

O God, who by the mystery of today's great feast sanctify your whole Church in every people and nation, pour out the gifts of the Holy Spirit across the face of the earth and, with the divine grace that was at work when the Gospel was first proclaimed, fill now once more the hearts of believers. 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.

■ Pentecost

May 24, 2026



Pentecost, mosaic of the Cathedral Basilica of Saint Louis, Missouri (1912-1988)

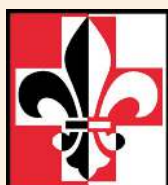


SAINT BERNADETTE
CATHOLIC CHURCH AND SCHOOL

Pentecost

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welcome



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| 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 |
| PARISH OFFICE | 703-451-8576 , fax 703-269-1121 office@stbermpar.org Monday-Friday, 8:30am - 4:30pm Pastor, Fr. Don Rooney frdonrooney@stbermpar.org Fr. Jeb Donelan frjebdonelan@stbermpar.org Fr. James Waalkes frjameswaalkes@stbermpar.org Deacon Orlando Caicedo Pastoral Associate, Rick Caporali rcaporali@stbermpar.org Business Manager, Linda Patterson lpatterson@stbermpar.org Music Director, David Mathers dmathers@stbermpar.org Bookkeeper/Compliance (OPCYP), Zory Conde, zconde@stbermpar.org Executive Assistant, Jean Corday jcorday@stbermpar.org Executive Assistant, Evelyn Vargas, evargas@stbermpar.org Secretary, Janet Chávez-España |
| SAINT BERNADETTE SCHOOL | 703-451-8696, fax 269-1121 Principal, Dr. Kathleen Burgess school@stbermpar.org Assistant Principal, Jennifer Spencer Registrar, Heidi Thomes |
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| YOUTH MINISTRY | 703-451-8576 Director, Grace Mee gmeee@stbermpar.org |
| 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 required somewhere; 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

may

24 PENTECOST SUNDAY

- Live-streaming Masses continue at 9 and 1pm
- **Solemn Vespers for Pentecost**, 6:15pm in the church

25 Monday, The Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church

- **PARISH OFFICE CLOSED**, for the Memorial Day Holiday, **NO 7am Mass today**

26 Tuesday, Saint Philip Neri, Priest

- **Week of Prayer for Christian Unity /Metro DC Area**, 7pm, reception following

27 Wednesday, Weekday [Saint Augustine of Canterbury, Bishop]

28 Thursday, Weekday

29 Friday, Weekday [Saint Paul VI, Pope]

- **CONCERT AT SAINT BERNADETTE**: Dr. Luis Barcellos, 7:30pm, church (p.6)
- Adoration, 7-8pm, church

30 Saturday, Weekday

- Live-streaming Mass for Sunday begins with the 5pm Vigil Mass

31 SUNDAY, THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

- Live-streaming Masses continue at 9 and 1pm

june

1 Monday, Saint Justin, Martyr (Ninth Week in Ordinary Time)

2 Tuesday, Weekday [Saints Marcellinus and Peter, Martyrs]

3 Wednesday, Saint Charles Lwanga and Companions, Martyrs

4 Thursday, Saint Matthias, Apostle

5 Friday, Saint Boniface, Bishop and Martyr

- Adoration, 7-8pm, church

6 Saturday, Weekday [Saint Norbert, Bishop]

- Live-streaming Mass for Sunday begins with the 5pm Vigil Mass

7 Sunday, THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST

- Live-streaming Masses continue at 9 and 1pm

8 Monday, Weekday (Tenth Week in Ordinary Time)

9 Tuesday, Weekday [Saint Ephrem, Deacon and Doctor]

10 Wednesday, Weekday

11 Thursday, Saint Barnabas, Apostle

12 Friday, THE MOST SACRED HEART OF JESUS

- Adoration, 7-8pm, church

13 Saturday, Weekday

- Live-streaming Mass for Sunday begins with the 5pm Vigil Mass

14 Sunday, ELEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

- Live-streaming Masses continue at 9 and 1pm

announcements

Our second collection this weekend supports the annual Mission Cooperative Plan Appeal for our diocese. Our parish mission organization is **Order of St. Augustine Vicariate of Tanzania**, to help those who do not have access to basic pastoral and sacramental services as well as basic needs – like food, shelter, and healthcare. If donating by check, please make your check payable to our parish and put “MCP” in the memo line. You can strengthen the global Church! Please be generous.

