

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.....Dir. of Religious Education
Miriam Medina.....Dir. of Liturgy/Hispanic Liaison
Danielle Gambale-Metz.....Office Staff-Notary
Theresa Watson.....Choir Director
John Flemming.....Heritage Choir Director
Julie Dawley.....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.....Business 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 Wednesdays 6:30-8:00 pm and Saturdays 4:00 to 5:30 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 for arrangements.

CCD CLASSES

540-825-1339

Sunday: 9:30-10:45 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@epiphanycatholicschool.org

www.epiphanycatholicschool.org

January 31, 2016

“Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time”

Mass Readings and Intentions for the Week

Sun. Jan 31

8:00 AM For the People

11:30 AM (+) Ruth Lentz

4:00 PM Norma Ramos(sp. int)

Mon. Feb 1 For the unborn children & mothers

Readings: 2 Sm 15:13-14, 30; 16:5-13; Mk 5:1-20

Tues. Feb 2 (+) Betty Stewart

Readings: Mal 3:1-4/Heb 2:14-18; Lk 2:22-40 or 2:22-32

Wed. Feb 3 Elijah Bouchard (birthday)

Readings: 2 Sm 24:2, 9-17; Mk 6:1-6

Thurs. Feb 4 Briege McGonigle

Readings: 1 Kgs 2:1-4, 10-12; Mk 6:7-13

Fri. Feb 5 Bill Canavan (birthday)

Readings: Sir 47:2-11; Mk 6:14-29

Sat. Feb 6

Readings: 1 Kgs 3:4-13; Mk 6:30-34

8:30 AM (+) Harold Hawkins Jr.

6:00 PM (+) Jim Driscoll

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time "Facing Rejection"

Reading I Jeremiah 1:4-5, 17-19 (prophet consecrated to God)

Reading II 1Corinthians 12:31-13:13 (love never fails)

Gospel Luke 4:21-30 (beginning of preaching; rejection by the townspeople)

Key Passage They got up, drove him out of the town, and led him to the brow of the hill on which their town was built, so that they might hurl him off the cliff. But he passed through the midst of them and went on his way. Luke 4:29-30)

Adult What do you do when a message you are trying to deliver "falls on deaf ears"?

Child Are there times when you have not listened as well as you could to what someone was telling you? Why didn't you?

ALL Bulletin inserts please email:
bulletin@preciousbloodcatholicchurch.com

Deadline is 3:30pm on Monday before.

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: Janice Ambrose, Brian Alexander, Hector Baez, Trudy Baker, Micheal Baudham, Ric Barklund, Mike Bosma, Joyce, Bosworth, Josephine Borst, Maria Auxiliadora Caldera, Pedro Casillas, Diane Clark, Bill Daley, Cynthia Davies, Isaias Estrada, Alex Green, Richard Hall, Alex Hyde, Jim Hyde, Brissa LaMatta, Mary Larson, Luciana LaMatta, Jean Landon, Peg Logan, Clelia Lopez-Garcia, Jennifer McCloud, Paola Maartens, Ana Magana, Frank McPhillips, Miriam Medina, Phillip Leo Mercer, Jim Minihan, Beth Moreland, Mary Neureither, Barbara Noonan, Shawn Peet, Ariel Perez-Young, Irene Perez-Young, Gia Quiroz, Betty Powers, Donald Rediske, Max Rosado, Lorain Smith, Ron Therien, Jay Way, Tootie and Ted White 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.**



"Love is patient, love is kind. It is not jealous, it is not pompous." (1 Corinthians 13:4)

Do you get jealous? Do you focus more on the things that other people have than on the gifts that God has given to you? Are you pompous? Do you acquire more possessions to impress others? At times we are all guilty of these things. Pray for more humility. Pray to become less self-centered and more God-centered.

OFFERTORY COLLECTION

1/24 Collections	\$1027.54
Epiphany	\$ 20.00
Building Fund	\$ 5.00
Latin America	\$ 93.80
Faith Direct:	
Collections	\$1345.00
Foundation for the Future	\$ 200.00
Epiphany	\$ 42.00
Building fund	\$ 90.00

FAITH DIRECT Start off the year by signing up with Faith Direct to support Precious Blood Parish both you and our parish can more easily project your future contributions more accurately. You can sign up online at www.faithdirect.net using our church code: **VA226**, or by mailing a paper enrollment form available in the parish office.

THIS WEEK AT PRECIOUS BLOOD



MUSIC MINISTRY In the 1st reading and responsorial today we hear of God's presence, love and calling being present to us while we are still in our mother's wombs. At 18 weeks of pregnancy, preborn babies can begin hearing outside sounds and after their birth will show a preference for music or songs played or sung to them while they were still in utero.

