

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
Toni-Ann Gambale, Office Assistant
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-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
www.preciousbloodcatholicchurch.com



November 16, 2014
“Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time”

Mass Readings and Intentions for the Week:

Sun. Nov. 16 8:00 AM – Scott Family
Sun. Nov. 16 11:30 AM – Mary Pander (dec)
Sun. Nov. 16 4:00 PM – Roberto Cortes Cuevas (dec)

Mon. November 17 – Tina Neureither (dec)
Readings: Rv 1:1-4, 2:1-5, Lk 18:35-43

Tues. November 18 – For the People –The Dedication of the Basilicas of Saints Peter and Paul, Apostles
Readings: Acts 28:11-16, 30-31, Mt 14:22-33

Wed. November 19 – Jeanette Wallace (dec)
Readings: Rv 4:1-11, Lk 19:11-28

Thurs. November 20 – For the People
Readings: Rv 5:1-10, Lk 19:41-44

Fri. November 21 – For the People –The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Readings: Rv 10:8-11, Lk 19:45-48

Sat. November 22 8:30 AM – For the People
Readings: Rv 10:8-11, Lk 19:45-48

Sat. November 22 6:00 PM – For the People
(If you would like a Mass Intention said please call or stop by the office.)

The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica Using Your Gifts

Reading I Proverbs 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31 (the ideal wife)
Reading II 1 Thessalonians 5:1-5 (the need for preparation)
Gospel Matthew 25:14-30 (parable of the silver pieces)

Key Passage: [The servant said,] “Master, you handed over to me five talents; see, I have made five more talents.” His master said to him, “Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master.”

Adult: What gift have you not developed as you had hoped? What could you still do?

Child: What gift has God given you? What do you want to do with it?

ALTAR FLOWERS are available for request. Please stop by the office.



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, Jan

Ambrose, Hector Baez, Lisa Ballard, Ric Barklund, Amber Bouchard, Dr. Tom Calhoun, Michael Combs, Roger Corum, Katherine Craig, Cynthia Davies, Bill Daley, James Driscoll, Jackie Fancher, Regan Flemming, Ryleigh Flemming, Bill Goetz, Billy Hall, Elizabeth Hartwell, Elizabeth Hartwell, Betty Hescox, Marilyn Hoffmann, Eileen Hunter, Alex Hyde, Mary Logan, Bryan Lorenz, Frank and Lucille McPhillips, Phillip Leo Mercer, Efren Diaz Miguel, Jim Minihan, Beth Moreland, Mary Neureither, Marcia Peacock, Shawn Peet, Adelfa Salvador, Ines Sanchez, Cissy Staiger, Ray Tap, Joyce Vosworth 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: Beloved Lord, you offer us a precious gift. Your invitation to salvation through Jesus Christ frees us from so many unnecessary fears. As children of your light, we present these gifts so that others may share in the timeless message of your love. Encourage us to reflect your love to others, today and always. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen. *1 Thessalonians 5:1-11*

OFFERTORY COLLECTION

Collection (11/9)	\$ 10,133.59
Building Fund	\$ 191.00
Epiphany School	\$ 153.00

FAITH DIRECT

Collection	\$ 10,498.00
Building Fund	\$ 372.00
Epiphany	\$ 207.00
All Saints	\$ 222.00
Foundation for the Future	\$ 533.34

THIS WEEK AT PRECIOUS BLOOD

FRIDAY DAILY MASS on Nov. 14th will be held at Epiphany.

ST. IGNATIUS PRAYER STUDY GROUP will meet Wednesdays in the lounge in the Parish Hall Facility from 9:30-10:30 AM.

EXODUS BIBLE STUDY will meet Thursday morning, Nov. 20th for Lesson 11.

BEGINNERS BIBLE STUDY will start in January. More information to follow. If you have questions please contact Mac McPhillips at (540) 547-2123.

CURSILLO GROUP The Cursillo Group that meets Tuesday morning in the lounge in the Parish Hall Facility.

HOLY SPIRIT INTERACTIVE (HSI) Next meeting will be WEDNESDAY, Dec 10, at 7:00 pm at Brown and Harris Wealth Management Office at 311 S East St. (Note: this is a change in location). Topic is "Rejoice. Pray. Give Thanks." All are welcome.

SECOND COLLECTION on November 23rd will be for the Campaign for Human Development.

