

PRECIOUS BLOOD CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Culpeper, Virginia 22701
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Epiphany Catholic School
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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
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-12)

EPIPHANY CATHOLIC SCHOOL

1211 Grandview Avenue
Culpeper, VA 22701
Preschool: 3 & 4 year old
Elementary: K-5 Middle School: 6-8

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September 7, 2014
“Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time”

Mass Readings and Intentions for the Week:

Sun. Sept. 7 8:00 AM – Frank Toomey (dec)

Sun. Sept. 7 11:30 AM- Pat Diibon (dec)

Mon. September 8- Fr. Leo’s birthday

Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Readings: Rom. 8:28-30 Mt 1:1-16, 18-23

Tues. September 9- Fr. Anselme’s birthday, Eva

Baker anniversary of her birthday

St. Peter Claver, Priest

Readings: 1 Cor 6:1-11 Lk 6:12-19

Wed. September 10- Paul Pappas (special intention)

Readings: 1 Cor 7:25-31 Lk 6:20-26

Thurs. September 11– Diane Lee (special intentions)

Readings: 1 Cor 8:1b-7, 11-13 Lk 6:27-38

Fri. September 12- Eva Baker on 1st yr anniversary of death

Most Holy Name of Mary

Readings: 1 Cor 9:16-19, 22b-27 Lk 6:39-42

Sat. September 13 8:30 AM –

St. John Chryostom, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

Readings: 1 Cor 4:6b-15 Lk 6:1-5

Sat. September 13 6:00 PM –

(If you would like a Mass Intention said please call or stop by the office.)

Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Helping others grow

Reading I Ezekiel 33:7-9 (the prophet a watchman)

Reading II Romans 13:8-10 (love fulfills the Law)

Gospel Matthew 18:15-20 (fraternal correction)

Key Passage Jesus said, “If another member of the church sins against you, go and point out the fault when the two of you are alone.” (Matthew 18:15)

Adult: How have you been able to follow Christ more closely because others patiently loved you?

Child: How can you help another person do the right thing?

ALTAR FLOWERS



Altar flowers this weekend are in Thanksgiving from Lynn Hertz.

ALTAR SERVER TRAINING Will be held in the church at 10:00am on September 7th and 14th for children in the 5th grade and up. Feel welcome to contact Robert Beattie at

Robert_Brian_Beattie@alum.villanova.edu

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: Sam Aitken, Frederic Althor, Hector Baez, Lisa Ballard, Ric Barklund, Taylor Bartley, Xavier Van Bastelaer, Danny Call, Dr. Tom Calhoun, Michael Combs, Roger Corum, Cynthia Davies, Bill Daley, Sue Doetzer, James Driscoll, Jackie

Fancher, Regan Flemming, Ryleigh Flemming, Bill Goetz, Billy Hall, Elizabeth Hartwell, Linda Hemler, Elizabeth Hartwell, Betty Hescox, Eileen Hunter, Alex Hyde, Mary Logan, Bryan Lorenz, Sherie McAlpine, Frank McPhillips, Phillip Leo Mercer, Efren Diaz Miguel, Jim Minihan, Beth Moreland, Mary Neureither, Marcia Peacock, Shawn Peet, Rich Rosado, Jerry Roy, Ines Sanchez, Roberto Sanson, Yrene Rey, Cissy Staiger, Ray Tap, 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.**

OFFERTORY PRAYER: Loving God, we are gathered together to listen to your Word and to witness to its truths. We give joyously today and dedicate this offering to your work. We are inspired to share your glorious love with our brothers and sisters in Christ. Increase our talents and offerings so that your name is exalted with unending praise. Blessed is your name! Amen. Matthew 18:15-20

OFFERTORY COLLECTION

Collection (8/31)	\$ 7,908.86
Building fund (8/31)	\$ 145.00
Epiphany (8/31/)	\$ 86.00

Note: our weekly goal is \$11,500.00

THIS WEEK AT PRECIOUS BLOOD

HOLY HOUR Monday, Sept. 8th at 7 PM. In honor of the Immaculate Heart of Mary.

ST IGNATIUS PRAYER STUDY GROUP If you wish to learn more about the Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius of Loyola, please join us on Wednesdays in the rectory meeting room from 9:30-10:30 AM. We use the DVDs by Fr. Timothy Gallagher and follow up with discussion that helps us in our spiritual development. Call Catherine Murphy at 825-7734.

LADIES AUXILIARY OF THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS will meet on **Tuesday, Sept. 9th at 10:30 AM at the Culpeper County Public Library Conference Room.** Please note the location and time change.

