## 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 MassonDirector of Music
Patricia ReedDir. of Religious Education
Miriam MedinaDir. of Liturgy/Hispanic Liaison
Danielle Gambale-MetzOffice Assistant-Notary
Theresa WatsonChoir Director
John FlemmingHeritage Choir Director
Julie DawleyDirector of R.C.I.A.
Mary FlemmingCoordinator of Youth Ministry
Jim Oliver,Principal, Epiphany School
Barbara TerryDirector, Epiphany Pre-School
Anne SchuylerBusiness 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.

email: office@preciousbloodcatholicchurch.com

## 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 then six months. Registered parishioners who wish to marry at Precious Blood should contact the parish arrangements.

<u>CCD CLASSES</u> 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@epiphanycatholicschool.org www.epiphanycatholicschool.org

September 27, 2015

"Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time."

## Mass Readings and Intentions for the Week

Sun. Sept 27

+ Fr. Leo Zonneveld 8:00 AM

Rosa Argentina Munquia (healing) 11:30 AM

4:00 PM + Bernardo Chavez

Mon. Sept 28 Brigetta Gruenburg (healing)

Readings: Zec 8:1-8; Lk 9:46-50

Tues. Sept 29 Marsha Capezio (birthday)

Readings: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14; Jn 1:47-51

Wed. Sept 30 + Connie Wiersburg

Readings: Neh 2:1-8; Lk 9:57-62

Thurs. Oct 1 Antoinette Stevens (birthday) Readings: Neh 8:1-4a, 5-6, 7b-12; Lk 10:1-12

Fri. Oct 2 Kelli Robertson (healing) Readings: Bar 1:15-22; Mt 18:1-5, 10

Sat. Oct 3

Readings: Bar 4:5-12, 27-29; Lk 10:17-24

8:30 AM Opus-Dei (anniversary)

6:00 PM +Amanda Brunner

## 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,



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 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.

## Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time "Setting Priorities"

Reading I Numbers 11:25-29 (sharing the gift of

prophecy)

Reading II James 5:1-6 (saving the right focus)

Gospel Mark 9:38-43, 45, 47-48 (sharing our

possessions)

Key Passage Listen! The wages of the laborers who mowed your fields, which you kept back by fraud, cry out, and the cries of the harvesters have reached the ears of the Lord of hosts. (James 5:4)

**Adult** What are the three most important values motivating your daily decisions?

**Child** Could a poor person who is wise be richer in a way than a foolish person who has many things? Why?

"Anyone who gives you a cup of water to drink because you belong to Christ, amen, I say to vou, will surely not lose his reward."

## Mark 9:41

Does your life reflect the life of Jesus? Remember, we were made in His image. We tend to forget this. When others see you, do they see the face of Jesus? When you look at others, do you see the face of Jesus in them?

## **OFFERTORY COLLECTION**

9/20 Collection: 9301.00 Building Fund 90.00 Epiphany 270.00

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.

FAITH DIRECT Welcome Pope Francis! Faith Direct is helping to preserve God's Green Earth one envelope at a time. Enroll today at www.faithdirect.net use VA226 to start giving today!

**ALL** Bulletin inserts please email: bulletin@preciousbloodcatholicchurch.com

Deadline is 3:30pm on Monday before.

## THIS WEEK AT PRECIOUS BLOOD

<u>SECOND COLLECTION</u> There will be a second collection for the Catholic University of America next weekend.

<u>FAITH DIRECT</u> The Finance committee will be helping people sign up for Faith Direct in the Rectory after all the masses next weekend. Please consider signing up for an easy way to give your offering to our parish.

<u>SAINT STEPHEN'S FOOD CLOSET</u> This week we need any single items: oatmeal, microwave meals, Vienna sausages, flip top vegetables, microwavable soups and plastic bags. Thank you!



<u>MUSIC MINISTRY</u> "Thus should one regard us; as servants of Christ and stewards of the mysteries of God." (1 Cor. 4:1) Music ministers serve Christ and our parish through their musical talents and are stewards of God's mysteries that are revealed and shared through song. Are you a steward of a musical talent? How would our Lord like His gift to be used? Please contact our Direct of Music Hannah Masson at <a href="maintaintenant-masson@yahoo.com">hannahmasson@yahoo.com</a> or pick up a flyer from the door of the music office for information on using your gifts in our music ministry.

<u>IGNATIAN PRAYER GROUP</u> 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.** at the church. We will be studying Acts of the Apostles and will learn how our Holy Catholic Church was originally established and of the first stage of the spread of the Gospel after Our Lord's ascension. For information call **Joanna Madorma at 540-829-2235** 

<u>HOLY SPIRIT INTERACTIVE (HSI)</u> Next meeting will be Wednesday, **Oct. 14, at 7:00 pm** at the new office of Brown Harris Wealth Management (309 N. Main Street, right across the street from our church). Topic is "The Ten Commandments of Financial Freedom." Many of us struggle with our finances although the Bible clearly reveals the secrets of being mightily blessed by God. In this talk Aneel Aranha will teach us the secrets of obtaining "Financial Freedom."



<u>LIFECHAIN</u> 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**.

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.

