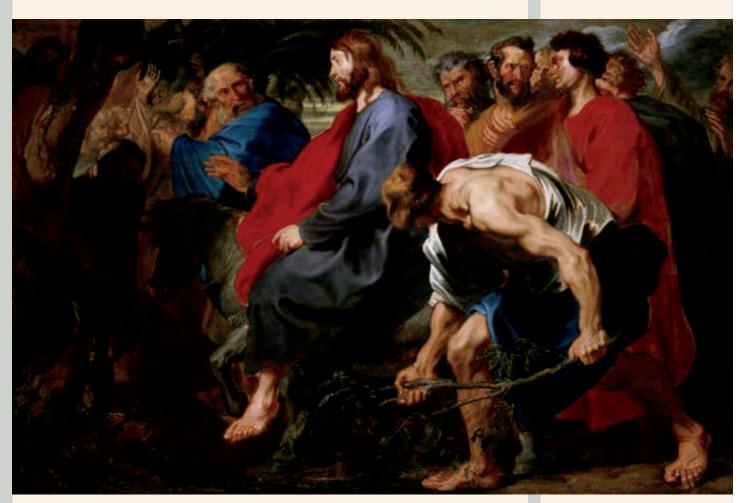
Almighty ever-living God, who as an example of humility for the human race to follow caused our Savior to take flesh and submit to the Cross, graciously grant that we may heed his lesson of patient suffering and so merit a share in his Resurrection. Who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Palm Sunday

April 13, 2025



Entry of Christ into Jerusalem, Anthony van Dyck, 1617 Indianapolis Museum of Art, Indianapolis







April 13, 2025

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, 3rd 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, 1st and 2nd Saturdays in English; 3rd 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.

You are welcome! Registration forms are available in the church vestibule, office, or online www.stbernpar.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@stbernpar.org.



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calendar april

13 Sunday, PALM SUNDAY of the Passion of the Lord

- Live-streaming Masses continue at 9am, 11am and 1pm in Spanish
- 14 Monday of Holy Week
 - Taizé prayer for unity, 8pm. All are Welcome!
- 15 Tuesday of Holy Week
- 16 Wednesday of Holy Week
 - "The Light is On" confessions, 6:30 8pm, church
- 17 Thursday, HOLY THURSDAY See p. 7 for full schedule
 - Morning Prayer and Office of Readings, 8am. No morning Masses today.
 - Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper, 7:30pm, church. See p.7 for full schedule
 - Eucharistic procession to the gym, following Mass until midnight
- 18 Friday, GOOD FRIDAY of the Passion of the Lord See p.7 for full schedule
 - Morning Prayer and Office of Readings, 8am. No morning Masses today.
 - Tre Ore, 12 3pm in the church, limited confessions
 - Stations of the Cross, 3pm in the church
 - Via crucis and Pasión y Veneración de la Santa Cruz, 4 & 5pm in the church
 - The Passion, and Veneration of the Holy Cross, 7:30pm in the church
- 19 Saturday, HOLY SATURDAY and EASTER VIGIL See p.7 for full schedule
 - Morning Prayer and Office of Readings, 8am. No morning Masses today.
 - Blessing of Éaster food, 10am
 - Easter Vigil Mass, 8:30pm.
- 20 Sunday, EASTER SUNDAY See p. 7 for full schedule
 - Live-streaming Masses continue at 9am, 11am and 1pm in Spanish
 - There is NO 5pm Mass today.
- 21 Monday, Monday within the Octave of Easter
 - Parish Offices will be closed.
 - Taize prayer for unity in the church, 8pm
- 22 Tuesday, Tuesday within the Octave of Easter
- 23 Wednesday, Wednesday within the Octave of Easter
- 24 Thursday, Thursday within the Octave of Easter
- 25 Friday, Friday within the Octave of Easter
- 26 Saturday, Saturday within the Octave of Easter
 - ECHO YARD SALE starting at 8am in the gym
 - Live-streaming Mass for Sunday begins with the 5pm Vigil Mass
- 27 Sunday, SUNDAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF EASTER (Divine Mercy)
 - Live-streaming Masses continue at 9am, 11am and 1pm in Spanish
- 28 Monday, Easter Weekday [Saint Peter Chanel, Priest and Martyr]
- 29 Tuesday, St. Catherine of Siena, Virgin and Doctor
- 30 Wednesday, Easter Weekday [Saint Pius V, Pope]

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- 1 Thursday, Easter Weekday [Saint Athanasius, Bishop and Doctor]
- 2 Friday, Friday within the Octave of Easter

announcements

84% of goal

Bishop's Lenten Appeal We're at 84% with 600 pledgesthat's only 15% participation... Just drop your pledge envelopes in the basket at Mass

or at the office, or visit www.arlingtondiocese.org/BLA Please indicate you are a parishioner here and it will count toward our parish goal of \$560,000.

