# Precious Blood Catholic Church



PARISH OFFICE HOURS & CONTACT INFO: Monday – Friday: 9:00 am – 5:00 pm
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#### **MASS TIMES**

- ♦ Saturdays: 8:30am\* & 5:00pm (Vigil)
- Sundays: 8:30am, 11:30am, 2:00pm(Spanish)
- ◆ Thursdays: 8:30am\*/Adoration 9am-9pm
- Fridays: 8:30am\* and 7:00pm
   (Friday 8:30 am Mass at Epiphany School during the school year unless otherwise noted)
- Holy Days: 8:30am\*, 7:00pm, 8:30pm(Spanish)
   (and 7:00pm vigil the preceding evening)

(\*followed by Morning Prayer/Office of Readings)

#### **PARISH STAFF**

Rev. Father Kevin B. Wals	hPastor
Rev. Mark Moretti	Parochial Vicar
Rev. Mr. Ramon Tirado	Deacon
Kathy Semerling	Business Manager
Steve Hemler	Director of Faith Formation
Miriam MedinaDirector 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
Austin Poole	Principal, Epiphany School
Monica ParsonsD	Pirector, Epiphany Pre-School

CCD Classes: Sundays 9:45-11:00AM(K-12)

RCIA Classes: Mondays 7:00PM (English)

RCIC Classes: Sundays 12:45PM

RICA Classes: Sundays 3:30PM (Spanish)

Office: 540-825-1339



"Why are you troubled? And why do questions arise in your hearts? Look at my hands and my feet, that is I myself. Touch me and see, because a ghost does not have flesh and bones as you can see I have."

> April 15, 2018 Third Sunday of Easter

#### 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 a Godparent or sponsor.

#### 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:

In English: 1st Saturdays class/2nd Saturdays celebration In Spanish: 3rd Saturdays class/4th Saturdays celebration

#### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Wednesdays 6:30-7:30 PM Saturdays 3:30-4:30 PM, and any time upon request.

#### **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.

### Mass Readings and Intentions for the Week (third week of Easter): April 15-21

Sun. APRIL 15

Readings: Acts 3:13-15, 17-19; 1Jn2:1-5a; Lk 24:35-48

8:30AM Elizabeth Fyrberg (+) 11:30AM for the people

2:00 PM elimination of hate groups and conversion of members

Mon. April 16 Readings: Acts 6:8-15; Jn 6:22-29 8:30 AM Barbara Hochstatter (+)

Tues. April 17 Readings: Acts 7:51— 8:1a; Jn 6:30-35 8:30 AM David Fallen (+)

Wed. April 18

Readings: Acts 8: 1b-8; Jn 6:35-40 8:30 AM Hannah C. Ashby (healing)

Thurs. April 19

Readings: Acts 8:26-40; Jn 6:44-51 8:30AM: Bill DiiBon (+)

Fri. April 20

Readings: Acts 9:1-20; Jn 6:52-59 8:30AM: (Mass at Épiphany) 7:00PM: George Fischer (+)

Sat. April 21

Readings: Acts 9:31-42; Jn 6:60-69

8:30PM Carl and Cindi Priebe family

5:00PM unemployed-may they find meaningful

and productive work

#### The Living Christ

is Risen

Alleluia!

Reading I: Acts 3:13-15, 17-19 (Peter's discourse on Jesus' resurrection)

Reading II: 1John 2:1-5 (keeping the commandments)

Gospel: Luke 24:35-48 (Jesus appears to the Eleven)

Key Passage: Jesus said to them, "Why are you frightened, and why do doubts arise in your hearts: Look at my hands and my feet; see that it is I myself." (Luke 24:38-39)

Adult: What questions about Jesus still arise in the midst of your faith?

Child: What guestion would you like to ask someone about Jesus' appearance to the Apostles?

#### **USHERS/ALTAR SERVERS/EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS/LECTORS:**

The schedule for April/May/June/July 2018 is available. Copies are in the usher's room; they are also easily available for downloading from the website under ministries/minister schedule.



## LORD, HEAR THE PRAYER FOR OUR SICK ESPECIALLY:

Brian Alexander, Janice Ambrose, Hector Baez, Natalie Batiste,

Wayne Bentz, Mike Bosma, Rudy Bronesky, Mike Buckley, Christopher Byrne, Jim Byrne, Kriss Cordero, Roger Corum, Valentina Cruz, Cynthia Davies, Jo English, Tom Fealy, Paul Flynn, Jeraldine Frye, Joseph Gately, Kevin Gile, April Hair, Doris Houdesheldt, Alex Hyde, Sherry Judy, Emma Kaylor, Joe and Freda Kratochvil, Sr. Carolina Langschwager, Charlotte Larson, John Lochte, Martin Luna, Camila Lyme, Ana Magana, Rosalio Martinez, Kimberly Mendoza, Beth Moreland, Suzanne Mullins, Mary Neureither, Barbara Noonan, Cornelia Slabe Paczkowski, Luis Padilla, Shawn Peet, Elizabeth Pycha, Alice Schorr, Avery Scott, Dot Stockli, Enrica Scotto di Rinaldi, James Tietz, Cheryl Weagle, Ross Whittaker, 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.

