

O God, who on this day revealed your Only Begotten Son to the nations by the guidance of a star, grant in your mercy that we, who know you already by faith, may be brought to behold the beauty of your sublime glory. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Epiphany of the Lord

January 5, 2025



The Adoration of the Magi, tapestry, Edward Burne-Jones, 1894
Musée d'Orsay Paris



SAINT BERNADETTE
CATHOLIC CHURCH AND SCHOOL

The Epiphany of the Lord

January 5, 2025

welcome



SUNDAY MASS	Saturday Vigil in church 5pm (live-streaming) Sunday 7am, 9am, 11am, 1pm (Spanish), 5pm
DAILY MASS	Mon.-Fri., 7 & 9am (live-streaming); Sat., 8am (live-streaming) Holy Days of Obligation, as announced
LIVE-STREAMING	Monday-Friday, 9am; Saturday, 8am; Vigil Sat., 5pm and Sundays 9 & 11am
DEVOTIONS	Adoration & Benediction, Fridays, 7-8pm (church) Rosary after 9am weekdays/8am Saturday Masses in church Taizé Prayer Service, 3 rd Mondays, 8-8:45pm (church)
CONFESSION	Sat., 3:30-4:30pm, or by appointment. English and Spanish Confessions
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BAPTISMS	Saturday, 10am. 1 st and 2 nd Saturdays in English; 3 rd Saturday in Spanish. Parish registration is encouraged for parents. Class attendance is required. Please contact the parish office to schedule at least four weeks in advance. All required paperwork must be submitted before a baptism may be scheduled.
WEDDINGS	Sat., 12 & 2pm. Parish registration encouraged; contact a priest at least six months in advance of desired date.
JOIN US	You are welcome! Registration forms are available in the church vestibule, office, or online www.stbermpar.org .
	Articles for the bulletin must be submitted to the parish office no later than first thing Friday morning, ten days before publication date. bulletin@stbermpar.org .

calendar

january

- 5 **Sunday, THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD**
 - Live-streaming Masses continue at 9 and 11am
- 6 **Monday, Christmas Weekday** [Saint André Bessette, Religious]
- 7 **Tuesday, Christmas Weekday** [Saint Raymond of Penyafort, Priest]
- 8 **Wednesday, Christmas Weekday**
- 9 **Thursday, Christmas Weekday**
- 10 **Friday, Christmas Weekday**
 - Adoration, 7pm in the church
- 11 **Saturday, Christmas Weekday**
 - Live-streaming Mass for Sunday begins with the 5pm Vigil Mass
- 12 **Sunday, THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD**
 - Live-streaming Masses continue at 9 and 11am
- 13 **Monday, Weekday** [Saint Hilary, Bishop and Doctor of the Church]
- 14 **Tuesday, Weekday**
- 15 **Wednesday, Weekday**
- 16 **Thursday, Weekday**
- 17 **Friday, Saint Anthony, Abbot**
 - Adoration, 7pm in the church
- 18 **Saturday, Weekday**
 - Live-streaming Mass for Sunday begins with the 5pm Vigil Mass
- 19 **Sunday, SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**
 - Live-streaming Masses continue at 9 and 11am
- 20 **Monday, Weekday** [Saint Fabian, Pope and Martyr; Saint Sebastian, Martyr]
 - Taizé ecumenical Prayer Service, invite all your friends, 8pm in the church
- 21 **Tuesday, Saint Agnes, Virgin and Martyr**
- 22 **Wednesday, Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children**
 - **Week of Prayer for Christian Unity Prayer Service, Church, 7:30pm**
- 23 **Thursday, Weekday**
- 24 **Friday, Saint Francis de Sales, Bishop and Doctor**
 - Adoration, 7pm in the church
 - **March for Life** is today, National Mall
- 25 **Saturday, The Conversion of Saint Paul the Apostle**
 - Live-streaming Mass for Sunday begins with the 5pm Vigil Mass
- 26 **Sunday, THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**
 - Live-streaming Masses continue at 9 and 11am
 - Saint Bernadette School **OPEN HOUSE**, noon-1pm,

announcements

Happy new year!

