

# PRECIOUS BLOOD CATHOLIC CHURCH

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## MASS TIMES

- ◆ Sunday: 8:30 am, 11:30 am (English)  
2:00 pm (Spanish)
- ◆ Saturday: 8:30 am\* & 5:00 pm (Vigil)
- ◆ Mon, Tues, Wed, Thurs: 8:30 am\*  
*(\*followed by Morning Prayer )*
- ◆ Thursday: Adoration 9 am-9pm
- ◆ Friday: 8:30 am\* and 7:00 pm  
*(Friday 8:30 am Mass at Epiphany School during the school year unless otherwise noted)*
- ◆ Holy Days: 8:30 am\* and 7:00 pm
- ◆ *(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, 1st Saturday of the month  
Spanish, 3rd Saturday 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

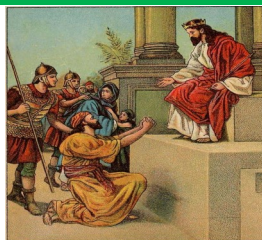
Office: 540-825-1339



## 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@epiphanycatholicschool.org](mailto:office@epiphanycatholicschool.org)

# SEPTEMBER 17, 2017



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A LESSON ON FORGIVENESS  
— Matt. 18:21-35.  
GOLDEN TEXT — If ye forgive men their trespasses, your heavenly Father will also forgive you. Matt. 6:14.

# 24<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

## Mass Readings and Intentions for the Week

### Sun. September 17

Readings: Sir 27:30—28:7; Rom 14:7-9; Mt 18:21-35  
**8:30AM: Fr. Ronald Mohnickey (50th Anniversary of ordination)**  
**11:30AM: Margaret Mary Markey (+)**  
**2:00 PM: Elifeo Munguia (+) and Juan Chitas (+)**

### Mon. September 18

Readings: 1 Tm 2:1-8; Lk 7:1-10  
**8:30AM: Bill and Pat Walsh (+)**

### Tues. September 19

Readings: 1 Tm 3:1-13; Lk 7:11-17  
**8:30AM: Rexford Gile, II (+)**

### Wed. September 20

Readings: 1 Tm 3:14-16; Lk 7:31-35  
**8:30AM: For those in prison**

### Thurs. September 21:

Readings: Eph 4:1-7, 11-13; Mt 9:9-13  
**8:30AM: John M. McGovern (+)**

### Fri. September 22

Readings: 1 Tm 6:2c-12; Lk 8:1-3  
**8:30AM: (Mass at Precious Blood) for Carol Minor (birthday blessings)**  
**7:00PM: forgiveness and healing for those who have experienced abortion**

### Sat. September 23

Readings: 1 Tm 6:13-16; Lk 8:4-15  
**8:30AM: in thanksgiving for successful eye procedure for RC Garcia**  
**5:00PM: Eleanor Thompson (+)**

**Altar Flowers: September 16/17 given in loving memory of John McGovern (+)**



### Forgiveness and mercy

Reading I: Sirach 27:30-28:7 (call to forgiveness and mercy)

Reading II: Romans 14:7-9 (to live and die for Christ)

Gospel: Matthew 18:21-35 (the merciless official)

Key passage: Then Peter came and said to him, "Lord, if another member of the church sins against me, how often should I forgive? As many as seven times?" Jesus said to him, "Not seven times, but, I tell you, seventy-seven times." (Matthew 18:21-22)



### 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



**ALL Bulletin inserts please email them in by**

**3:30pm on Mondays-Thank you**

**[bulletin@preciousbloodcatholicchurch.com](mailto:bulletin@preciousbloodcatholicchurch.com)**

## LORD, HEAR THE PRAYER FOR OUR SICK

*Especially:* Brian Alexander, Janice Ambrose, Hector Baez, Wayne Bentz, Mike Bosma, Joyce Bosworth, Mike Buckley, Jim Byrne, Kriss Cordero, Betty Craven, Bill Daley, Cynthia Davies, Jo English, Arnold French, Jeraldine Frye, Jeff and Danielle Gambale-Metz, Bill Goetz, Pat Griffin, April Hair, Alex Hyde, Jim Johnson, Joe and Freda Kratochvil, Susan Lambert, Jean Landon, Charlotte Larson, Terry Leslie, John Lochte, Peg Logan, Martin Luna, Camila Lyne, Ana Magana, Ileana Martinez, Beth Moreland, Mario Moznich, Bill Mullins, Mary Neureither, Barbara Noonan, Richard Noonan, jr., Cornelia Slabe Paczkowski, Luis Padilla, Marcia Peacock, Shawn Peet, Betty Powers, Elizabeth Amos Plasencia, Elizabeth Pycha, Gia Quiroz, Edna Iris Robles, Alice Schorr, Avery Scott, James Tietz, Mae Traversari, Cheryl Weagle, Bill White, 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.**  
***Call the rectory to give us changes/updates***



*"For if we live, we live for the Lord, and if we die, we die for the Lord; so then, whether we live or die, we are the Lord's" – ROMANS 14:8*

This is the essence of stewardship – everything we have and everything we are is a gift from God. We aren't "owners" of anything, we are merely "stewards" of the gifts that God has given us, especially our very own lives. Pray to God, daily, and ask Him how He wants you to use the gifts He has given you.



### OFFERTORY COLLECTIONS

Faith Direct:	\$11,004.67
Catholic University	\$185.00
Foundation for the future	\$418.10
Building Fund	\$383.00
Epiphany:	\$304.33

### SUNDAY COLLECTIONS

Sunday (09/10/17):	\$7,555.63
Hurricane Harvey	\$5,154.78
Building Fund	\$390.00



Visit : [www.faithdirect.net](http://www.faithdirect.net) and use our church code: VA226.

## THIS WEEK AT PRECIOUS BLOOD:

Daily Mass in the Parish Hall 9/18-9/23

◆ MONDAY (9/18):

Mass 8:30AM; RCIA Class, 7:00PM

◆ TUESDAY (9/19):

Mass 8:30AM, Heritage Choir, 7:00PM

◆ WEDNESDAY (9/20):

Mass 8:30AM; Prayer Study group/Rosary, 9:30am, Confessions 6:30PM-7:30PM, Precious Blood Choir, 7:00PM

◆ THURSDAY (9/21):

Mass 8:30AM; Adoration 9:00AM to 9:00PM;  
Bible study (Book of Isaiah), 9:30AM; C.A.N, 7:30PM

◆ FRIDAY (9/22):

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

◆ SATURDAY (9/23):

Mass 8:30AM; Confessions 3:30PM-4:30PM; Vigil Mass 5:00PM

◆ SUNDAY (9/24):

Mass: 8:30AM, 11:30AM, Spanish 2:00PM

## ANNOUNCEMENTS:

PLEASE NOTE: FOR THE ATTENDANCE MASS CARDS: please include first AND LAST names legibly

SECOND COLLECTION this weekend is for our Religious education program for all related faith formation activities for our youth: CCD, youth ministry and vacation bible school. It costs about \$105 per student and our registration fees do not cover all the expenses. *Please* be generous so we can have a dynamic and thriving faith formation for all of our youth!  
DAILY MASS RELOCATED TO PARISH HALL: during the week of 9/18-9/23, please join us for daily Mass in the parish hall due to the work being done between 7am and 6pm daily in the Sanctuary.

MUSIC MINISTRY: *Choir rehearsals resume today for our Children's Choir.* If you love to sing & are in grades 2-7, please join us from 12:45-1:30 pm in CCD classroom #5. We'd love to have you join us! We also need KEYBOARD or PIANISTS to join our music ministry! The best thing you can do for your musical talents is to use them regularly, especially in service to our Lord. You'll find that He will abundantly multiply the gifts that He's given you while enhancing your own faith life. Please contact our music director Mrs. Hannah Masson at [pbmusicmin@gmail.com](mailto:pbmusicmin@gmail.com) if you'd like to use your keyboard skills for the benefit of our parish--and to make her day.



## BISHOP BURBIDGE PERSONALLY INVITES YOU TO ATTEND THE DIOCESAN

PILGRIMAGE 2017: Join Bishop Burbidge for the 2017 Diocesan Pilgrimage to the Basilica of the Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, DC, on **Saturday, October 14. PRECIOUS BLOOD IS RESERVING BUS TRANSPORTATION, PLEASE SIGN UP IN THE FOYER.** contact for this event: Steve Hemler: [dffbcc@gmail.com](mailto:dffbcc@gmail.com).

## OUR LADY OF FATIMA SCOUTING PATCH:

The National Federation of Catholic Youth Ministry is offering Girl Scouts or American Heritage Girls the opportunity to earn the Our Lady of Fatima patch; those who are interested please contact: Ellen McCarthy, Catholic Advisor on Religious Emblems @ 540-406-7446. Patch requirements can be found at : [www.nfcym.org/patches/](http://www.nfcym.org/patches/). Boy scouts have their special patch, please contact Ellen on how to earn it.



## EVENTS COMING UP:

RCIA NEWS: the next meeting will be **Monday, Sept. 18, at 7 pm in the Parish Hall.** Topic is *Which is True: Creation, Evolution, or Both?* Any adult desiring to learn more about Catholicism is welcome to attend, including if you have not been baptized, if you were baptized in a Protestant church, or if you are a baptized Catholic who has not yet received the Sacraments of Confirmation, Reconciliation, or Eucharist. **All are welcome!**



THE PRAYER STUDY GROUP (fall semester) will meet on Wednesdays at 9:30 a.m., in the parish hall. They will study Carmelite spirituality, with an emphasis on St. Teresa of Avila. All are welcome to join in on this spiritual journey; after the daily Mass and Morning Prayer, join in praying the Rosary every week for the intentions of our parish: **9/20, specifically for faithful attendance of CCD students.**

SNACKS of the APOSTLES bible study: will meet on **9/23 after the vigil Mass with pot-luck dinner/study;** location is the parish hall; Fr. Kevin will be leading the class through the Old Testament: bring your questions for Gen/Ex and chapter 6. The dates for the other sessions coming up are: **10/7, 10/21... we have extra books to borrow, so join in!**

EPIPHANY WILL BE HOSTING: their annual Fall/Winter Consignment Sale Friday, September 22nd and Saturday, September 23rd. If you are interested in being a consignor, please visit us at [www.epiphanycatholicsschool.org/consignment-sale](http://www.epiphanycatholicsschool.org/consignment-sale) or email [consignmentsale@epiphanycatholicsschool.org](mailto:consignmentsale@epiphanycatholicsschool.org).

ST. STEPHEN'S FOOD CLOSET: This week's needs: cold cereal, tuna, any canned vegetable, any canned fruit  
**THANK YOU!**

JOHN PAUL II LIBRARY HOURS: Mondays/Fridays, 9:30AM TO 11:30AM AND Wednesdays 9:30AM-3:30PM; Come, rest, nourish your soul.



**LIFE CHAIN:** is a peaceful and prayerful public witness of pro-life individuals standing for 90 minutes praying for our nation and for an end to abortion. There are Life Chains throughout the USA and Canada in honor of millions of babies whose lives have been lost to abortion. In Culpeper, the Life Chain will be along Rt. 29 nearby Walmart from **2 - 3:30 pm on Oct. 1, 2017 (Sunday)**. Come and pray for people in crisis situations and for our nation!

### THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS HOSTING A CHARITY GOLF TOURNAMENT TO BENEFIT

**"Angel Flight Mid-Atlantic"** :This year the tournament will be held on **Monday, October 2nd** at the Fauquier Springs Country Club. View the tournament website for complete details ([angelflightgolftournament.org](http://angelflightgolftournament.org)) . Please consider becoming a tournament sponsor, or participating by entering a foursome in the event. For further information and/or to register as a sponsor, or enter a foursome please contact: Michael Buckley, 703-505-3149 or contact via email: [byzantium.buckley268@gmail.com](mailto:byzantium.buckley268@gmail.com).

**EUCCHARISTIC HOLY HOUR:** The Arlington Division of the World Apostolate of Fatima (the Blue Army) will sponsor a diocesan-wide Eucharistic Holy Hour on Sun., September 24 from 3 - 4 pm in the Perpetual Adoration Chapel at Our Lady of Angels Church, 13752 Mary's Way, Woodbridge. We hope you can join us to pray for world peace through the conversion of souls.

**WORD OF LIFE:** "The Church's teaching on marital sexuality is an invitation ... to receive the gift of God's love and care, and to let this gift inform and transform us, so we may share that love with each other and with the world."  
USCCB, "Married Love and the Gift of Life," © 2006, <https://goo.gl/eKhtav>.

**FORGIVENESS AND MERCY questions to ponder.** adult-When someone hurts you, how do you forgive them? child-When have you forgiven someone who treated you unfairly?



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## AROUND THE DIOCESE & VIRGINIA

**VOCATIONS:** "None of us lives for oneself, and no one dies for oneself." How is God calling you to live for others? Could it be as a priest, sister or brother? Call Father J.D. Jaffe at (703) 841-2514 or write: [j.jaffe@arlingtondiocese.org](mailto:j.jaffe@arlingtondiocese.org).

**HURRICANE RELIEF THROUGH THE DIOCESAN WEBSITE:** <https://www.arlingtondiocese.org/>; press donate and complete the online form; 100% of the donations go to relief services.

**SISTINE CHAPEL CHOIR TO PERFORM AT BASILICA** :sponsored by the Catholic Arts Council, the group will be performing in the U.S. for the first time in more than three decades on **Wednesday, September 20, at 6:30 p.m.** This group of 30 boys and 22 men is considered the most prominent Catholic ensemble and oldest choir in the world. Affectionately known as the "Pope's Choir" you will hear them sing a repertoire of classical sacred music in the magnificent Great Upper Church of the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception. **For more information visit <http://bit.ly/SisChapChr>.**

**POST-ABORTION HEALING RETREAT FOR WOMEN:** An *Entering Cana Day of Prayer & Healing* for women who have experienced abortion will be held on **Saturday, September 30, 2017**. Come begin your healing journey and experience God's hope and mercy. You are not alone. There is hope. There is healing. For further information and confidential registration, please contact Project Rachel at 888-456-HOPE (4673) or [info@helpafterabortion.org](mailto:info@helpafterabortion.org).

**FREE BUDGETING AND MONEY MATTERS WORKSHOP:** Are you tired of trying to make ends meet? Don't have a monthly budget? Want to plan for a better future for you and your children? This **FREE** workshop is for you! This workshop is for all who are interested in better managing their finances. Great for single parent families, couples, seniors on fixed incomes and young adults out in the workplace for the first time. **Wednesday, September 20, 7-9 p.m. at St. John Neumann Catholic Church, Reston.**

**MARRIAGE HELP:** Retrouvaille has helped tens of thousands of couples at all stages of disillusionment or misery in their marriage. This program can help you too. For confidential information or to register for the program beginning **October 20**, call (703) 351-7211 or go to [www.HelpOurMarriage.com](http://www.HelpOurMarriage.com).

**WONDERING HOW YOU CAN SUPPORT VOCATIONS?** Sponsor a runner in the Race for Seminarians! Our team of priests, seminarians and lay people are preparing for the Marine Corps Marathon and 10K on **October 22** as a way to support vocations. If you already have a spot in one of these races, we invite you to join our team. For more information, visit [ArlingtonVocations.org/RUN](http://ArlingtonVocations.org/RUN), or call (703) 841-2514.