ADULT FAITH FORMATION Next session is Sunday, **Feb. 14**, and begins the special 4-part series, ***A Biblical Walk Through the Mass***. In this video-based series, Dr. Edward Sri takes participants on an exciting tour of the Liturgy as he explores the biblical roots of the words and gestures we experience at Mass and explains their profound significance. Learn, perhaps for the first time, *why* we say what we say and do what we do at Mass. Our words and gestures will be seen in a new light, leading to a richer, more fruitful worship experience. All adults, especially parents of CCD students, are encouraged to attend on Sundays from **9:40-10:40 am** in the Parish Hall.

SAINT STEPHEN'S FOOD CLOSET This week's needs are canned chicken, chicken helper, pasta, potatoes sides, juice boxes. Thank you!

SECOND COLLECTION: On February 7th we will be having a second collection for the Diocesan Newspaper. On February 10th, Ash Wednesday, we will have a second collection for Aid to the Church in Central And Eastern Europe. On February 14th the second collection will be for the Black and Indian Missions. Due to the snow, the second collection was not taken for the Church in Latin America. If you would still like to contribute, please use envelopes and place in regular collection.

THE CATHOLIC HERALD If you are not getting the Diocesan newspaper, please contact us, and if you are receiving it and don't want it, let the office know.

HOLY SPIRIT INTERACTIVE (HSI) Next meeting will be Wednesday, **Feb. 10**, at **8:00 pm** (after 7:00 pm Ash Wednesday Mass) at Todd Brown's new office (309 N. Main Street, right across Edmondson St. from our church). In this talk on *Calloused Hearts*, Aneel Aranha speaks about Jesus' words in Matthew 13:10-13. It will move and change you. All are welcome.



Mardi Gras

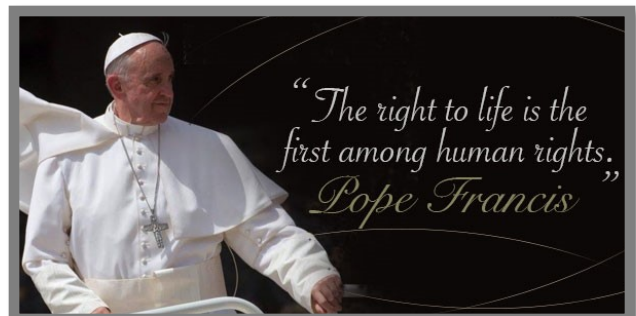
THE SECOND MARDI GRAS FUND RAISER Sponsored by the Altar Society. Any Confirmation student needing volunteer hours is invited to aid us with our First Annual Mardi Gras fund raiser. We are looking for students to aid with set up, cooking and prep, serving, and clean up after and during the event. For any time given we would be greatly appreciative. Please plan on volunteering an hour or two, or even the whole day. Volunteers will be needed on **February 7th**. For any questions or to set up your volunteer time, please contact: **Charity Karstetter at 540-727-0695 or cabjdk@hotmail.com.**

CONFIRMATION MEETING **February 8th at 7 PM - 9 PM** in the Parish Hall - This meeting is **only** for year 2 Confirmandi being confirmed on May 22, 2016. This is for parents and students of teachers **Bessette, Toner and Epiphany 8th graders ONLY.**

2016 BISHOP'S LENTEN APPEAL BEGINS! This month many of us will receive a mailing from Bishop Loverde regarding the 2016 Bishop's Lenten Appeal (BLA). The theme for the 2016 BLA is "*Go forth as heralds of God's mercy.*" After reflecting upon the many blessings that God has given you, please prayerfully consider making a pledge of support to this important appeal that funds many programs and ministries that serve the people in our diocese. *Every pledge is an expression of God's love and mercy!*

PARKING Parishioners may park in the Brown Harris lot on **Saturday Evenings and Sunday during Mass times only.** Please do not park at any other time. This is a place of business and they are very gracious to allow us to park on the weekends.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION INCLEMENT WEATHER INFORMATION In the event that Culpeper County Schools close because of inclement weather there will be NO adoration that day. If Culpeper County Schools have a delayed opening then adoration that day will begin at 11:00 AM. If Culpeper County Schools close early because of inclement weather then adoration will end early at Father's discretion.





THE CHALLENGE We have nearly reached our goal for the *The Challenge*! In December I asked our parish communities along with our Epiphany families to prayerfully consider making a Christmas donation to our school. These donations will be matched by a generous parishioner and parent, up to the amount of \$15,000. I am proud to let you know that, to date, **\$14,160.00** has been donated!

Can we raise that last \$840.00? Please consider making a donation to your school to support Catholic education in our region of the Diocese. If each family in the school and all of our parishes made even a small contribution to Epiphany, a gift of \$30,000 to our school is possible! This would help us tremendously with our operating budget, including unforeseen facility expenses, as we progress through the 2016 school year.

Great things are happening at Epiphany during Catholic Schools Week which begins today! Join us if you can!