FAITH DIRECT: Want to make a change this fall? Have you signed up for eGiving through Faith Direct yet? It is the most convenient and secure way to make your weekly offering to Precious Blood Parish. You could make a one-time contribution or set up automatic contributions to save you time. Please visit, www.faithdirect.net and use our Parish Code, VA226. Paper enrollment in the office!

NEW ADULT EDUCATION PROGRAM *Islam and Christianity: A Comparison and Contrast* is today's (Nov. 16) topic. This exploration of key similarities and differences between Islam and Christianity will help us better understand the world in which we live today. The topic for next Sunday, Nov. 23, is *Judaism and Christianity: A Comparison and Contrast*. All adults, including those with students in the CCD program, are urged to attend these informative sessions, which are held from 9:40-10:40 am in the Parish Hall.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION "Jesus has made Himself the Bread of Life to give us life. Night and day, He is there. If you really want to grow in love, come back to the Eucharist, come back to the adoration. (Blessed Mother Teresa)

Pope Francis: "Work is so important for human dignity, for building up a family, for peace!"

NEWS AND NEEDS

WE WELCOME On Saturday, November 15th we welcomed all those who were baptized into our Parish Family!

-*Zurie Anne Kinkhead*, the daughter of Stephen Kinkhead & Lori Scott.

-*Thomas Anthony Mason*, the son of Anthony & Avegail Mason.

WE PRAY FOR

-*Wayne Orme* who passed away on Monday, Nov 3rd.

-*Jeannette Callahan*, mother of Jeannette & Michael Callahan, passed away on Friday, Nov 7th.

-*Jerry Roy*, husband of Carolita Roy, whose funeral will be Monday, Nov 17th at 10:30am.

ALUMINUM COLLECTION will be held today, Sunday, November 16th.

ST. CECILIA SING / BRUNCH The Music Ministry invites you to join them on the feast of St. Cecilia, our patroness of music, for a prayer service as we ask God for His continued blessings in the new liturgical year on **Saturday, Nov. 22 from 9:30-10:00 in the church**. Music ministers, choir members, instrumentalists and music lovers are invited to bring music books and instruments to be blessed. Following the service, from 10:00-11:30 am, we will have a **Brunch honoring Freda Kratochvil**, our retired organist, with light refreshments, memories and fellowship in the Parish Hall.

THE ANNUAL MISSIONHURST THANKSGIVING

will again be celebrated here, at Precious Blood, with entertainment to follow at Epiphany Catholic School on Thursday, Nov 20th at 1pm.

ST. STEPHEN'S FOOD CLOSET Needs for this week: canned chicken & chicken helper, jelly and gravy. *****"BUY A BIRD" PROGRAM:** Around \$15 per turkey but any monetary contribution is appreciated. Please mail checks with "Thanksgiving" in the memo line to Culpeper Food Closet, P.O. Box 343, Culpeper, VA 22701. Please, do not mail or donate whole turkeys.***

RCIA The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, Nov 18th, at 6:45 PM in the **ANNEX**. Please contact Bob Wiersberg with any questions 937-6143 H or 222-8672 C.



Fr. Anselme received notification from Bishop

Loverde that our school chapel and tabernacle are worthy for the Blessed Sacrament.

Following Mass on Friday, Fr. Anselme blessed our chapel. We are now complete, with the Blessed



Sacrament here for our teachers, staff and students to visit throughout the day.

November is here! This is a wonderful time to give thanks for the many blessings in our lives. I am certainly thankful for the support all of you have given me as we started this new journey at Epiphany Catholic School. We have much to give thanks for here at our school, including working with the remarkable children, parents, and teachers in our religious/learning community.

Epiphany's 13th Annual Gala!

Please join Epiphany Catholic School for a night of dinner, dancing, games and auctions on November 22nd from 5pm to 11pm at the school.

- Individual Tickets - \$55
 - Party Table (reserves for 8 individuals) - \$500
 - Corporate Table (includes 8 tickets, prominent seating, and an ad in the Gala Program) - \$1,000
- Please contact Mary at marela123@gmail.com for tickets. We are hopeful that many of you will contact the PTO to assist in this major occasion. God bless. - Jim Oliver, Principal.

MUSIC In today's gospel, Jesus teaches his disciples about the Master who entrusted his possessions (talents) to his servants with the expectation that he would receive them back with interest upon his return. Are not our musical talents that have been entrusted to us truly our Master's possessions? Don't bury your musical talents! Use them and they will increase so that you may one day hear "Well done! Come, share your master's joy!"



ANGEL TREE gift tags are available in the foyer of the church. Please fill out the sign up log, that is available in the rectory, completely and clearly.

