

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.....Dir. of Religious Education
Miriam Medina.....Dir. of Liturgy/Hispanic Liaison
Danielle Gambale-Metz....Office Assistant-Notary
Theresa Watson.....Choir Director
John Flemming.....Heritage Choir Director
Julie Dawley.....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.....Business 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 arrangements.

CCD CLASSES

Did you sign up?? Class ***BEGINS SEPT 13!!***

EPIPHANY CATHOLIC SCHOOL

1211 E. Grandview Avenue
Culpeper, VA 22701
Preschool: 3 & 4 year old
Elementary: K-5
Middle School: 6-8
office@epiphanycatholicsschool.org
www.epiphanycatholicsschool.org

August 30, 2015

“Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time.”

Mass Readings and Intentions for the Week

Sun. Aug 30

- 8:00 AM + Marie Moran
- 11:30 AM + Michelle Brown
- 4:00 PM + Roberto Cortes Cuevas

Mon. Aug 31 Patricia Schneider (special intentions)

Readings: 1 Thes 4:13-18; Lk 4:16-30

Tues. Sept 1 + Ron Jankowski

Readings: 1 Thes 5:1-6, 9-11; Lk 4:31-37

Wed. Sept 2 Antoinette Stevens (healing)

Readings: Col 1:1-8; Lk 4:38-44

Thurs. Sept 3 For the people

Readings: Col 1:9-14; Lk 5:1-11

Fri. Sept 4 + Harold Fowler

Readings: Col 1:15-20; Lk 5:33-39

Sat. Sept 5

Readings: Col 1:21-23; Lk 6:1-5

- 8:30 AM For the people
- 6:00 PM Geraldine Schneider (special intentions)

Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

“Time Doers of the Word”

Reading I Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-8 (advantages of fidelity)

Reading II James 1:17-18, 21-22, 27 (response to God’s gift)

Gospel Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23 (Jesus and the Pharisees)

Key Passage Welcome with meekness the implanted word that has the power to save your souls. But be doers of the word, and not merely hearers who deceive themselves. (James 1:21-22)

Adult Which words of Jesus provide the most inspiration for the Christian work that you do?

Child How do you welcome the words of Jesus into your heart?

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: Virginia Allen, Rita

Bain, Ric Barklund, Mike Bosma, Joyce Bosworth, Amber Boutchyard, Loyal Bouchard, Josephine Borst, Joseph Cocanougher, Betty Craven, Stathie Cuccherini, Bill Daley, Pat Deighan, Joan Depue, James Driscoll, Inez

Guneseppi, John Gwynn, Richard Hall, Rebecca Helsel, Alex Hyde, Jim Hyde, Mary Jackson, Mary Logan, Ana Magana, Phillip Leo Mercer, Jim Minihan, Beth Moreland, Mary Neureither, Sylvia Paditlla, Denise Pearson, Shawn Peet, Ariel Perez-Young, Donald Rediske, Marie Rediske, Max Rosado, Evelyn Sawyer, Suzann Southworth, Mildred Stewart, Lorain Smith, Virginia Smith, Jay Way, Margaret Williams, Jeremy Wilson, Fr. Leo Zonneveld 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 God, we are grateful for your constant presence in our lives. We acknowledge that every perfect gift in our lives is a gift from you. We have listened to your guidance, directing us to offer you our first fruits. So, we now join in this generous act of giving. We pray that these resources may care for your children everywhere who are experiencing distress. We pray in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen. James 1:17-27*

OFFERTORY COLLECTION

8/23 Collection:	\$ 7,674.48
Building Fund	\$ 18.00
Epiphany	\$ 247.00

FAITH DIRECT

Collection	\$ 1,890.00
Building Fund	\$ 90.00
Epiphany	\$ 42.00
Future of faith	\$ 200.00

FAITH DIRECT Faith Direct makes it easy with our new app! Download it from the App Store or Google Play and use VA226 to start giving today!

ALL Bulletin inserts please email: bulletin@preciousbloodcatholicchurch.com
Deadline is 3:30pm on Monday before.

THIS WEEK AT PRECIOUS BLOOD

DIRECTORY PICTURES ***THIS IS THE LAST WEEK FOR PICTURES!!!!*** SIGN UP TODAY by the parish hall!!! Pictures are coming to a close. You can call **Danielle** in the office **825-8945** or call **888-742-5823**. ***Space is limited.***

ST. STEPHEN'S FOOD CLOSET This week we need canned chicken & chicken helper, single serving microwave meals, toothpaste/toothbrushes, rice and pasta side dishes. We are also in need of plastic food bags. Thank you!!

