

# PRECIOUS BLOOD CATHOLIC CHURCH

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## MASS TIMES

- ◆ Saturdays: 8:30am\* & 5:00pm (Vigil)
- ◆ Sundays: 8:30am, 11:30am, 2:00pm(Spanish)
- ◆ Thursdays: 8:30am\* Mass followed by Adoration 9am-9pm (unless otherwise noted)
- ◆ 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)*

## PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday – Friday: 9:00 am – 5:00 pm

## PARISH STAFF

Rev. Kevin B. Walsh.....Pastor  
Rev. Mark Moretti.....Parochial Vicar  
Rev. Mr. Ramon Tirado.....Deacon  
Kathy Semerling..... Business Manager  
Steve Hemler.....Director of Faith Formation  
Miriam Medina.....Director 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 Parsons.....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 6:30-7:30 PM

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

## SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Parishioners who are requesting baptism for their child should contact the parish office to sign up for the required pre-baptismal classes:

English class: 1st Sat.; Baptisms 2nd Sat. of the month  
Spanish class: 3rd Sat.; Baptisms 3rd Sat. of the month

## SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

is celebrated after a period of preparation of not less than six months. Parishioners who wish to marry at Precious Blood should contact the parish office for arrangements.

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

## Epiphany Catholic School:

540-825-9017;

1211 E. Grandview Ave., Culpeper, VA 22701

Preschool: 3 & 4 year olds

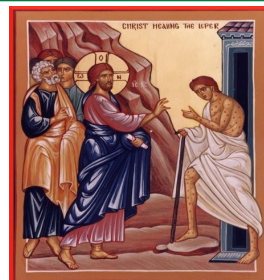
Elementary: K-5

Middle School: 6-8

[office@epiphanycatholicsschool.org](mailto:office@epiphanycatholicsschool.org)



**FEBRUARY 11, 2018**  
**6TH SUNDAY IN**  
**ORDINARY TIME**



## Mass Readings and Intentions for the Week

### **Sun. February 11**

Readings: Lv 13:1-2, 44-46; 1 Cor 10:31,11:1; Mk 1:40-45

**8:30AM: for the people**

**11:30AM: Bill White (+)**

**2:00 PM: Natividad Medina (birthday blessings)**

### **Mon. February 12**

Readings: Jas 1:1-11; Mk 8:11-13

**8:30AM: Peg Logan (+)**

### **Tues. February 13**

Readings: Jas 1:12-18; Mk 8:14-21

**8:30AM: all nations proclaim Christ is Lord**

### **Wed. February 14 ASH WEDNESDAY**

Readings: Jl 2:12-18; 2 Cor 5:20, 6:2; Mt 6: 1-6, 16-18

**8:30AM: Harold T. Hawkins, Jr. (+)**

**1:30PM: (Mass Epiphany Catholic School)**

**5:30PM: (Spanish) Craig and Jill Evans and family**

**7:00PM: Frank Piteo (+)**

**8:30PM: (Spanish) Sean and Sarah Breen and family**

### **Thurs. February 15**

Readings: Dt 30:15-20; Lk 9:22-25

**8:30AM: Peter Gruenberg (special intentions)**

**7:00PM: Michael Gruenberg (special intentions)**

### **Fri. February 16**

Readings: Is 58:1-9a; Mt 9:14-15

**8:30AM: (Mass at Precious Blood) Anne E. Ridick (+)**

**7:00PM: Richard and Jenee Priebe family**

### **Sat. February 17**

Readings: Is 58: 9b-14; Lk 5:27-32

**8:30AM: Josephine S. Priebe (+)**

**5:00PM: Bobby Woods (good health and strength)**

## MODELS OF CHRIST

Reading I: Leviticus 13:1-2, 44-46 (on leprosy)

Reading II: 1 Corinthians 10:31, 11:1  
(imitation of Christ)

Gospel Mark 1:40-45  
(healing of a leper)

Key Passage: Be imitators of me, as I am of Christ.  
(1 Corinthians 11:1)

ADULT: Would you have the courage to tell others to do as you do in order to be a Christian? Why or why not?

CHILD: What can you do this week to be an example to others?