SPECIAL SECOND COLLECTION will be held this weekend Sept. 6-7 for the Middle East. The USCCB has called for a special collection to provide humanitarian relief and pastoral support for our brothers and sisters and other innocent victims affected by the ongoing crises in the Middle East. These funds will be used by Catholic Relief Services and other Catholic agencies.

HOLY SPIRIT INTERACTIVE (HSI) next meeting will be Wed. Sept. 10th at 7 PM at the home of the Johnston's (857 Fox Den Rd). The topic will be "The Four Pillars of the Church."

FAITH DIRECT With the arrival of autumn, I'd like to invite you to join *Faith Direct*, our parish's electronic eGiving program. Our to-do lists can get lengthy this back-to-school season, but *Faith Direct's* eGiving program will give you one less thing to remember each week - no more envelopes to find and checks to write before you go to Mass. Enroll today by visiting www.faithdirect.net and use our church code, VA226 or pick up an enrollment form from the parish office to get started!

LEGION OF MARY Our next meeting will be Wed. Sept. 10th at 7 PM in the rectory mtg. room.

PRO-LIFE "The freedom to kill is not a true freedom, but a tyranny that reduces human beings to slavery" *Pope Benedict XVI*

NEWS AND NEEDS

THANK YOU for all the shoes that were donated. Over 200 pairs were donated and this has really helped with the CCDC/Culpeper Housing and Shelter program.

ST.STEPHEN'S FOOD CLOSET This week we need vegetable soup, oatmeal packs, any cold cereal and canned mixed vegetables.

CCD STARTS SEPTEMBER 21ST. Our new CCD year program begins on Sept. 21. All classes will meet from 9:30-10:45 Sunday mornings. Please register your child as soon as possible either at showmyevent.com or after Mass the weekend of 9/14. Registration for grades 2 and Confirmation Year 1 (8th gd. and up) will close 10/31. For all other grades registration will close 11/30.

CCD teacher meeting will be Thursday, Sept. 11th at 7PM. We will be discussing matters and getting rooms set up.

ANNUAL CHURCH PICNIC is today from **3-7pm**. It will be held on the grounds of Epiphany Catholic School at 1211 Grandview Ave. Come have a hotdog with Father.

RCIA ORIENTATION Those needing sacraments or wishing to join the Church are invited to the RCIA Orientation on Tuesday, Sept 9, at 6:45 PM in the rectory meeting room. Please contact Bob Wiersberg 937-6143 H or 222-8672 C.

MUSIC 5 GREAT REASONS FOR JOINING ONE OF OUR CHOIRS: 1) You can sing. 2) You love God and want glorify Him. 3) To help add beauty & joy to our liturgies. 4) To keep your vocal skills from withering. 5) We're such a great bunch, you want to be a part of all that fun. Please contact Mr. John Flemming to join our Heritage Choir at 540-222-5402 bigpsyguy@aol.com, Mrs. Theresa Watson to join our Precious Blood Choir at 540-229-5113 usswatson6@yahoo.com), Ms. Megan Canavan to join our teen acoustic group One Voice at 540-727-1112 onevoicepbcc@aol.com or Mrs. Gina Rosetta to join our Children's Choir at 937-2320 / eprosetti@yahoo.com.





Last week we welcomed 132 students to the new Epiphany Catholic School.

Today during first day of preschool, another 30 students arrived to join us in this academic year! Our preschool program enrollment has grown over the summer. Preschool 4 year old program is on a wait list; however, there is still some room in our 3 year old program. We have been very busy with the remodeling of our school this summer. Security cameras and new technology infrastructure have been installed throughout the building. New front doors will be installed soon to aid in our overall safety precautions for our students. The preschool classrooms have been totally redesigned and now have their own restrooms inside to accommodate our youngest students. We have a brand new gym floor that welcomed our students with Epiphany colors! We have two new computer mobile labs that students will have access to for instruction, and the building has been freshly painted and professionally cleaned to welcome our students and families. I look forward to welcoming parishioners to our school grounds today September, 7th for the parish picnic.

THE DANIEL PLAN The Bible teaches us that our bodies are very important to God and he wants us to take care of them. The Daniel Plan is 40 days to healthier life by Rick Warren. Come and see what it is all about. Sunday Sept. 14th 6:30-8:00pm in the annex. For more info contact Loretta Schlosser 727-2070.

PREGNANCY CENTER DESSERT RECEPTION Make your reservation now to attend the 17th Candlelight Fundraising Dessert Reception on Oct. 18th. Benefiting the Pregnancy Center in Culpeper. It will held at the Daniel Technology Center at 7 PM. For more information contact Dave Craven at 825-2265.

AROUND THE DIOCESE/VIRGINIA

C.A.N. JOB MINISTRY Appointments are available from 6:30-8:30pm every second and fourth Tuesday. Please call 703-944-8515 to reserve your appointment.

