

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, Director of Religious Education
Miriam Medina, Dir. of Liturgy/Hispanic Liaison
Danielle Gambale-Metz, Office Assistant
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 arrangements.

CCD CLASSES

Sunday: 9:30-10:45 a.m. (K-12)

EPIPHANY CATHOLIC SCHOOL

1211 E. Grandview Avenue
Culpeper, VA 22701

Preschool: 3 & 4 year old

Elementary: K-5

Middle School: 6-8

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May 24, 2015
“Pentecost Sunday”

Mass Readings and Intentions for the Week

Sun. May 24

- 8:00 AM + Reagan Flemming
- 11:30 AM + Tom Hertz
- 4:00 PM + Petrona Cruz de Giron

Mon. May 25 Patricia Schneider-special intention

Readings: Sirach 17:20-24; Mk 10:17-27

Tues. May 26 + Connie Wiersberg

Readings: Sirach 35:1-12; Mk 10:28-31

Wed. May 27 + Estoney Frye

Readings: Sirach 36:1,4-5a,10-17; Mk 10:32-45

Thurs. May 28 Patricia Schneider-special intention

Readings: Sirach 42:15-25; Mk 10:46-52

Fri. May 29 Antoinette Stevens-healing

Readings: Sirach 44:1,9-13; Mk 11:11-26

Sat. May 30

Readings: Sirach 51:12cd-20; Mk 11:27-33

- 8:30 AM Angela Bannon
- 6:00 PM + David M. Reichel

Pentecost

Acting with Courage

- Reading I Acts 2:1-11, 20-26 (descent of the Holy Spirit)
- Reading II Galatians 5:16-25 (Live in the Spirit)
- Gospel John 20:19-23 (appearance to the disciples)

Key Passage Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability. (Acts 2:3-4)

Adult When has the Holy Spirit given you the strength to act with courage?

Child When and where do you need the Holy Spirit's help to speak out?

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: Jan Ambrose, Jorge Alvarado, Pat Ballard, Ric Barklund, Mike Bosma, Joyce Bosworth, Amber Bouchard, Mikey Bradford, Carroll Brooks, Chris Butler, Michael Combs, Roger Corum, Katherine Craig, Betty Craven, Barbara Crosby, Cynthia Davies, Bill

Daley, James Driscoll, David Matthew Gendron, Bill Goetz, Tyler Hall, Ann Harrison, Elizabeth Hartwell, Rebecca Helsel, Linda Hemler, Betty Hescocx, Marilyn Hoffmann, Eileen Hunter, Alex Hyde, Jim Hyde, Robert Kocovsky, Harold Lawrence, Kimberly Lemus, Mary Logan, Bryan Lorenz, Chris Cordero Luna, Camilla Lynne, Ana Magana, Frank and Lucille McPhillips, Rose Mealia, Phillip Leo Mercer, Efen Diaz Miguel, Jim Minihan, Beth Moreland, Elizabeth Mott, Mary Neureither, Barbara Noonan, Shawn Peet, Pat Price, Donald Rediske, James Robles, Josefa Ramirez, Adelfa Salvador, Ines Sanchez, Cissy Staiger, Susan Wynn 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 Spirit, come upon us this day. We feel your joy and delight as we celebrate this glorious day. With a sense of happiness and gratitude, we eagerly offer you these financial gifts for your ministry in this community and beyond. May all who call upon your name be saved from selfishness and filled with God-honoring habits of generous giving. All praise and glory be unto you. Amen. Acts 2:1-21

OFFERTORY COLLECTION

Collection (5/17)	\$ 6364.63
Building Fund	\$ 90.00
Epiphany	\$ 50.00
Catholic Communications	\$ 895.61

FAITH DIRECT Busy making plans for your summer vacation? Don't forget to include Precious Blood Parish in your vacation plans! Sign up today for eGiving through *Faith Direct* to make sure you remember your gifts to Precious Blood Parish while you're off enjoying the summer breeze sunshine.

Just go to www.faithdirect.net and use our church code VA226. Thank you for your continued support of our parish family with your time and talents as well as treasure!



THIS WEEK AT PRECIOUS BLOOD



TODAY'S SECOND COLLECTION Today our second collection is for the aid relief in Nepal. Please keep them in your prayers.

SECOND COLLECTION There will be a second collection on May 31st for the Diocesan Retired Priests.

FRIDAY MASS on May 29th will be at Epiphany Catholic School.

THE OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED May 25th for Memorial Day.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS will be having their social meeting on June 15th at the *Old Brandy Station Fire Hall*. If you have any questions please call Dennis at 540-672-7552.

PICNIC NEWS Tuesday, May 26th, Preliminary picnic planning meeting at 7pm in the **Parish Hall**. Heads of Ministries and other interested volunteers are invited to attend. If you have any questions call Danielle in the office 825-8945.