Join us tonight! Pentecost Sunday, May 24 we will celebrate **Solemn Vespers** following the 5pm Mass at 6:15pm. A most beautiful way to close the Easter Season celebrating the birthday of the Church.

Parish Offices will be closed Monday, May 25 in observance of Memorial Day. **NO 7am Mass today!**

THIS TUESDAY: The **Week of Prayer for Christian Unity with Bishop Burbidge** and other church leaders and Christians from all over the MetroDC area as we come together to pray for unity in divided times! **HERE** at Saint Bernadette, Tuesday, May 26, 7pm followed by a reception. Invite your friends!

Please plan to join us as **Concerts at Saint Bernadette** presents a free event: Brazilian Music Immersion: “From the origins of Samba to Bossa Nova” with Dr. Luiz “Pepe” Barcellos this **Friday, May 29 at 7:30pm**. A light reception follows.

Religious Education classes have ended for this year. Registration for the 2026-2027 school year will begin in June.

Rise Against Hunger



Parish Dining Night Out, Monday
May 25, McAlister's Deli, 4-8pm
Mention Saint Bernadette when ordering!

from the pastor

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Dear Good People of Saint Bernadette,

Be sure to carve out a little time from your schedule today to consider the significance of what we celebrate this Pentecost Sunday.

On our parish website, at the bottom of the front page, is a line I wrote when I first came to Saint Bernadette. It was something that came to me while I was praying in the church one day of Lent, I think. I wrote, "The Liturgy is the moment of the Cross and the empty tomb, when the public life of Jesus paused, and the public life of his believers began. In Liturgy our life becomes Christ, and we are sent from the altar to fulfill his works, a mission that he received from his Father and that we have inherited by his mercy."

Today I add to it that the Holy Spirit is our connectedness to our inheritance, the bond of love that is the dynamic relationship of begetting and being begotten of the Father and Son, co-equal and consubstantial, which is poured into our hearts. The Son is "begotten, not made," and we who were made, are begotten by the Spirit of God, our inheritance. As heirs, we are also responsible for mission, and that mission is not an individual calling. It is for a community.

The Apostles and disciples are *together* when this decisive change comes suddenly from heaven. The Promise is realized as human gathering anticipates and divine gift fulfills. John Paul II said that Pentecost is a communication of the very vitality of God who gives himself to men for continual sanctification.

In this way, the Spirit does something essential for the Church's infancy: the witness of the Spirit of truth becomes "one with that of the Apostles," fusing divine and human testimony into "one saving reality," and from that one fusion flows the evangelization entrusted to the Church as her mission.

They left that upper room after locking themselves inside for nine days, not knowing what to do next, and went outside. They boldly told their story, and the story of Jesus and what happened to him, and who was responsible for doing

it. What happens at Pentecost is not the practiced words of humans, nor is it a kind of prophecy that flows through them like an oracle. It is the marriage of the two, a synergy, a Word that reaches the heart of seekers and touches them in a way greater than knowledge or emotion. 3,000 were baptized that day.

The Holy Spirit is also the principle of unity and order in the Church. The Spirit "dwells in the Church and in the hearts of the faithful as in a temple," prays and bears witness within them, guides the Church "into all the truth, unifies her in communion and ministry," and provides "varied hierarchical and charismatic gifts" (John Paul II).

In our study of Divine Revelation, there are three sources, or "fonts," of how God reveals himself to the world. **Sacred Scripture** takes first place. It is the Word of God, not in the sense of spiritual dictation, but how God moves the hearts of people to carry forward oral traditions, and later the inspiration and encounters God has with prophets and evangelists.

