

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 Staff-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 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 than six months. Registered parishioners who wish to marry at Precious Blood should contact the parish for 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 olds

Elementary K-5

Middle School: 6-8

office@epiphanycatholicsschool.org

www.epiphanycatholicsschool.org

June 26, 2016

“Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time”

Mass Readings and Intentions for the Week

Sun. June 26

8:00 AM Chris Peltier (birthday)

11:30 AM For the People

4:00 PM Encarnación Ramos (+)

Mon. June 27 Tuan Nguyen (+)

Readings: Am 2:6-10, 13-16; Mt 8:18-22

Tues. June 28 Antoinette Stevens (+)

Readings: Am 3:1-8, 4:11-12; Mt 8:23-27

Wed. June 29 Monica Schluter (special intention)

Readings: Acts 12:1-11; Tm 4:6-8, 17-18; Mt 16:13-19

Thurs. June 30 Antoinette Stevens (+)

Readings: Am 7:10-17, Mt 9:1-8

Fri. July 1 Rita Phillipson (+)

Readings: Am 8:4-6, 9:12; Mt 9:9-13

Sat. July 2

Readings: Am 9:11-15; Mt 9:14-17

8:30 AM For the People

6:00 PM For the People

LORD HEAR THE PRAYER FOR OUR SICK

Especially: Brian Alexander, Janice Ambrose, Maria Auxiliadora Caldera Araya, Trudy Baker, Michael Baudham, Mike Bosma, Joyce Bosworth, Daniel C. Brown, Christopher Byrne, Bill Daley, Gene Danell, Cynthia Davies, Donna Diaz, Danielle Gambale-Metz, Calvin Glascock, Bill Goetz, Linda Hawkins, Alex Hyde, Peg Logan, Camilla Lyme, Ana Magana, Matt McFarland, Beth Moreland, Mary Neureither, Louis Patnode, Shawn Peet, Gia Quiroz, Donald Rediske, Max Rosado, Mary Jane Roth, Patricia Royse, Graeme Shannon, Lorain Smith 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.

"FOR YOU WERE CALLED TO FREEDOM, BROTHERS AND SISTERS. BUT DO NOT USE THIS FREEDOM AS AN OPPORTUNITY FOR THE FLESH; RATHER SERVE ONE ANOTHER THROUGH LOVE." GALATIANS 5:13

We like to celebrate the fact that we are free to "live the good life." But Jesus calls us to a different kind of freedom. St. Paul reminds us that Jesus sets us free so that we can serve one another, share our gifts and promote God's work here on earth to glorify His name and not honor ourselves.

Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

"Don't look back"

Reading I 1 Kings 19:16b, 19-21 (Call of Elisha)

Reading II Galatians 5:1,13-18 (Proper use of freedom)

Gospel Luke 9:51-62 (The apostle's requirement)

Key Passage Another said "I will follow you, Lord; but let me first say farewell to those at my home." Jesus said to him, "No one who puts a hand to the plow and looks back is fit for the kingdom of God" (Luke 9:61-62)

Adult When have you faltered or looked back during your journey of faith?

Child What can you do to be a stronger follower of Jesus this week?

ALL Bulletin inserts please email:
bulletin@preciousbloodcatholicchurch.com

Deadline is 3:30pm on Monday before.

OFFERTORY COLLECTION

Sunday 6/19 collection:	\$8,633.37
Building Fund:	\$15.00

Strengthening the Household of Faith

Jesus asks us to demonstrate our love for Him through our generosity to others.

In our everyday lives, He calls us to share our gifts of time, talent, and treasure with others. "While we have the opportunity, let us do good to all, but especially to those who belong to the family of the faith." (Galatians 6:10) A gift in any amount given through an estate will strengthen our household of faith. For more information, call the Diocesan Planned Giving Office at **703-841-3819** or visit www.arlingtondiocese.planyourlegacy.org.

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

DIRECTORIES Parish directories have arrived! Please stop by the office to pick yours up if you had a photo taken. For those who did not have a photo taken, there are extras available for \$10.

LADIES EVENING OF CHOCOLATE will be **this Wednesday, June 29th at 7:00 pm** in the Parish Hall. Come out and share the sweetest of treats & stories of God's mercy with your sisters-in-Christ of middle school age and up. Any questions? Call Kathy Semerling in the office at **825-8945**.