1st HOLY COMMUNICANTS BANNERS
Banners and pictures can be picked up in the parish hall after mass.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION An adorer is needed to pray before the Most Blessed Sacrament on Thursdays from 11:00 a.m.-12:00 Noon. If you can fill this need please call Joanna at 829-2235.

ST. STEPHEN'S FOOD CLOSET Needs for this week: chicken helper, condiments, personal hygiene products. Thank you!!!

NEWS AND NEEDS

HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES **Please** let the office know if you are a high school graduate this year, 2015. The High School Graduation Mass will be May 31st and we would like to recognize you and your achievements.

BISHOP'S LENTEN APPEAL

Thank you to everyone who has pledged to the Bishop's Lenten Appeal. If you have not yet made a pledge to the BLA this year, you are asked to please join in support this important cause that helps our Diocese. Thank you for helping us share the joy of the Gospel through support to the Bishop's Lenten Appeal! Call 703-841-2570.

Students all week have been dedicating their morning prayers to our men and women who have served or are serving in the military to honor and protect our Freedom. I had the opportunity to speak with students whose fathers, mothers, sisters and brothers and grandparents had served our country and thanked them sharing their stories. I personally want to thank all the men and women of our religious community who have served our country for their sacrifice for our freedom. This Memorial Day, let us remember all who have served and sacrificed for this great nation.

The Epiphany middle school students performed Shakespeare's 'Taming of the Shrew' on Thursday, May 14th, at the Diocesan Shakespeare Festival held at Paul VI High School. The students worked diligently for weeks preparing for this event, and all of their hard work really paid off as they gave a performance that would have had the great bard himself standing and cheering. The judges praised our students for their creativity and their ability to project their voices. Several students were singled out for their animated acting, as well as really capturing the essence of their roles. Epiphany's presentation of the comedy had the crowd laughing throughout the play. The middle school teachers could not be more proud of the efforts and composure of all of our students. On behalf of Epiphany Catholic School have a blessed Memorial Day

SONGS FROM MY HOMETOWN The Precious Blood Music Ministry will be hosting a brunch **today, May 24** from 9:30-10:30 am in the parish hall to celebrate that there is **One Lord, One Faith, One Parish, Many Tongues**. Come hear songs from Israel, Italy, Poland, Wales, Scotland, Puerto Rico, Cuba, Peru & Brazil while grabbing a bite to eat. A freewill donation will be taken up for the Freda Kratochvil Young Pastoral Musician Fund that helps young musicians in our parish attend workshops or conventions to foster their growth as liturgical musicians.

WE PRAY FOR Evelyn Prendergast who was laid to rest on May 19th at the National Cemetery in Culpeper.

BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS *MUST* be submitted to us in the office or via email by the close of business, **3:30pm on the Monday before**. Email kathypbcc@yahoo.com or office@preciousbloodcatholicchurch.com

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS for the Father Maurice duCastillon, Father Leo Zonneveld and the Ladies Auxiliary, Knights of Columbus scholarships are due **June 1**. Current graduating high school seniors who are active members of the parish are welcome to apply!

RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE will be held: Wednesday, June 17, 2015, in the Parish Hall from 9:00am - 2:00pm. Please register online at Redcrossblood.org, or contact Mykelle Laws for details: [540-829-1190](tel:540-829-1190) or mhlaws@aol.com.

CHRISTIANS ARE NETWORKING (CAN) If your job search is at a standstill call the CAN volunteers. We will be available every Tuesday evening by appointment, from 6:30 to 8:30 PM at the Precious Blood Parish Hall Facility Lounge. Christians are Networking (CAN) volunteers provide assistance with resume writing, job search, interview skills, and much more. Call now for your appointment [540-422-0907](tel:540-422-0907) or email culpepercan@gmail.com.

CCD NEEDS Are you ready to explore a new calling, love to teach, and love the Lord? Then this is for you, CCD is looking for a 3rd and 4th CCD teacher and also two 8th grade aides. Please contact Pat Reed at [540-825-1339](tel:540-825-1339)

ST.PETER JULIAN PRAYER CHAIN Do you need an extra prayer? Our prayer chain will pray for your prayer intentions. Call Joanna Madorma at [540-829-2235](tel:540-829-2235) with your needed prayers.

“Here is another effect of the Holy Spirit: Courage! The courage to proclaim the newness of the Gospel of Jesus to all, with self-confidence, in a loud voice, in every time and in every place.”
~ Pope Francis

AROUND THE DIOCESE/VIRGINIA

WORLD WIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER Is there evidence that the Holy Spirit is working through us; are the fruits of love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control in our lives and marriage? The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekends are 18-20 September in Herndon or 6-8 November in Herndon. For more information or to apply, visit our website at renewmarriage-vanorth.org or contact us at applications@renewmarriage-vanorth.org or [703-378-4150](tel:703-378-4150).