The Gospels are the most important scriptures, because they are the real-time accounts of God's Word-made-flesh, Jesus Christ. As a complex human person, however he taught not only by words but also by actions and example. These constitute the second font of revelation called **Tradition**. Tradition includes communal life, worship, veneration of the Mother of God, and other aspects which happened but were not necessarily recorded in Scripture.

As the Church continues to be guided by the living Holy Spirit for continual sanctification, we value the teaching **Magisterium** of the Church to carry forward into different cultures and circumstances the perennial faith of the Church in a way that is faithful and true. We do not rely on our own opinions or judgments to guide the Church, because as we have seen in so many instances, often all we find is ever greater division.

For this unity we must pray—for a new Pentecost! Join the Church as we pray for Christian unity this Tuesday night with bishops and leaders, here at 7pm.

The Lord be with you. *Fr. Dom*

Saint Bernadette students shine

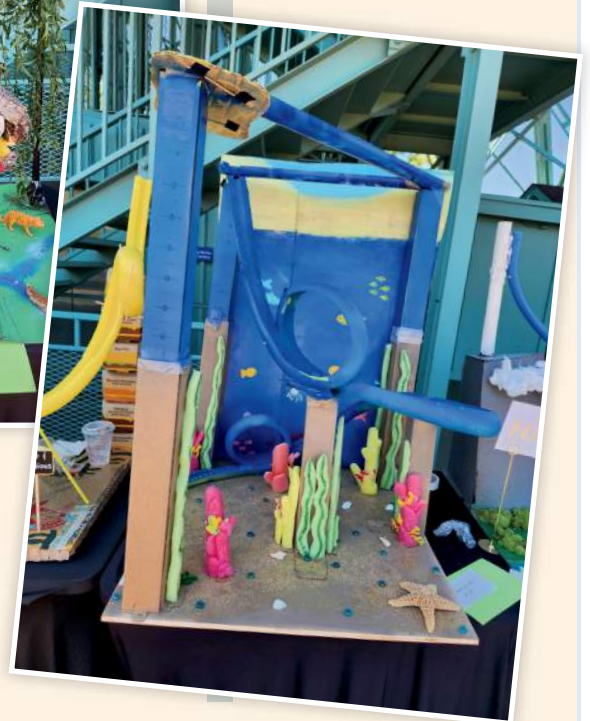
The month of May was filled with exciting events and accomplishments for the Saint Bernadette community. On 1 May 2026, Dr. Zagrobelny and our talented eighth-grade Cardinals brought home several awards from the Kings Dominion Annual Roller Coaster Building Contest during the Education Days competition.

Leading up to the event, students spent the month of April studying the physics behind roller coasters and applying concepts such as gravity, friction, potential energy, and kinetic energy to create original roller coaster models. Using creative materials including cardboard, wire, string, tape, pool noodles, and even some recycled ice cream containers, students designed impressive projects that earned awards including Most Creative along with 2nd and 3rd place honors in the middle school division.

The excitement continued on 4 May with another successful Race for Education coordinated by our amazing Saint Bernadette Physical Education teacher, Mrs. Murphy. Thanks to the support of our families and volunteers, students enjoyed a fun-filled day of fitness, teamwork, and fellowship. Their fundraising efforts earned exciting rewards including Crazy Sock & Sneaker Day, Crazy Hair & Hat Day, dress down days, pizza parties, pajama days, extra recess, and ice cream treats.

The celebrations concluded with the Saint Bernadette Catholic School Talent Show on 8 May 2026. After weeks of practice, students stepped onto the stage to share their God-given talents through singing, dancing, acting, musical performances, and other entertaining acts. The evening celebrated creativity, courage, and school spirit — with even a few talented teachers joining in the fun.