Now accepting applications for PRE-Kindergarten in our school. Interested in joining our school community? We focus on faith formation, academic excellence, and community service. Visit our website: www.stbernschool.org/admissions-process/

Adults who, for whatever reason, are catechized but have never received the sacrament of Confirmation are invited to contact the office. Fr. Don will be planning a series of classes during the Easter Season in preparation for Confirmation with Bishop Burbidge on Pentecost Sunday.

All Saints Church Multi-Car Raffle is still in full swing. Four vehicles will be raffled along with a \$20,000 cash drawing, plus o+ther cash drawings. The final deadline for ticket returns is April 29. The drawings begin at 1pm Saturday, May 3, at All Saints Parish in Manassas. Please return all tickets by mail directly to All Saints in the envelope provided.

Lenten Observances

Fasting: Food equivalent to one regular meal, one small meal – Ash Wednesday and Good Friday

Abstinence: No meat – ALL Fridays

Parish Soup Suppers: Fridays in Lent, 6pm Stations of the Cross: Fridays, 7pm in English, 8pm in Spanish, in the church

Lent Confessions: Wednesdays, 6:30-8pm, Saturdays, 3:30-4:30pm (as usual). *Please plan confessions early in the season to avoid running out of time.*

Parish Penance Service: Tuesday, April 8, 6:30pm

from the pastor

Lent is a special time of quiet and personal reflection as well as a time in which the parish comes together to observe special devotions and gatherings.

Our special Parish Penance Service with 16 priests will be held on Tuesday, April 8 at 6:30pm in the church. Please plan to join us.

Confessions will be available also on Wednesday night, 6:30-8pm and the normal time, 3:30pm on Saturdays.

Remember, Fridays are days of abstinence from meat.

Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of fasting and abstinence, which means no meat and we eat only one full meal and two small meals not equalling one full meal, with no snacks in between.

Join us for our last parish Lenten Soup Supper on Friday at 6pm! Then we celebrate the Stations of the Cross, on Friday at 7pm in English, and 8pm in Spanish in the church.



Dear Good People of Saint Bernadette,

At the beginning of Holy Week, I thought I would provide a guide to parish liturgies so you figure out what you can fit in your schedules.

The Sacred Triduum is considered one continuous liturgy. It begins with the Mass of the Lord's Supper ("As I have done, so you must also do") on Holy Thursday night (7:30pm), and you will notice there is no blessing at the end: it continues. We process to the gym (the garden of Gethsemane) to pray with Jesus ("Father, let this chalice pass from me; your will be done"). At midnight he is taken from us, adoration ends, and Good Friday begins.

There are no sacraments celebrated on Good Friday. The Triduum liturgy continues with the reading of the **Passion** according to Saint John and the **Veneration of the Cross** and Communion service (7:30pm) with Eucharist that was consecrated at the Mass of the Last Supper the night before. The liturgy on Good Friday does not begin, it is a unity with the Mass on Holy Thursday, simply beginning with the symbol of the death of Jesus as the priests are prostrate on the floor and, after, simply disperses as the ministers randomly leave.

The liturgy of the Sacred Triduum continues with the Easter Vigil after sunset as we build a sacred fire with which we light the Paschal Candle, a sign of Jesus' enduring presence with us. The light

enters the church, and we listen to the ancient proclamation of the resurrection of Jesus, the *Exsultet*. In the ancient Tradition of the Church, we then sit in waiting, listening to the story of salvation throughout the Scriptures. In the ancient Church this would have lasted from sunset to dawn. Today we have seven readings and responses which represent that ancient vigil awaiting the resurrection. When we sing the Gloria (something we haven't sung throughout the season of Lent), we witness the moment of resurrection and the Church rejoices with the proclamation of the resurrection of Jesus and the celebration of the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist. The Mass continues as usual and the liturgy of the Sacred Triduum ends with a final blessing and solemn alleluia.

