PRECIOUS BLOOD CATHOLIC CHURCH

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MASSES

Sunday: 8:30 am, 11:30 am, 2:00 pm (Spanish) 8:30 am* & 5:00 pm (vigil) Saturday: 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 vear unless otherwise noted)

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

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

PARISH STAFF

Rev. Kevin B. Walsh	Pastor
Rev. Mark Moretti	.Parochial Vicar
Rev. Mr. Ramon Tirado	Deacon
Kathy Semerling Bus	siness Manager
Patricia ReedDir. of Relig	ious Education
Miriam MedinaDir. of Liturgy/H	lispanic Liaison
Hannah MassonDi	rector of Music
Julie Canavan	Office Staff
Julie DawleyDire	ector of R.C.I.A.
Rev. Mark MorettiCoordinator of	Youth Ministry
Jim Oliver,Principal, E	piphany School
Barbara TerryDirector, Epiph	any 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.

<u>CCD CLASSES</u> 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

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

January 15, 2017

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass Readings and Intentions for the Week

Sun. Jan. 15 Readings: Is 49:3,5-6; 1 Cor 1:1-3; Jn 1:29-34 8:30 AM George Healey (healing) 11:30 PM For the people 2:00 PM Greater acknowledgement of sin in the world

Mon. Jan. 16 Readings: Heb 5:1-10; Mk 2:18-22 8:30 AM Pat DiiBon (+)

Tues. Jan. 17 Readings: Heb 6:10-20; Mk 2:23-28 8:30 AM Sean Burke (+)

Wed. Jan. 18 Readings: Heb 7:1-3; 15-17; Mk 3:1-6 8:30 AM Rose Canavan (21st birthday)

Thurs. Jan. 19 Readings: Heb 7: 25-8:6; Mk 3:7-12 8:30 AM Nick Bianco (+)

Fri. Jan. 20 Readings: Heb 8:6-13; Mk 3:13-19 8:30 AM 7:00 PM Helen Davis (grace/healing/grace)

Sat. Jan. 21 Readings:Heb 9:2-3, 11-14; Mk 3: 20-21 8:30 AM unity for all Christians 5:00 PM for those lukewarm in their faith

Jesus, The Son of God

Reading I Isaiah 49:3, 5-6 (the servant of the Lord) Reading II 1 Corinthians 1:1-3 (greeting to the church)

Gospel John 1:29-34 (John's testimony to Jesus)

Key Passage [John said,]"I myself did not know him; but I came baptizing with water for this reason, that he might be revealed to Israel." (John 1:31)

Adult We witness to Christ as John did, by living lives full of generosity, forgiveness, and mercy toward others. When do you find it most difficult to do this?

Child Who has surprised you by doing something kind for you when you did not expect it?

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

<u>OUR SICK</u> Especially: Brian Alexander, Sam Aitken, Janice Ambrose, Trudy Baker, Mike Bosma, Joyce Bosworth, Daniel C. Brown, Jim Byrne, Bill Daley, Cynthia Davies, 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.

"Now the Lord has spoken who formed me as his servant from the womb..." ISAIAH 49:5

You have to do what God is calling you to do and I have to do what God is calling me to do. Guess what, each of us has been given a different plan! So, stop comparing yourself to others. Don't let envy and jealousy enter your life. Be thankful for the gifts God has given you and generously share them with others.



OFFERTORY COLLECTION	
Sunday 1/1/17 collections:	\$ 10,859
Solemnity of Mary	\$ 2,325
Epiphany	\$ 470
Building fund	\$ 2,300
Foundation for the future	\$ 300
Sunday 1/8/17 collections	\$ 9,263
Epiphany:	\$ 65
Building fund:	\$ 142
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Faith direct	\$ 13,205.67
Solemnity of Mary	\$ 302
Building Fund	\$ 462
Epiphany	\$ 374.33
Foundation for the Future	\$ 518.34

THIS WEEK AT PRECIOUS BLOOD Office will be closed Monday, 16, 2017

<u>A PILGRIM PEOPLE: THE STORY OF OUR CHURCH</u> Today, **Sunday, Jan. 15**, we begin our series on the remarkable story of the first 1,000 years of the Church. In today's first session, we look at reasons for the rapid **growth of the early Church** in spite of the serious **external threats** endured by the first Christians. Next Sunday, Jan. 22, Fr. Kevin and Steve Hemler will discuss **internal threats** faced by the early Church and the Church's **threefold response**. All adults are encouraged to attend these presentations from **10:00-10:45 am** in the **Parish Hall**. Come learn about the triumphs and tragedies of those Christians who have gone before us, so as to better appreciate and understand our Catholic heritage.