Thank you to everyone who helped make these events such memorable experiences for our Saint Bernadette community.



cardinal
corner



FORMING
HEARTS
& MINDS
= CHRIST

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

SPRED Classes: May 30

Congratulations to the Religious Education students receiving First Holy Communion this weekend!

Registration for 2026-2027

Registration will open in June for next year. Continue your child's growth in the faith by signing them up for classes in 2026-27! Our class sessions will be on Tuesday and Wednesday evenings, and we will again offer our Special Religious Development class on Saturday mornings for students with special learning needs, and our Family Faith Formation classes once a month on Sunday afternoons (for grades K-5) where parents take a larger role in their child's faith formation. Registration information will be in the parish bulletin, on the website, and will be sent via Flocknote to all currently registered children in the first week of June. Who should register? All currently registered students, including all Confirmation 2026, Confirmation 2027,

and students preparing to receive First Eucharist next school year. Classes will begin on September 1 & 2. Questions about your child's registration? Call the Religious Education Office or contact the staff via email.

Living the liturgical year

Happy Pentecost Sunday! Did you know that Pentecost is called the birthday of the Church? It is the day the Holy Spirit descended upon the Apostles, empowering them to begin the mission of spreading Jesus' message to all nations. The Apostles preached the Gospel, and some 3000 people were baptized on that day. One fun way to teach your children about Pentecost is to make straw and paper fire launchers. You can find instructions here: <https://outuponthewaters.com/straw-and-paper-fire-launcher-pentecost-craft-for-kids/>. And watch a video about Pentecost here: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mBLGM3K9yMw>



CONCERTS at Saint Bernadette BRAZILIAN MUSIC IMMERSION: "From the origins of Samba to Bossa Nova"

Dr. Luiz "Pepe" Barcellos

Brazilian musician Dr. Luiz "Pepe" Barcellos explores samba's Afro-Brazilian rhythms, percussion instruments, the rise of samba schools, Carnival street parades, and the emergence of Bossa Nova, high-lighting the role music plays at the intersection of culture and global traditions.

The event is free & open to all. No tickets are required. Free-will offerings accepted. A dessert-reception will follow.

youth ministry

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

Rock climbing at Sport Rock

All 9-12th graders are invited to join us at Sport Rock for rock climbing on Sunday, June 14. The cost is \$15. Contact Grace to register!

High school Summer events

All Rising 9th - graduated 12th graders are invited!

Daily Mass and Donuts - Every Tuesday from June 30 - August 11. 9-10:30am

Escape Room: St. Bernadette Edition -

Thursday, July 16, 7-8:30pm, Youth Room

King's Dominion Day - Wednesday, July 29.

\$40. Beginning with the 9am daily Mass

End of Summer Social - Wednesday, August 12, 7-8:30pm at the Rectory Patio

ASJB College Night

Tuesday, June 30 - 7pm at Holy Spirit
Calling all rising college freshmen! Join us for a College Night with the Associates of St. John Bosco. Meet other rising freshmen and upperclassmen who will be attending your school and learn how to strengthen your faith while in college! All St. B's students will go get ice cream after the event is over! Registration is required. Contact Grace for more information!

Middle school Summer Drop-ins

All rising 6th - 8th graders are invited to our Summer Drop-Ins! Join us June 24, July 8, July 22, and August 5 for fun, games, friends, and of course, ice cream! We will meet from 6:45-8pm in the gym.

Building access for all: a new elevator for our parish school

Our parish school, proudly serving generations of families since its construction in 1961, has long been a place of learning, faith, and community. As we continue to grow and reflect on our mission, we are called to ensure that our facilities fully welcome and serve every member of our parish community. One important step in that effort is improving accessibility throughout our school building.

Currently, access to the upper floors of our school is limited for individuals with mobility challenges. This creates barriers for students, parents, staff, and visitors who may rely on accessible features to fully participate in school life. In keeping with the principles of inclusion and dignity for all, we are exploring the addition of an elevator to provide access in accordance with ADA (Americans with Disabilities Act) standards.