Please call the rectory to give us changes/ <u>updat</u>es



If you would like one of the priests to visit someone who is sick, please notify the rectory. Arrangements should also be Homelogund made with the rectory for an Extraordinary Minister of Holy

Communion to bring the Eucharist to shut-ins on a regular basis. Sacramental Emergency Only: #540-219-5232.

**EUCHARISTIC ADORATION:** You are invited to honor the Eucharistic presence of Christ every Thursday, 9AM to 9PM, unless otherwise noted. Call Joanna 829-2235, if you have an hour a week to spend with Jesus. **PLEASE TAKE NOTE:** We are organizing a Eucharistic procession to take place on June 3, the feast of Corpus Christi. We are looking for people to volunteer to be candle bearers, canopy holders, prepare the altar(s), reception organizers, and flower carpet artists; please contact the office of your interest to help with this event 540-825-8945, as soon as possible.

#### **OFFERTORY COLLECTIONS**

Sunday, 4/8: \$10,405.00 **Epiphany** 75.00 **Building Fund** 100.00 Rice bowl collections to date: \$ 1,494.21

## THIS WEEK AT PRECIOUS BLOOD

• MONDAY (4/16)

Mass: 8:30AM

◆ TUESDAY (4/17):

Mass: 8:30AM

• WEDNESDAY (4/18):

Mass: 8:30AM and Confessions: 6:30-8:00PM

◆ THURSDAY (4/19):

Mass: 8:30AM/Adoration, 9AM-9PM

• FRIDAY (4/20):

Mass: 8:30AM at Epiphany School 7:00PM at Precious Blood

• SATURDAY (4/21):

Mass: 8:30AM/Vigil Mass: 5:00PM 1ST Communion, 2:00PM

#### STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION:

"Jesus himself stood among them and said to them, 'Peace be with you.' But they were startled and frightened..." - LUKE 24:36-37

Throughout the day we have many opportunities to "see the face of Jesus" in others and to "be the face of Jesus" to others. Do we take that opportunity to provide "peace" to those we encounter or are we afraid of what others will think of us and do nothing? Pray for the strength to live a "God-centered" life and not a "selfcentered" life.

## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

BASH is the diocese's largest gathering of Catholic middle school students (6th-8th graders) every year! This event is a celebration of our Catholic faith and love of the Lord. Come gather for an evening of faith, fellowship, and fun! WHEN: Saturday, April 21, 3:30-9:00PM; WHERE: St. John Paul the Great High School, Dumfries, VA; COST: \$10.00 per participant (youth and adults), which includes all the great entertainment above, dinner, and snacks. HOW TO SIGN UP: Young people that want to participate must sign up through their parish; permission slips available in the office! SPEAKERS LINED UP: Katie Prejean McGrady & Danny Ray

PARISH SPRING DANCE/ SOCIAL Join us friends for a dance/social sponsored by The Knights of Columbus at the Epiphany School Gymnasium, Friday, April 27, 7-11pm; BYOB. set ups provided, feel free to bring small finger food. \$12.50 per person; see a Knight for tickets. More info contact: Phil Ferlazzo, 825-0849 or Bruce Winning 540-522-3581.







#### MAKE A DIFFERENCE! WALK FOR LIFE on

Saturday, April 21st, at 8:30 AM! Help women choose life for their babies! Don't miss this fun family event benefiting The Pregnancy Centers of Central VA. The money you raise as a fundraising walker directly supports unborn babies and their mothers. Details for the event can be found at iWalk4lifeVA.org. The easy 1.5 mile walk will start and end at the Culpeper Baptist Church on West Street. Questions? Please contact: The Pregnancy Center at: 540-727-0800.

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

MUSIC MINISTRY: April 15 is normally known as tax day, although this year it's bumped to the 18th due to the weekend date & the April 16 holiday in Washington DC for "Emancipation Day". George Harrison wrote "Taxman" for the Beatles when he found out that their earnings had placed them in the top tax bracket in the United Kingdom, making them liable to a 95% supertax.

### **CONGRATULATIONS ON RECEIVING THE** SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM on APRIL 7TH:

Mateo Zane Wright, son of Donald and Carol Wright



RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults): Next meeting will be Monday, April 16, at 7pm in the Parish hall. Topic is Social Justice.

Come Learn More about Catholicism! Welcome All!



KNIGHTS The Knights of Columbus will be collecting for KOVAR, selling tickets, and hosting a

membership drive after all Masses this weekend and next. Now is the time to learn more about this organization and how it ministers to the Church.

#### 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 grade office@epiphanycatholicschool.org www.epiphanycatholicschool.org



THANK YOU Precious Blood parishioners, for your generous support of Devon Buttenshaw's Eagle Scout Project. To date, the total fund collected for the purchase of an AED for Epiphany is \$1,890.00! We are happy that we will soon have an AED, cabinet, sign and extra pads.

SAVE THE DATE for Monday, June 11, for the Epiphany Golf Tournament! The Country Club of Culpeper will host a 1:00PM Shotgun Start. There will be Mulligan sales, a putting contest, a 50/50 Raffle, and awards for Longest Drive and Closest to the Pin. The cost is \$110.00 per golfer or \$400.00/ foursome (includes dinner), so get together and join the fun! Sponsorship opportunities are available. Visit our website: 'News & Events' tab. Questions? Chairperson Vicky Hale at golftournament@epiphanvcatholicschool.org.



## AROUND THE DIOCESE/ VIRGINIA

#### ROPES COURSE VOCATIONS EVENT FOR HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS: the FIAT

Ropes Course & Zipline (for girls) on **Saturday, April 21**. This is a great opportunity to challenge yourself, enjoy the great outdoors and get to know women who are following God's call as a religious sister. For more information and to register, contact the Office of Vocations at vocations@arlingtondiocese.org or (703) 852-2514.

MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND: Like in the gospel today, sometimes our minds need to be opened to know what God has done for us, and what he wants for us in our marriage. Deepen your communication, strengthen your relationship, rekindle your romance and renew your sacrament. The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekends are: Apr 20-22, 2018 in Gaithersburg, MD AND Sep 21-23, 2018 in Herndon, VA. Early sign up is recommended. For more information visit our website at: RenewMarriage-VANorth.org or contact us at mailto:wmandbethnickles@hotmail.com; applications@renewmarriage-vanorth.org or 703-646-1521.

<u>SIGN UP FOR THE DIOCESAN E-NEWSLETTER!</u> Receive special video messages from our bishop, learn about unique opportunities to get involved, and be the first to know the news about our Diocese — straight to your inbox. Sign up here: http://bit.ly/CDAsignup.

<u>VOCATIONS</u>: "Now by this we may be sure that we know Him, if we obey His commandments." Jesus makes Himself known to you through the vocation He chose for you. Do you hear a call to the priesthood or consecrated life? Call Father J.D. Jaffe at (703) 841-2514, or write: j.jaffe@arlingtondiocese.org.

#### LIGHT THE WORLD! IS A SUMMER INSTITUTE THAT TAKES PLACE AT THE CATHOLIC

<u>UNIVERSITY OF AMERICA.</u> Rising Juniors and Seniors are invited to join us either **June 24-June 30**, **July 8-14** as we explore how our faith is lived within the fields and careers of Art, Science, Sport, Business, and Politics. Visit lighttheworldcua.org for more information and application materials.

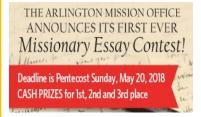
WORD OF LIFE: "A model of care has been developed specifically for families whose infant is likely to die before or after birth. Often called 'perinatal hospice,' it's a way of caring for both the baby and the baby's family before, as well as after birth." USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities, "Supporting Families Who Receive a Prenatal Diagnosis" <a href="https://www.usccb.org/prenatal-diagnosis">www.usccb.org/prenatal-diagnosis</a>

EVANGELIZING is in fact the grace and vocation proper to the Church, her deepest identity. She exists in order to evangelize, that is to say, in order to preach and teach, to be the channel of the gift of grace, to reconcile sinners with God, and to perpetuate Christ's sacrifice in the Mass, which is the memorial of His death and glorious resurrection." (Blessed Paul VI, Evangelii Nuntiandi 14); The Catholic Diocese of Arlington offers ongoing support to parishes and schools, helping pastors and their ministry leaders to clarify and strengthen the evangelizing mission of the Church in their local communities. We encourage you to sign up for our free monthly e-newsletter for evangelization and adult faith formation, Vine & Branches (https://www.arlingtondiocese.org/Evangelization/). On or near the first of each month, you will receive resource recommendations, book reviews, profiles of local parish initiatives and programs, spiritual reflections, upcoming events, and more.

