# PRECIOUS BLOOD CATHOLIC CHURCH

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EPIPHANY CATHOLIC SCHOOL 540-825-9017



**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

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: 9:30 – 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

www.preciousbloodcatholicchurch.org



January 5, 2014

—The Epiphany of the Lord"

#### LORD HEAR THE PRAYER FOR OUR SICK,

Especially: Hector Baez, Ric Barklund,
Nancy Baudhuin, Danny Call,
Elizabeth Carlton Occhiogrosso,
Cynthia Davies, Kate Driscoll, Bill
Daley, Pat Diibon, Sue Doetzer,
Gloria Driscoll, Jackie Fancher,
Regan Flemming, Ryleigh
Flemming, Pansy Foss, Wanda

Gearing, Betty Hescox, Eileen Hunter, Alex Hyde, Wendy Kamal, Ann Kroenert, Bryan Lorenz, Fred Minier, Jim Minihan, Marcia Peacock, Shawn Peet, Rich Rosado, Jerry Roy, Ines Sanchez, Roberto Sanson, Kim Shrader, Yrene Rey, Elsie Scott, Cissy Staiger, Holly Stanukenas, Tracey and Frank Toomey, and Jane Wolfe 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.



ALTAR FLOWERS Please note!
Altar flowers are available for requests for most weekends in January. Please call the rectory

office, if interested.

**WE WELCOME** into our parish family Ashley Michelle Sanchez-Concepcion, daughter of Antonio and Elizabeth Sanchez who was baptized Saturday, Dec. 28<sup>th</sup>. We also welcome Evelyn Yorck, daughter of David and Kelly Yorck who was baptized Sat. Jan. 4<sup>th</sup>.

**RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE** will be Friday, Jan. 17<sup>th</sup> from 1-7 PM. Please sign up after the Masses on Jan. 3-4 or go to <a href="www.redcross.org">www.redcross.org</a>. For more information please contact Mykelle Laws at 829-1190.

**CCD CLASSES** resume today for grades K-12.

**RCIA** The doctrines of the Church are expressed in the Creed. The next RCIA class will be on Jan. 7<sup>th</sup>. We will discuss Article 2 of the Creed. Class is at 6:45 pm.

<u>ST.STEPHEN'S FOOD CLOSET:</u> needs canned meats (chicken, turkey, and spam), chicken helper and cereal.

ST IGNATIUS PRAYER STUDY GROUP If you are interested in studying "how to pray" based on the practices of St. Ignatius of Loyola, St. Teresa of Avila and St. John of the Cross; please join Sheila Bertrand and other parish members Wednesdays, from 9:30-10:30 AM in the rectory basement meeting room. If Culpeper schools are closed due to weather, the meeting will also be cancelled. The first class will be Wed. Jan. 8<sup>th</sup>.

#### **MASS INTENTIONS:**

Jan. 6- Salvatore Joseph Miritello (dec)

Jan. 7 – pro populo

Jan. 8 - pro populo

Jan. 9 – pro populo

Jan. 10 - pro populo

Jan. 11 - 8:30 AM pro populo

Jan. 11 - 6:00 PM pro populo

Jan. 12 - 8:30 AM- Graziano family

Jan. 12 - 11:00 pro populo

OFFERTORY PRAYER: Teach us, O God, how to glorify thee in our offerings, and how to enrich the life of the world with the overflow of goodness from the cup of blessing which thou hast filled so bountifully. Amen.

#### OFFERTORY COLLECTION

Offertory Collection (12/22)	\$7,103.57
Faith Direct	\$1,010.00
Epiphany	\$500.00
Faith Direct Epiphany	\$7.00
Building Fund	\$60.00
Faith Direct Building Fund	\$160.00

THURSDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY will resume Thursday, Jane. 9<sup>th</sup>. Please come prepared to discuss Lesson 11, The Woman and the Dragon.

PRO-LIFE: "to say a child is unwanted says nothing about the child, but it says much about the person who does not want his or her child." Jean Staker Garton, co-founder and president of the national organization Lutherans for Life.

**THE WORD AMONG US** for January 2014 entitled, "Teach Us to Pray" is now available in the church foyer. Pick up your copy today.

A HEARTFELT THANK YOU to all who contributed to the bazaar-bake sale of the Knights of Columbus Ladies Auxiliary. Thanks to you we were able to raise the money for the scholarship and other charitable needs. God reward all of you! The raffle winners were Jean Landon and Alice Brown now happy owners of the beautiful afghan and silk flower centerpiece.

**WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER** Start the New Year out right- Spend some quality time renewing your marriage. Sign up today to attend one of the upcoming weekends. Renewmarriage-vanorth.org.

**FAITH DIRECT** What a great gift it would be to me if you would enroll in the *Faith Direct* eGiving program. *Faith Direct* allows you to have your generous Sunday and second collection donations deducted directly from your bank or credit card account. I have complete trust in *Faith Direct's* security and there is no cost to you to participate! You can sign up at <a href="www.faithdirect.net">www.faithdirect.net</a> and use our church code **VA226** or get a paper enrollment form from the office.

**2014 CALENDARS** are available in the back. These are courtesy of Clore-English Funeral Home.

MINISTRY TO THE SICK: Ordinarily the priest will visit Culpeper Hospital twice a week. 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.

<u>JULIAN PRAYER CHAIN</u> is a group of people who will pray for you, Please call Mrs. Joanna Madorma at 829-2235 with any prayer requests, or if you care to join the group.

POVERTY AND MISSION COMMITTEE will be assisting another church with the Culpeper Heat Shelter the week of Jan. 19-26. This shelter provides lodging, meals, and worship to the homeless in our community during the cold winter months in conjunction with other faith communities. If interested, contact Darren Caprarese at <a href="mailto:cappo1@comcast.net">cappo1@comcast.net</a>.

## THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

Throughout Germany at this time of the year, you will find most main doorways inscribed with the following: 20+C+M+B+14. Children known as Sternsinger (star singers) dress up as the Magi and go door to door, requesting candy for themselves and money for the Church. As they leave, the house is blessed, and the inscription is written in chalk above the doorway. The 20 and 14 refer to the year, the CMB are said to represent either Caspar, Melchior and Balthasar—the Magi – or Latin Christus Mansionem Benedicat, which means —Christ bless this home."

Today, we celebrate the feast of the Epiphany, in which we remember the adoration of the newborn Christ child by three wise men from the East. This should leave no doubt in anyone's mind just how far and wide the promise of a Savior has spread. These representatives of pagan religions from other lands were determined to pay their respects; it was as if they were born to do this--to acknowledge in some way the beginning of the greatest reign of the greatest king of all.

RETROUVAILLE The word Retrouvaille™ (pronounced re-tro-vi with a long i.) is a French word meaning rediscovery. The program offers tools needed to rediscover a loving marriage relationship. Thousands of couples headed for cold, unloving relationships or divorce have successfully overcome their marriage problems by attending the program. Email 3044@retrouvaille.org. New date Feb. 28, 2014.

**Pope Francis:** The love of God is not generic. God looks with love upon every man and woman, calling them by name.