

# 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

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

RCIA Classes: Mondays 7:00PM

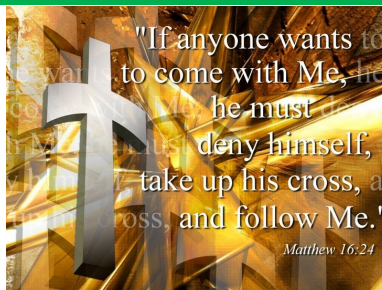
Office: 540-825-1339



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

**SEPTEMBER 3,  
2017**



**22ND SUNDAY IN  
ORDINARY TIME**

## Mass Readings and Intentions for the Week

### Sun. September 3

Readings: Jer 20:7-9; Rom 12: 1-2; Mt 16: 21-27

8:30AM: Paul Alexander (+)

11:30AM: for the people

2:00 PM: Alberto Carreto (+)

### Mon. September 4

Readings: 1 Thes 4:13-18; Lk 4:16-30

8:30AM: Germaine Stoligrosz (+)

### Tues. September 5

Readings: 1 Thes 5:1-6, 9-11; Lk 4:31-37

8:30AM: William Smith

### Wed. September 6

Readings: Col 1:1-8; Lk 4:38-44

8:30AM: forgiveness for those who cause violence

### Thurs. September 7

Readings: Col 1:9-14; Lk 5:1-11

8:30AM: For all those who participated in vacation bible school

### Fri. September 8: The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Readings: Mi 5:1-4a or Rom 8:28-30; Mt 1:1-16, 18-23 or 1:18-23

8:30AM: (Mass at Epiphany)

7:00PM: Debra Thompson (birthday)

### Sat. September 9

Readings: Col 1:21-23; Lk 6:1-5

8:30AM: Mary Bell (+)

5:00PM: For all volunteers who helped make vacation bible school a success

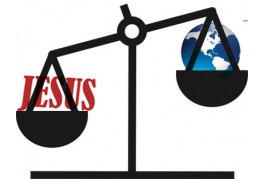
## LORD, HEAR THE PRAYER FOR OUR SICK

*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, 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**

"What profit would there be for one to gain the whole world and forfeit his life?" - Matthew 16:26



St. Francis of Assisi once said, "Remember, you are what you are in the eyes of God, and nothing else."

We often forget this stewardship wisdom when we spend all of our time, talent and treasure to gain more of the world's riches. We need to set our priorities based on God's values and not the values of the material world.

## OFFERTORY COLLECTIONS

### SUNDAY COLLECTIONS

Sunday (08/27/17):

\$8,505.00

Thank you for being a part of our Precious Blood Parish family. As you prepare for the end of summer and the start of a busy fall, consider enrolling in eGiving through Faith Direct so that your gift can reach us even when you cannot. Visit : [www.faithdirect.net](http://www.faithdirect.net) and use our church code: VA226.

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## Come, follow me

Reading I: Jeremiah 20:7-9

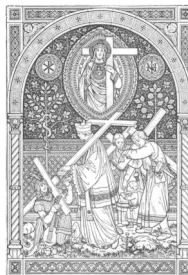
Reading II: Romans 12:1-2 (sacrifice of body and mind)

Gospel: Matthew 16:21-27 (first prophecy of passion and resurrection; doctrine of the cross)

Key passage: Then Jesus told his disciples, "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me." (Matthew 16:24)

Adult: In what concrete ways do you take up your cross and follow Jesus?

Child: When has it been difficult to be a follower of Jesus?



## MINISTRY TO THE SICK:

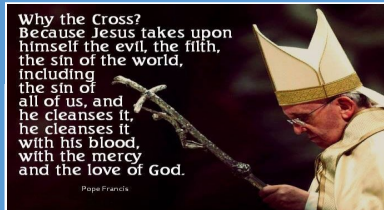
If you would like one of the priests to visit someone who is sick, please notify the rectory. Arrangements should also be made with the rectory for an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion to bring the Eucharist to shut-ins on a regular basis. Emergency sick calls can be arranged at any time. Sacramental 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)**



## THIS WEEK AT PRECIOUS BLOOD:

### ◆ MONDAY (9/4):

Mass 8:30AM, office closed, NO RCIA CLASS

### ◆ TUESDAY (9/5):

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

### ◆ WEDNESDAY (9/6):

Mass 8:30AM; Confessions 6:30PM-7:30PM,  
Precious Blood Choir, 7:00PM

### ◆ THURSDAY (9/7):

Mass 8:30AM; Adoration 9:00AM to 9:00PM

### ◆ FRIDAY (9/8):

Mass 8:30AM at Epiphany School, 1211 Grandview Ave  
Altar Society meeting, 9:30AM and  
7:00PM Mass at Precious Blood

