

PRECIOUS BLOOD CATHOLIC CHURCH

114 East Edmondson Street
Culpeper, Virginia 22701

Phone: 540-825-8945 Fax: 540-825-8987

www.preciousbloodcatholicchurch.com

email: office@preciousbloodcatholicchurch.com



MASSES

Sunday: 8:30 am, 11:30 am, 2:00 pm (Spanish)

Saturday: 8:30 am* & 5:00 pm (vigil)

Mon, Tues, Wed 8:30 am* and
7:00 pm (during Lent)

Thursday: 8:30 am* (Adoration 9 am-7pm)

Friday: 8:30 am* and 7:00 pm

Holy Days: 8:30 am* and 7:00 pm (vigil),

* 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/Notary
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

March 19, 2017

Third Sunday of Lent

Mass Readings and Intentions for the Week

Sun. March 19

Readings: Ex 17:3-7; Rom 5:1-2,5-8; Jn 4:5-42 or 4:5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42

8:30AM For the people

11:30AM for those who are in despair, may they be blessed with hope and love

2:00 PM Evangelina de Morales (+)

Mon. March 20

Readings: 2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16; Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22; Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a or Lk 2:41-51a

8:30 AM more chaste relationships

7:00 PM office and staff, Dr. Anita Maybach

Tues. March 21

Readings: Dn 3:25, 34-43; Mt 18:21-35

8:30 AM Frederick Priebe (+)

7:00 PM Carl and Cindi Priebe

Wed. March 22

Readings: Dt 4:1, 5-9; Mt 5:17-19

8:30 AM pray for enemies

7:00 PM Richard and Jenee Priebe and family

Thurs. March 23

Readings: Jer 7:23-28; Lk 11:14-23

8:30 AM Gloria Brunner (96th birthday blessings)

Fri. March 24

Readings: Hos 14:2-10; Mk 12:28-34

8:30 AM Josh and Katrina Rassmussen

7:00 PM Carl and Cindi Priebe

Sat. March 25

Readings: Is 7:10-14; 8:10; Heb 10:4-10; Lk 1:26-38

8:30 AM Sam and Patricia Aitken (health and healing)

5:00 PM Sara Reynolds (+)

Source of strength

Reading I Exodus 17:3-7 (water from the rock)

Reading II Romans 5:1-2, 5-8 (faith, hope, and love)

Gospel John 4:5-42 (the Samaritan woman at the well)

Key Passage Jesus said to her, "Everyone who drinks of this water will be thirsty again, but those who drink of the water that I will give them will never be thirsty. The water that I will give will become in them a spring of water gushing up to eternal life." (John 4:13-14)

Adult: Where have you found a source of "living water" for your own journey of faith?

Child: Name some times when your belief in Jesus helped make you stronger.

ALL Bulletin inserts please email:
bulletin@preciousbloodcatholicchurch.com

Deadline is 3:30pm on Mondays

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: Sam

Aitken, Brian Alexander, Janice

Ambrose, Hector Baez, Trudy

Baker, Mike Bosma, Joyce

Bosworth, Lara Brooking, Jim

Byrne, Kriss Cordero, Bill Daley,

Cynthia Davies, Arnold French,

Danielle Gambale-Metz, R.C.

Garcia, Bill Goetz, April Hair, Richard Hall, Ann

Harrison, Alex Hyde, Freda Kratochvil, Peg

Logan, Martin Luna, Ana Magana, Jeff Metz,

Beth Moreland, Mary Neureither, Barbara

Noonan, Jim Oliver, Cornelia Slabe Paczkowski,

Shawn Peet, Elizabeth Pycha, Gia Quiroz, Alice

Schorr, Jerene Thomas, Mae Traversari, Cheryl

Weagle, 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.

"Everyone who drinks this water will be thirsty again."

JOHN 4:13

Jesus

reminds us

that material things, even something as basic as water, can never satisfy us for long. When we build our lives around material possessions we always want more. True Joy and Peace only comes when we follow Jesus; when we become more "God-centered" and less "self-centered".



OFFERTORY COLLECTIONS

Sunday 3/12/17 collections \$10,850.69

Building fund \$ 720.00

Epiphany \$ 42.00

Catholic Herald to date: \$3,248.89

(Total Parish cost of Herald \$11,688.00)

BLA to date: 203/1237 family pledges \$78,311.00

(BLA goal is \$120,000 and 100% participation)

FAITH DIRECT

collections \$10,999.67

Foundations for the Future \$ 518.34

Building fund \$ 398.00

Epiphany \$ 354.33

THIS WEEK AT PRECIOUS BLOOD

PLEASE NOTE: Friday morning Masses during March will be at Epiphany School



EVERY FRIDAY EVENING DURING LENT : Join us for dinner, prayer, and Mass:

DINNER: baked fish, rolls, salad from 5:00 PM-6:15PM ** STATIONS OF THE CROSS (English) at 6:30PM
** MASS 7:00 PM ** STATIONS OF THE CROSS (Spanish) at 7:30 PM



YOUTH GROUP : THIS SUNDAY (3/19) will meet starting at 5PM for *the Living Stations rehearsal* and carry over until 8PM in the parish hall. Those youth interested in acting, singing, and props/set help are invited to come. Adult volunteers are also needed for administrative support. Contact Fr. Moretti: memoretti1958@gmail.com. UPCOMING EVENT: BASH for middle school students, Saturday, April 29, 3:30-9:00PM, permission slips available at meetings and the office!

CATHOLICISM: THE PIVOTAL PLAYERS: *THIS Sunday (March 19)*, join us on the journey to discover the truth behind some of the Catholic Church's most influential people by viewing three episodes from Bishop Robert Barron's new series! We will look at the inspiring life of St. Francis of Assisi. Next Sunday, March 26, St. Catherine of Siena, and Michelangelo on April 2. This multi-part film series illumines a handful of saints, artists, mystics, and scholars who not only shaped the life of the Church, but also changed the course of civilization. All adults are encouraged to attend starting at 9:50 am in the Parish Hall.



2017 BISHOP'S LENTEN APPEAL: This is in full swing and PRECIOUS BLOOD is asking every household in our parish to support this appeal to the extent that they are able. We would like to say that we have a 100% participation at the end of this campaign! The BLA funds many programs, services and ministries that serve people in need and further Jesus' Mission in our diocese. Let us join together to do the Lord's work—works that touch the lives and souls of thousands of people in our diocese. THANK YOU!

MONTHLY DINNER & MOVIE NIGHT On Saturday, April 8, we will be showing the widely acclaimed movie *Risen*. This movie was shown in nearly 3,000 theaters worldwide and is the epic story of the Resurrection as told through the eyes of a non-believing Roman soldier. In order to disprove rumors of a risen Messiah Calvius, a powerful Roman military tribune, and his aide, Lucius, are tasked with solving the mystery of what happened to the body of Jesus following his crucifixion. This movie is rated PG-13 due to some scenes of Roman violence. Please join us for an Italian themed dinner starting at 6:15 PM in the Parish Hall (following the 5 pm Mass), the proceeds from which go to help send our youth to WorkCamp 2017.



ST. JOHN PAUL II LIBRARY : DID YOU KNOW? —books on topics such as discerning a vocation, especially to the Priesthood or religious life are available? VISITING HOURS Sun-11:15-1:00; Wed-9:30-3:00; Thurs-12:00-1:30 and Sat.-2:30-4:30.

MUSIC MINISTRY: Gregorian chant: part 3. The emergence of polyphony – which distorted the phrasing, melody and especially rhythm of Gregorian chant – at the end of the mediaeval period, marked the beginning of its gradual decline. After being discarded by the Renaissance and Protestantism, many attempts were made to restore Gregorian chant according to the rules of modern music from the early 17th century onwards. This disfigured, distorted version of the chant lost its purity and power of expression and so ceased to interpret and inspire the Church's prayer as it once had. (www.solesmes.com/history)

ST. STEPHEN'S FOOD CLOSET: This week the pantry needs are: chunky soups, cereal, pancake mix/syrup. Thanks so much!