NEWS AND NEEDS

CHURCH PICNIC Annual church picnic is coming up! We've got games, prizes, raffles, moon bounces, soccer challenges, lots of good meats to be cooked up by our Knights, and tremendous fellowship scheduled for **Sunday, 9/13, 3-6:30pm, at the Epiphany school grounds-1211 Grandview Ave, Culpeper(rain or shine)**. Pack your chairs, canopies and ***FAVORITE SIDE DISH to share!*** Flavors of many ethnic backgrounds are encouraged because our theme is: **EMBRACE THE WORLD!** Contact: canavan22701@comcast.net

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS SOCCER

CHALLENGE: All boys and girls ages 9-14 are invited to participate in the Knights of Columbus Soccer Challenge. The local competition will be held Sunday, **September 13 at 5pm** at Epiphany Catholic School (during the parish picnic). There is no cost to participate. For more information, contact Eddie Petrovitch (epetro10@comcast.net) or Michael Watts (WattsDVM@yahoo.com).

BEST BUDDIES Join us for the first-ever Best Buddies Friendship Walk in the Capital Region on Saturday, **October 17th!** The walk benefits, people with and without Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities (IDD). Call **Danielle at 825-8945** or www.bestbuddiesvirginia.org for information.

MORNING BIBLE STUDY: Come and get lost in God's holy word with the Morning Bible Study on Thursday morning **9:30-11:30 beginning September 10th** at the church. We will be studying Acts of the Apostles and will learn how our Holy Catholic Church was originally established and of the first stage of the spread of the Gospel after Our Lord's ascension. For information call **Joanna Madorma at 540-829-2235**

MUSIC MINISTRY CHOIR REHEARSALS

BEGIN Singers needed to bless our music ministry and parish. Our **Heritage Choir** will resume weekly rehearsals on Tuesday, Sept. 1 from 7:15-8:15 pm in the church. Please contact director Mr. John Flemming at [540-222-5402](tel:540-222-5402) bigpsyquy@aol.com. Our **Precious Blood Choir** will resume weekly rehearsals on Wednesday, Sept. 2 from 7-8:30 pm in the church. Please contact director Mrs. Theresa Watson at usswatson6@yahoo.com or 540-229-5113. Both choirs welcome singers of middle school age and up. Teen acoustic musicians and singers who wish to join our acoustic group **One Voice** may contact Ms. Megan Canavan at onevoicepbcc@aol.com or 727-1022. For overall information about our music ministry, please contact our Director of Music Mrs. Hannah Masson at hannahmasson@yahoo.com or 540-229-5113.

ADULT EDUCATION PROGRAM This Fall, our parish adult faith formation program will explore the key people, important places, and early story of our faith. It will feature the DVD series entitled *The Footprints of God: The Story of Salvation from Abraham to Augustine*. *Abraham: Father of Faith and Works* is the topic of the first two sessions on **Sept. 13 and 20** at 9:40-10:40am in the parish Hall. All adults are welcome to attend these interesting and informative sessions, which will be held from **9:40-10:40 am** on Sunday mornings in the Parish Hall. This is the same time as CCD, so parents are encouraged to set a good example and attend while their children are in class.

HOLY SPIRIT INTERACTIVE (HSI) Next meeting will be **Wednesday, Sept. 9, at 7:00 pm** at the home of **Joe and Alane Greyson** (16596 Wayland Road, Culpeper). Please call **703-595-6085** for directions. Topic is "Revolutionary." Come and listen to Aneel Aranha as we take a look at Jesus like we have never seen him before. It will shake you to the core. All are welcome.

BIBLE TIMELINE STUDY The Bible (Greek work for library) consists in different kinds of literature - narrative history, Hebrew poetry (in which a subject is specified two different ways - see Isaiah 40:3, New American Bible), prophecy, psalms, proverbs and revelation (apocalypse). We will depend upon the books 'easy to read' since they tell stories and who doesn't like stories? **Mac McPhillips 540/547-2123** machimself@gmail.com

RCIA Are you or someone you know...

- Has expressed an interest in becoming Catholic?
- Has a child over the age of seven who has not been baptized?
- Was baptized Catholic as a child, but has not celebrated the Sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist?

We offer an opportunity to come together in a small group to learn more about our faith. Sessions focus on the teachings and experience of Church and prepare individuals to celebrate the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist during the Easter season. There are separate sessions for children or youth. You are welcome to participate in the process with your questions, your insights and your faith story in a warm accepting setting. Please contact the parish office at **825-8945**.

IGNATIAN PRAYER GROUP Come and join us as we deepen our understanding of our faith and how to pray. We meet at the church on Wednesdays, starting **Sept. 9, from 9:30-10:30 a.m.** This semester, we'll watch and study DVD's presented by Father Thomas J. Scirghi, S.J.: "Signs of God's Grace: A Journey through the Sacraments". Any questions please call **Sheila Bertrand at 540-219-3099**.

