

PRECIOUS BLOOD CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Parish Hall – CCD Office
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Epiphany Catholic School
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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
Patricia Hetrick, Office Manager
Alison Windland, Office Assistant
Patricia Reed, Director of Religious Education
Miriam Medina, Director of Liturgy
Hannah Masson, Director of Music
Theresa Watson, Choir Director
John Flemming, Heritage Choir Director
Robert Wiersberg, Director of R.C.I.A.
Mary Flemming, Youth Director
Wendy Murphy, 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-6)
12:15 – 1:30 p.m. (7-12)

EPIPHANY CATHOLIC SCHOOL

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

February 24, 2013
“ First Sunday of Lent “

“THE LIGHT IS ON FOR YOU”:



This year in all parishes across the Diocese of Arlington and the Archdiocese of Washington, the Sacrament of Penance will be held every Wednesday

during Lent from 6:30 – 8:00 p.m. In our parish, we will start with a Holy Hour at 6:30 p.m., during which confessions will be heard, and after Holy Hour, every Wednesday until 8:00 p.m., during Lent, starting February 20th. If you have been reluctant to come to the Sacrament or have been away for some time, this is a wonderful opportunity to re-connect with Christ and His Church. **Information concerning neighboring churches is available in the church foyer.**

STATIONS OF THE CROSS will be on every Friday during Lent, at 7:00 p.m., starting February 15th, except Good Friday.

LORD HEAR THE PRAYER FOR OUR SICK,



especially Mrs. Betty Fyrberg, Dennis Olson, Alex Green, Hope Crocker, Theresa Wise, Angelo DiFonzo, Tracey Toomey, Elizabeth Carlton Occhiogrosso, Grayson Savery, Jackie Fancher, Kristie Wells, James Berger, Bryan Lorenz, Ines Sanchez, Roberto Sanson, Donna Boyer, Jerry Roy, Barbara Noonan, Sean Peet, Eileen

Hunter, Joseph Andrews, Jan Adams, Cheryl Weagle, Michael Pugh, Peg Logan Sue Doetzer, Ric Barklund, Joe Kratochvil, Ryleigh Flemming, Nicole Popp, Kriss Cordero Luna, Betty Hescox & Carol Wallach. 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.**

PRO-LIFE: Every pregnancy is part of God's divine plan. In order to do His will, that pregnancy needs to be lovingly allowed to come to full term. Abortion is saying no to God.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PARENTS MEETING,



for second grade CCD and Epiphany parents, will be on **Monday, March 4th, at 7:00 p.m.**, in the **Parish Hall**. Parents, please mark this date on your calendar and remember to be on time!

THE WORD AMONG US for Lent (February 21 – March 31), “Touched by Mercy, Moved by Love”, is available in the church foyer. Literature payment envelopes can be put in the collection basket.

SECOND COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND is for the **BLACK AND INDIAN MISSIONS**. Our financial contribution helps support Catholic American Indian communities on reservations, in rural areas and inner cities. The collection also supports African American schools and evangelization programs, particularly in the south.

A LENTEN PROGRAM OF PRAYER, FASTING &



ALMSGIVING: As we continue our Operation Rice Bowl journey, let us remember in prayer that as a community of faith, we have the obligation to reach out to those most in need.

Through **OPERATION RICE BOWL**, families fast by eating a simple meal one day a week and place the savings of what a usual meal would cost in their “**Rice Bowl**”. Rice Bowl boxes are in the foyer.

LITTLE BLACK BOOKS are available for your Lenten devotion of “only six minutes a day”. The right-hand page will cite part of the Gospel for the Mass each day. The left-hand page has a variety of quotes, information and timely thoughts. To help defray the cost, we ask a small donation of **\$1.25**, if possible, to be placed in the basket next to the books in the church foyer.

MASS INTENTIONS:

- Feb. 18 - Malcolm Scott (dec)
- Feb. 19 - Souls in Purgatory
- Feb. 20 - Pro Populo
- Feb. 21 - Souls in Purgatory
- Feb. 22 - Charles Scott (dec)
- Feb. 23 - 8:30 a.m. - Pro Populo
- Feb. 23 - 6:00 p.m. - Mary Ann Calvano (dec)
- Feb. 24 - 8:30 a.m. - Nancy Weld (dec)
- Feb. 24 - 11:00 a.m. - Vilma Rosanna Egusquiza de Barlow (dec)

VIRTUS TRAINING: Precious Blood will hold a Virtus Workshop on Feb. 19th, 6:00-10:00 pm, in the Parish Hall, for all employees and volunteers, who have not attended a session to be in full diocesan compliance. All must be pre-registered. Please register at: www.virtus.org.

