

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 Assistant-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 Saturday: 4:00-5:30 p.m. and Wednesday from 6:30-8:00 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 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 old

Elementary K-5

Middle School: 6-8

office@epiphanycatholicsschool.org

www.epiphanycatholicsschool.org

September 20, 2015

“Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time.”

Mass Readings and Intentions for the Week

Sun. Sept 20

8:00 AM + John McGovern Jr.
11:30 AM + Jocinta Davies
4:00 PM For the People

Mon. Sept 21 + John McGovern Jr.

Readings: Eph 4:1-7, 11-13; Mt 9:9-13

Tues. Sept 22 Ellie Chandler (healing)

Readings: Ezr 6:7-8; 12b, 14-20; Lk 8:19-21

Wed. Sept 23 Theo Capezio (birthday)

Readings: Ezr 9:5-9 Lk 9:1-6

Thurs. Sept 24 Antoinette Stevens (healing)

Readings: Hg 1:1-8; Lk 9:7-9

Fri. Sept 25 + Alvoy Depue

Readings: Hg 2:1-9; Lk 9:18-22

Sat. Sept 26

Readings: Zec 2:5-9, 14-15a; Lk 9:43b-45

8:30 AM + Nell Weld
6:00 PM + Ruby Baker

LORD HEAR THE PRAYER

FOR OUR SICK Especially:

Virginia Allen, Rita Bain, Ric Barklund, Mike Bosma, Joyce Bosworth, Josephine Borst, Diane Clark, Betty Craven, Stathie Cuccherini, Bill Daley, Pat Deighan, James Driscoll, Inez Guneseppi, Richard Hall, Rebecca Helsel, Alex Hyde, Jim Hyde, Mary Jackson, Brissa LaMatta, Luciana LaMatta, Charlotte Larson, Mary Logan, Kriss Cordero Luna, Ana Magana, Phillip Leo Mercer, Jim Minihan, Beth Moreland, Mary Neureither, Sylvia Paditlla, Shawn Peet, Ariel Perez-Young, Gia Quiroz, Ray Jesus Ramirez, Donald Rediske, Marie Rediske, Max Rosado, Evelyn Sawyer, Suzann Southworth, Mildred Stewart, Lorain Smith, Virginia Smith, Jay Way, Margaret Williams, Jeremy Wilson, Ariana Moncada Yactoyao, Fr. Leo Zonneveld 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 re-**



Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

"True Wisdom"

- Reading I** Wisdom 2:1, 17-20 (the wicked speak)
- Reading II** James 3:16-4:3 (true wisdom and worldly desires)
- Gospel** Mark 9:30-37 (second teaching of the paschal event and words and the doctrine of the cross)

Key Passage He sat down, called the twelve, and said to them, "Whoever wants to be first must be last of all and servant of all." (Mark 9:35)

Adult What evidence do you see in the world around you that many do not accept Jesus' teaching on power and ambition?

Child Why is it wrong to feel envy for what belongs to another?

OFFERTORY COLLECTION

9/13 Collection:	\$ 7,794.32
Building Fund	\$ 203.00
Epiphany	\$ 8.00
Religious Ed	\$ 737.79

FAITH DIRECT

Collections:	\$ 8,948.00
Epiphany	\$ 116.00
Faith of Future	\$ 568.34
Building fund	\$ 362.00
Religious Ed	\$ 375.00

THE WINNERS ARE: Nicholas Power and Regina Gallagher to see Pope Francis on Sept. 23rd. Congratulations!!

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.

THIS WEEK AT PRECIOUS BLOOD
SCHEDULE CHANGE FOR CONFESSIONS
SATURDAYS: 4:00pm to 5:30pm and WEDNESDAY: 6:30-8:00pm

FRIDAY MASS on September 25th will be held here at Precious Blood

DEACON MARQUES SILVA will lead the community of Precious Blood on a reflection on the Pope's Encyclical *Laudate Si* on Sunday, **September 20, 2015 at 6:00 - 8:30pm.**

MISSING ITEMS? We have several items left over from the church picnic for pick up in the office.

SAINT STEPHEN'S FOOD CLOSET This week we need jelly, gravy and pancake mix/syrup.



MUSIC MINISTRY'S TOP 5 REASONS FOR JOINING OUR MUSIC MINISTRY:

Children's choir practices resume today! Our parish needs singers in grades 2 through 7 to add beauty to our First Reconciliation celebration and Christmas Eve mass. Practices will be held in the CCD classroom #1 each Sunday from 10:50-11:20 am. Please contact Mrs. Gina Rosetti at eprossetti@yahoo.com or 540-937-2320.

