

PRECIOUS BLOOD CATHOLIC CHURCH

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MASSES

Sunday: 8:30 am, 11:30 am, 2:00 pm (Spanish)
Saturday: 8:30 am* & 5:00 pm (vigil)
Monday - Wednesday: 8:30 am*
Thursday: 8:30 am* (Adoration 9 am-9 pm)
Friday: 8:30 am* & 7:00 pm
Holy Days: 7:00 pm (vigil), 8:30 am*, 7:00 pm

* followed by Morning Prayer (Friday 8:30 am
Mass at Epiphany School during the school
year unless otherwise noted)

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday: 8:30 am - 3:30 pm

PARISH STAFF

Rev. Kevin B. Walsh.....Pastor
Rev. Mark Moretti.....Parochial Vicar
Rev. Mr. Ramon Tirado.....Deacon
Kathy Semerling..... Business Manager
Patricia Reed.....Dir. of Religious Education
Miriam Medina.....Dir. of Liturgy/Hispanic Liaison
Hannah Masson.....Director of Music
Julie Canavan.....Office Staff
Julie Dawley.....Director of R.C.I.A.
Rev. Mark Moretti...Coordinator of Youth Ministry
Jim Oliver.....Principal, Epiphany School
Barbara Terry.....Director, Epiphany Pre-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

Wednesdays 6:30-8:00 PM
Saturdays 3:30-4:30 PM, and any 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 for arrangements.

CCD CLASSES

540-825-1339

Sunday: 9:45-11:00 a.m. (K-12)

Epiphany Catholic School 540-825-9017

1211 E. Grandview Ave., Culpeper, VA 22701

Preschool: 3 & 4 year olds
Elementary K-5
Middle School: 6-8
office@epiphanycatholicsschool.org
www.epiphanycatholicsschool.org

January 8, 2017

“The Epiphany of the Lord”

Mass Readings and Intentions for the Week

Sun. Jan. 8

Readings: Is 60:1-6; Eph 3:2-3a,5-6; Mt 2:1-12

8:30 AM George Healey (healing)

11:30 PM The Foshay family (peace and comfort)

2:00 PM For the souls that have no rest

Mon. Jan. 9

Readings: Is 42:1-4,6-7 or Acts 10:34-38; Mt 3:13-17

8:30 AM George Healey (healing)

Tues. Jan. 10

Readings: Heb 2:5-12; Mk 1:21-28

8:30 AM George Healey (healing)

Wed. Jan. 11

Readings: Heb 2:14-18; Mk 1:29-39

8:30 AM The Judge Family

Thurs. Jan. 12

Readings: Heb 3:7-14; Mk 1:40-45

8:30 AM Kathleen Bouchard

Fri. Jan. 13

Readings: Heb 4:1-5,11; Mk 2:1-12

8:30 AM

7:00 PM Adrienne Foshay (+)

Sat. Jan. 14

Readings: Heb 4:12-16; Mk 2:13-17

8:30 AM Fr. Mark Mullaney (healing)

5:00 PM Dr. Deborah Thompson (special intentions)

Epiphany: A gift for all people

Reading I Isaiah 60:1-6 (glory of the new Zion)

Reading II Ephesians 3:2-3, 5-6 (commission to preach God's plan)

Gospel Matthew 2:1-12 (the visit of the magi)

Key Passage In the time of King Herod, after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, wise men from the East came to Jerusalem, "Where is the Child: who has been born king of the Jews? For we observed his star at its rising, and have come to pay him homage. (Matthew 2:1-2)

Adult The Magi were strangers from another land. How do you welcome immigrants and strangers in the name of Christ?

Child What could you do to be like a star and lead someone to know about Jesus?

MINISTRY TO THE SICK: If you would like one of the priests to visit someone who is sick, please notify the rectory. Arrangements should also be made with the rectory for an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion to bring the Eucharist to shut-ins on a regular basis. Emergency sick calls can be arranged at any time.