MARYLAND CATHOLIC WOMEN'S CONFERENCE:

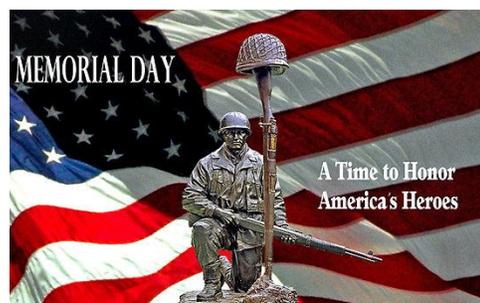
Seek A Retreat: Relax, Refresh, Discover!

Join your sisters-in-Christ, quiet your soul, and listen to His voice. Seek to grow in Him through talks, Mass, sharing, journaling, music, walking, reflecting, and spending time with each other. As in all relationships, we must seek to nurture our relationship with Christ. Invite your sisters, mothers, daughters and friends. October 10 & 11, Mt. St Mary's University, Emmitsburg MD. Please email Danielle at gambale2@gmail.com

YOUNG ADULTS (18-30)

Chill at the Grill returns 5/31/2015

ATTENTION: St. John the Evangelist, Precious Blood, Holy Trinity, St Peters, St John the Baptist & Christendom Young Adults!! Every week this summer after the 5:30 Mass, adults 18-30 meet for food, fellowship and activity planning. This summer's Young Adult activities include: Old Rag Hike, Beach Trip, \$1 bowling night, wine tasting, camp out, movie night, opportunities for community service and more. Burgers, dogs and drinks provided. After 5:30 Mass at the Deacon Regan Pavilion behind St John's School. Bring a friend! stjohnadults@gmail.com

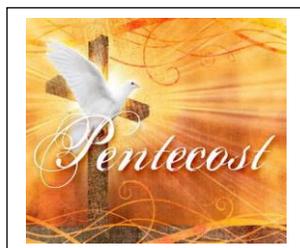


Pentecost

Much has been written about the history and importance of Pentecost. Starting with Pope Leo XIII who wrote: "These sublime truths, which so clearly show forth the infinite goodness of the Holy Ghost towards us, certainly demand that we should direct towards Him the highest homage of our love and devotion. Christians may do this most effectually if they will **daily strive to know Him, to love Him, and to implore Him more earnestly**; for which reason may this our exhortation, flowing spontaneously from a paternal heart, reach their ears. Lastly, we ought to **pray to and invoke the Holy Spirit, for each one of us greatly needs His protection and His help**. The more a man is deficient in wisdom, weak in strength, borne down with trouble, prone to sin, so ought he the more to fly to Him who is the never-ceasing fount of light, strength, consolation, and holiness. And chiefly that first requisite of man, the forgiveness of sins, must be sought for from Him: "It is the special character of the Holy Ghost that He is the Gift of the Father and the Son. Now the remission of all sins is given by the Holy Ghost as by the Gift of God" Lastly, we ought confidently and continually to beg of Him to illuminate us daily more and more with His light and inflame us with His charity: for, thus inspired with faith and love, we may press onward earnestly towards our eternal reward, since He "is the pledge of our inheritance" (Eph. i. 14)." From ***DIVINUM ILLUD MUNUS*** Encyclical Pope Leo XIII On Devotion to the Holy Ghost May 9, 1897. Other encyclicals on the Holy Spirit are ***MYSTICI CORPORIS CHRISTI*** Encyclical Pope Pius XII On the Mystical Body of Christ June 29, 1943 and continuing with most recently ***DOMINUM ET VIVIFICANTEM*** Encyclical Pope John Paul II On the Holy Spirit in the Life of the Church and the World May 18, 1986.

Our most recently canonized Saint Mariam Baouardy (St. Mariam of Jesus Crucified) -The Lily of Palestine. (1846-1878) Mariam's devotion to the Holy Spirit was not common in her time. And yet her spiritual journey seemed to be guided by the Spirit in unprecedented ways. Inspired by having received a special prayer to the Holy Spirit during one of her ecstatic experiences, she was convinced that devotion to the Holy Spirit, who was then commonly known as the Paraclete, was needed by the whole Church. She even sent a petition to Pope Pius IX asking him to cultivate a greater devotion within the Church to the Holy Spirit. No one knows what the pope thought of this at the time, but 20 years later Pope Leo XIII published an encyclical about devotion to the Paraclete. - Her two simple prayers, which we can say every day, are:

Holy Spirit, inspire me.
Love of God, consume me.
Along the true road, lead me.
Mary my Mother, look upon me.
With Jesus, bless me.
From all evil, from all illusion,
from all danger, preserve me.
Source of peace, Light,
come and enlighten me.



I am hungry, come and nourish me.
I am thirsty, come and quench my thirst.
I am blind, come and give me light.
I am poor, come and enrich me

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