ST. IGNATIUS PRAYER GROUP Come and join us as we deepen our understanding of our faith and how to pray. We meet at the church on Wednesdays, **9:30-10:30 a.m.** Any questions please call **Sheila Bertrand at 540-219-3099.**

MORNING BIBLE STUDY: Come and get lost in God's holy word with the Morning Bible Study on Thursday from **9:30-11:30 a.m.** in the parish hall. We will be studying the Acts of the Apostles For information call **Joanna Madoma at 540-829-2235**

PRECIOUS BLOOD AMERICAN HERITAGE GIRLS TROOP VA1946 Calling all girls ages 5-18! American Heritage Girls (AHG) is a Christian scouting program for girls and young women, and Precious Blood is excited to have its very own troop starting this year. Interested in joining or volunteering? Contact **Wendy Fields**, (wendymoody0922@gmail.com) or **Kelly Wilton**, (wilton3knr@yahoo.com).

LIFECCHAIN a peaceful, pro-life prayer vigil will be held on Sunday, **October 4th from 2:00-3:30 pm.** on the grassy area along James Madison Highway in front of the Culpeper Wal-Mart near Burger King. Please come and lend your support. For more info, see www.nationallifechain.net.



LIBRARY UPDATE Thanks to everyone who contributed spiritual books, prayer cards, DVD's, magazines and your time! Without your generosity, the Pope John Paul II library at Precious Blood would not have come to fruition. Please fill out the survey for use of the library. This will help us ensure your needs are met. We will also be looking for volunteer librarians to check books in and out. Turn in your completed survey forms into the second collection basket. Thanks again.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ANNUAL FALL YARD SALE is on **Saturday October 24th 8:00-2pm** at the rectory garage off Piedmont Street. SALEABLE donations will be accepted on October 20th thru October 23rd from 6:00 to 8:30pm. Now is the time to check your attic and garage to verify if you have donations suitable for the yard sale. If you have any questions, please contact Joe Kratochvil, 825-7273; Dennis Mercier, 540-522-6672; Bruce Winning, 540-522-3581 or John Brown, 540-825-1681. Reserve October 24th to shop the Yard Sale for treasures you cannot pass by.



ALL Bulletin inserts please email: bulletin@preciousbloodcatholicchurch.com

Deadline is 3:30pm on Monday before.



September 13th was a wonderful opportunity for parishioners to see first-hand the beautiful facility of Epiphany Catholic School at the annual church picnic. It was a beautiful day of good food, fun and fellowship. I look forward to seeing this religious community come together at future functions at our school such as the consignment sale on September 24/25, Race for Education, and the Gala in November. On Tuesday, we had the Office of Catholic Schools come to our facility to do a promotion video of all the exciting happenings going on at our school. The video will showcase our new building, our enrollment growth and of course our wonderful students. Also on Tuesday, we had our Back to School Night. It was very well attended by our parents and many of them commended on how well the school looked and how pleased they are with their choice of a catholic education. We still have room in our preschool three program with a few slots left. Our preschool 4 is closed due to enrollment. Please come by for a tour. It's not too late. Our preschool is the feeder program into our Kindergarten class. By being enrolled, you have a guarantee slot into our K program. Something to consider as this year's Kindergarten class closed in early July. Jim Oliver, Principal.



BEST BUDDIES Join us for the first-ever Best Buddies Friendship Walk in the Capital Region on Saturday, **Oct. 17th!** The walk benefits, people with and without Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities (IDD). www.bestbuddiesvirginia.org for information.

RCIA It is not too late to join us for RCIA.. Come out on Monday nights at 7:00pm for information on the Catholic Faith. If you are Catholic and need a refresher or are interested in becoming Catholic, join us for all the enjoyable conversations and knowledge that we offer. If you have any questions please contact the office **540-825-8945**.

ADULT EDUCATION PROGRAM This Sunday (Sept. 20) from 9:40-10:40 am in the Parish Hall, we continue our exploration of the key people, important places, and early story of our faith by viewing the conclusion of *Abraham: Father of Faith and Works*. All adults are urged to attend the *Footprints of God* series by popular Catholic author and speaker Steve Ray this Fall. The next two sessions on Sept. 27 and Oct. 4 will feature *Moses: Signs, Sacraments, and Salvation*. Spanish language subtitles will be provided.