Installing an elevator in a building originally constructed over six decades ago presents both challenges and opportunities. While the structure was not designed with modern accessibility needs in mind, advancements in engineering and thoughtful planning now make it possible to retrofit older buildings in ways that preserve their character while improving functionality. This project would allow all

members of our Catholic parish and school community—regardless of physical ability—to move freely and safely throughout the school.

Beyond compliance with accessibility standards, this initiative reflects our deeper values as a faith-based community. We believe that every individual is created with inherent dignity and deserves equal access to education, worship, and community life. An elevator is more than a mechanical addition; it is a visible commitment to hospitality, inclusion, and care for one another.

We recognize that such a project requires careful planning, financial investment,

and community support. In the coming months, we will be evaluating design options, costs, experts and potential funding strategies to ensure that the project meets both practical needs and our shared vision.

We invite you to join us in this important effort. Whether through your ideas, prayers, or support, your involvement will help make our parish school more accessible and welcoming for all—now and for generations to come. Please contact Fr. Don at frdonrooney@stbernpar.org for more information.

Together, we can continue to build a faithful community where everyone can participate and belong.

Building our school legacy

Our school is beginning a project to reconnect generations of students, families, and friends by building our very first Alumni Community Directory, “Building Our Saint Bernadette School Legacy” ... going all the way back to 1961. Along the way, we’ve been opening old yearbooks, rediscovering class photos, and uncovering incredible memories. Now we need your help to bring those stories to life. Please take a few minutes to update your information on our school website <https://stbernschool.org/building-our-saint-bernadette-school-legacy/>

By sharing your information, you’ll help us, reconnect classmates and old friends, celebrate multi-generational families, share alumni stoies and milestones and build events and traditions for years to come.

Have an old photo or memory to share? We’d love that too.

Over the coming weeks, keep an eye out for throwback yearbook photos (you might spot yourself), alumni spotlights and invitations to upcoming gatherings. Whether you attended for one year or all nine (now ten), you’re part of this story—and we’d love to reconnect. If know someone we should reach? Forward this email or tag them when you see our posts! CardinalsAlumni@stbernpar.org.

building more than a new building!

Parish Offertory

May 17
Offertory \$ 27,525
Parish special needs 6,079

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 <https://giving.parishsoft.com/app/giving/FD-70> or call (866)507-8757. Our parish code is VA70.

Rise

AGAINST HUNGER

dining out nights



MAY

25 - McAlister's Deli, Rolling Rd.

JUNE

15 - Silver Diner, Springfield Mall

24 - Saratoga Pizzeria & Grill*

29 - McAlister's Deli, Rolling Rd.

JULY

4 - Malek's Pizza Palace

7 - Delia's Pizzeria & Grill, Backlick

21 - Delia's Pizzeria & Grill

27 - McAlister's Deli, Rolling Road

AUGUST

6 - Malek's Pizza Palace

18 - Delia's Pizzeria & Grill

31 - McAlister's Deli, Rolling Rd.

SEPTEMBER

3 - Malek's Pizza Palace

14 - El Paso Mexican, Commerce St**

21 - Silver Diner, Springfield Mall

28 - McAlister's Deli, Rolling Road

OCTOBER

5 - El Paso Mexican, Commerce St**

20 - Milano's, Rolling Rd.*

26 - McAlister's Deli, Rolling Rd.

NOVEMBER

5 - Malek's Pizza Palace**

*Flyer Required (See parish Bulletin or Church Vestibule)

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Save the date: Week of Prayer for Christian Unity with Bishop Burbidge

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Diocesan Family Festival - June 13 @ 3:45pm-9:30pm

Bishop Burbidge invites you to celebrate 250 years of Faith + Freedom in our nation. Registration is required, please visit the Diocesan website "Diocesan Family Festival 2026" to ensure sufficient communion and food for all attendees. Parking will be extremely limited, therefore if you and your family plan to attend the 3:45pm Mass, please do not arrive any later than 3pm. The event will take place at the Clarke County Fairgrounds, 800 West Main Street, Berryville, VA 22611, 3:45-9:30pm, Saturday, June 13.