OFFERTORY COLLECTION (02-10)	\$ 9,760.85
(Our weekly budget is \$11,500.00)	
OFFERTORY (Faith Direct)	8,768.00
BUILDING FUND (02-10)	215.00
BUILDING FUND (Faith Direct)	257.00
EPIPHANY SCHOOL	315.00
CATHOLIC HERALD	883.00

OFFERTORY PRAYER: We present these offerings as members of the worldwide family of God, following the examples of Christ and expressing our love and concern for others.

FAITH DIRECT: Now is the time to enroll in our automatic electronic offertory program with **Faith Direct**. Electronic giving is simply the easiest way for you to make, and Precious Blood to receive, your weekly offering. Faith Direct is secure for you, as well as the parish. The reliability of electronic giving greatly assists our parish in planning and budgeting. You can enroll by picking up a form in the foyer/office, or visit www.faithdirect.net. Our code is **VA226**.

FEBRUARY IS CATHOLIC PRESS MONTH:



During the month of February, we ask all parishioners to reimburse the parish for their subscription to our diocesan newspaper, the **Arlington Catholic Herald**. The subscription is **\$22 per year**. An envelope for the Catholic Herald can be found in your February envelope mailing.

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has begun registration for 2013-2014. Registration packets are

available in the church foyer, or may be mailed to you by calling 825-9017. Classes are filled on a first-come, first-served basis. Tuition aid is available and families are encouraged to apply through:

www.factstuitionaid.com. Please call the school office for further information or a personal tour of our classes and facilities. **EPIPHANY SCHOOL**

OPEN HOUSE: Epiphany Catholic School will hold an Open House on Friday, February 22nd, from 9:00 – 11:00 a.m. This will be a great opportunity to see 21st Century Learning Skills in a Catholic environment. Epiphany Provides an educational experience ranging from Pre-K (3 year olds) to 8th grade. Come experience the Epiphany Difference!

2013 BISHOP'S LENTEN APPEAL - "Stepping Out in Faith – Love Revealed" is under way.

"Thank You" to those who have already responded to the BLA. If you were not here last week for our Commitment Sunday or not ready to make your pledge, we ask you to please consider making a sacrificial pledge today, to help sustain the ministries and programs that are funded by the BLA. Our parish goal is **\$102,000.00**. Please be as generous as God has been to you. Every gift is important. Pledge envelopes can be found in the church foyer

WOMEN IN THE BIBLE: Explore the stories and significance of women in the Old and New Testaments. Join us in reading "*Women in the Bible for Dummies*," on Thursday evenings at 7:00 p.m., in the rectory downstairs meeting room. Call Bob Wiersberg at 937-6143 with any questions.

CURSILLO – gives the experience of personal love of Jesus. A long intimate weekend with the Holy Spirit will update, reinvigorate and deepen your faith. A once in a life time occasion, with three days in a dedicated Catholic community. It is a spiritual opening, not a retreat, held at Missionhurst, in Arlington. Women: March 14-17, 2013. Men: April 18-21, 2013. Call Jim Byrne at 547-2932, if interested or with any questions.

ST. STEPHEN'S FOOD CLOSET needs canned



vegetables (except green beans or corn), canned fruits and shampoo. Please place items within the altar area.

PROJECT LIFE AND LIBERTY POSTCARD

CAMPAIGN: As the new Congress opens, our federally elected officials need urgent support to strengthen existing laws against government funding and promotion of abortion, and to improve protection for religious freedom. Parishioners are asked to send a postcard to two U.S. Senators and one U.S. Representative. They are: Tim Kaine & Mark Warner & Congressman Eric Cantor. The postcards can be found on the table in the church foyer. Let your voice be heard! Pro-Life members will be available to help you. Please return the completed postcards to the rectory office by February 22nd, as these postcards need to be received by Congress no later than the end of February.