## 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, Maria A. Caldera de Araya, Kriss Cordero, Betty Craven, Valentina Cruz, Bill Daley, Cynthia Davies, Jo English, Tom Fealy, Paul Flynn, Arnold French, Jeraldine Frye, Kevin Gile, Bill Goetz, April Hair, Linda Hemler, Sebastian Manuel Lopez Hernandez, 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, Kimberly Mendoza, Beth Moreland, Bill Mullins, Mary Neureither, Barbara Noonan, Cornelia Slabe Paczkowski, Luis Padilla, Shawn Peet, Elizabeth Pycha, Alice Schorr, Avery Scott, Enrica Scotto di Rinaldi, James Tietz, Mae Traversari, 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/updates*



## 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.

**Sacramental Emergency Only #: 540-219-5232**

## OFFERTORY COLLECTIONS

<b>Sunday collections 2/04/18</b>	<b>\$10,007.25</b>
<b>Building fund</b>	<b>\$ 1,209.78</b>
<b>Catholic Herald to date:</b>	<b>\$ 1,719.31</b>
<b>Epiphany Catholic School</b>	<b>\$ 401.00</b>

*Let us pray. Gracious God, accept these gifts, and with them our lives, to be used in your service; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

## **THIS WEEK AT PRECIOUS BLOOD:**

### **MONDAY (2/12)**

Mass 8:30AM

### ◆ **TUESDAY (2/13):**

Mass 8:30AM

### ◆ **WEDNESDAY (2/14):**

English Masses: 8:30AM/1:30PM(at Epiphany),7:00PM;

Spanish Masses: 5:30/8:30PM

### ◆ **THURSDAY (2/15):**

Mass 8:30AM; adoration 9:00AM-9:00PM

### ◆ **FRIDAY (2/16):**

Masses: 8:30AM/7:00PM at Precious Blood; fish dinner 5:00PM,

Stations of the Cross,6:30/7:45PM (Spanish)

### ◆ **SATURDAY (2/17):**

Masses: 8:30AM/Vigil Mass 5:00PM

Confessions 3:30PM-4:30PM

### ◆ **SUNDAY (2/18):**

Masses: 8:30AM;11:30AM, Spanish 2:00PM

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

**LENT BEGINS 2/14** with distribution of ashes; an informational insert has a full schedule of Lenten activities/ services to participate in leading right up to the Easter Vigil and Easter; perfect for pinning up to the refrigerator! ***There will be envelopes in the pews available for a free will donation to aid the Church in Central and Eastern Europe*** to meet the needs of rebuilding the Church in formerly Communist nations . **RICE BOWLS FOR ALMSGIVING AVAILABLE IN VESTIBULE!**

**SECOND COLLECTION (2/18):** Established in 1884, the **National Collection for Black and Indian Missions** supports and strengthens diocesan evangelization programs among the African American, American Indian, Eskimo and Aleut communities of the United States.

### **DIOCESAN NEWSPAPER REMINDER-**

The Arlington Catholic Herald is the official newspaper of the Catholic Diocese of Arlington and has a weekly circulation of over 61,000. The Arlington Catholic Herald is distributed locally, nationally and internationally. The paper received six awards from the Catholic Press Association in 2005. For more information, visit <http://www.catholicherald.com/>. **\$25/yearly subscription.** Our parish cost is: \$12,432.00.

**MUSIC MINISTRY:** In 1992, Pope John Paul II initiated Feb. 11 as "World Day of the Sick" to encourage people to pray for those who suffer from illness and their caregivers. Music is often used as an aid to healing as it's been found to improve the body's immune system function, reduce stress and to be more effective than prescription drugs in reducing anxiety before surgery (Trends in Cognitive Sciences). In scripture, David would sing and play his harp to bring relief to King Saul whenever he was troubled by a tormenting spirit.

**OUR ST. JOHN PAUL II LIBRARY:** has great books on the Church, Sacraments, prayer, marriage, defense of the Church (Apologetics), church documents, and reference materials. Check us out and grow in your knowledge of the Faith this Lent. We are open Monday 9:30-11:30, Wednesday 9:30-3:30 and Friday 9:30-11:30, or by appointment. Call Joan DePue 547-4588 or Pat Hetrick if you have any questions. *Located in the Old Rectory, corner of Edmondson and Main.*

**WORD OF LIFE:** "The Church affirms the inviolable dignity of every person, regardless of the duration or extent of the person's incapacity or dependency. Nothing diminishes the unchangeable dignity and sanctity of a person's life, or the obligation to protect and care for it."

## **EVENTS COMING UP:**

**MARDI-GRAS THEMED FUNDRAISER THIS WEEKEND AFTER THE MASSES!** *Please* come over to the parish foyer/hall for some **DELICIOUS** baked items, craft items, **KING CAKES** (small and large), **BUY** some raffle tickets to **win** a ST.VALENTINE 's and/or ST.PATRICK'S gift basket! Join us for **beignets, fruit and coffee** between the Sunday Masses! **THANK YOU** in advance for your support of the Altar Society and the continuing needs of the sanctuary altar.