Catholic Women's Group upcoming events

Come and enjoy warm fellowship and great food. For more information, please email us at women@stbernpar.org.

Tuesday, Jun 2, 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 Tuesday of every month.

KofC Golf outing

All golfers are invited to join a golf outing with the Springfield Council Knights of Columbus on Friday, June 5. We will play a four-person scramble event at Twin Lakes golf course, with the first group going off at 11am. You do not need to be a Knight to participate and family members are welcome as well. We will collect a small contribution from all golfers for prizes after the round. If you are interested, please contact PGK Mark Price at mnpprice@verizon.net.



Saint Bernadette Rise Against Hunger Kick-off World Hunger Day: May 28

It starts with a meal

World Hunger Day, is an annual day focused on raising awareness and encouraging action to end world hunger. According to the Food and Agriculture Organization, almost 700 million people face hunger globally, making this an issue of critical importance. Everyone deserves consistent access to the food they need to live a healthy life — and together, we can mobilize to eradicate hunger. That's what World Hunger Day is all about! Keep reading to learn more about the annual holiday and how you can get involved.

World Hunger Day's history and purpose

World Hunger Day was started in 2011 by The Hunger Project to bring attention to the global food crisis. The organization recognized the importance of collective action and the power of many coming together to address food insecurity, making it a key focus of the holiday. Over the past 14+ years, millions of individuals, organizations, corporations and governments have participated in World Hunger Day, making it vital for advocacy and community engagement in the fight to end hunger. Through action and awareness, World Hunger Day has helped increase funding for food assistance, encouraged volunteering with hunger relief organizations like Rise Against Hunger, supported agriculture development projects and empowered communities globally

Global hunger's causes and ways to address it

Taking action to address hunger is important — as is learning about the critical issue. While there are many root causes of hunger, there are three main contributors to food insecurity and malnutrition: conflict, climate change and economic downturns. Through the focus areas of our work (nutrition, education and economic empowerment), we address these root causes by providing urgent food for people facing hunger right now and implementing sustainable agriculture and income-generating projects for long-term solutions. The Food and Agriculture Organi-

zation reports that rural communities are disproportionately affected by food insecurity, with 32% of adults living in rural areas globally affected in 2024.

Rates of hunger vary by region, too. Africa, Asia, and Oceania are the three regions with the highest rates of food insecurity. But hunger also impacts people in cities, towns and villages around the world, making it truly a global issue. Food insecurity doesn't have a one-size-fits-all solution. Every community affected by food insecurity faces its own challenges related to availability, access, utilization and/or stability of food. That is why a keystone to Rise Against Hunger's work is coming alongside local leaders in the communities we serve, empowering them to harness the strengths of their communities to tackle their food and nutrition security challenges.

To achieve food security for all and make zero hunger a reality, it is important to grow the movement and bring together as many people as possible.

Please plan to join us this November 12–14 as we come together with the Saint Bernadette community to assemble nutritious meals in partnership with Rise Against Hunger.

Last year, during our inaugural event, more than 1,000 volunteers—including residents from Greenspring, Saint Bernadette School students and staff, members of our SPRED program, and parish staff—worked side by side over three days to pack an incredible 175,000 meals. These meals were shipped to support a school feeding program in Timor-Leste, providing urgently needed nutrition to children. This year, we are aiming once again to reach our goal of 150,000 meals, and we invite you to be part of this meaningful effort.

We are also kicking off this year's program with the first of many Dining Night opportunities for our parish family—where your meal helps provide a meal for a child somewhere in the world. You can see the calendar of Dining Out Nights throughout the Springfield community. We encourage you to participate in any of these opportunities.

Together We Rise Against Hunger

If you work for a company that offers charitable contribution matching, please consider designating your support to the Saint Bernadette Rise Against Hunger event.