POPE FRANCIS IN PHILADELPHIA High School Youth in 9th to 12th grade for the 2015-2016 school year are invited to attend the Diocesan sponsored High School Youth Ministry Pilgrimage to Philadelphia to see Pope Francis and participate in the World Meeting of Families activities. The pilgrimage will take place **Friday, Sept. 25th through Sunday, Sept. 27th**. We have 25 slots reserved for youth of our parish. Contact **Mary at MaryPBCCYouthMinistry@yahoo.com or 540.522.9254** for more information regarding the trip, mandatory registration forms and fees. Parishioners may assist us in this endeavor through your prayer support or being a financial sponsor through making a monetary donation to defray the cost of this life-changing pilgrimage. The diocesan fee is \$200.00 per youth and chaperone. Each youth is responsible for \$80.00.

LADIES AUXILIARY of the Knights of Columbus are back in action after a lovely summer, we will be meeting on **September 8 at 10am** in the parish hall.

AROUND THE DIOCESE/VIRGINIA

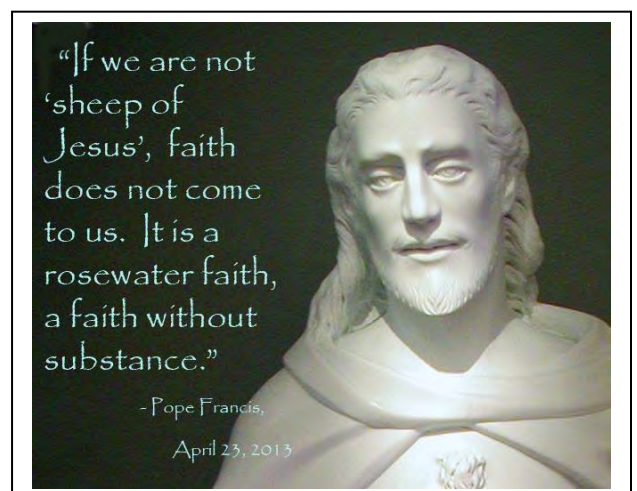


School starts tomorrow!!

This past week our teachers have been busy getting the classrooms ready for a new year. We ask everyone to take a moment and say a prayer for our teachers, staff and students for another successful year. Please join us on Friday mornings in our auditorium for mass. Thank you again for all your support for the children at our school. May God bless you all!

FHC PRECIOUS BLOOD HOMESCHOOL GROUP: Faith, Hope & Charity home-school-church-community network is available to families interested in homeschooling for all grade levels. We have a calendar of events, fellowship, stewardship, devotions and more. Contact: fhcpreciousblood@yahoo.com to be in the know! Parish contact: **Julie-canavan22701@comcast.net**.

WORLD WIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER In the second reading we are told, "Be doers of the word and not hearers only". Does your marriage show others Christ's love? The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekends are on 18-20 September in Herndon or November 6-8 in Herndon. For more information or to apply, visit our website at renewmarriage-vanorth.org or contact us **703-378-4150**.



Why Do We Kneel

Obviously, whenever we pray we use our whole body, because we know that is the best way to engage our hearts fully. When we stand or kneel, bow or genuflect, we are expressing in action what we mean to say from our heart. **Kneeling expresses adoration, humility and willing service.**

Kneeling is not a common gesture in our society. People stand up for what they believe and they stand in the presence of dignitaries. We leap to our feet with joy at a touchdown or the presence of a loved one.

But kneeling is a much more meaningful and intimate gesture. A man takes to his knee when proposing to his future wife. We kneel in the presence of overwhelming mystery. We kneel to adore, and to ask for mercy, to offer humble reverence to our God.

Standing is considered in the tradition to be the sign of the resurrection, as St. Basil the Great says in his treatise on the Holy Spirit: "We pray standing, on the first day of the week, but we do not all know the reason. On the day of the resurrection (or 'standing again'; Greek 'anastasis') we remind ourselves of the grace given to us by standing at prayer, not only because we rose with Christ, and are bound to 'seek those things which are above,' but because the day seems to us to be in some sense an image of the age which we expect ..." (Chapter 27).

Kneeling, however, is also an ancient posture of prayer. It seems that kneeling, both in the Christian and the Jewish tradition, was the posture used in especially intense periods of prayer and repentance.

Thus, Solomon dedicating the very first Temple to the Lord, prayed "kneeling down in the presence of all the multitude of Israel, and lifting up his hands towards Heaven" (2 Chronicles 6:13; cf. 1 Kings 8:54).

We see that the Lord himself prayed kneeling at the most intense moment of his agony in the Garden: "kneeling down, he prayed" (Luke 22:41). At the most intense moments of prayer and adoration it is a natural gesture to fall to one's knees.

The U.S. bishops have required that all Catholics kneel during the Eucharistic Prayer from the Sanctus until the conclusion of the great Amen.

The desire to emphasize the real presence of Christ in the Eucharist. We stand when we pray, except at those moments which are most sacred to us, those moments when Christ's presence is most near. Then, in reverential adoration, we kneel before the Lord of the universe, even as the priest genuflects after the words of consecration.

When we kneel we remind ourselves that we are not God and we are not in charge; rather, we are only creatures before our Lord who loves us so much that he comes to us as food to sustain our spiritual lives.

by Archbishop John C. Nienstedt July 29, 2010