LORD HEAR THE PRAYER FOR OUR SICK

Especially: Brian Alexander, Sam Aitken, Janice Ambrose, Trudy Baker, Mike Bosma, Joyce Bosworth, Daniel C. Brown, Bill Daley, Cynthia Davies, Adrienne Foshay, Arnold French, Danielle Gambale-Metz, R.C. Garcia, Bill Goetz, April Hair, George Healey, Alex Hyde, Peg Logan, Ana Magana, Frank Maragos, Beth Moreland, Mary Neureither, John Nirich, Barbara Noonan, Jim Oliver, Cornelia Slabe Paczkowski, Shawn Peet, Elizabeth Pycha, Gia Quiroz, Norma Ramos, John Schichl, Luigina Sebastian, Jack Zaleski, 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.



"Then they opened their treasures and offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh."

MATTHEW 2:11

The image of the Magi kneeling before the infant Jesus and opening their treasure chests for Him is an image that we should all try to follow all year long. In gratitude for all that we have been given, we are called to generously share all of our gifts, not just the ones we pick and choose. God wants us to be the most generous with that one thing that means the most to us.



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

OFFERTORY COLLECTION

<i>Sunday 12/25 collections:</i>	\$ 12,383.69
<i>Christmas to date</i>	\$ 9,783.32
<i>Epiphany:</i>	\$ 550.00
<i>Building fund:</i>	\$ 50.00
<i>Foundation for the future</i>	\$ 300.00
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<i>December actual collections</i>	\$ 56,451.00
<i>December budgeted</i>	\$ 47,000.00

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROUS SPIRIT!

THIS WEEK AT PRECIOUS BLOOD

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

CCD NEWS Classes resume Sunday January 8th; 9:45-11:00 a.m.

ESL/ST. IGNATIUS PRAYER GROUP/BIBLE STUDY meetings resume this week: Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday at 9:30am.

A PILGRIM PEOPLE: THE STORY OF OUR CHURCH Our Pastor Fr. Kevin Walsh, Deacon Candidate Dr. Michael Watts, Steve Hemler, and Bob Wiersberg will be co-presenting an informative and interesting PowerPoint and video-based series on the remarkable story of the first 1,000 years of our Church on **Sundays** from **10:00-10:45 am** in the Parish Hall, **starting on Jan. 15**. All adults, especially parents of CCD students, are encouraged to join us and learn about the triumphs and tragedies of those Christians who have gone before us and upon whose shoulders our faith stands.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION Jesus waits for us in this Sacrament of Love: "In the sacred Host, He is present, the true treasure, always waiting for us. Only by adoring this Presence do we learn how to receive Him properly." Adorers are still needed between the hours of 4:00 and 8:00. Call Joanna **829-2235** if you have an hour a week to spend with Jesus. **Inclement weather:** **If schools are closed then there will be no Eucharistic adoration. *If there is a delayed opening for Culpeper County Schools then adoration will begin at 11:00 am. *If the schools close early due to inclement weather then adoration will end early at Father's discretion.*

MUSIC MINISTRY Did the wise men sing while traveling? "**We Three Kings**" and "**March of the Three Kings**" both have a walking tempo or "cadence". Throughout history, many peoples have used songs with rhythms or cadences that help them keep in step together or to keep up a certain pace. Singing together while walking or marching also helps keep up morale and pass the time on a long journey. "We Three Kings" or "The Quest of the Magi" was originally composed in 1857 by John Henry Hopkins, Jr., an Episcopalian rector, for use in a Christmas pageant.

CHILDREN'S CHOIR REHEARSALS RESUME NEXT SUNDAY(1/15) at 12:45-1:30 pm in CCD classroom #5. If you are a singer in grades 2-7 and want to share your musical gifts with our parish, please join us! Contact Mrs. Gina Rossetti at eprossetti@yahoo.com or 540-937-2320 for more information.

ST. JOHN PAUL II LIBRARY **NEW HOURS are: Sun-11:15-1:00; Wed-9:30-3:00; Thurs-12:00-1:30 and Sat.-2:30-4:30**

ALTAR SOCIETY Our **next meeting is Friday, January 13th**, in the parish hall after the Mass at Epiphany school. All are welcome! We have small, daily, and weekly tasks that we need help with as well as larger, seasonal projects; let's find something that suits your time and talent!

FOOD CLOSET This week: canned pasta, pancake mix/syrup, peanut butter & jelly.

GABRIEL PROJECT Gabriel Project needs diapers (size 5) and wipes. A basket will be in the foyer of the hall. Thank you.

CULPEPER HEAT SHELTER NEEDS HELP Precious Blood will be supporting the Culpeper Heat Shelter onsite at St. Luke's Lutheran Church on Jan 22-28th. There will be signups and additional information sent out in January. Questions? Please contact Darren Caprarese: cappo1@comcast.net

MONTHLY DINNER & MOVIE NIGHT: Join fellow parishioners and friends at our first monthly Dinner & Movie Night on **Saturday, Jan. 14**, at **6:30 pm**, in the Parish Hall (following the 5pm Mass). **Pizza, popcorn, and pop will be available** with proceeds going to help send our youth to WorkCamp 2017. We will view the FORMED movie **Don Bosco**. Ben Gazzara stars in this inspiring true story about St. John Bosco, the beloved nineteenth century Italian priest who rescued poor and outcast children, gave them a home, taught them work skills, and catechized them in the Catholic Faith. His single-handed battle to save street children inspired the formation of the Salesians, which is now a worldwide religious order that carries on his work with youth everywhere. Movie running time: 1hr 47min.

ENVELOPE ANNOUNCEMENT: You will notice an envelope titled, "first offering", with your parish envelope set; this is provided if you wish to help defray the cost of the envelope program. Thank you in advance for your generosity .

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT: On Saturday, January 21 at 5:30pm, Bishop Michael Burbidge will celebrate the Rite of Candidacy for the Order of Deacon at the Cathedral of St. Thomas More. For the Diocese of Arlington's Deacon Aspirants, including parishioner Dr. Michael Watts, this ceremony marks their transition to the next level of formation.



CONGRATULATIONS ON THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:

Adriana Aguilar Sebastian, daughter of Rocael Aguilar and Apolonia Sebastian *and*
Valentinna Eloine Reyes Garcia, daughter of Hugo Reyes and Patricia Garcia

~received on 12/24/2016

AROUND THE DIOCESE/VIRGINIA

DEANERY MASSES WITH BISHOP BURBIDGE All Masses begin at 7:00 PM; followed by a reception till 9 PM.

January 9 - Deanery IV – Sacred Heart of Jesus, Winchester

January 10 - Deanery I – St. Thomas More Cathedral, Arlington

January 11 - Deanery V – All Saints, Manassas

January 13 - Deanery III – St. Theresa, Ashburn

January 17 - Deanery VII – St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception, Fredericksburg

January 18 - Deanery VI – Our Lady of Good Counsel, Vienna

January 23 - Deanery II – St. Bernadette, Springfield



VOCATIONS For an increased understanding among our young people that they are uniquely chosen by God to be holy through their specific vocation to their state in life in Christ, we pray to the Lord; call Father J.D. Jaffe at (703) 841-2514 or write: j.jaffe@arlingtondiocese.org.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES JOB SEEKERS WORKSHOP: Extreme Resume Makeover

7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. Thursday January 12th (Snow Day Jan 19th) Our Lady of Good Counsel Church 8601 Wolfrap Road, DeSales Hall Vienna, VA 22182. Be confident about the next resume you send out! Attend this session and walk away with a stellar resume!

EXHIBITION ON SAINT THOMAS MORE In a new landmark exhibition, God's Servant First: The Life and Legacy of Thomas More, the St. John Paul II National Shrine in Washington, D.C. presents the life, martyrdom, and legacy of the 16th century English philosopher-statesman whom Pope John Paul II named the heavenly Patron of Statesmen and Politicians. The exhibition runs through March 31, 2017, at the Saint John Paul II Shrine in Washington, D.C. Visit www.jp2shrine.org for more information.

DIOCESAN SCIENCE FAIR Individuals with a science background are needed to help judge seventh and eighth grade students' research projects for the 2017 Diocesan Science Fair. These projects encompass such categories as botany, health, chemistry, zoology, behavioral science, engineering, physics, math and other areas of life and physical science. If your calendar allows you to spend the morning (8 a.m. - noon) on Saturday, April 8 at Paul VI High School to judge projects, please call Hiliary Mildrew at (703) 841-2519.

PROLIFE How much a society values its children can be measured by how well their children are treated. Abortion is the ultimate child abuse. Let us pray this year that abortion will be eradicated in our nation and throughout the world so that once again we may start to live in peace and love for our fellow humankind.

THEOLOGY ON TAP: The Young Adults Group at St. Mary's in Fredericksburg is heading up the effort to get Theology on Tap in our area. "ToT" focuses on topics of faith and contemporary issues that directly affect the lives of young adults (ages 21-39). Adventure Brewing South will hold "ToT" every 3rd Monday of the month beginning 1/16/17. For more information: <https://www.facebook.com/stmaryfred.youngadults/>

THE ANNUAL MARCH FOR LIFE will be on Friday, January 27, 2017. A bus has been reserved and will leave our parking lot at 10:30 AM. We will return at approximately 6 PM. A sign-up sheet for a seat on the bus is in the church vestibule. A free will offering will be collected to pay for the cost of the bus. Contact Scott Klose @ 540-718-7574 or email pb-peir@msn.com with any questions.



Parochial Vicar's Corner

Dear Parishioners,

I just want to thank all of you for the kind cards and gifts and prayers that you sent to me and Father Walsh during the Christmas season. We felt the love...you can be sure of that!! The various Masses and devotions we had created an atmosphere of serenity and contemplation of the great Mystery of God made man. I know that many of you felt as I did that our parish is blessed by God and will continue to be built up in the Holy Spirit in this New Year.

If you have any special intentions that you would like us to pray for, just drop us a note and we will be glad to include it in our daily recitation of Morning Prayer in the Liturgy of the Hours. In the meantime, from all of the office staff...have a Happy New Year!!

God bless you all...Father Mark

God bless,
Fr. Kevin Walsh

WORKCAMP 2017 Mark your calendars for our first fundraiser: MOVIE NIGHT, Saturday, January 14th, 630-8:30PM; we will be selling concession items (pizza, popcorn, pop and desserts). Please contact Mykelle Laws, Stakeholder, at mhlaws@aol.com, 729-3262. Kids planning to attend workcamp2017 please plan on donating your time and baked goods.



FORMED.org

offers programs, movies, audio and books for all ages FREE through **FORMED.org**. Use Parish Code **V2XJNR**. Check our website and Facebook for other FORMED resources for the liturgical season. Explore the Catholic faith, sacramental preparation, Bible studies, and español materials. A suggestion for this week: One of the hottest topics in contemporary culture is happiness—so much so that the United Nations declared an "International Happiness Day" in response to the immense popularity of Pharrell Williams' song "Happy." The explanation for this current fixation seems to lie in the contrary phenomenon—unhappiness. Despite the fact that we have tremendous access to every imaginable form of entertainment, we experience a pervading sense of insecurity, emptiness, and malaise amid sporadic peak experiences. The problem seems to lie less in the external environment than in the internal one. We seem, in the words of Viktor Frankl, to be suffering from an absence of meaning that pervades both individuals and societies, giving rise to a collective emptiness, loneliness, and alienation.

Finding True Happiness attempts to provide a way out of this personal and cultural vacuum by helping people to identify and then reach for happiness. As Aristotle noted 2,400 years ago, happiness is the one thing we can choose for its own sake—everything else is chosen for the sake of happiness. *Finding True Happiness* is both a philosophical itinerary and a practical guidebook for life's most important journey—from the mundane and the meaningless to transcendent fulfillment. No other book currently available combines such breadth of practical advice and such depth of philosophical, psychological, and spiritual wisdom.