**2MINUTES2VIRTUE NOW FEATURING BISHOP BURBIDGE!** Sign up to get inspiring two minute reflections and weekly challenges at [www.arlingtondiocese.org/2m2v](http://www.arlingtondiocese.org/2m2v) or text **"2m2v" to 84576**.

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

We hope to renovate the Cry Room this next week. Someone suggested to me that we should call this area a "Comfort Room". We are always happy to welcome children in to our assembly. At the same time, we recognize that children sometimes need a quiet place to be consoled or comforted by a parent. I would like to ask parents who have a child who is audibly upset or uncomfortable to please bring their little one to the Comfort Room. (We also hope to install transparent doors in to the sanctuary in the next couple of weeks. Since we have also installed auxiliary speakers in the vestibule, this is another option to participate in Mass if the Comfort Room is already occupied.) We support, encourage, love and thank parents who are willing to bring their children to worship our Lord at Mass and to raise them in the faith. Let us know if there is some other way that we can help you.

We are blessed to have one of our former parishioners, Sr. Christine Marie Canavan, to have entered the cloistered Carmelite convent. She will be receiving her habit on October 13 in Elysburg, PA at the Carmel of Jesus, Mary and Joseph. God-willing, I will be going there along with her family members and other parishioners, to be able to be present for such a beautiful event. At times some people have asked me about the meaning of a life in a cloistered convent. Sr. Christine has written her own reflections at: <https://whycloisteredlife.wordpress.com/>

I can add a brief reflection of my own. People who chose to follow Christ in the first few centuries of Christianity made a very conscious, radical choice. They understood that choosing to follow Jesus Christ and becoming a Christian could mean the loss of their job, the loss of friends, being rejected by relatives and even the loss of their lives. After the persecution ended in the fourth century, some Christians wanted to still choose a very radical way of following Jesus Christ. Some became hermits, some went to live in the desert, and some chose a life of virginity, while still living among other people in society. Eventually some of those who choose to live a life of being single for the Kingdom, chose to do so with others in a group, in a community.

One of the ways of living out this community life (with what are called the "evangelical counsels" of poverty, chastity and obedience) is within a cloistered community. In a cloistered community, a person is separated from people outside of the community, to dedicate himself or herself more completely to prayer and the spiritual life. It is an option that has often not been understood or appreciated throughout history, but especially in our modern world.

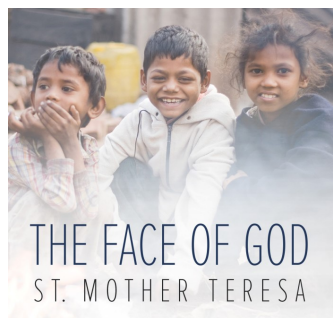
I personally have been very grateful for those women and men who have dedicated themselves to this life. As I look upon so much selfishness and hatred, anger and evil at times in our world, so much lack love for and of obedience to God's plan in people's lives, I often think that it is those who are dedicated in such a radical way to God today that uniquely help to keep our world going. I think they deserve all our gratitude and support and encouragement. It is a special calling that not many have; but it is a vocation that is for that reason all the more exquisite.

God bless,

Fr. Kevin

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Register and use PARISH CODE: **V2XJNR**

### YOUTH GROUP UPDATES:

Meetings: Sundays, 6-8PM, parish hall

#### High School Youth Rally:

**WHEN:** Sunday, October 22, 2017. 12:00pm-8:00pm

**WHERE:** Bishop O'Connell High School, Arlington, VA

**COST:** \$25.00 per participant (youth and adults), which includes great entertainment (*music with Ben Walther; keynote speaker: Sarah Swafford, and 321 Improv*), dinner, and snacks.

**Coordinator of Youth Ministry: Fr. Mark Moretti**  
[memoretti1958@gmail.com](mailto:memoretti1958@gmail.com)

**WorkCamp2018:** Stakeholder meetings start in November; we are looking for volunteers; please see website for details: <https://www.arlingtondiocese.org/WorkCamp/>

Please contact the office of your interest and if you have questions! **THANK YOU!**