MARY POPPINS ON STAGE - APRIL 26-29"Winds in the East, there's a mist comin' in. Like something is brewin', and 'bout to begin...." Get ready to 'Step in Time' for a 'Jolly Holiday' with your 'Spoonful of Sugar'.... The classic Disney musical Mary Poppins flies to the Bishop O'Connell High School stage this spring! Showtimes are **Thursday - Saturday**, **April 26 - 28 at 7 p.m.** and **Sunday**, **April 29 at 2 p.m.** For more information and to purchase tickets, please visit www.bishopoconnell.org/ocplayers or call our box office at 703-237-1448.



Students who will be entering their senior year of high school in the fall of 2018 (current high school juniors) are welcome to register for the **Summer 2018** programs.



DETAILS FOR THE CONTEST: 500-750 words;11pt Times New Roman font; single spaced; Publication in future issue of Arlington Herald SUBMIT BY EMAIL TO: communications@arlingtonmissions.org SUBMIT BY MAIL TO: Arlington Mission Office Missionary Essay Contest 905 Park Ave. Falls Church, VA 22046

Dear Brothers and Sisters.

## Christ is risen! Χριστός ἀνέστη! Truly, He is risen! Αληθῶς ἀνέστη!

You may have noticed the new glass doors that lead in to the sanctuary and wondered why the previous glass doors were replaced. After the glass doors were installed before, someone realized that the original doors had been fire-rated doors, and the first glass doors were not. Unfortunately, no one noticed this prior to their installation. We had to replace those doors with fire rated ones, as well as replace the window in to the Cry Room, so that the whole wall would continue to be fire rated. The companies involved were apologetic for the oversight and credited the cost of the original doors toward the increased cost of the fire-rated ones and the new Cry Room window. The additional cost ended up being \$5,090.00.

I would like to begin a group here at the parish that we'll call the "Good Samaritans". I have had this group at other parishes and it is extremely helpful. We ask for volunteers who are willing to help out other parishioners in need. They are often our parishioners who are elderly, homebound or disabled, and may not have anyone else to help them with simple tasks. Recently a parishioner who lives alone shared with me how he had fallen and was unable to get up and remained there for seven hours until someone noticed he hadn't stopped by somewhere as part of his daily routine. Luckily for him, that person checked up on him, otherwise who knows how the situation might have ended.

If you are willing to be a Good Samaritan, please give your name in to the rectory office, and let the staff know whether you have any special skill, such as speaking Spanish, or possibly experience with basic care or nursing skills. Sometimes being a Good Samaritan might be as simple as visiting once a week, or calling every day, or occasionally helping out with some household chore. It would be great to be able to set up a kind of "buddy system" with a parishioner in need. Some parishioners would love to be able to come to Sunday Mass but would need someone to drive them.

On the other hand, if you are in need of a Good Samaritan in your life, please let us know that as well.

Please continue to pray for the Neophytes of our parish during the Easter season as they go through the Mystagogia. From now until Pentecost Sunday (May 20th this year), they will be formed in a deeper understanding and appreciation of the sacraments they have received at the Easter Vigil. There will be an echo of the great Easter Vigil on the evening of May 19th when we have the (shorter) Pentecost Vigil and begin to close the Easter season. The recently baptized will have the right to wear their baptismal garments to the Pentecost Vigil and are encouraged to do so.

Congratulations to Devon Buttenshaw, and to all of our generous parishioners, for collecting \$1540 last weekend for an AED (Automatic External Defibrillator) as part of his Eagle Scout Project. When combined with what he had already raised, this is a total of \$1890. We hope that this will allow purchasing two AEDs for Epiphany Catholic School. Thanks to all for their generosity of time and money.

And thank you to everyone who brought food by the rectory this last week.

God bless.

Fr. Kevin

# FORMED.org

## THE CATHOLIC FAITH ON DEMAND: PARISH CODE:V2XJNR

Modeled on the practice of a life confession St. Ignatius made early in his conversion, *The Whole-Life Confession* is a step-by-step four week process with spiritual exercises for each day. It culminates in the grace-filled experience of *The Whole-Life Confession*. *The Whole-Life Confession* is a very dynamic and holistic method that helps you to integrate your spiritual, intellectual and psychological/ emotional history. Those who have completed it have been amazed how it allowed them to "see their whole life" as if for the first time. Done any time of year, individually or with a faith community, your life will be changed by learning how to bring your entire life's history—your story—to Christ in this intensely holistic, deeply personal and healing method of Reconciliation.