Everything else we do during the three days are only supplemental to this one great observance of the passion, death and resurrection of Jesus in three parts.

There are no Masses at any time between the Opening Mass of the Lord's Supper and the Easter Vigil.

Extra things we include are Morning Prayer and the Office of Readings each morning (8am), and the *Tre Ore*, or Three Hours' meditations on the the seven last words of Jesus in Scripture, song, and preaching from 12 to 3pm, the time we observe Jesus' crucifixion. There is also a Stations of the Cross at 3pm on Good Friday (same as all the Fridays of Lent), but I wish there weren't, because it seems like an alternative to the important service in the evening with the Veneration of the Cross and Communion. Some parishes have the Good Friday service at 3pm, but that would exclude all those who have to work on Good Friday, so we observe it in the evening at Saint Bernadette. Finally, there is a blessing of Easter foods according to the Eastern Rite tradition on Holy Saturday, something of an aberration, because the Easter holy water has not yet been blessed at the Vigil. In the Middle Ages, the Eucharistic fast from midnight was instituted, so the Easter Vigil was celebrated at 8am. At that point the Easter season began... so there would have been water. Vigils were restored by Vatican II.

Join us! The Lord be with you.

Fr. Dom

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Scientific Curiosity

Saint Bernadette Catholic School was brimming with scientific excellence on Thursday, April 3, as our seventh-grade cardinals gathered in the school gym for the annual Science Fair. Forty-eight students displayed their experiments, summarized on well-organized tri-boards and in thick science fair binders.

While the science fair was the end event, seventh-grade students have been working on these projects for many months. Students researched ideas in September, conducted experiments in the winter, and worked to collate results in graph forms and display findings in the spring. Through it all, seventh-grade science teacher, Mrs. Bridget Smith, provided guidance and motivation. As she states, "Science Fairs teach the value of hard work. Science can't be completed overnight. The goal is for students to develop scientific curiosity and to understand our world better."

Eleven judges came to examine student work. They spent the morning interviewing our scientists, reading student binders, and reviewing the tri-board summaries. After careful deliberation, the following students earned awards:

BEHAVIORAL AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

First Place: Reagan G., Color Me Remembered: How Color Helps

BIOLOGY

First Place: Audrey W.,

Reedy or Not: Here Comes the Mold

Second Place (tie): T.C. S.,

Ripening Race: A Fruit's Journey to Perfection

and Jackson M.,

To Butter or Not to Butter, That is the Question

BOTANY

First Place: Natalie P., Food to Fertilizer

Second Place: Ava M., Lavender: Sow You're the Spot!

CHEMISTRY

First Place (tie): Trisha M., Radon: An Invisible Menace!

and Molly M., From Dry to Divine: Testing

Lotions for Perfect Skin

Second Place: Peter O., Ice, Ice Baby! PHYSICS, ENERGY, and ENGINEERING

First Place: Esteban J., Lights Out! Testing

Battery Life and Brightness Over Time Second Place: Arabella U., Kickin It Hot or Cold: How Does Temperature Affect a Soccer Ball?

Additionally, three students earned awards for Best Overall Projects:

First Place: Audrey W. Second Place: Natalie P. Third Place: Molly M.

We congratulate and salute all seventh graders for their perseverance and fortitude in this critical project. Job well done!

cardinal



Now enrolling **PRE-Kindergarten**

Interested in joining our school community? We focus on faith formation. academic excellence, and community service.

We are now accepting applications for the 2025-26 school year. Visit our website: www.stbernschool. org/admissions-process/



religious education

Weekly update

Please contact Lynn Jones, Director of Religious Education, at 703-451-8576, ext 136; Arlyn Agasen, ext 132, or Victor Mendez, Administrative Assistant, at ext 138. RE Program upcoming schedule

Regular classes: Apr. 22-23, 29-30 Easter Break: April 15-16 Sunday Family Faith Formation Class: Apr. 6.

Trinity House Family Donut Social

Mark your calendars! Plan to join us on Sunday, April 27, in the school cafeteria for fellowship, hospitality, and kids' activities after the 9am Mass! Come visit with other parish families while you enjoy coffee, juice, and donuts while your children do some fun activities with volunteers.