BIBLE TIMELINE STUDY It is confirmed - class meeting day is Tuesday, 7 pm, downstairs. Contact the Parish Office, 825-8945 or office@preciousbloodcatholicchurch.com to get your course materials - \$40 for 3 ring binder and other materials. Bring a Bible and pick up a Catechism of the Catholic Church if you can. My name is Mac Mc Phillips, my numbers are: 540-547-2123 and machimself@gmail.com

AROUND THE DIOCESE/VIRGINIA

WORLD WIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER The second reading tells us, "the wisdom from above is first of all pure, then peaceable, gentle, compliant, full of mercy and good fruits, without inconstancy or insincerity. Let Worldwide Marriage Encounter help you to practice these traits in your marriage. The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekends are on 9-11 October in Norfolk, VA or 13-15 November in Herndon, VA. For more information or to apply, visit our website at renewmarriage-vanorth.org



MARYLAND CATHOLIC WOMEN'S CONFERENCE Last chance to sign up for the Maryland Catholic Women's conference on October 10-11, 2015 at Mount Saint Mary's in Emmitsburg, Md. www.marylandcatholicwomen.com

40 DAYS OF LIFE Sept. 23 through Nov. 1, you are invited to join other Christians for 40 days of prayer and fasting for an end of abortion. You are invited to stand and peacefully pray during a 40-day vigil in the public right-of-way outside the Planned Parenthood in Charlottesville. The Kickoff Rally is Sept. 22 in front of the Planned Parenthood from 5:30-6:30. www.40daysforlive.com



Why do we pray the Our Father each week?

One of the most frequently prayed prayers among Catholics and Christians of other denominations is the Our Father. For most Christians, it is one of the first prayers that everyone learns from a young age. One of the main reasons it holds primacy in our faith and is prayed each week in the liturgy is that Jesus himself taught us the prayer. When asked by his disciples about how to pray, Jesus taught his disciples the prayer traditionally known as the "Our Father" or "the Lord's Prayer." This prayer appears in Matthew 6:9-13 and Luke 11:2-4.

Is there a particular structure to the Our Father?

After the initial address to the Father, the prayer itself is composed of seven petitions. There are three "thy-petitions" (thy name, thy kingdom, thy will) followed by four "us-petitions" (give us, forgive us, lead us not and deliver us). In order to better understand the Lord's Prayer, it is important to briefly examine each petition.

"Our Father, who art in heaven..."

When Jesus taught his disciples to pray, he did not teach them to pray "My Father," but rather "Our Father." This reminds us that we are God's sons and daughters together in Christ, not as isolated individuals. It is only as the body of Christ that we can pray to God as Father. When we call God "Father," it is a reminder for us to live as children in relation with God. In teaching us to call God "Father," Jesus also tells us that we have the privilege to call God by the same name he used in his intimate relationship with the Father.

"Hallowed be thy name..."

In the first petition, we are asking that God's name would be "hallowed" or sanctified. Objectively speaking, God's name is already holy, but the prayer is asking that God make his name holy to all people through his works and deeds. (See Ezekiel 36:22-27.)

"Thy kingdom come..."

The second petition has a twofold meaning. First, we are praying for the coming of the kingdom of God here and now in our everyday lives. At the same time, we are also praying for Christ's glorious return at the end of time and the final coming of the reign of God.

"Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven..."

The third petition asks God that our will be conformed to his divine will. When Jesus was praying to the Father in the Garden of Gethsemane, he also used the words "thy will be done." When we pray "thy will be done" we commit ourselves to following Jesus by taking up our cross.

"Give us this day, our daily bread..."

In the fourth petition, "give us" expresses our trust in our heavenly Father. "Our daily bread" refers to our earthly nourishment that is necessary to physically sustain us throughout the day and the Bread of Life (the Word of God and the Body of Christ) that spiritually nourishes us. As Catholics, we are privileged to receive the "Bread of Life" daily in the Mass.

"Forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us..."

In the fifth petition, we beg for God's mercy for the times that we have fallen short of loving God and loving our neighbor. We acknowledge that the Father's mercy and forgiveness are able to penetrate our hearts to the extent that we are able to forgive our enemies.

"Lead us not into temptation..."

Some people wonder why we would ask God not to lead us into temptation. The letter of St. James clearly says that God does not tempt us with evil (James 1:13). Therefore, in this petition, we are asking that God does not allow us to take the path that leads to sin. We are praying to avoid the near occasion of sin.

"But deliver us from evil..."

Closely tied to the previous prayer, in this final petition, we are asking God to protect us from evil. The Catechism teaches that the "evil" in this petition is not an abstract evil, but actually "refers to a person, Satan, the Evil One, the angel who opposes God" (CCC, 2851). While we acknowledge the reality of the devil, we place our trust in Christ and his definitive victory over evil on the cross.

"Amen!"

After praying all of these petitions, we end by affirming our belief in all that we have prayed by saying "Amen" or "So be it!"

Why do some Christians add a line at the end of the Our Father?

Some Christians pray, "For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours for ever," immediately at the end of the Our Father. While this line was not included in the prayer recorded by the Gospels, it was included in The Didache, a first or second century writing that summarizes much of the teaching of the apostles. Catholics pray this line during the liturgy, but only after a prayer by the priest, in order to honor the tradition while also maintaining the traditional prayer included in the Gospels.