** Our Heritage Choir will resume weekly rehearsals on Tuesday, Sept. 2 from 7:00-8:00 pm in the church. For more information please contact Mr. John Flemming at 540-222-5402 or [bigpsyguy@aol.com](mailto:bigpsyguy@aol.com). Our Precious Blood Choir will resume weekly rehearsals on Wednesday, Sept. 3 from 7:00-8:30 pm in the church. For more information please contact Mrs. Theresa Watson at 540-229-5113 or [usswatson6@yahoo.com](mailto:usswatson6@yahoo.com). Both choirs welcome singers of middle school age and up. We also need more KEYBOARDISTS. For more information,

please contact Mrs. Hannah Masson at 540-229-5329 or [hannahmasson@yahoo.com](mailto:hannahmasson@yahoo.com)

**ADULT SACRAMENTAL CLASSES** Adults looking to enter the church and receive the sacraments of Baptism, Communion, and Confirmation should contact the rectory office to register for RCIA.

**THE DANIEL PLAN** The Bible teaches us that our bodies are very important to God and he wants us to take care of them. The Daniel Plan is 40 days to healthier life by Rick Warren. Come and see what it is all about. Sunday Sept. 14<sup>th</sup> 6:30-8:00pm in the annex. For more info contact Loretta Schlosser 727-2070.



On August 25<sup>th</sup> there will be a special Mass at 11:00am at Epiphany's new location.

Following the mass there will be a ribbon-cutting ceremony with Sister Bernadette McManigal B.V.M, superintendent of the Diocese of Arlington. All Precious Blood Parishioners are invited to this monumental event.

**POWER PACK PROGRAM** Precious Blood's final count was 2975 juice boxes. Thank you to everyone who participated! We plan to do another drive in the fall.

### **AROUND THE DIOCESE/VIRGINIA**

#### **THREE POWERFUL DEBATES: COME JOIN**

**THE DEVIL'S ADVOCATE SERIES** If women are just as capable as men, why won't the Church allow women to be priests? Aren't biblical stories like Adam & Eve simply myths? And if divorce allows couples to escape toxic, unhappy marriages, how can the Church disallow it? If you've ever asked questions like these and gotten soft or unsatisfactory answers, come to *The Devil's Advocate* series on **September 8<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup>, and 22<sup>nd</sup>** at **Bishop O'Connell High School** auditorium in Arlington. This series is designed as a dialogue between an antagonist and a defender of the teachings of the Catholic Church. It aims to answer the hardest questions for the Church by engaging with other viewpoints *seriously* and *fairly*. See the website for more details -

[www.arlingtondiocese.org/devilsadvocate](http://www.arlingtondiocese.org/devilsadvocate).

**ARLINGTON HEALING MASS** will be held at All-Saints parish on Tuesday, August 26, at 7:30pm.

**C.A.N. JOB MINISTRY** Appointments are available from 6:30-8:30pm every second and fourth Tuesday. Please call 703-944-8515 to reserve your appointment.

**CURSILLO POT LUCK DINNER** on Saturday night, August 30, at 6 pm at St Peter's there will be an Ultreya. There will be introductions, songs, small group reunions, and a witness talk by Jim Byrne. Please bring a dish to share. We are inviting anyone who had made a Cursillo or is interested in Cursillo to come and have a wonderful evening of sharing with your neighbors.

#### **INTERNATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER AND**

**FASTING** Please join us for the International Day of Prayer on Saturday, September 20, 2014 at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington DC, from 9am-4pm. Registration is FREE, but please register online at [www.iwopf.org](http://www.iwopf.org) to receive a free prayer packet at the Basilica event. This day is part of the 22nd International Week of Prayer and Fasting, September 20-28, 2014. Speakers include Dr. Scott Hahn, Johnnette Benkovic and Fr. Dermot Roache. For more information visit [www.iwopf.org](http://www.iwopf.org), or call 1-888-478-PRAY (7729) or 703-707-0799.