<u>EUCHARISTIC ADORATION</u> 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. <u>Inclement</u> <u>weather:</u> *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.

<u>MUSIC MINISTRY</u> Today is the birthday of **Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.**, whose often used hymns, spirituals and other religious songs to help carry him through troubled times and it was "**There is a Balm in Gilead**" that Coretta Scott King said "my husband quoted when he needed a lift." King also was comforted by "**Precious Lord, Take My Hand**" which was by some accounts the last song that he requested moments before he was shot and killed by an assassin's bullet.

<u>CHILDREN'S CHOIR REHEARSALS RESUME TODAY!</u> Come join us from 12:45-1:30 pm in CCD classroom #5 if you love God and love to sing! For more information, contact Mrs. Gina Rossetti at <u>eprossetti@yahoo.com</u> or 540-937-2320.

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

FOOD CLOSET: Peaches, Tuna/canned chicken, vegetables i.e carrots, beets, greens. Thank you.

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

<u>CULPEPER HEAT SHELTER NEEDS HELP</u> Precious Blood will be supporting the Culpeper Heat Shelter onsite at St. Luke's Lutheran Church on Jan 22-28th. Volunteers are needed for Donations (Food/Supplies), to Cook/Serve, Dinner/Clean, Entertainment/Fellowship and Intake and Overnight Chaperones. To sign up to volunteer go to link: <u>www.CareCalendar.org</u>. The Calendar ID is **200420** and the Security Code is **5365**. Please mark your calendars. Questions? Please contact Darren Caprarese: cappo1@comcast.net

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.

<u>THE ANNUAL MARCH FOR LIFE</u> 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 <u>pb-peir@msn.com</u> with any questions.

JOIN IN PRAYER AND COME OUT TO SUPPORT OUR PARISHONER/DEACON ASPIRANT,

DR. WATTS 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.

<u>PLEASE NOTE: next weekend (1/22) there will be a second collection</u> for the Church in Latin America; this will support pastoral programs and projects which include the work of evangelization, formation of laity, religious and seminarians, as well as youth ministry and catechesis. Funding is limited to programmatic expenses and excludes building construction except in cases of emergency.

ALL Bulletin inserts please email: bulletin@preciousbloodcatholicchurch.com Deadline is 3:30pm on Monday <u>CHRISTIANS ARE NETWORKING (CAN)</u>, the job ministry, will resume on Tuesday, January 17 at 7pm in the Parish Hall class room 30. Week one of seven's topic: You Are Not Forgotten-God's Plan in 2017. Also, if you are interested in volunteering to help job seekers with their searching, please call to register <u>540-422-0907</u>.

<u>KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS</u> A special THANK YOU to our Knights for their gift of a new United States flag and Pontifical flag! The K Of C will be holding is monthly aluminum pick up in the church parking lot the 14th and 15th of January. A trailer will be parked in the parking lot. If you would rather you can drop off you recycle directly at Wise just tell them it's from the Knights and they keep a tab for us. Thank you for you help. The K of C will be holding a **5th Sunday breakfast** on January 29th after the 8:30 mass.

WORKCAMP 2017: Our next meeting will be Saturday, January 28, after the 5pm Mass in the parish hall; all adult volunteers and campers need to attend this mandatory meeting.

<u>YOUTH GROUP</u>: There will be a youth group meeting this Sunday, January 15th in the Parish Hall from 6-8 pm. Youth group is open to anyone in grades 6-12. We will be playing games, eating snacks and planning upcoming events. Bring a friend and ideas for the new year!

<u>RELIGIOUS EMBLEM</u>: Congratulations to Emily and Kimberly Resau of Girl Scout Troop 313 on earning their "Jubilee Year of Mercy Patch". They explored some of the wonderful aspects of the Jubilee Year of Mercy. For their corporal works of mercy project, they provided entertainment, served dinner and gave out donations of water, clothing and game prizes to the homeless at the Heat Shelter.

The Arlington Diocese of Catholic Committee on Scouting offers Religious Emblem/Medal Programs for Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, American Heritage and Camp Fire programs. For more information on how to earn these awards, contact Ellen McCarthy, Catholic Scout Advisor at 540-406-7446.