### ◆ SATURDAY (9/9): First Saturday Devotions

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

### ◆ SUNDAY (9/10):

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

## ANNOUNCEMENTS:

### SECOND COLLECTION FOR THE CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY OF AMERICA (9/2&9/3):

Today's special second collection is for The Catholic University of America, unique among universities in the United States, as the national university of the Catholic Church, founded by the bishops of this country and chartered by Pope Leo XIII. Nearly one third of all of the U.S. Bishops, archbishops, and cardinals in our country are alumni, along with over 12,000 priests and religious from around the world, including some from this diocese. Located in Washington, D.C., the University provides an education based in Catholic intellectual tradition to almost 7,000 students through its 12 schools. Your contributions will strengthen the work of our top scholars, many of whom help to explain Catholic social teaching to the rest of the world. It will also support scholarships for students in our diocese and others in achieving our mission of preparing the next generation of leadership for our Church and nation - **including those studying to become our future priests and religious.** We appreciate your generosity.

THE 2017 MARRIAGE JUBILEE MASS: will be celebrated by Bishop Michael F. Burbidge at 2:30 p.m. on Sunday, October 15th at Our Lady of Hope Catholic Church in Potomac Falls, VA. **If you are celebrating your 25th or 50th wedding anniversary this year, please contact the parish office to register no later than September 22nd!**

MUSIC MINISTRY: CHILDREN'S CHOIR PRACTICES RESUME on Sunday, Sept. 17 from 12:45-1:30 pm in CCD classroom #5 for singers in grades 2-7. Contact Mrs. Gina Rossetti at eprosetti@yahoo.com or 540-937-2320. Be a part of a great, friendly group while developing your musical talents—and serving our Lord! Our adult choirs, too, welcome new

singers and musicians. For our Heritage choir, please contact director Mr. John Flemming at bigpsyguy@aol.com or 540-222-5402. For our Precious Blood choir, please contact Mrs. Theresa Watson at theresafowlerwatson@gmail.com or 540-229-5113. For our teen acoustic group, One Voice, please contact Ms. Megan Canavan at snoopy2day@aol.com or Ms. Emma Haught at emmahaught@vabb.com. You may also contact our music director, Mrs. Hannah Masson at pbmusicmin@gmail.com or 540-229-5329 for any questions or information regarding our music ministry.

### SAVE THE DATE! 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. SIGN UP FOR BUS TRANSPORTATION IN THE FOYER. Parish contact for this event: Steve Hemler: dffpbcc@gmail.com.**

NEW MINISTRY SCHEDULE: for September/October/November has been created and emailed. Extra copies are in the ushers room; if you didn't receive it, please check in with the office to update your contact information. Thank you for your service!

TRANSPORTATION TO MASS NEEDED: if you would like to help: a parishioner (male, elderly, disabled) is in need of a lift to Mass from the 522 area near Found and Sons, for a Sat Vigil or Sun 11:30AM time. Please call Joanne at 540-223-6734 for more information.

### EVENTS COMING UP:

#### RENEW OR MAKE A CONSECRATION TO

MARY: Last May, nearly forty parishioners made or renewed a Consecration to Mary. We used Father Michael Gaitley's guide, "33 Days to Morning Glory" (we have a few copies in the parish library and it is available on Amazon). We are providing another opportunity to make this Consecration! **Beginning on September 4**, for 33 days follow Father Gaitley's guide (this takes about five minutes a day). **After the 8:30 Mass/morning prayer on Saturday, October 7**, the Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary, we will make or renew our Consecration. A certificate signed by Father Mark will be given to participants at this time. If you have any questions, please call Sheila Bertrand at 540-219-3099.

SNACKS of the APOSTLES bible study: will meet on **9/9 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. The dates for the other sessions coming up are: **9/23, 10/7, 10/21... we have extra books to borrow, so join in!**

RCIA NEWS: the next meeting will be **Monday, Sept. 11, at 7 pm in the Parish Hall.** Topic is God and Science: Where Does the Evidence Lead? 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 starting September 13, at 9:30 a.m.**, in the parish hall. They will study Carmelite spirituality, with an emphasis on St. Teresa of Avila. Please join them on this spiritual journey. Please call Sheila Bertrand at 540-219-3099 or the parish office to register and/or if you have questions. A study guide booklet (\$10) is available in the parish office!

**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).

### **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).

**ST. STEPHEN'S FOOD CLOSET:** This week's needs: pasta, canned tuna, and potato side dishes of any kind. THANK YOU.

**WORD OF LIFE:** "The sufferings caused by chronic or terminal illness ... cry out for our compassion, a word whose root meaning is to 'suffer with' another person. True compassion alleviates suffering while maintaining solidarity with those who suffer. It does not put lethal drugs in their hands and abandon them." USCCB, *"To Live Each Day with Dignity: A Statement on Assisted Suicide,"* © 2011, <https://goo.gl/BVQ3dE>

**NEW CATHOLIC CEMETERY:** At St. Isidore the Farmer in Orange, VA: plots for parishioners of parishes other than St. Isidore are \$1000 each. Effective January 1st, 2018, the price for each plot will be raised to \$1500. Each plot can hold one casket, or one casket and one cremation urn, or two cremation urns. Please feel free to contact Valencia Bowman with any questions via email: [stisidore2001@gmail.com](mailto:stisidore2001@gmail.com) or [stisidore2001@gmail.com](mailto:stisidore2001@gmail.com) or by telephone: 540-672-4933, ext. 10.

## **AROUND THE DIOCESE & VIRGINIA**



**VOCATIONS:** "What profit would a man show if he were to gain the whole world and ruin himself in the process." Are you being called to be a priest or deacon, brother or sister? Call Father J.D. Jaffe at (703) 841-2514 or write: [j.jaffe@arlingtondiocese.org](mailto:j.jaffe@arlingtondiocese.org).

**MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER:** "I grow weary holding it in, I cannot endure it." Learn how to more easily express love to our spouses by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter (WWME) weekend! **The next weekends are: Sep 15-17, 2017 in Herndon, VA and Oct 27-29, 2017 in Gaithersburg, MD.** Early sign up is recommended. For more information visit our website at: [RenewMarriage-VANorth.org](http://RenewMarriage-VANorth.org) or contact us at [wmandbethnickles@hotmail.com](mailto:wmandbethnickles@hotmail.com) or 703-646-1521.

**14<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL DIOCESAN BLUE MASS:** The 14<sup>th</sup> Annual Diocesan Blue Mass will be held at the Cathedral of St. Thomas More on **Saturday, September 16<sup>th</sup>, at 5:30pm**. This Mass is to pray for the safety of all Police Officers, Fire Fighters and Emergency Personnel serving within the Diocese of Arlington and to pray for those who have died in the line of duty. Bishop Burbidge will be the principal celebrant and homilist. All are welcome. Following the Mass there will be a reception in Burke Hall for all first responders and their families. Please contact the Cathedral of St. Thomas More for more information.

**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>.**

**MORNINGS OF MERCY FOR DIVORCED CATHOLICS:** Join us for a series of morning retreats that deal with topics such as grief, parenting, suffering, and hope. The mornings are free to attend, but please register at [www.arlingtondiocese.org/divorced](http://www.arlingtondiocese.org/divorced). **All dates are available online.** Please contact the Office of Marriage, Family and Respect Life (703) 841-2550 with any questions.

### **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,

Happy Labor Day weekend to everyone. With this weekend, we usually think of summer being over, even if the calendar says that the autumn equinox won't be here till September 22 this year.

School began in the public schools a few weeks ago, and it began at Epiphany School this last week. And our Religious Education program ("CCD") will begin next Sunday, September 10. Hopefully everyone has registered their children by now. In case you haven't, please do so by next Sunday, September 10, in order to avoid the late fee. It's interesting to note that CCD means the "Confraternity of Christian Doctrine". This was actually an association established in Rome in 1562. Calling parish religious education "CCD" has disappeared in many parishes, but someone suggested a new meaning could be given to the letters, which would hopefully be more apt: "Creating Christian Disciples". Let's hope that that is what will really happen this year with our young people in our religious education program.

I'd like to thank all of our volunteer catechists who have agreed to impart catechesis to our children in the name of the parents. We provide this service at the parish to help parents in their role as the primary educators of their children in everything, but especially in the faith. We realize that we can never replace the indispensable role of parents in the formation of their children, but we do want to help them in this most important part of their vocation: **to transmit faith to their children.**

A father came to me last week and asked if we had anything between the classes for First Communion and Confirmation, saying that he would like his child to keep learning. I took the opportunity then, as I do now, to explain that we offer religious education from the Kindergarten level up through the end of high school. And just as in society we provide education for children in secular subjects throughout these years, it is imperative that children learn about God, about their faith and about the meaning of their lives and the purpose of their existence throughout these years as well. All young people should go to religious education classes from the age of Kindergarten through 12th grade. We often offer adult education opportunities as well, since we realize that we all can and need to grow in our faith and can benefit from learning more about it.

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

God bless,

Fr. Kevin



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### 15 Things to Do in the Midst of Suffering

JEFF CAVINS



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