#### **CELEBRATING A SILVER OR GOLDEN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY THIS YEAR?**

Were you married in 1964 or 1989? Then join Bishop Loverde for the 2014 Marriage Jubilee Mass to be celebrated on October 19 at 2:30 p.m. at the Cathedral of St. Thomas More. Contact the parish office to register no later than September 19. For more information, visit [www.arlingtondiocese.org/familylife/MJM.aspx](http://www.arlingtondiocese.org/familylife/MJM.aspx).

#### **WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER**

"Upon this rock I will build my church, and the gates of the netherworld shall not prevail against it." Let your Sacrament of Marriage or Holy Orders be the rock for your vocation. 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:** Trust in the power of Christ's Cross! Receive his reconciling grace and share it!

## POPE BENEDICT XVI ON APOSTOLIC SUCCESSION

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

In the last audiences we have meditated on the Tradition of the Church and we have seen that it is the permanent presence of the word and life of Jesus in his people. But to be present, the Church is in need of a person, a witness. In this way, reciprocity is born: On one hand, the word is in need of the person, but on the other hand the person, the witness, is linked to the word that has been entrusted to him, which he has not invented. This reciprocity between contents -- Word of God, life of the Lord -- and the person that transmits is a characteristic of the structure of the Church, and today we wish to meditate on this personal aspect of the Church... Just as at the beginning of the condition of [being an] apostle there is a call and a sending by the Risen One, likewise the subsequent call and invitation to others takes place, with the strength of the Spirit, by the power of one already constituted in the apostolic ministry. This is the path on which this ministry will continue that, later, begun by the second generation, would be called episcopal ministry.

...The episcopal succession of the Church of Rome becomes the sign, criterion and guarantee of the uninterrupted transmission of the apostolic faith: "It is necessary that every Church be in harmony with this Church, whose foundation is the most guaranteed -- I refer to all the faithful of any place, because in her all those who are found in all places have kept the apostolic Tradition" ("Adversus Haereses," III, 3, 2: PG 7,848).

The apostolic succession, verified in virtue of communion with that of the Church of Rome, is therefore the criterion of permanence of each one of the Churches in the Tradition of the common apostolic faith, which through this channel has been able to come to us from the origins: "By this order and succession the Tradition has come to us that was initiated by the Apostles. And this shows fully that the one and only vivifying faith that comes from the Apostles has been kept and transmitted in the Church until today" (ibid., III, 3,3: PG 7,851).

What the apostles represent in the relationship between the Lord Jesus and the Church of the origins, is represented analogously by the ministerial succession in the relationship between the Church of the origins and the present-day Church. It is not a mere material concatenation; rather, it is the historical instrument of which the Spirit makes use to make present the Lord Jesus, head of his people, through whom they are ordained by the ministry through the imposition of hands and the prayer of the bishops.

Then, through the apostolic succession, Christ comes to us: He speaks to us in the word of the apostles and their successors; he acts in the sacraments through their hands; our gaze is enveloped in his gaze and makes us feel loved, received in God's heart. And also today, as at the beginning, Christ himself is the true shepherd and guardian of our souls, whom we follow with great confidence, gratitude and joy.

In today's catechesis, we consider how the ministry of the apostles continues through their successors, the bishops... The Church's perseverance in the apostolic tradition is thus guaranteed by the continuity between the original community of the apostles and the College of Bishops. Through apostolic succession, the Holy Spirit makes the Risen Christ present to his Church in the ministry of those ordained to preach the Gospel, to celebrate the sacraments and to serve as loving shepherds of his flock.

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### **PARISH TRIVIA**

The Diocese of Arlington was formed on August 13, 1974. Who was appointed as the first Bishop?  
Explore our website to find the answer, then stop by the rectory office for a prize! On our website you can also find our parish calendar, and other updates.  
<http://www.preciousbloodcatholicchurch.com/index.html>