Join us for the March for Life this January 24th in Washington DC. Saint Bernadette will provide a bus if there are enough reservations. Visit our announcements page on the parish website or call the office to reserve your seat by January 5th.

Join us for our monthly (third Monday) **Taize Prayer Service** on **Monday night, 20 January 8 - 8:45pm**. Come for a peaceful moment of simple song and silence and pray for Christian Unity.

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity Prayer Service: Wednesday evening, January 22. Join Bishop Burbidge and other bishops of Christian churches in Virginia for the annual observance of the international Week of Prayer. Invite all your friends from other churches to join us at 7:30pm, followed by a light reception.

Saint Bernadette School will celebrate the start of Catholic Schools Week with an Open House being held on Sunday January 26. More details to come. See what Saint Bernadette School has to offer your family.

All adult parishioners who have volunteered in the past several years are invited to come to our **Night of Gratitude - Saturday, 8 February, 7-11pm**. Join us for an evening of hors d'oeuvres, drinks and dancing to the music of the **Andrew Thielen Big Band** of North Myrtle Beach. This is an opportunity to recognize and appreciate the work of parish volunteers. RSVP to Evelyn in the parish office by January 31. Details on page 12.

from the pastor

Dear Good People of Saint Bernadette,

Every year I have the best intentions of writing out Christmas cards. It hasn't happened in a few years, the last time I accomplished it I spent most of the holiday up until Epiphany and sent cards with the three wise men on the front. It has just become too much of a task, so this year I sent email cards. I particularly like this image of the Holy Family, they look so beautiful. I searched for its source but could not find anything on it. So here is my Christmas card to all of you.



Wishing you every blessing at Jesus' birth
and may God's love fill your heart with wonder.



My prayer for you at Christmas is that you will be surprised by God's acting in your life, and not simply waiting for God to fulfill what you expect. Our expectations will always be far below the plan God has for us. God's horizon is infinitely beyond our biggest hopes. Peace to our world; peace to our families; peace to you.

FR DON ROONEY

This year, what if we were to live as if we actually believed:

— that everything we do can bring benefit or harm to all of God's creation, whether publicly known or in secret?

— that Jesus' law is a law of love, not judgement? Just love, and leave the judgement to a just and merciful God.

— that there is no place for fear? I hear increasingly from people in my generation who are realizing that life in the Church when we were children was based more in fear of God than in love. Unconditional

love was not a concept, really. And I am surprised at the number of adults who are finding the courage today to say that they want more. They want a real relationship with God. Let's work on this in the new year.

— that we can't ever fully exhaust knowing God until we are with him in eternity, and eternity is really worth working toward, looking forward to? It is the most important thing. Because we can't understand all the mysteries of faith doesn't mean we are somehow deficient, only that we are human. We have the ability to learn, to know more. In the coming year let's commit to studying and growing together as a community in the knowledge of God and his Son, Jesus.

— that we have already received our superpowers? It is the Mass: we actively participate in the offering of Jesus, as Jesus to the Father, for the salvation of the world. You can save the world, with God, in Jesus. If people really believed this, I mean, *really* believed this, there would not be enough Catholic churches in the world and not enough Masses in the hours of the day. Just think about it. We have already received everything we need to be powerful, and effective, and holy. You are holy.

This holiday I am cleaning out my office from the boxes of stuff we moved there when we turned my old office into a second Preschool classroom. The offices were only going to be temporary as we were going to renovate the space with the new Parish Hall. When the budget got cut, so did the office renovation, so I am going through stuff that has been packed away in my small office for seven years. I came across a whole box of cards that I had printed in various colors - the cards say YOU ARE HOLY.