Your financial support allows us not only to respond to immediate hunger needs but also to help communities build sustainable, long-term food security solutions.

For more information or to get involved, please contact: Rick Caporali at rcaporali@stbernapar.org or Jean Corday at jcorday@stbernapar.org

We hope you will join us in making a difference.

Daily Mass Intentions and Readings

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

May

25 MONDAY

7am No Mass - Memorial Day
9am* † Rita Bisgrove
Gn 3:9-15, 20 or Acts 1:12-14/Jn 19:25-34

26 TUESDAY

7am † Lyle McNulty
9am* Cierra Blum
1 Pt 1:10-16/Mk 10:28-31

27 WEDNESDAY

7am † Louise Wheeler
9am* Joseph Rooney
1 Pt 1:18-25/Mk 10:32-45

28 THURSDAY

7am † Betty Bonde
9am* Eric Cykoski
1 Pt 2:2-5, 9-12/Mk 10:46-52

29 FRIDAY

7am † Leonora Sigua
9am* † Lorraine Bricco
10am** † Jack Duffy
1 Pt 4:7-13/Mk 11:11-26

30 SATURDAY

8am Michael & Rebecca Mugno
Jude 17, 20b-25/Mk 11:27-33
5pm* † Rita & Joe Krechting

31 SUNDAY

7am † Larry Kearney
9am* † Nancy Wynne
11am † Mathilde Wild
1pm* † Jimmy Willis
5pm For the parish
Ex 34:4b-6, 8-9/2 Cor 13:11-13/Jn 3:16-18

* live-streamed Masses

** Mass at Greenspring Chapel

Masses next weekend

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| May 30 | 5pm | Fr. Don |
| May 31 | 7am | Fr. James |
| | 9am | Fr. Don |
| | 11am | Fr. Jeb |
| | 1pm | Fr. James |
| | 5pm | Fr. Cedric |

Parish prayer list

John Yost, Wiofto Helenius, Robert Holzhauser, Adolfo Blandon, Esperanza Ayala, Gloria Tortoriello, Bob Atwell, Charles Roby, Mike Harrison, Kathleen Murray, Alan Curtis, Brian Keller, Cassi Smith, Edward Fitzgerald, John Winkler, Antonio & Maria Benedi, Donna Lash, Llewellyn Salsado, Cristina Perez

Pro-life witness

The Saint Bernadette Pro-Life Committee invites you to pray the rosary 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.

Stewardship resources and reminders: reduce your taxable income!

If you are 70 1/2 and over, consider using your IRA for a Qualified Charitable Distribution (QCD). If you are 73 and over, consider using some or all of a Required Minimum Distribution (RMD) as gifts to Saint Bernadette. This is an easy way to reduce your taxable income and benefit the parish. Contact Rick Caporali at or Linda Patterson at the parish office.

ParishSoft Giving update:

Saint Bernadette realizes that the transition from Faith Direct to Parish Soft was less than ideal. Online giving enables you to change your giving, set up second collection donations and have access in real time your support of Saint Bernadette ministries.

Here's how you could set up online giving or access Parish Soft to move toward online gifts. <https://giving.myparishsoft.io/app/giving/FD-70> you can click on sign in, using the same username and password as in Faith Direct, log-in, you can give now or set up a one-time gift. If you have difficulty, you can reach out to Donorsupport@parishsoft.com or call 1-866-930-4774, opt. 6

Feel free to reach out to Linda Patterson, our Business Manager, if you need fur-

ther assistance, lpatterson@stbernapar.org or call her at the Parish Office, 703-451-8576, ext. 122.

Greetings from PVI Options

The Options program at St. Paul VI Catholic High School is now in its 27th year of providing an inclusive, student-centered Catholic education for students with intellectual and developmental disabilities. If you are interested, please reach out to the Deans of Exceptional Learning at pvioptions@paulvi.net or 703-352-0925 x1314.

Mary's Comfort update

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