### **RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults)**

**NEWS:** Next meeting will be **Monday, Feb. 12**, starting with a **Pot-Luck Dinner at 6 pm** in the Parish Hall. Topics: Catholic Devotions, Lent, prayer, fasting, Stations of the Cross, Triduum. **COME LEARN MORE** about Catholicism! **All are welcome!**

### **ADULT&HS STUDENT FAITH FORMATION:**

The final session of our special series exploring the riches of the Mass is **this Tuesday, Feb.13, from 7-8:30 pm** in the **ANNEX**. We will continue looking at the Liturgy of the Eucharist from the excellent DVD program, A Biblical Walk Through the Mass. **Fr. Mark also plans to offer a narrated Mass** this evening so we can learn even more about why we do what we do at Mass. **All adults and high school students are encouraged to attend.**

**FRIDAY EVENINGS DURING LENT.** The Knights of Columbus will be serving dinner 5PM to 6:20PM in the parish hall. The menu will be: baked cod, fish sticks, potatoes and seafood chowder.

**GABRIEL PROJECTcollections:** continue this weekend for a teen mom of a 10lb. boy, six weeks old; need diapers, onesies, wipes, lotion, baby shampoo, clothes...please bring items to the parish foyer box labeled GABRIEL PROJECT. Thank you for your generosity.

**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION:** additional adorers are needed for the following hours: 1-2PM; 3-8PM; please contact Joanna Madorma at 540-829-2235 with your interest/availability.



“Brothers and sisters, whether you eat or drink, or whatever you do, do everything for the glory of God.” - 1 CORINTHIANS

10:31

Do a quick check of your priorities. *Where does God rank in that list?* If He's not first, you have some work to do. Putting God first in everything helps us from putting other “gods” (like our pride and ego, money and possessions to name a few) before God. Before making a decision, ask yourself : **Am I doing this for the glory of God or for the glory of me?**



## 2018 BISHOP'S LENTEN APPEAL: LIVING IN FAITH, GIVING IN GRATITUDE

This weekend every household in our parish will be asked to complete a Bishop's Lenten Appeal (BLA) pledge form at Mass. If you have already donated through the mail or online or are not able to participate, there will be a place to note that on the form. After reflecting upon the many blessings that God has given you, please prayerfully consider making a pledge of support to this important appeal that funds many programs, offices and ministries that serves people in need and further the mission of Jesus Christ in our diocese. **HIGHLIGHT:** Catholic Charities and other Charitable works- Catholic Charities serves the poor, elderly, hungry and most vulnerable through 17 programs/ ministries, including family counseling, adoption services, men's shelter, jobs ministry, senior services, prison ministry, food pantries, soup kitchen, emergency financial assistance and family transitional housing; *locally, CC supports the local heat shelter with food/supplies.*

**VOCATIONS:** “Do everything for the glory of God.” Your vocation is to give glory to God through your very being. Is He choosing you to be a priest or consecrated religious? Call Father J.D. Jaffe at (703) 841-2514, or write: [j.jaffe@arlingtondiocese.org](mailto:j.jaffe@arlingtondiocese.org).

**40DAYS40WAYS ENCORE!** Did you like 40Days40Ways last year? Do it again and grow in charity throughout Lent. TEXT “ways” to 84576 or sign up for email alerts at [arlingtondiocese.org/40days40ways](http://arlingtondiocese.org/40days40ways)



## A LENT TO REMEMBER: A LENTEN ENCOUNTER WITH MERCY

Using the highly-acclaimed Augustine Institute programs *Symbolon* and *Forgiven: The Transforming Power of Confession*, *A Lent to Remember* explores the ways God reaches out to each of us with his mercy. Through Christ's suffering on the cross in the Paschal Mystery and his perpetual reception of his people in the Sacrament of Reconciliation, God makes his love, his very self, present to us in the world. By reflecting on the Paschal Mystery and making a step-by-step examination of the Rite of Confession, *A Lent to Remember* communicates God's invitation to each one of us to come experience his indescribable love this Lent.

**go to: [formed.org/study/](http://formed.org/study/)**

**CATHOLICS ARE CALLED TO PRAY:** for our civic leaders as we engage in the public square. Join Arlington Bishop Michael F. Burbidge and Richmond Bishop Barry C. Knestout, along with the Virginia Catholic Conference, their public policy agency, at a special liturgy for Virginia's elected officials and the needs of the state. The third annual Virginia Vespers: Evening Prayer for the Commonwealth will be held at the beautiful, historic Cathedral of the Sacred Heart, Richmond, at **5 p.m., Thursday, Feb. 15, 2018**. The service draws on an ancient Christian liturgy and includes Scripture and sacred music provided by local Catholic school choirs. A wine and appetizers reception follows. Register at [www.vacatholic.org](http://www.vacatholic.org).