When I came to Saint Bernadette I was struck by the sense that you didn't believe this. For whatever reason, you either were told otherwise or not treated as holy people. But holiness isn't something you can lose. It is because God made you that you are holy. Our actions can overshadow the truth and we can choose darkness, but that has no power over the fact that you are still holy. I'm going to put a basket of these cards in the vestibule. Take some, and give them to everyone you know! Happy new year.

The Lord be with you. *Fr. Don*

Welcoming 2025: Start the New Year with Saint Bernadette Catholic School

Saint Bernadette Catholic School extends a blessed and Happy New Year to our school family and parish community as we welcome 2025! We are excited to begin the new year and invite you to join us for our **Open House on Sunday, January 26**, as we celebrate the start of national Catholic Schools Week. This is a wonderful opportunity to explore our school and see why a Catholic education at Saint Bernadette is truly special.

At Saint Bernadette Catholic School, we work in partnership with our families to nurture both the hearts and minds of our students. As a PreK-8th grade parochial school, we are committed to fostering a lifelong love of learning. Centered in Christ, our holistic approach emphasizes faith formation, service, and rigorous academics to develop the whole child. We are a close-knit yet diverse and supportive community, blessed with dedicated faculty, staff, administration, and parents, all working together to ensure the spiritual and academic growth of every student. At Saint Bernadette, we don't just teach Christ; we live His teachings, providing students

with numerous opportunities for service and community involvement—promoting compassion, kindness and care for each other and the broader community.

If your New Year's resolution includes joining the Saint Bernadette Catholic School family, we would love to have you! To get started, please submit an online application for the 2025-2026 school year through our website at www.stbernschool.org/admissions. Once we receive your application, we will contact you to schedule a student interview. Applications are reviewed in the following order of priority:

1. Siblings of current students
2. Saint Bernadette parish families
3. Catholic families without a parish school and military families
4. Catholic families with an attached school
5. Children of other faiths

If you would like to visit our school before submitting your application, we would be happy to give you a tour. Please call us at 703-451-8696 to schedule your visit. We look forward to welcoming you to our school community and wish you all the best in the coming New Year.

Sincerely,
Kathleen A. Burgess, Ph.D., Principal
Saint Bernadette Catholic School

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religious education

Weekly update

Please contact Lynn Jones, Director of Religious Education, at 703-451-8576, ext 136, or Victor Mendez, Administrative Assistant, at 703-451-8576, ext 138.

RE regular schedule:

Tuesday Session
5:30–6:45pm

Wednesday Session
6–7:15pm

Special Tuesday Session
for Confirmation Fall 2024
7-8:15pm

RE Program upcoming schedule

Welcome back!
Regular classes resume Jan. 7/8
Monthly Family Faith Formation meets today, Jan. 5.
Saturday SPRED class, Jan. 11

Email ymendez@stbernapar.org or Lynn Jones, Ljones@stbernapar.org for more information.

Trinity House Gatherings

Did you miss our family-friendly Trinity House Gathering before Thanksgiving? Plan to join us for our next meeting on Saturday, January 25! This year instead of monthly parent religious education classes we are hosting Trinity House Gatherings designed to show you how to find Heaven in Your Home! Our next gathering (free dinner, parent video and discussions, kids crafts and activities, and dessert!) is on Saturday, January 25, from 6 - 8pm in the School Cafeteria. Watch the Trinity House trailer to see what it's all about: <https://youtu.be/m1BWdHRPP4w>. We will collect RSVPs by Sign Up Genius in January.

Volunteers needed

We are in need of more volunteers who can commit to classes on Tuesdays from 5:30-6:45pm or on Wednesdays from 6:00-7:15pm. In particular we need a fourth-grade catechist on Wednesdays and an aide for a multi-grade fourth-sixth grade class on Wednesdays, in addition to classroom aides on Tuesday and Wednesdays. We also would love a few more volunteers to help us with inside and outside security, patrolling hallways and helping with traffic control. Contact Lynn Jones for more information.

Living the liturgical year

Yesterday was the feast day of Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton, patroness of our diocese and the first American-born saint. She founded the Sisters of Charity of St. Joseph in Emmitsburg, Maryland, only 75 minutes from us in Springfield! Learn about her here: <https://setonshrine.org/elizabeth-ann-seton/>, and take a trip to visit her Shrine which has a museum, visitors center, and historic home tours. You could also tour nearby Mount St Mary's University and their beautiful campus!

youth ministry

Stay in touch:

Text/Email Updates: Sign-up at flocknote.com/stbernyouth or text "stbernyouth" to 84576.

Follow us on Instagram
[@stbernyouth](https://www.instagram.com/stbernyouth)

Email our director of youth ministry, Grace Rihl, at grihl@stbernapar.org with any questions you may have.

WorkCamp 2025

All 9th – 12th graders are invited to Diocesan Workcamp June 21-27, 2025. Workcamp is an annual event where hundreds of teens and adults work together to help make local homes warmer, dryer, and safer for those in need. This is a transformative experience for all involved, and you won't want to miss it! Please mark your calendars for a Workcamp Interest Meeting on Sunday, January 26th at 6:15pm in the Bradican Room. Teens who are interested in attending, or parishioners who are interested in helping in some capacity can email Grace Mee at grihl@stbernapar.org

Middle School Youth Ministry Next gathering January 15

All 6th-8th graders are invited to Middle School Youth Ministry every 1st and 3rd Wednesday of the month! Join us in the New Year on Wednesday, January 15th for games, snacks, and fun from 6:45-8pm in the Gym. All middle schoolers are welcome, bring a friend!

High School Escape Room

All High Schoolers are invited to join us for dinner followed by a Saint Bernadette escape room. Meet in the Bradican Room from 6-8pm on Saturday, January 11!

Girls' Craft Night

All 8-12th grade girls are invited to join us for a craft night! We will each choose a word of the year and make beaded bracelets. Join us from 7-8:30pm on Monday, January 13.

High School Tuesday Socials

All High Schoolers are invited to join us for games, snacks, fun, and discussions on the faith every Tuesday from 7-8:30pm in the youth room! All are welcome, bring a friend!

High School Boys Catholic Life Community

Join other Catholic high school boys in this community of faith, prayer, and fellowship. New attendees are always welcome, every Thursday from 7:30 to 9:15pm in the youth room.

Calling altar servers

All boys and girls 4th grade to 12th grade are welcome to serve at the altar at Mass! In the interest of trying to be most accommodating to your schedules, we have put training for servers on Mondays 5-6pm on January 20, 27, and February 3. In the school, please sign up with Mrs. Bacon. Otherwise, please contact the parish office.

Calling Eucharistic Ministers

Consider serving as an extraordinary minister of Holy Communion at Masses and for the homebound! The diocese will be announcing their training dates soon, and we would like to hear from you. We have about one-third the number of EMs pre-COVID, and we need to renew our roster as well as consider making Communion under both forms a possibility again. The first step is to talk with Fr. Don. Thank you!

Catholic Women's Group Upcoming events

Come and enjoy warm fellowship and great food. No need to RSVP. For more information, please email us at women@stbernpar.org.

Monday, Jan 6, is our next Dinner with Friends at 5pm, at Saratoga Pizzeria, 8050 Rolling Road. We meet for this casual meal on the 1st and the 3rd Monday of every month.

Our next monthly meeting will be Tuesday, January 14 at 7pm in the Bradican Room. It's game night! Bring a favorite board, card, or table game to play. Maybe you got a new game for Christmas that you can't wait to share. Come join the excitement and fellowship.

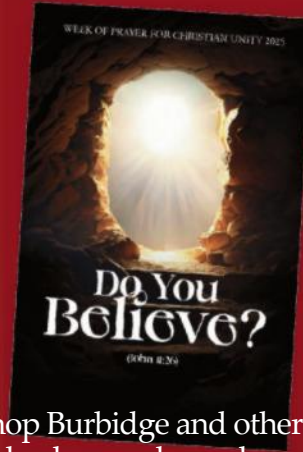
The National March for Life

Join fellow parishioners on the National Mall in Washington, D.C., on Friday, January 24. We will provide a bus if there are enough reservations. Please sign up at <https://tinyurl.com/42tnedb4> by January 5. There won't be any cost, but we ask that you to bring items for the Baby Supply Drive. Questions? Call the office.

Saint Bernadette hosts the international

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity 2025

Wednesday, January 22,
7:30pm



Join Bishop Burbidge and other bishops, leaders, and members of Christian churches in Virginia for the annual observance of the international Week of Prayer for Christian Unity.

Invite all your friends from other local churches to join us at 7:30pm, followed by a light reception.

The theme for the 2025 Week of Prayer for Christian Unity was approved by the Catholic Church's Dicastery for Promoting Christian Unity and the Faith and Order Commission of the World Council of Churches, in collaboration with the ecumenical monastic community of Bose in Italy.

This year's theme was chosen in recognition of the 1700th anniversary of the First Council of Nicaea (325), at which the words "I believe" were chosen to anchor the Creed as an instrument of universal Christian unity.

happy new year!

Parish Offertory

Offertory totals for 12/29 and Christmas are not available by the printing deadline for this bulletin.

Thank you for your faithful support!



Consider using Faith Direct to make your parish contributions through either direct debit to your checking account or through credit cards, the same way you make car or tuition payments. Faith Direct also offers personalized offertory cards to replace your envelopes for the collection basket. You may enroll securely online. Visit www.faithdirect.net or call (866)507-8757. Our parish code is VA70.

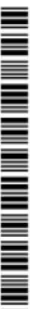
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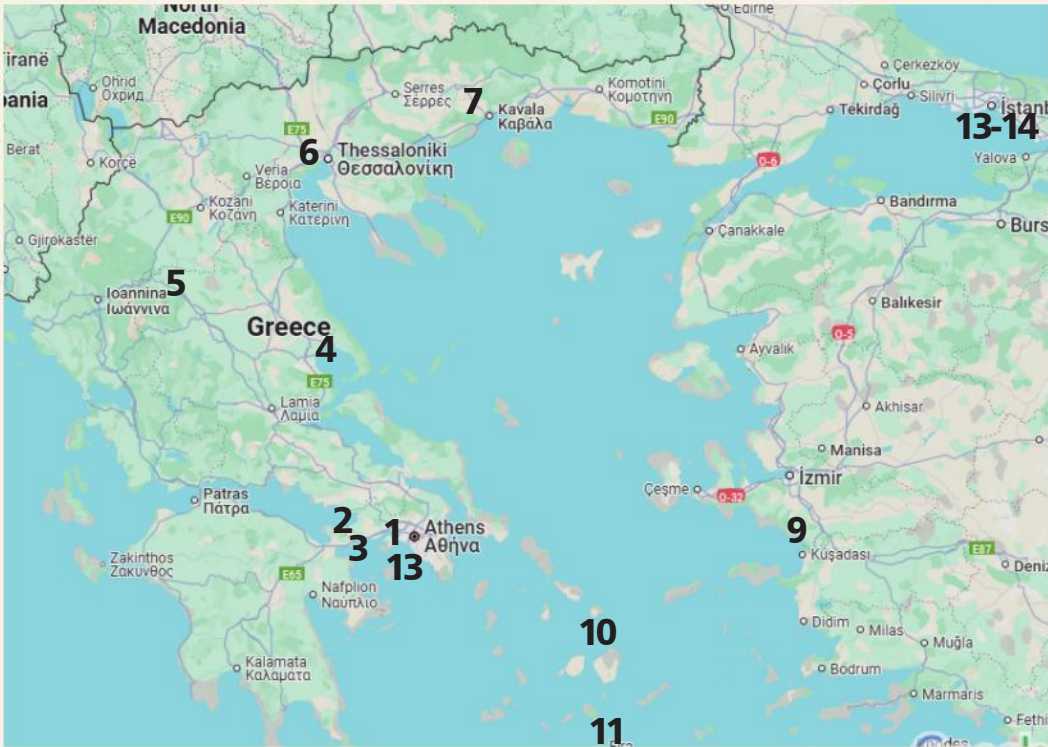


ALL PARISH VOLUNTEERS AND EDUCATORS ARE INVITED
TO OUR "NIGHT OF GRATITUDE,"
CELEBRATING the BEGINNING of the NEW YEAR,
IN THANKS of YOUR SERVICE to SAINT BERNADETTE CHURCH and SCHOOL.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 8 at 7 O'CLOCK, in the SCHOOL GYMNASIUM.
HEAVY HORS D'OEUVRES and DANCING
to the ANDREW THIELEN ORCHESTRA.

RSVP to EVELYN BY FRIDAY, JANUARY 31, evargas@stbernapar.org





the parish pilgrimage, 2025: the footsteps of st. paul

each day

1. Athens
2. Corinth
3. Cenchrea/Mycenae
4. depart Piraeus to Volos
5. Meteora Monasteries
6. Berea/Thessaloniki
7. Philippi/Kavala
8. at sea
9. Ephesus
10. Mykonos
11. Santorini
12. at sea
13. Piraeus/Athens airport/ Istanbul
14. Istanbul
15. return flight/Dulles

As always we find the most interesting places for daily Mass and opportunities for spiritual growth.

We will explore the letters of Paul where he walked as well as consider the relationship with the Christian east and west.

Announcing the 2025 parish pilgrimage in the footsteps of Saint Paul

Have you ever wondered about those New Testament letters of Saint Paul? Most have little awareness of how Saint Paul tirelessly visited and wrote to many of the cities surrounding the Aegean Sea.

- Airlines: Round-trip economy class airfare via Turkish Airlines: Dulles/Athens/Istanbul/Dulles.
- Airlines: One-way economy class airfare via Turkish Airlines: Athens to Istanbul.
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For more information contact tour director Peter's Way Tours, 516-605-1551, peter@petersway.com.

Daily Mass Intentions and Readings

Please call the office also if you would like to request a Mass sooner, that is not announced.

January

6 MONDAY

7am Fr. John Heisler
9am* † Anna Thanh Thi Pham
1 Jn 3:22—4:6/Mt 4:12-17, 23-25

7 TUESDAY

7am † Lyle & Shirley McNulty
9am* Nga Duong
1 Jn 4:7-10/Mk 6:34-44

8 WEDNESDAY

7am Christian Funicelli
9am* † Nancy Vaughan
1 Jn 4:11-18/Mk 6:45-52

9 THURSDAY

7am Christina Catterton
9am* † Marilyn Carroll
1 Jn 4:19—5:4/Lk 4:14-22a

10 FRIDAY

7am Sofia Garcia
9am* † W. Donald Rooney
10am** † Ann MacNamara
1 Jn 5:5-13/Lk 5:12-16

11 SATURDAY

8am* Sr. Giovanna
1 Jn 5:14-21/Jn 3:22-30
5pm* † Nancy Vaughan

12 SUNDAY

7am For the parish
9am* Jasmine
11am* † Elizabeth Tiroly
1pm † Ruben Antonio Vargas
5pm † Jason Brunsman
Is 40:1-11/Ti 2:11-14; 3:4-7/Lk 3:15-22

* live-streamed Masses

** Mass at Greenspring Chapel

Masses next weekend

Jan 11	5pm	Fr. James
Jan 12	7am	Fr. Jeb
	9am	Fr. James
	11am	Fr. Don
	1pm	Fr. Jeb
	5pm	Fr. Cedric

Parish Prayer List

It has been a long while since we have updated this list. If anyone is listed here who no longer needs to be included, please call the office.