<u>BLOOD DRIVE</u> Start your advent off with a sacrifice of blood in order to save a life. **December 2, 2015** we will have the Red Cross Blood Drive. For more information please contact **Mykelle at mhlaws@aol.com** 

<u>WELCOME COMMITTEE MEETING</u> Will meet Tuesday the **September 29th at 7pm** classroom 30. If you have any questions please call Michelle Perez at **540-825-2917**.

<u>ALZHEIMER'S INFORMATION</u> Saturday **October 2, from 2:00 –4:00pm**, they will be having a film preview and a panel discussion following an Alzheimer. Please join us at Culpeper County Library. For more information call **540-825-8691** 

<u>CULPEPER DESSERT RECEPTION</u> October 24th at 7:00pm will be the dessert reception for the Pregnancy Center at GCC Daniel Technology Center. Featuring Fr Agustino Torres, CFR. For more information call 540-727-0800



Our morning prayers this week have been dedicated to Father Leo who served this religious community for over thirty years. Students were told of Father Leo's vision of opening a catholic school to our region some twenty years ago. We are grateful that Father Leo was able to see his dream come true of a new building for Epiphany Catholic School last year at the opening dedication.

This week students were rewarded with a dress down for helping with the consignment sale. Students brought in tennis balls to protect our new gym floor. This day was also used to bring awareness of Pope Francis' visit to the United States. Our students were the Pope Colors to honor the Pontiff and all week have been doing lessons on the teachings of Pope Francis.

We are in the process of starting a wish list to support the quality catholic education for our students of Epiphany. If you are interested in making a non-monetary donation of your time and talents please contact the school. Donations do not simply need to be financial. Many of you have vast knowledge of curriculum related materials that can assist teachers and students. Several of you own companies in the construction business that could help with some facility needs of our building. We are also looking for technology experts and tutors for classroom assistance in all subjects areas. If you have an idea for a fund raiser, we would love to hear from you! Thank you for your support.

Jim Oliver, Principal

<u>BEST BUDDIES</u> 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.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS (RCIA) If you have not received the sacraments of Baptism, the Eucharist or Confirmation plan to come to our Monday night sessions where we will learn about the catholic church teachings and prepare for full reception into the church at Easter. Classes are 7-9 PM every Monday night in a classroom below the parish hall. Please join us. Call the rectory if you have questions.

<u>ADULT EDUCATION PROGRAM</u> We continue our exploration of the key people, important places, and early story of our faith by viewing *Moses: Signs, Sacraments, and Salvation* by Steve Ray this Sunday (Sept. 27) at 9:40-10:40 am in the Parish Hall. All adults are urged to attend the *Footprints of God* DVD series this Fall and go on scenic journeys through the lands of the Bible to meet the people and places in the sweeping saga of our 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 <a href="mailto:office@preciousbloodcatholicchurch.com">office@preciousbloodcatholicchurch.com</a> 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 <a href="mailto:machinself@gmail.com">machinself@gmail.com</a>

## 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



<u>40 DAYS OF LIFE</u> 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. <a href="https://www.40daysforlive.com">www.40daysforlive.com</a>

# The meaning of Amen

Amen is a word that came to English from Latin, which got it from Greek, which got it from Aramaic, which got it from Hebrew.

The specific Hebrew word *amen* ('amen') appears to be derived from a related verb-'aman, which means he confirmed, supported, or upheld. This verb is also associated with the Hebrew word for *truth* ('emet'), which carries the idea of certainty or dependability (i.e., that which is true is that which is certain or dependable).

'Amen itself is an interjection used to agree with, affirm, approve, or emphasize something else that has been said. Thus when Jesus begins certain sayings by declaring "Amen, amen, I say to you . . . " various Bible translations often render the "amen, amen" different ways. Because of the word's association with the Hebrew terms for truth, the double amen is sometimes rendered "truly, truly" or "verily, verily." Because of its association with the Hebrew terms for confirmation or dependability, one might also translate it "certainly, certainly" or "most assuredly."

1396 The unity of the Mystical Body: the Eucharist makes the Church. Those who receive the Eucharist are united more closely to Christ. Through it Christ unites them to all the faithful in one body-the church. Communion renews, strengthens, and deepens this incorporation into the Church, already achieved by Baptism. In Baptism we have been called to form but one body. The Eucharist fulfills this call. "The cup of blessing which we bless, is it not a participation in the blood of Christ? Because there is one bread, we who are many are one body, for we all partake of the one bread."

If you are the body and members of Christ, then it is your sacrament that is placed on the table of the Lord; it is your sacrament that you receive. To that which you are you respond "Amen" ("yes it is true!") and by responding to it you assent to it. For you hear the words, "the Body of Christ" and respond "Amen" Be then a member of the Body of Christ that your Amen may be true. (Catechism of the Catholic Church 1396)

"Then after the prayer is over you say 'Amen' which means 'So be it' thus ratifying with our 'Amen' what is contained in the prayer that God has taught us." (CCC 2856)

So may your "Amen" be loud and strong affirming your "fiat".

http://www.catholic.com/quickquestions/what-exactly-does-amen-mean and the Catechism of the Catholic Church 2<sup>nd</sup> Edition