Living the liturgical year

This Sunday is Palm Sunday! Read about Palm Sunday here https://www.catholicnewsagency.com/news/250928/ these-are-the-most-popular-faqs-about-palm-sunday-and-their-answers. When you attend Palm Sunday Mass you will receive palms... But what to do with them once you take them home? Go over to Catholic Icing for some good ideas: https://www.catholicicing.com/10-things-to-do-with-palms-from-palm-sunday/.



youth ministry

Stay in touch:

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

Follow us on Instagram @stbernyouth

Email our director of youth ministry, Grace Mee, at gmee@stbernpar.org with any questions you may have.

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Middle School Youth Ministry Next gathering April 16

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

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!

WorkCamp adult volunteers still needed

-- 1 woman to serve as an Adult Crew Leader for the week June 21-27

-- 1 contractor to supervise the repairs performed at the resident's home June 22-26. Please contact Matthew Frey with any questions: matthew_c_frey@yahoo.com or 571-265-5258.

Summer Theatre Program 2025: it's *Anything Goes!*

Director of our Summer Theatre Program, Bill Molino, has announced that the musical for this summer will be *Anything Goes*, the 1934 Broadway classic with music and lyrics by Cole Porter which became pop and jazz standards including "Anything Goes," "You're the Top," "All through the Night," and "I Get a Kick out of You." Dates for auditions are soon to be finalized. Stay tuned!



Holy Week 2025 Semana Santa



Holy Thursday

(No morning Mass; no hay misas por la mañana)

8_{AM} Office of Readings and Morning Prayer (Liturgy of the Hours)

7:30PM Mass of the Lord's Supper (bilingual)

The concelebrated Mass of the Lord's Supper commemorates the institution of the Eucharist and the Priesthood by Jesus at the Last Supper. The commandment of love is symbolized by the Mandatum, or foot washing, where Jesus teaches, "As I have done, so must you also do." Parishioners are encouraged to join in the ancient Procession of the Blessed Sacrament to its place of repose in the gymnasium, where adoration will continue until midnight as we accompany Jesus in his agony in the Garden of Gethsemane.

Misa de la Cena del Señor

(Misa Bilingue) La Misa de la Ultima Cena del Señor, recuerda la institución de la Eucaristía y el Sacerdocio por Jesús. Su mandamiento de Amor está simbolizado por el Mandatum, o la Lavadura de los Pies, cuando Jesús enseña: "Como he hecho, como deben hacer también." Todos son invitados para participar en la procesión del Santíssimo Sacramento a su lugar de reposición en el gimnasio, donde adoración va a continuar hasta a medianoche, y acompañamos a Jesús en su agonía en el Jardín de Getsemané.

11:45_{PM} Night Prayer (Liturgy of the Hours)

Night Prayer will conclude Eucharistic Adoration in the Chapel.



Good Friday

APRIL 18

(No morning Mass; no hay misas por la mañana)

8AM

Office of Readings / Morning Prayer (Liturgy of the Hours)

12-3pN

"Tre Ore" – the Seven Last Words of Jesus in meditation and song (limited confessions will be available)

3PM

Stations of the Cross (English)

1 DM

Via Crucis (en español)

5_{PN}

La Pasión y Veneración de la Santa Cruz (español)

En la litúrgia de Viernes Santo, nos reuniremos en observancia de la muerte salvífica de Cristo, y leeremos el evangelio de su Pasión, oraremos por la iglesia universal, y veneraremos su Cruz en un rito muy antiguo. Recibimos, también, la Eucaristía, preparada en la Misa de Jueves Santo.

La ofrenda hoy es para el mantenimiento de los lugares santos en Tierra Santa.

7:30_{PM}

The Passion and Veneration of the Holy Cross (English)

We assemble in observance of Christ's saving death, by reading the narrative of his Passion, praying for the Universal Church, venerating his Cross in this ancient Rite and receiving Holy Communion which was consecrated on the previous evening at the Mass of the Lord's Supper.

The Good Friday collection assists the maintenance of the Shrines in the Holy Land.



Holy Saturday

APRIL 19

(No 8am or 5pm Mass; no hay misas a las 8am ni 5pm)

8_{AM}

Office of Readings and Morning Prayer (Liturgy of the Hours)

10AM Easter Foods Blessing

8:30_{PM}

The Vigil of the Resurrection of the Lord (bilingual)

What Sunday is to the week, Easter Sunday is to the year. This holiest of nights we celebrate the victory over death and promise of eternal life given to us by Jesus Christ in his resurrection from the dead. The Liturgy includes the Service of Light, the Vigil of Readings and Psalms, the Celebration of the Sacraments of Baptism and Confirmation for those who have prepared all year for initiation in the Catholic Church, and Liturgy of the Eucharist. Please note the unusual time that we begin: it marks the end of twilight and the beginning of Easter Sunday.

La Vigilia

Esta noche, la más santa, celebramos la victoria sobre la muerte y el promesa de la vida eterna dado a nosotros por Cristo en su resurección de la muerte. La litúrgia incluye el Servicio de la Luz, la Vigília de las Lecturas y Salmos, la Celebración de los Sacramentos de la Iniciación, el Bautismo y la Confirmación para los que han preparado todo el año para ser recibidos por la iglesia Católica, y la Liturgia de la Eucaristía.

Easter Sunday

MIKIL 20

7, 9, and 11am, and 1pm (Spanish)
The Resurrection of the Lord
Please note: there will be NO 5pm
Mass on Easter Sunday!

metaphor for lent

Lenten deep cleaning
About 40 generous volunteers joined together last weekend to clean the church from top to bottom. The is the second year reak deep cleaning of the church was accomplished in preparation for the coming high feastdays. We are thankful for the time and work that you provided!

It is a great external reflection for the kind of internal work we are all doing during the holy season of Lent to pre-pare for the celebration of our salvation and new life - getting our houses in order, so to speak. Thanks to our volunteers our place of celebration will express our hope and readiness for the Sacred Triduum.







taizé

monday, apr 21 - 8pm Generally, the third Monday of each month. Please invite all your friends to join us in this prayer for Christian unity.



Did you miss Confirmation?

Are you an adult Catholic who would like to be confirmed this spring? If you are baptized, have received the Eucharist, and consider yourself well-catechized in the faith, contact the parish office to sign up for our Adult Confirmation class. This class will consist of four classes to prepare you to be confirmed. The Sacrament of Confirmation will be conferred by Bishop Burbidge at the diocesan adult Confirmation Mass Pentecost Sunday on June 8, 2025. If you have questions, please contact Lynn Jones, DRE, at Ljones@ stbernpar.org.

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, April 21 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.

Still time to return Rice Bowls

As we near the end of these 40 days, let us reflect on what our Lenten journey has meant for us and how the pillars of prayer, fasting and almsgiving impact not only our lives but also the lives of our sisters and brothers in our local community and around the world. As we strive to live in true global solidarity and are nourished by the Bread of Life, let us share bread for life to ensure everyone has enough to eat.

To Donate please visit https://tinyurl. com/34sdsxz4 or take and return a Rice Bowl from the church vestibule. Please return no later than April 11, 2025. Checks should be made payable to Catholic Relief Services.

ECHO Yard Sale is April 26

The ECHO Yard Sale offers a gymnasium full of items on dozens of tables organized by category. Doors open at 8am on Saturday, April 26, in our gym! From home decorations to electronics to jewelry to kitchenware, we have loads of nice things to choose from at wonderful prices. Proceeds support ECHO, Ecumenical Community Helping Others.

We could use some helping hands to set up, take down, assist cashiers during the sale and more. Set up is from 9am to noon on Friday, April 25, and take down begins at noon on April 26. If you have a few hours to contribute to our good cause, please call ECHO at the "I can give help" number, 703-569-7972. Please note that, if you are looking for assistance from ECHO, always use the "In need of help" number, 703-569-9160.

The Clothing Room at ECHO is changing all the clothing from fall and winter wear to spring and summer items. It's a big job. We need donations of adult and children's sized sneakers, shorts and short-sleeved tops, as well as men's jeans in waist sizes from 28 to 38. Donations of new socks and underwear, packages of sanitary pads, and packs of baby diapers allow ECHO to help people live with dignity.

Additional needs include comforters of all sizes, bathmats and flatware. Please bring donations to our Donation Door at 7205 Old Keene Mill Road on weekdays 9:30am –12:30pm, or 7–9pm on Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursdays. Receipts are happily provided.

Interested in volunteering? Please check our website and click on "Volunteer" in the blue band on the homepage, or email volunteercoordinator@echo-inc.org.

Parish Offertory

April 6: Offertory Tuition Angels

\$39,096 3,878

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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Daily Mass Intentions and Readings

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

April

14 MONDAY

7am † Sean McNulty 9am* Healing for our country Is 42:1-7/Jn 12:1-11

15 TUESDAY

7am Steven Pham 9am* Rosibel Canton Is 49:1-6/Jn 13:21-33, 36-38

16 WEDNESDAY

7am † Carolyne Weuk 9am* † Matthew LaPorte Is 50:4-9a/Mt 26:14-25

17 THURSDAY

7:30pm* For the parish Ex 12:1-8-14/1 Cor 11:23-26/Jn 13:1-15

18 FRIDAY

No Masses today Is 52:13—53:12/Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9/Jn 18:1—19:42

19 SATURDAY

8:30pm* For those being newly received into the Church Vigil readings + Rom 6:3-11/Lk 24:1-12

20 SUNDAY

7am † Don Bills 9am* Hung Pham 11am* For the parish 1pm Oscar Vargas Cordon Acts 10:34-43/Col 3:1-4/Jn 20:1-9

Masses next weekend

April 19 8:30pm Fr. Don/All April 20 7am Fr. Don 9am Fr. John R 11am Fr. James 1pm Fr. Jeb

Parish Prayer List

Jessica Curtis, Sean Duffy, Paul Flapper, Mark Fortin, Shamsun Nahur, Kamden Harriet, Alisa Squatrito, Jerome Furlow, Joanne DeAngelis, Jim Gribschaw, Pierre DesLauriers, Frank Caponegro, Krista Buskey, Helena Larsen, Cristy Perez Ayala, Amy Greenlee, Larry Lawrence, Thomas Fitzgerald, Adrian Vincente, Evan Robish, Kathryn Yeager, Scott Kendrick.

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.

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 parish hall Capital Campaign. For more information, please contact Rick Caporali at reappreciations. to the parish hall Capital Campaign. For more information, please contact Rick Caporali at reappreciations. to the parish hall Capital Campaign. For more information, please contact Rick Caporali at reappreciations. to the parish hall Capital Campaign. For more information, please contact Rick Caporali at reappreciations. to the parish that the parish that

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@stbernpar.org or call the office.

2025 Bishop's Lenten Appeal *Abounding in Hope*

Thank you to those who have pledged to the Bishop's Lenten Appeal! If you have yet to make your gift, please prayerfully reflect on your blessings and consider making a commitment. The BLA unites as a diocesan family to support programs, ministries and services which help tens of thousands of people. Every donation, large or small, is essential. You may mail a pledge, go online to arlingtondiocese.org/BLA to make a gift.

Mary's Comfort update

Mary's Comfort guests are spending time with their new babies and starting to plan for what comes next. We would like to give a special thank you to the Knights of Columbus for their support in helping one of our guests to be able to drive again. Many hands makes light work in helping these moms and babies. If you can offer a few hours a week please email maryscomfortva@gmail.com with a brief summary of your interest and your contact information. Visit our website for more details about our program: https://www.maryscomfortva.

High School updates

Bishop Ireton HS Theater: Guys and Dolls! April 11 and 12 at 7pm; April 6 at 2pm. 201 Cambridge Road, Alexandria, VA 22314. See https://www.bishopireton.org/fine-arts/theater-arts; Direct Ticket Link: https://bihs.booktix.com/

John Paul the Great HS: Peter Pan

Friday, April 11 and 23 at 7pm; April 13 at 2pm. 17700 Dominican Drive, Potomac Shores, VA Tickets are available for purchase here: https://jpthegreat.booktix.com/

John Paul the Great Summer Camps

June-August 2025: registration is now open! Sign your elementary and middle schoolage children up for a variety of athletic and enrichment camps during the summer months. For registration and more details, please visit: https://www.jpthegreat.org/apps/pages/summeractivities

Mass for Healing

Join the diocesan Healing Ministry at 7:30pm on Tuesday, 22 April at Nativity Catholic Church, 6400 Nativity Lane, Burke. Fr. John Melmer of St. John the Beloved Church of McLean will celebrate. Confessions will be available. For more information, contact Grace Sims, 703-981-4620.



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