Christopher Ayala, Christy Perez Ayala, Barbara Baxter, Lorenzo Beitia, Benedi Family, Javier Blandon, Marvin Boord, Krista Buskey, Eleanor Butler, Josue Cabrera, Frank Caponegro, Victoria Castro Guerra, Hyung Ji Choi, Kathleen Cobb, Emilio A. Conde Hernandez, Joaquin Cortez, Mary Crossin, Fernando Cruz Conde, Jessica Curtis, Russell Cykoski, Celine D'Cruze, Deeney Family, Joanne DeAngelis, Pierre Deslauriers, Ron & Karen Dietz, Nick Domahoski, Sean Duffy, Evans Family, Debbie Field, Thomas Fitzgerald, Paul Flapper, Richard & Veronica Flynn, Mario and Mark Fortin, Jerome Furlow, Elvira Gaudamus, Jim Gribschaw, Bill & Leona Harron, Andres Hernandez, Lauren Hicks, Shawn Hoisington, Elizabeth Howarth, Matthew Ianuzzi, Masaharu Ishii, Jack Judd, Sage Kalper, Astania Kamau, John Kelly, Theresa Khim, Mike Kidwell, Tim Kirk, John Kochersperger, Large Family, Melissa Lavelle, Lawler Family, Teodora Lim, Sharon Lord, Robert Madison, Minka Malnikof, Alice Martin, Tim McCarthy, Katherine Mehigan, Ken Miller, Jeremy Monsanto, Jonathan Mundell, Mike Mundell, Kathleen Maxwell, Karen Mitchell, Ted Musialkiewicz, Kathleen Murray, Shamsun Nahar, Steve Nelson, Mike Nolen, the Noonan family, Sarah Norton, JoAnne Plavchan, Corina Portillo, Daren Perry, Evan Robish, Joanna Robson, Apolonia Rye, Sagum Family, John Sandidge, B. Schulz, Smith Family, Glendora Spinelli, Ailsa Squatrito, Laura Sutherland, Ellie Urmston, Holger Vargas, Mary Vago, Silvio Villena, Adrienne Vincent, James Washburn, Margaret Wyse, Earnest Yambot, Yessenia Zelaya Diaz.

Pro-Life Witness

The Saint Bernadette Pro-Life Committee invites you to pray the rosary and be a witness to the sanctity of life on Tuesday or Saturday mornings in front of the abortion facility at 2616 Sherwood Hall Lane in Alexandria (ample free parking across the street). We legally, peacefully, and respectfully gather for an hour starting at 10am; no sign-up or commitment required. Questions? Email Tom Palumbo at tompalumbo@outlook.com.

Prime Time Single Catholics

We are a social group, mostly aged 60 and over. (35 to 59? Ask about our free associate-membership group.) Meet us for: Christmas Concert at Constitution Hall (Dec. 22); Christmas Dinner (Dec. 25); Christ House meal (Dec. 28); New Year's Eve daytime celebration (Dec. 31); New Year's Day lunch (Jan. 1). For details, visit our website: bit.ly/ptsc. With questions or to RSVP, email Tom at ptscnva@gmail.com.

Planned giving: make a gift of appreciated assets

Consider a gift of stock or any other appreciated asset as a donation to Saint Bernadette Catholic Church and School. In exchange for a gift of a long-term appreciated asset, you can receive an income tax deduction for the current market value and avoid capital gains taxes on that appreciation. Your gift will support the Church, School, or the Make All Things New Campaign. For more information, please contact Rick Caporali at rcaporali@stbernapar.org or call the office.

Remember us in your will or trust

The next time you review your will or trust with your attorney consider adding a provision to donate a portion of your assets to Saint Bernadette Church and School. Your gift will be greatly appreciated. For more information, please contact Rick Caporali at rcaporali@stbernapar.org or call the office.



If you are new to the parish or never had an opportunity to make a pledge or gift to our new Parish Life Center, the campaign continues. Please contact Fr. Don or Jean Corday in the parish office. Thanks for your support.

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