SECOND COLLECTIONS In the second collection today, we are supporting Pope Francis in his charitable works. The Peter's Pence Collection is taken up worldwide to support our brothers and sisters on the margins of society, including victims of war, oppression, and natural disasters. In this Jubilee Year of Mercy, the collection is an opportunity to join with Pope Francis and be a witness of charity to our suffering brothers and sisters. Next weekend, **July 2-3**, Rev. John O'Hara will be speaking at all Masses about the wonderful work being done in our Diocesan Mission of Bánica, Dominican Republic. A second collection will be taken up to support the continuation of this work. In this Jubilee Year of Mercy, please be generous.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION An adorer is desperately needed on Thursdays between the hours of **8:00 and 9:00 PM** to pray and offer adoration to our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ Who is truly present on the altar. If you can help with this ministry please call Joanna at **540-829-2235**.

MOM'S GROUP CHEESECAKE SALE UPDATE This sale is a success!! Thank you for your generous orders. We have 8 cake orders for \$40 each, 8 orders of 1/2 cheesecakes for \$20 each, and 4 slices sold at \$3.50 each. Thank you for your support. If you are still interested in ordering any cheesecakes please contact Aixa Peterson: aixam.peterson@gmail.com. If you made an order you should have received a phone call to discuss delivery dates. Please let us know if you have any trouble with your order or have not received a phone call about your order.

WASHINGTON NATIONALS "FAITH DAY" will be **Saturday, August 27th**. The Knights of Columbus invite all parish families to join us in a day of fun including round trip bus transportation, tickets to the Nationals vs. Colorado Rockies game, a special post-game faith celebration, and a boxed dinner for the ride home. Tickets are \$68 each, discounted to \$63 until **June 27th**. For more information or to purchase tickets, contact Dr. Michael Watts at **(540) 825-6215** or WattsDVM@yahoo.com

CCD REGISTRATION CCD registration forms are due; please register your children! Forms were sent home with the children and were mailed, but they are also available in the office.

CCD TEACHERS AND AIDES NEEDED We are looking for volunteers to help in the following ways: aides for grades 2-7; adult aide for kindergarten; and teachers for grades 2, 3, and 7.

SUMMER CHOIR PRACTICES begin **today, June 26**, from **9:45-11:00 am** in the Parish Hall & will serve for the weekly 11:30 am masses beginning next Sunday, July 3. All singers of middle-school age & up welcomed and needed! College alumni & other parishioners who aren't able to commit to regularly serving through the school year are especially encouraged to join us. Please contact Mr. Robert Dwyer at robert.dwyer1994@gmail.com or **540-229-7396** for more information.

SAINT STEPHEN'S FOOD CLOSET This week's needs are: pancake mix & syrup, canned soup, pasta sauce which contains meat, and spaghetti.

ALTAR SERVER TRAINING Altar server training will continue **today, June 26th at 9:30 AM** for those who have completed 4th grade, been baptized and received first Holy Communion. Please contact the office if your child is interested.



FIRST COMMUNION BANNERS The banners are ready to be picked up in the foyer along with a candle storage box.

CAN JOB MINISTRY Sign up for a free LinkedIn workshop and learn how to create a killer LinkedIn profile that propel your job search. The workshop is hosted by Christians are Networking Job Ministry and led by Darren Caprarese, Senior Technical Recruiter at Intentional Software and Principal Consultant at Windsor Consulting LLC. **Tuesday, July 12 from 7-8:30pm**. To sign up go to: <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0b4cadad29aafb6-crafting>. Call Margie at **540-422-0907** or email at culpepercan@gmail.com for more information.

ST. JOHN PAUL II LIBRARY SUMMER HOURS For the summer (from now until September 1st), the library is open **Sundays 9:15-11am, 1st and 3rd Tuesdays from 1:00pm to 3:00pm, and Wednesdays from 9:30am to 3:00pm.** If you have any questions, please contact Joan Depue at **540-547-4588**.

AROUND THE DIOCESE/VIRGINIA

HOST FAMILIES NEEDED If you or a family you know have children between the ages of 11-19 and can share your heart, love and home with a Japanese or South Korean student from July 24-August 20 contact jdjohn123@aol.com. The students are here to become part of your family, experience our culture and improve their English. More info at www.states4hexchange.org.



ATTENTION PRO-LIFERS! National Right to Life's 46th annual convention will be held **July 7, 8, & 9** at the Hilton Washington Dulles Airport in Herndon, Virginia. If you would like to learn how YOU can be a voice for the voiceless and if you would like to learn more about abortion, euthanasia and the rationing of lifesaving medical care, the latest on embryonic stem cell research, and many other important topics, you won't want to miss this exciting convention! For more information, visit www.nrlconvention.com or call **202-378-8842**.

PRO-LIFE HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS Help tear down the walls of the culture of death. Join pro-life teens from around the state at the annual Camp Joshua Virginia, July 22-24 at the Augusta Camp and Conference Center near Staunton Virginia. For more information, and to register, please visit www.campjoshua.org. Camp Joshua is a project of the Virginia Society for Human Life (VSHL).