**HOLY LAND CHRISTIANS DISPLAY ON FEB. 17<sup>TH</sup>/ 18<sup>TH</sup>, 2018** there will be a display of beautiful olivewood handmade carvings from the Holy Land in Our Church. These Carvings are made by the Christians of Bethlehem who use them as their source of income. These brothers and sisters of ours are enduring hardships at this moment because of the volatile situation in their home country. Christians in the Holy Land used to be more than 37% of the population. There is less than 1% now because of the situation. As Christians of faith, it is our duty to support our brothers and sisters in Bethlehem. YOU can support them by purchasing some of these beautiful carvings after mass.

**GIFTS FOR THE SEMINARIAN EDUCATION ENDOWMENT FUND (SEEF):** Please support our seminarians and SEEF, a permanent endowment fund established in 2011. SEEF's income provides funding for annual seminarian expenses such as room, board, tuition, health insurance and books, which total almost \$40,000 per seminarian. Please give generously! To donate, make checks payable to: **“Foundation for the CDA – SEEF.” Mail to: The Foundation, 200 N. Glebe Road, Suite 811, Arlington, VA 22203. Contact Gretchen Koch at [g.koch@arlingtondiocese.org](mailto:g.koch@arlingtondiocese.org) or (703) 841-3819 with questions.**

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

This Wednesday, February 14, is Ash Wednesday. It is a day of fast and abstinence in the Church, as we prepare for the season of Lent. All Catholics age 14 or older are asked to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday and all the Fridays of Lent, and on Good Friday. All Catholics from 18 years old to 59 years old are asked to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. Fasting means to eat at most one full meal, and two smaller meals that together would be less than a full meal. Of course, if our health and life circumstances allow it, we are encouraged to fast more than the required minimum.

Lent is a grace-filled time of the year. These 44 days from Ash Wednesday to Holy Thursday evening are especially for the Catechumens of our parish (those preparing for the three sacraments of Christian Initiation at the Easter Vigil: Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist). We are called to fast and pray for them as they come to the final weeks before receiving these sacraments of grace. Secondly, they are for all of us baptized, to prepare to renew our baptismal vows at the Easter Vigil on Holy Saturday night (or on Easter Sunday, if we are unable to attend the Easter Vigil, the greatest Mass of the entire liturgical year.) Once Lent ends, with the Mass of the Lord's Supper on Holy Thursday evening, we will begin the even more intense "Three Days", or Triduum, until the Easter Vigil; then the joy of the Easter season will explode, and the penitential season is over.

We are encouraged to practice the three traditional acts of piety of Judaism and Christianity: prayer, fasting and almsgiving. Each of us should reflect on what the Lord is calling us to do this year in that respect.

This year Ash Wednesday falls on the day traditionally called Saint Valentine's Day. Since this year the penitential emphasis of Ash Wednesday supersedes the focus of Saint Valentine's Day on human love, I encourage you to celebrate with your loved ones in restaurants or with special meals before Lent begins, i.e., before February 14. Any celebrations during Lent we try to keep on Sundays, as we always remember the Resurrection of our Lord on the day he rose from the dead.

Registration is ongoing at Epiphany School for the next academic year. Please consider this excellent school as a possibility for your children.

And thank you to anyone who has brought food by the rectory this week.

God bless,

Fr. Kevin

**THINKING ABOUT EPIPHANY CATHOLIC SCHOOL FOR YOUR FAMILY? COME TO THE OPEN HOUSE THIS SUNDAY AFTER MASS...**

Bilingual representatives will be available with laptops to help you with the registration and financial aid process **THIS Sunday 3:15PM to 5:00PM** in the parish hall! Don't let the paperwork process stop you from giving your family *a quality Catholic education!*



Another **OPEN HOUSE** is scheduled for **Tuesday, February 19, 9:00AM to 2:00PM**, at Epiphany School; public schools are closed that day.

**All are invited to meet the staff and students shining brightly!**

**WOMEN'S CONFERENCE:** All women of the Catholic Diocese of Arlington are invited to the 2018 Women's Conference, "From Darkness Into Light" at St. Joseph Catholic Church in Herndon, VA. Featuring Diane Foley, mother of slain journalist, James Foley, and Sr. Grace Dominic, writer and national speaker. Holy Mass will be celebrated by Bishop Michael Burbidge. **Registration is \$65.** Please register ASAP to reserve your slots! **Event Date: March 10, 2018**

**THE LIGHT IS ON FOR YOU**

Welcome! Our doors are open and the light is on. The Light is On is an initiative of the Archdiocese of Washington and the Diocese of Arlington in which all Catholic churches across the DC metro area are open for quiet prayer and Confession.



At Precious Blood priests are available 6:30-6:55PM, and 7:30PM as needed on Wednesdays throughout Lent, beginning Feb. 21st.

**The Light is ON  for You.**  
*Celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation*