

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

April 24, 2016

“Fifth Sunday of Easter”

Mass Readings and Intentions for the Week

Sun. Apr 24

8:00 AM Kenneth Depue (+)
11:30 AM For the People
4:00 PM Alfredo Chacon Galiano(+)

Mon. Apr 25 Margaret DiiBon (+)

Readings: 1 Pt 5:5b-14; Mk 16:15-20

Tues. Apr 26 William Burke (+)

Readings: Acts 14:19-28; Jn 14:27-31a

Wed. Apr 27 Gia Quiroz (healing)

Readings: Acts 15:1-6; Jn 15:1-8

Thurs. Apr 28 Josephine Rizzulo (+)

Readings: Acts 15:7-21; Jn 15:9-11

Fri. Apr 29 Julia Adams (+)

Readings: Acts 15:22-31; Jn 15:12-17

Sat. Apr 30

Readings: Acts 16:1-10; Jn 15:18-21

8:30 AM June Brick (birthday)

6:00 PM Alice (birthday)

LORD HEAR THE PRAYER FOR OUR SICK

Especially: Brian Alexander, Janice Ambrose, Trudy Baker, Rosalie Baker, Michael Baudham, Mike Bosma, Joyce Bosworth, Bill Daley, Cynthia Davies, Jackie Fancher, Danielle Gambale-Metz, Bill Goetz, Alex Green, Sandy Hall, Mitch Harper, Alex Hyde, Peg Logan, Kriss Cordero Luna, Ana Magana, Doreen McNamara, Joan McPhillips, Beth Moreland, Mary Neureither, Shawn Peet, Gia Quiroz, Donald Rediske, Max Rosado, Shaw family, Margaret Shaw, Lorain Smith, Greg Szafranski 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.

"I give you a new commandment: love one another. As I have loved you, so you also should love one another." JOHN 13:34

Fifth Sunday of Easter

"Love one another"

Reading I Acts 14:21-27 (end of the first mission)

Reading II Revelation 21:1-5a (new heaven and new earth)

Gospel John 13:31-33a, 34-35 (a new commandment)

Key Passage Jesus said, "I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another." (John 13:34)

Adult What difference has it made in your life when you made a decision in accord with Jesus' teachings?

Child When will you have to make a decision this week? What will help you make a good decision?

ALL Bulletin inserts please email:
bulletin@preciousbloodcatholicchurch.com

Deadline is 3:30pm on Monday before.

It is easy to love someone when they love us back. But it takes courage to love someone when we feel unappreciated, used or feel our opinion doesn't matter. It takes courage to "love my neighbor" when he may be someone I don't like, someone I don't know or someone who doesn't look like me.

As Christians we are asked to view all of our gifts as blessings from God, nurturing them during our lifetime and returning them to our Heavenly Father with an increase. One way we can do that is to help our parish meet its future needs by including Precious Blood Catholic Church in your Will. For more information, call the Diocesan Planned Giving Office at **703-841-3819** or visit www.arlingtondiocese.planyourlegacy.org.

OFFERTORY COLLECTION

Sunday 4/17 collections:	\$7,804.72
Epiphany:	\$100.00
Building fund:	\$165.00

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

MUSIC MINISTRY Do you know a marian hymn from another tongue/land? Our music ministry will be hosting a "Songs of our Mother" PENTECOST BRUNCH on **May 15, 2016** from **9:30-10:30 am** in the parish hall and would love to include your song/hymn from your heritage. Please contact our Director of Music Hannah Masson at hannahmasson@yahoo.com or call **540-229-5329** and help us celebrate our unity and diversity of One, Lord, One Faith, One Parish, Many Tongues.



MOTHER'S DAY NOVENAS Mother's Day novena cards will be available in the foyer after all the Masses this weekend. All mothers registered will be prayed for at nine Masses.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION—ADORERS NEEDED! Adorers are needed to come before the Most Blessed Sacrament on Thursdays for the time slots from **1:00-2:00 PM** and **8:00-9:00 PM**. If you can help with this important ministry please call Joanna Madorma at **540-829-2235**.

ADULT FAITH FORMATION Topic this Sunday (**April 24**) is ***The Last Things: What Happens After We Die?*** In this segment of the *Symbolon* DVD series, Dr. Edward Sri and Curtis Martin talk about the last things and eternal life. All adults, especially parents of CCD students, are encouraged to attend from **9:40-10:40 am** in the Parish Hall. This is the final adult ed session for this school year.

HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES Please let the office know if you are graduating from high school in Spring 2016. The High School Graduation Mass will be **Sunday, June 5th** and we would like to recognize our graduating seniors!

SECOND COLLECTION Many dioceses right here in the U.S do not have enough priests and trained lay ministers to serve their parishes. These dioceses are known as home missions. The Catholic Home Missions Appeal, which will take place this weekend in the second collection, supports these dioceses by funding essential ministries, including seminary education and lay ministry training. Please be generous in this appeal and share your resources to strengthen the Church at home.