AROUND THE DIOCESE/VIRGINIA

WORLD WIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER "When one finds a worthy wife, her value is far beyond pearls. Her husband, entrusting his heart to her, has an unfailing prize." Do we value the prize we have in our spouse enough to take time to enjoy it? The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekends are 20-22 Feb 2015 in Herndon or 17-19 Apr 2015 in Fredericksburg. For more information or to apply, visit our website at renewmarriage-vanorth.org or contact us at 703-378-4150.

BUSINESS NETWORKING On Nov. 22 from 9am to 2:30pm St. Luke's Catholic Church in McLean and Catholic Business Network of Northern VA will host a day of spiritual renewal for Catholic men and women. Prepare for the season of Advent through prayer, reflection and conversation. Fee: \$25 (includes continental breakfast and lunch). Call 703-904-6840 or sign up at our website www.cbnnova.org/events.

PLACEMENT TESTING 8th grade students attending public schools or non-Catholic private schools who are interested in attending Catholic High Schools in the Diocese of Arlington need to take a placement test. The test is REQUIRED for:
 -Bishop Ireton High School, Alexandria
 -Bishop O'Connell High School, Arlington
 -Paul VI High School, Fairfax
 -Pope John Paul the Great High School, Dumfries
 Testing will take place on Saturday, Dec 6 (Snow Date - Dec 13) from 8:30am-12pm. The test can be taken at any of the 4 schools listed above for a fee of \$35. Students must fill out a High School Placement Test Registration Form (available under "School Forms" at <http://www.arlingtondiocese.org/catholicschools/parents.php>). The registration form must be submitted to the test site no later than Thursday, December 4, 2014. The \$35.00 fee should accompany the form.

ST. JOHN PAUL OPEN HOUSE All are invited to the Fall Open House at St. John Paul the Great Catholic High School today, Sunday, Nov 16th from 1-4pm. Meet the entire team of educators, tour the beautiful building, and learn more about John Paul's successful programs and welcoming community. A presentation begins at 1:15pm in the Theatre. Pep-rally and House games begin at 3pm. For more information, please visit jpthegreat.org or call (703) 445-0300.

ARE YOU INVESTING YOUR TALENTS?

The man who was going on a journey and who summoned his slaves is a picture of Jesus. As the man entrusted his slaves with some talents, the Lord Jesus also entrusted us with spiritual gifts that have been bestowed upon us through the Holy Spirit. Through the Blood of Christ, we received the opportunity to become children of God. Through the Sacrament of Baptism, we became new creations, having received a new heart. To protect and strengthen our new creation, we received the indwelling of the Holy Spirit. Through the Holy Catholic Church that has been entrusted with the apostolic authority, we received the Sacrament of Reconciliation to maintain our souls in an ongoing state of grace. Through the Sacrament of the Holy Eucharist, we receive the Living Bread that gives life to our souls. All of these are necessary for our salvation.

As the man expected his slaves to invest the talents that he had entrusted them with in order to be fruitful, the Lord Jesus also expects us to be fruitful. He expects us to appreciate all of the gifts that have just been aforementioned, not only appreciate them but also use them to their greatest potential.

Having received the Holy Spirit, we are expected to grow in the fruit of the Holy Spirit. We are expected to shine as lights in the world, to shine in love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control. [Gal. 5:22-3] These are the fruit that the capable wife displayed in the First Reading.

We are expected to love God first with our whole being, above everyone and everything, even above our parents, our spouse and our children. Then, we are expected to love others as we love ourselves. Through these fruit of the Spirit, we become productive, giving in return to the Lord. Our personal efforts and growth to mature spiritually in Christ are the end result that the Lord seeks from us.

To those who persevere in their living faith, when the moment comes for them to appear before the Lord, He will say, "Well done, good and trustworthy child; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master."

To those who are wicked and lazy, having neglected their salvation, the Lord will say, "Take away from them the gifts that they have received. Throw them into the outer darkness where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth."

My brothers and sisters in Christ, let us consider ourselves very privileged by the grace of God to be aware of the danger that befalls those who neglect their gifts. Let us always be thankful to the Lord for the gift of the Holy Scriptures that remind us from time to time of the reward that awaits those who persevere in their living faith in Jesus Christ by the power of the Holy Spirit. For it is through Christ that we have our assurance that we will not be counted among those who have failed to acknowledge the spiritual gifts that they have received through the goodness of the Almighty Lord God.

<http://www.catholicdoors.com/homilies/2011/111113.htm>