<u>BLACK CATHOLIC YOUNG ADULT SURVEY</u>: The Office of Multicultural Ministries is examining the level of religious participation among Black Catholic young adults (ages 18-35), in preparation for a larger discussion during our diocesan preparation for the 2017 Black Catholic Congress. We recognize that this is a universal concern in our Church. Therefore, we will share the outcomes and trends gleaned from this survey with all of the Diocesan parishes to use in promoting increased involvement by our Catholic young adults. We appreciate your support. Visit this website to access the survey: https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/9S5GLT6.

PROLIFE 9 Days for Life Novena – Jan. 21 through Jan. 29 is an annual period of prayer and action focused on cherishing the gift of every person's life. The overarching intention of the novena is the end to abortion. However, the novena also highlights many other facets of respecting each other's God-given dignity, especially by respecting human life at every stage and in every circumstance. Download the novena online, or participate through Facebook, email, text message or an app. Join at www.9daysforlife.com!

AROUND THE DIOCESE/VIRGINIA

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

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

<u>VOCATIONS</u> Lord, we know that You call us to our vocation from the moment of our baptism. Help young men and women answer this call most faithfully; call Father J.D. Jaffe at (703) 841-2514 or write: j.jaffe@arlingtondiocese.org.

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.

Pastor's Corner

Dear Parishioners,

On Tuesday, January 17, Bishop Burbidge will be celebrating a Mass at Saint Mary's church in Fredericksburg at 7 PM for a local deanery (a cluster of 10 - 12 parishes). Please consider going if you can to meet our new bishop.

The March for Life this year will be on Friday, January 27. Please sign up if you can for the parish bus that will be leaving that morning at 10:30 AM and returning by about 6 PM.

Thank you to all of those who have brought food by the rectory; your kindness is greatly appreciated.

God bless, Fr. Kevin



Happy New Year to all! Our school celebrated the Feast of the Epiphany of Our Lord last Friday with 8:30 Mass celebrated by Fr. Kevin Walsh and a luncheon served by our PTO. It was a wonderful event and our students looked fantastic in their dress up attire. The

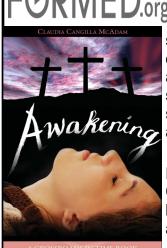
Wise Men visited the classrooms and handed out small gifts to the students. A BIG THANK YOU to our PTO and parent volunteers that prepared meals for 190 plus, and to our Wise Men, Roger Depue, Peter Lee and Gary Fay. It was great to see several of our Epiphany alumni helping at the event.

Our students are Shining Brightly here at Epiphany, and the future of the Catholic Church lies firmly on the children that walk our halls daily with the presence of our Lord and Holy Mother in their lives. Recent studies show that children that attend a Catholic elementary school are more likely to stay strong in their faith well into adulthood, more so than children that are not inspired daily with God's presence. The common denominator here is that young dropouts do not know God personally. Without knowing him, they cannot love him. At Epiphany we teach our children the importance of knowing God, embracing His love, and feeling His direction daily.

<u>2017 DIOCESAN MEN'S CONFERENCE</u> All men are invited to the Diocese's annual Men's Conference on March 4 at Saint Joseph in Herndon. This year's conference will feature Dr. Scott Hahn, Dr. Ralph Martin and Fr. James Searby. Mass will be celebrated by Bishop Michael F. Burbidge. The conference is titled "Girding for Battle." For more details go to www.arlingtondiocese.org/men.

<u>THEOLOGY ON TAP</u>: The Young Adults Group at St.Mary's in Fredericksburg is heading Theology on Tap. "ToT' focuses on topics of faith and contemporary issues that directly affect the lives of young adults (ages 21-39) and will be meeting at Adventures Brewing South every 3rd Monday of the month beginning 1/16/2017. Fr. Ed Bresnahan will be the speaker. For more information: www.facebook.com/stmaryfred.youngadults

Let us ask the Virgin Mary to help us follow Christ on the way of faith and charity, the path set out by our Baptism. –Pope Francis



In this work of Biblical historical fiction, Ronni is a 21st-century American teenage girl who has lost her faith following the deaths of her father and brother, both of whom died saving the life of someone she doesn't deem worthy. She can't understand the concept of sacrifice—even Jesus' death on the cross. Then one day, she wakes up 5,000 miles away from home...2,000 years in the past. How she got here, she doesn't know. But she's in Jerusalem, the week of the crucifixion of Jesus. She has three days to try to stop his death. The question is can she do it? Should she? This young adult novel is appropriate for readers from middle-school through adult.

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