DOMESTIC CHURCH DAY The Saint John Paul II National Shrine in Washington, D.C., invites families, engaged couples, and young adults to attend a "Domestic Church Day" from **12:30 to 5:30 p.m. on July 9**. The half-day retreat for the Jubilee Year of Mercy will include talks for different age groups, opportunities for confession and a corporal work of mercy and Eucharistic adoration with praise and worship. Cost is \$15 per family, \$10 for engaged couples, and \$5 for young adults. For more information or to register, go to domesticchurchday.eventbrite.com, or email events@jp2shrine.org.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES LOVES VOLUNTEERS Do you want to answer God's call to serve? Please visit www.ccca.net/volunteer.php to find more than 100 different volunteer opportunities available. There is something for everyone. Catholic Charities relies on its volunteers to reach those in need throughout the Diocese. We are also seeking corporations who want to come and volunteer as a group! Come and share your talents and skills with us. To learn more, please contact the Director of Volunteers, Sally O'Dwyer at sodwyer@ccda.net or (703) 841-3838.

VOCATIONS "As for you, go and proclaim the kingdom of God." If you are considering a vocation to the priesthood, diaconate or consecrated life, call Father J.D. Jaffe at (703) 841-2514, or write: j.jaffe@arlingtondiocese.org.

ATTENTION CLASS OF 2016!!! The Associates of St. John Bosco is conducting 3 workshops on how to keep your Catholic faith intact when you enter college this fall. The nights are designed for rising college freshmen to prepare for transition into college. Catholic student representatives from George Mason, University of Maryland, UVA, The University of Mary Washington, Benedictine College and other schools will be on hand to offer advice and support. It is a great opportunity to network with other Catholic students and to receive resources. The nights will be held on Thursday June 23 at St. Mark Catholic Church Parish Hall (9970 Vale Road, Vienna), Wednesday July 20 at St. Mary Catholic Church Lyceum (310 South Royal Street, Alexandria), and Wednesday July 27 at St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception Parish Hall (1009 Stafford Ave. Fredericksburg) all at 7pm. To register for one of the nights and for additional information visit our website at www.asjb.org. Registration is limited to 50 students per night.



MORNINGS OF MERCY FOR DIVORCED CATHOLICS Join us for a series of morning retreats on the topics of grief, parenting, suffering, and hope. The next retreat will be **August 27** at St. Veronica in Chantilly, beginning at 8:45 a.m. and ending before noon. The morning will include Mass, a featured speaker, time for discussion and benediction. To learn more or to register, visit arlingtondiocese.org/divorced. For more information, please contact the Office for Family Life at (703) 841-2550.

WITNESSES TO FREEDOM: STS. THOMAS MORE AND JOHN FISHER



Sts. Thomas More and John Fisher were Renaissance men. Talented and energetic, they contributed to the humanist scholarship of early modern England. More wrote theological and philosophical treatises, while making a career as a lawyer and government official. Bishop John Fisher worked as an administrator at Cambridge, confronted the challenge Martin Luther presented to Christian Europe, and most importantly served as Bishop of Rochester. As a bishop, he is notable for his dedication to preaching at a time when bishops tended to focus on politics. These men were brilliant. They both corresponded with Erasmus, who helped Bishop Fisher learn Greek and Hebrew, and who also famously referred to More as a man *omnium horarium*, a man of all seasons.

Above all their accomplishments, these men bore witness to a deep faith in Christ and his Church. More considered joining religious life and was assiduous in his devotional practices. As a married man, he committed himself wholly to his vocation as a father. At the time, disciplinary practices with children tended to be severe, but More's children testify to his warmth, patience, and generosity.

St. John Fisher was a model shepherd and demonstrated remarkable humility. He remained in the small Diocese of Rochester his entire episcopal ministry, devoting himself to his local church rather than seeking promotion to a larger, more powerful diocese.

More and Fisher are well-known for opposing King Henry's divorce. Ultimately, it was their refusal to sign an oath of supremacy that led them to be executed. King Henry VIII claimed to be the supreme head of the Church in England, asserting sovereign power over English Christians. Neither Fisher nor More could abide this claim, and their steadfastness to their consciences put them in conflict with the king. They were convicted of treason.

When More made his way to the gallows, he is said to have stated, "I die the King's good servant, but God's first." Both More and Fisher were patriots. They never rose up to incite rebellion or foster revolution. They were not traitors. But when the law of the king came into conflict with the law of Christ, they chose Christ. These men gave their lives for the freedom of the Church and for freedom of conscience. They bear witness to the truth that no government can make a claim on a person's soul.

Sts. Thomas More and John Fisher, pray that we too will be good servants to our country, but God's first!

-Read more at <http://www.usccb.org/issues-and-action/religious-liberty/fortnight-for-freedom>