LEGIOIN OF MARY AUXILIARIES: You are invited to the annual Acies Ceremony on Sat., March 25 (feast of the Annunciation) at St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church in Warrenton. This function is our renewal of our consecration to the Blessed Virgin Mary, and there will be legionaries present from other neighboring parishes. A reception will follow, so please bring a dish and come to meet other Catholics who are devoted to Our Lady! For more information: please contact– Joan at 540-987-8315.

C.A.N. MEETINGS: During Lent Christians are Networking will continue to help prepare job seekers for the job search. Meetings have been moved to Thursdays 7-8:30pm. No meeting on Holy Thursday. Please call: 540-422-0907 to register.

LENTEN ECUMENICAL GATHERING: A Community-Wide Way of the Cross Procession: On Saturday, April 8 our church will be participating in a special event that will be hosted at churches throughout downtown Culpeper. For more information, visit www.CulpeperCross.info and/or “like” the **Culpeper Way of the Cross Facebook page**. **Precious Blood will be hosting stations 4, 5, and 6** led by several different parish groups.

A BIG THANK YOU: Thank you to Mark Farkas for his time, patience and energy put towards the electronics working perfectly now in the parish hall! Please follow directions explicitly when using the equipment or ask the office for assistance. Thank you very much and enjoy your programs!

CONGRATULATIONS ON RECEIVING THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM (conferred on 3/11/17):



Jesse Charles Reed, son of Yorel Hickerson and Angela Reed,
Benjamin Michael Erickson, son of James and Jenna Erickson,
Alina Michelle Queen, daughter of Jabari Queen and Angela Reed

AROUND THE DIOCESE/VIRGINIA

OFFICE OF FAMILY LIFE: Whether you are suffering because of infertility, miscarriages or infant loss, or whether you play a support role for those suffering, you are invited to join us on Tuesday, April 25 from 9 a.m. – 1 p.m. at Holy Trinity Church, 8213 Linton Hall Road, Gainesville. Attendees may also become a volunteer peer through Gabriel Project. The cost is \$15. Continental breakfast and lunch will be provided. Conference begins with 9 a.m. Mass. To sign up or to learn more, visit www.arlingtondiocese.org/pregnancylossworkshop or contact the Office for Family Life Gabriel Project at (703) 841-2750.

VOCATIONS “But whoever drinks the water I give, will never be thirsty.” Are you thirsting for an understanding of your vocation? If you are considering a vocation to the priesthood or consecrated life? Call Father J.D. Jaffe at (703) 841-2514 or write: j.jaffe@arlingtondiocese.org.

REFLECTION:

*Jesus was a
refugee; [He] had to
flee to save his life
-Pope Francis*

LENTEN CHALLENGE: Fast. Pray. Give up your Envelopes! JOIN FAITH DIRECT: As Christians we are called to renew our spiritual practices like fasting, praying and almsgiving. Almsgiving encourages us to express gratitude for all that God has given us by charitably giving some away. You are invited to embrace a new practice this Lenten season that will provide Precious Blood Church with consistent support and also simplify your giving. Our parish will also save money by eliminating the wasteful envelopes that go unused by so many. Please contact: <https://www.faithdirect.net/>; Parish code: VA226; they will walk you through the simple process!

CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES COLLECTION: Next week, our parish will take up the Catholic Relief Services Collection (CRSC). Funds from this collection help provide food to the hungry, support to displaced refugees, and extend Christ’s love and respect to people here at home and abroad. Next week, please give generously to the CRS Collection and help “Jesus in disguise.” Learn more about the collection at www.usccb.org/catholic-relief.

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 at the St. John Paul II Shrine in Washington, D.C. Visit www.jp2shrine.org for more information.

BISHOP BURBIDGE’S HOMILIES ONLINE: Want to hear relevant, pastoral inspiration from our Shepherd? He records homilies posted weekly on our YouTube page. Go and take a look at youtube.com/arlingtondiocese.

ROPES COURSE VOCATIONS EVENTS FOR HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS: For any high school students open to the idea of a priestly or religious vocation, don’t miss the Quo Vadis Ropes Course & Zipline (for boys) on Saturday, April 22 or the FIAT Ropes Course & Zipline (for girls) on Saturday, April 29. These are great opportunities to challenge yourself, enjoy the great outdoors and get to know men and women who are following God’s call as a priest, seminarian or religious sister. For more information and to register, contact the Office of Vocations at vocations@arlingtondiocese.org or (703) 852-2514.

SIGN UP AND GET INSPIRED: 2 Minute Reflections and Weekly Challenges at:
<http://www.arlingtondiocese.org/2minutes2virtue>

PRO-LIFE CORNER: Ponder the following thought in relation to abortion: Silence in the face of evil is itself evil: God will not hold us guiltless. Not to speak is to speak. Not to act is to act. To be silent about abortion and euthanasia is a sin of omission. Join pro-life today.—
Dietrich Bonhoeffer-German Pastor and Theologian, martyred for NOT being silent.

Dear Parishioners,

When I arrived at the parish, I found out that the parish had bought various houses and their property over the years to finally make up the city block that we own today (bounded by Main Street, Piedmont St., East St. and E. Edmondson St.). That enabled us to have more parking when the houses were demolished and asphalt put in its place. I was even told that when the cost of purchasing one of the houses was added to the cost of demolition and preparing the parking area, that each parking spot cost the parishioners well over \$10,000 a piece.

We have tried to be good neighbors, and allow non-parishioners to park their cars on our property during the week. We have asked them not to park on Saturdays and Sundays so that we can maximize our use of the parking spots for our own parishioners who come to our parish for Sunday Mass (including the Saturday Vigil Mass) and to CCD. Unfortunately, some of the neighbors continue to park on our property on Sundays anyway.

We will begin to work with a towing service to tow any cars that are parked in our parking lot after 11 PM on Saturday nights. I would ask you to *please* make sure that you are not parked here at that time. If you ever have to leave a car for some reason over Saturday night (for example if it has broken down) please make sure that you contact one of the priests after Mass to avoid having the car being towed. Thank you for your cooperation on this as we try to have as many parking spaces available for you as possible when you come to Mass.

For Lent I'd like to encourage you to attend daily Mass and to pray the Stations of the Cross (Via Crucis) with us. We have the Stations of the Cross at 6:30 PM in English (before the 7 PM Mass) and at 7:30 PM in Spanish (right after the Mass). There is also a baked-fish dinner in the parish hall from 5:00 PM to 6:15 PM. I would like to ask you to offer your prayer, fasting and almsgiving this Lent for those who have fallen away from the practice of the faith, so that they will return some day.

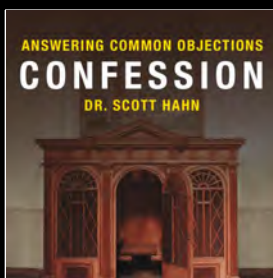
I'd like to thank those who have pledged to the Bishop's Lenten Appeal. Our assigned goal is \$120,000, and parishioners have pledged \$78,311, so far, or 65% of our goal. I would like to encourage anyone who has not given or made a pledge yet to consider doing so.

Our dishwasher has seen its best days and hasn't been cleaning the dishes very well for a while. We will be buying a new one this week. If you would like to help sponsor the dishwasher, please contact the rectory. Thanks for your generosity. And, as always, thank you also to all of those who have brought food by the rectory; your kindness is greatly appreciated.

I'd also like to invite you to come by the church on Thursdays from 9 AM to 7 PM when we have adoration of the Blessed Sacrament exposed in the monstrance.

God bless,
Fr. Kevin

Sunday worship fulfills the moral command of the Old Covenant, taking up its rhythm and spirit in the weekly celebration of the Creator and Redeemer of his people. (*Catechism of the Catholic Church 2176*). *Today's suggested penance:* Volunteer in a shelter, a soup kitchen, or a tutoring center.



As a former Protestant minister, Dr. Scott Hahn knows all too well the disputes between Catholic and non-Catholic Christians. In this series, he carefully examines the most widely held objections and explains how and why they have arisen. Dr. Hahn's powerful presentations will not only show you how to use the Bible to defend the truths of Catholic teaching, but will also give you an invaluable tool for sharing the Faith with others.

Register and use PARISH CODE: **V2XJNR**; create a personal account and enjoy the BEST CATHOLIC MOVIES, BOOKS, PROGRAMS, & AUDIO! Español materials available too!

FORMED.org