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| Sunday: | ◆ 11:30 Mass at Precious Blood Epiphany students serve the Parish | |
| Monday: | ◆ 8:15 Prayer Service & Flag Ceremony to open CSW | ◆ 9:00-3:00 - Eucharistic Adoration |
| Tuesday: | ◆ Open House & Shadow Day 9:00-2:00 | ◆ Dress Down & Pizza Day |
| | ◆ Fr. Anselme visits classrooms | ◆ Planetarium in-school field trip |
| Wednesday: | ◆ Classroom Poetry Bees | ◆ 'Who Am I?' Teacher baby picture contest |
| Thursday: | ◆ Sr. Andrea Westkamp, OSB-Vocation Discussion and afternoon prayer | |
| Friday: | ◆ 8:30 Mass-Volunteers Recognized | ◆ Faculty/Staff Luncheon (thank you, PTO!) |
| | ◆ Student Poetry Contest (full school) | ◆ Teacher Trivia Contest |

AROUND THE DIOCESE/VIRGINIA

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER Bring the Holy Spirit into your marriage. The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekends are on **19-21 Feb** in Herndon or **22-24 Apr** in Fredericksburg. For more information or to apply, at www.renewmarriage-vanorth.org

GABRIEL PROJECT Please give a *Gift for Life* to help Gabriel Project fund a mother's maternity care. One grateful mother wrote: "Your services are perhaps the most comprehensive, empathetic and genuine that I have received in a very long time. I thank you for your sincere time and attention." For more information and/or to donate: www.arlingtondiocese.org/giftforlife.

THE CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF ARLINGTON IS HIRING! The Catholic Diocese of Arlington is currently hiring for the positions of Website Content Manager, Administrative Assistant and Advertising Account Representative. For more information, please visit: <http://www.arlingtondiocese.org/hr/employment.aspx>.

REBUILDING PROGRAM Separated? Divorced? Widowed??? The Rebuilding Program sponsored by the Arlington Diocese Office for Family Life helps people of all faiths who are separated, divorced, or widowed and want to move on with their lives. The nine week program starts **Sunday, February 21st** and meets Sunday evenings 5:30 - 8:00 PM at the St. Martin De Porres Center in Alexandria. Topics include adaptation, grief, anger, self-worth, openness, love, and relatedness. For more information email facilitator@copingrebuilding.com, visit us on the web at <http://www.copingrebuilding.com> or call us at 703-596-2673.

VOCATIONS **World Day of Prayer for Consecrated Life – February 7.** "They left everything and followed Jesus." If you sense that Christ may be calling you to the priesthood, diaconate or consecrated life, call Father J.D. Jaffe (703) 841-2514, or write: j.jaffe@arlingtondiocese.org.

CATHOLIC HERALD TURNS 40 February is Catholic Press Month! Start or renew your subscription to the only inspiring, relevant and reliable source of Catholic news in our diverse diocese. In its 40th year, the *Catholic Herald* weekly newspaper goes to nearly 70,000 homes, and catholicerald.com has been online for 20 years. Find us on Facebook, Twitter, Pinterest, Vine and YouTube and start getting our weekly emailed newsletter by texting 22828. Use your parish envelopes or contact the *Catholic Herald's* circulation department at (703) 841-2565 to begin your subscription today.

The Image of The Divine Mercy

In 1931, our Lord appeared to St. Faustina in a vision. She saw Jesus clothed in a white garment with His right hand raised in blessing. His left hand was touching His garment in the area of the Heart, from where two large rays came forth, one red and the other pale. She gazed intently at the Lord in silence, her soul filled with awe, but also with great joy. Jesus said to her:

Paint an image according to the pattern you see, with the signature: Jesus, I trust in You. I promise that the soul that will venerate this image will not perish. I also promise victory over [its] enemies already here on earth, especially at the hour of death. I Myself will defend it as My own glory (*Diary*, 47, 48). I am offering people a vessel with which they are to keep coming for graces to the fountain of mercy. That vessel is this image with the signature: Jesus, I trust in You (327). I desire that this image be venerated, first in your chapel, and [then] throughout the world (47).

At the request of her spiritual director, St. Faustina asked the Lord about the meaning of the rays in the image. She heard these words in reply:

The two rays denote Blood and Water. The pale ray stands for the Water which makes souls righteous. The red ray stands for the Blood which is the life of souls. These two rays issued forth from the depths of My tender mercy when My agonized Heart was opened by a lance on the Cross. Happy is the one who will dwell in their shelter, for the just hand of God shall not lay hold of him (299). By means of this image I shall grant many graces to souls. It is to be a reminder of the demands of My mercy, because even the strongest faith is of no avail without works (742).

These words indicate that the Image represents the graces of Divine Mercy poured out upon the world, especially through Baptism and the Eucharist.

Many different versions of this image have been painted, but our Lord made it clear that the painting itself is not what is important. When St. Faustina first saw the original image that was being painted under her direction, she wept in disappointment and complained to Jesus: "Who will paint You as beautiful as You are?" (313).

In answer, she heard these words: **"Not in the beauty of the color, nor of the brush lies the greatness of this image, but in My grace" (313).**

So, no matter which version of the image we prefer, we can be assured that it is a vehicle of God's grace if it is revered with trust in His mercy.

Read more at:
<http://www.thedivinemercy.org>