SAINT STEPHEN'S FOOD CLOSET This week's needs are: personal products, i.e. shaving products, shampoo, toothpaste and brushes; Vienna sausage, Spam/Treet; sloppy joe sauce; and canned fruit.

DONATE YOUR OLD SHOES CHASS will again be collecting shoes in any condition for distribution to third world countries. There will be a box in the vestibule of the church for the next five weeks. Your generosity last year provided over 500 pairs of shoes. Don't throw out those old, outdated shoes, bring them to church. Any questions, please call Mary McPhillips at **540-547-2123**. Thank you for helping!

CULPEPER CAN Come see how CAN volunteers can help you with your job search. Christians are Networking meets **Tuesdays at 7pm** downstairs in the classrooms. Mark your calendars! On **April 26th** CAN will host guest speakers Debbie Huntsinger, Workforce Adult Career Coach, Germanna Community College and Marty Baldwin, Workforce Center Manager, Rappahannock Goodwill Industries. Topic: Starting Your Job Search.

FAITH DIRECT Is spring cleaning on your mind? Looking for ways to simplify your week? eGiving through Faith Direct can help! Consider enrolling today by visiting www.faithdirect.net and using our church code: VA226. Your gifts through Faith Direct will help stabilize our parish finances, help you to get rid of the clutter of offertory envelopes in your home, and give you one less thing to worry about on Sunday mornings. Thank you for your continued support of our parish family!

PRECIOUS BLOOD MOM'S GROUP The Mom's Group is growing and we would love to have new moms join us. Our meetings will now be weekly on **Friday** from **10am to 12pm**. To be more open to moms that work during the week, we are also starting to have weekend meetings and events. Please contact Jacqueline Masson to be put on the email and/or text list to keep up to date on days and times of meetings and events. Email jacque1114@yahoo.com or call or text **678-267-6377**.

WORKCAMP Praise God! The campers completed their tool training last Sunday. A special thanks to our adult volunteers who helped with this: Dan Armor, Tony and Alison Windland, Dennis Mercier, Kelly Bennett, Mike Morris, Mark Callahan, Mykelle Laws, Nat Medina, Phillip Windsor, and Bruce and Tish Winning. Campers used the tools to construct 4 benches that will be **ON SALE** during our Mother's Day weekend fundraising campaign (**May 7-8**), along with homegrown plants from the Blessinger greenhouse, and more TinySaints! Donations to our fundraising campaign may be made to the Precious Blood office: checks should be payable to Precious Blood, memo: Workcamp. Please pray for the teens and adults as they prepare for their week of service in June!

**Let us pray for
Francis our Pope:
The Lord preserve
him, and give him
life, and bless him
upon earth, and
deliver him not up
to the will of his
enemies.**



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

The Precious Blood community is still seeking people to help with various parish ministries: money counting, hospitality, and ushers. Please contact the office with your interest!

PARENT CHILD RETREAT We would like to thank everyone who attended the Precious Blood Catholic Church Parent Child Retreat April 16, 2016 at the Verdun Adventure Bound Facility, Rixeyville, VA. Each individual participated in a variety of team building activities and group challenges. Father Anselme celebrated mass and members of the One Voice Acoustic Group provided the music. Member of the Knights of Columbus barbecued dinner for all retreat participants, musicians, and visitors that joined us for mass. Congratulations to all for a successful day. We won the weekend!

DIVINE OFFICE Morning Prayer from the Divine Office will be prayed from **8-8:15 AM Monday-Thursday** in the front right of the church. Please join us! If you do not have an office book, the prayers also can be found on the free iBreviary app or the app available at <http://divineoffice.org/>.

ALTAR SERVER TRAINING Altar server training will be held in May and June for those who have completed the 4th grade, been baptized and have received first Holy Communion. Please contact the office if your child is interested.

SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE Application forms for the Fr. Maurice du Castillon and Fr. Leo Zonneveld scholarships, awarded to graduating seniors, will be available in the foyer starting this weekend. The form and a reference letter from a Precious Blood parishioner citing the applicant's involvement in church activities must be turned in by **June 1st, 2016**.

AROUND THE DIOCESE/VIRGINIA

T.E.A.M. TEEN RETREAT "Do you have the Mercy App? Exploring the role of technology in daily acts of mercy" will take place on **SATURDAY, JUNE 4, 2016, 8:00 AM – 5:00 PM** The Teenage Enrichment for the Apostles of Mary (T.E.A.M. Retreat) is sponsored by the LEGION OF MARY to be held at HOLY TRINITY JUBILEE PARK INC. located at **4407 Aldie Road, Catharpin, Virginia 20143**. It is open to all Catholics from ages 12 - 18. Come and join us for an exciting day with holy Mass, Benediction, Confession, Eucharistic Procession, uplifting talks, skits, and three hours of exciting activities. The speakers are Rev. Francis Peffley and Rev. Richard Guest. The fee is \$35.00 per person and \$45.00 for late registration after May 26, which includes refreshments. Bring a bag lunch, water and rosary. Participants will have opportunities to meet new friends, have fun, learn strong Catholic values, and more particularly, be drawn closer to God. **Mark your calendar and register early.** To inquire about the retreat, call Dr. Seggy Acosta at **(703)392-6420**, Nancy Grenier at **(703)869-0040** or Sandy Witter **(703) 266-3534**. Scholarships are available based on financial needs. You may visit www.holytrinityjubileepark for registration forms or pick up a form in the Precious Blood office.

EUCCHARISTIC HOLY HOUR You are invited to a diocesan-wide Eucharistic Holy Hour sponsored by the Arlington Division of the World Apostolate of Fatima (the Blue Army) on **Sunday, April 24, from 3:00 – 4:00 p.m.** at St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church, 271 Winchester St., Warrenton. At Fatima, Our Lady asked for prayer and sacrifice for the conversion of sinners, peace in the world, and an increase in vocations; we hope you can join us!

KRAKOW IN THE CAPITAL Celebrate World Youth Day with millions of young adults around the world without leaving DC! Kraków in the Capital (**July 30th, 2016**) is a one-day World Youth Day experience that will mirror the week-long event in Poland. Featuring nationally known speakers, Stations of the Cross, Mass, Polish food, live concert and more! Tickets are \$25. Go to www.wydc.org to learn more and purchase tickets, or contact Brendan at **(703) 841-2549**.

GUADALUPE RADIO NETWORK Tune in to hear popular EWTN programming like "Catholic Answers Live", "Kresta in the Afternoon", and "Morning Glory" on **WMET 1160AM** every day. Guadalupe Radio Network's mission is to draw all people to the knowledge and love of Jesus and His Church through the medium of Catholic radio, in full accord with the Magisterium of the Catholic Church. Check out www.grnonline.com for a full program schedule.

VOCATIONS "By this everyone will know that you are My disciples." How will you manifest your discipleship? Consider living the Lord's new commandment of love as a priest, deacon, sister or brother. Call Father J.D. Jaffe **(703) 841-2514**, or write: j.jaffe@arlingtondiocese.org.

The Gifts of the Holy Spirit: Counsel

The Book of Psalms: “the Lord who gives me counsel; in the night also my heart instructs me” (Ps 16[15]:7). This is another gift of the Holy Spirit: the gift of *counsel*. We know how important it is in the most delicate moments to be able to count on the advice of people who are wise and who love us. Now, through the gift of counsel, it is God himself, through his spirit, who enlightens our heart so as to make us understand the right way to speak and to behave and the way to follow. But how does this gift work in us?

When we receive and welcome him into our heart, the Holy Spirit immediately begins to make us sensitive to his voice and to guide our thoughts, our feelings and our intentions according to the heart of God. At the same time, he leads us more and more to turn our interior gaze to Jesus, as the model of our way of acting and of relating with God the Father and with the brethren. Counsel, then, is the gift through which the Holy Spirit *enables our conscience to make a concrete choice in communion with God*, according to the logic of Jesus and his Gospel. In this way, the Spirit makes us grow interiorly, he makes us grow positively, he makes us grow in the community and he helps us not to fall prey to self-centeredness and one’s own way of seeing things. Thus the Spirit helps us to grow and also to live in community.

The essential condition for preserving this gift is prayer. We always return to the same theme: prayer! Yet prayer is so important. To pray with the prayers that we all learned as children, but also to pray in our own words. To ask the Lord: “Lord, help me, give me counsel, what must I do now?” And through prayer we make space so that the Spirit may come and help us in that moment, that he may counsel us on what we all must do. Prayer! Never forget prayer. Never! No one, no one realizes when we pray on the bus, on the road: we pray in the silence of our heart. Let us take advantage of these moments to pray, pray that the Spirit give us the gift of counsel.

In intimacy with God and in listening to his Word, little by little we put aside our own way of thinking, which is most often dictated by our closures, by our prejudice and by our ambitions, and **we learn instead to ask the Lord: what is your desire? What is your will? What pleases you?** In this way a *deep, almost connatural harmony* in the Spirit grows and develops within us and we experience how true the words of Jesus are that are reported in the Gospel of Matthew: “do not be anxious how you are to speak or what you are to say; for what you are to say will be given to you in that hour; for it is not you who speak but the spirit of your Father speaking through you” (10:19-20).

Dear friends, Psalm 16[15], which we heard, invites us to pray with these words: “I bless the Lord who gives me counsel; in the night also my heart instructs me. I keep the Lord always before me; because he is at my right hand, I shall not be moved” (vv. 7-8). May the Spirit always pour this certainty into our heart and fill us thus with the consolation of his peace! Always ask for the gift of counsel.

- Pope Francis May 7, 2014