RISK JESUS'14- A DIOCESAN EVANGELIZATION CONFERENCE "The beginning of fall provides us with an opportunity for a fresh start," writes Bishop Loverde. "While you prepare for this new season, will you renew and rediscover your faith?" Join Bishop Loverde at Hylton Memorial Chapel in Woodbridge on September 27 for a unique opportunity to deepen your faith and invite a friend or family member. Former atheist Jennifer Fulwiler and Anglican convert Fr. Dwight Longenecker will talk about the "before" and "after" of their encounter with Christ and His Church, and how this encounter has transformed their lives on a daily basis. Our own Fr. Juan Puigbo will also speak, and music will be provided by acclaimed singer-songwriter Marie Miller. So take the first step – Risk Jesus, and invite a friend, family member, neighbor or colleague to join you! Tickets are \$25, with the option for a second ticket at no cost and additional tickets at \$10 each. For more information or to register, visit www.arlingtondiocese.org/riskjesus. See flyer.

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER It takes much effort just to make ends meet in our world today. Do you wish you could talk about something besides all the stresses in your life? A Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend gives you the time and tools to revitalize romance, deepen communication, and nourish the spirituality in your marriage. The weekends are Sep 12-14 & Nov 14-16 in Herndon. For more information or to apply, visit our website at renewmarriage-vanorth.org or contact us at applications@renewmarriage-vanorth.org or 703-378-4150.

INTERNATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER AND FASTING Please join us for the International Day of Prayer on Saturday, September 20, 2014 at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington DC, from 9am-4pm. Registration is FREE, but please register online at www.iwopf.org to receive a free prayer packet at the Basilica event. This day is part of the 22nd International Week of Prayer and Fasting, September 20-28, 2014. Speakers include Dr. Scott Hahn, Johnnette Benkovic and Fr. Dermot Roache. For more information visit www.iwopf.org, or call 1-888-478-PRAY (7729) or 703-707-0799.

LOVE FOR THE MASS

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"A man who fails to love the Mass fails to love Christ."¹ To love the Mass is a guarantee for salvation. But to love the Mass does not mean just being present and no more. It means to be present with faith and devotion. It means to take part in the Mass, realizing what it is: the Sacrifice of the Cross renewed on the altar; and realizing that when we go to Mass, we go, as it were, to Calvary. And that we should be present there, like our Blessed Lady beside the Cross, in loving contemplation of Christ who offers himself lovingly for each one of us.

The third purpose: to make up for our sins

Jesus is perfect God and perfect Man. He is all-holy. Therefore he has not and could not have been guilty of any sin. But, as the Holy Scriptures says, he took our sins on himself and made up for them. He did penance for us by dying on the cross. If we want to take part properly in the Holy Mass, we must be sorry for our sins. The person who is not sorry for his sins will never understand or love the Mass, nor will he ever really take part in it. But the person who comes to Mass with real sorrow for his sins, will draw from it great strength to fight against temptations and to realize that, despite his weaknesses, God loves him very much.

The penitential act — the "I confess" — that we all say together at the start of the Mass does not pardon mortal sins. Forgiveness of mortal sins has to be obtained in the sacrament of penance. It is also important to remember that a person who has committed a mortal sin cannot go to communion unless he goes to confession beforehand. But the penitential act, if it is said well, certainly helps to obtain pardon for present venial sins as well as to stir up new sorrow for past sins that have already been forgiven. In this way it helps us to purify ourselves and so to take better part in the Holy Mass.

The fourth purpose: petition

Our God is a merciful and a very generous God. He longs to give. He wants to give us what is absolutely the best, what is the greatest gift imaginable: eternal life and all the help we need to make it ours. God wants to give. But he also wants to be asked: "Ask and you shall receive." That is

why we ask with a prayer for petition. However, it is wise, when asking, to be able to back up our petition with some proof of special merit on our part. This is where we seem to run into a big difficulty. For when we look at ourselves, we see ourselves so full of defects and so lacking in merits that there seems to be no reason why God should ever heed our petitions. That is why we look to the merits of Christ, and to those of our Lady and the saints. That is why, if we are sensible, we unite our prayer to the prayer of Christ.

Christ's prayer is always effective because it is simply impossible that God the Father should not listen to the prayer of his beloved Son. Jesus prayed for us on the cross. He continues praying for us on the altar. When we pray in the Holy Mass, therefore, and unite our prayers to that of Jesus, we can be sure that our requests will be heard by God the Father.

<http://www.catholiceducation.org/articles/religion/re0673.html>

Pope Francis: The Christian who does not feel that the Virgin Mary is his or her mother is an orphan.

We have several older (XP) computers that are free for give-away. If you are interested please contact the rectory.