



**NEWSLETTER OF PRIME TIME SINGLE CATHOLICS (PTSC)
OF NORTHERN VIRGINIA
FOR SINGLE CATHOLICS, AGE 40 AND OVER**

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December 2025 at a Glance

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 RSVP: <i>Walk in Vienna</i>	2 <i>Walk in Vienna</i> 11:00 a.m.	3 RSVP: <i>Christmas Party</i>	4	5	6 <i>Christmas Party</i> 12:00 noon
7	8	9 <i>Square Dancing</i> 1:30 p.m. RSVP: <i>Lunch</i>	10	11 <i>Lunch</i> 1:00 p.m.	12	13
14	15	16 <i>Square Dancing</i> 1:30 p.m.	17	18 RSVP: <i>Concert and Dinner</i>	19 RSVP: <i>Breakfast at K of C; Christmas Day Dinner</i>	20 <i>Navy Band Concert/Dinner</i> 1:30 p.m.
21 <i>Breakfast at K of C</i> 10:00 a.m.	22	23	24	25 <i>Christmas Day Dinner</i> 1:00 p.m.	26 RSVP: <i>Mass/Lunch</i>	27 <i>Christ House</i> 3:00 p.m.
28 <i>Mass and Lunch</i> 10:45 a.m.	29 RSVP: <i>New Year's Eve Celebration; Chadwicks (Jan. 1)</i>	30	31 <i>New Year's Eve Celebration</i> 2:00 p.m.			

DECEMBER EVENTS

December 1, Monday: RSVP for December 2 *Walk on the W&OD Trail in Vienna*

December 2, Tuesday, 11:00 a.m.: *Walk on the W&OD Trail in Vienna*

Join us for a walk on the W&OD Trail in Vienna, Virginia. Our knowledgeable member will be our leader, and, as usual, walkers can go as far as they like and set their own pace along the flat, paved trail. We will meet in front of the Vienna Community Center, which is adjacent to the trail. Afterwards, at the discretion of the participants, we will have lunch at a nearby restaurant.

RSVP to us at ptscnva@gmail.com by **9:00 p.m. on Monday, December 1**, to let us know you are coming.

Location: Vienna Community Center, 120 Cherry Street SE, Vienna, VA 22180.

Directions: From the Beltway/I-495 – Take Exit 50A, Route 50/Arlington Blvd. west toward Fairfax. Go about 1.5 miles, and turn right onto Route 698/Cedar Lane. Proceed about 1.6 miles, and immediately past the Cedar Park Shopping Mall, turn left onto Park Street. Go about 1.3 miles, and then turn left onto Cherry Street. The Community Center is on the right.

December 3, Wednesday: RSVP for December 6 *Christmas Party at Glory Days Grill --Event Restricted to PTSC Members*

December 6, Saturday, 12:00 noon to 4:00 p.m.: *Christmas Party at Glory Days Grill --Event Restricted to PTSC Members*

Celebrate the season by joining us for our annual Christmas Party, this year at Glory Days Grill in Falls Church. Glory Days has promised to provide us with individual checks. Your bill will include a 20% gratuity (partially to cover the cost of the room). Remember to bring enough money, including small bills (ones, fives, and tens), if you plan to pay with cash.

After our meal, we will have a gift exchange; if you want to participate, please bring a gift-wrapped, NEWLY PURCHASED gift, costing from **\$10-\$15**, and suitable for men or women.

Optional Christ House donations: In the spirit of Christmas, we will accept monetary donations to Christ House. Please make checks payable to “PTSC.” Your donation will be used to feed the hungry.

RSVP by **9:00 p.m. on Wednesday, December 3**, to us at ptscnva@gmail.com. Please respond early.

Location: 6341 Columbia Pike (in the Barcroft Plaza Shopping Center), Falls Church, VA 22041 (<https://www.glorydaysgrill.com>; 703-992-6060).

Directions: From the Beltway (I-495) – Take Exit 52B, Little River Turnpike (Route 236) east. Go about 1.5 miles (passing Backlick Road on the right), turn left onto John Marr Drive, and then right onto Columbia Pike. Go about 1.7 miles (passing Mason District Park on the right) and then turn right onto Lincolnia Road. The shopping center will be on the left. Glory Days is at the end of the block of buildings.

December 9, Tuesday: RSVP for December 11 *Lunch at Bonefish Grill*

December 9 and 16, Tuesdays, 1:30 p.m.: *Square Dancing at Greenspring Village*

You are invited to join other PTSC members at Greenspring Village Retirement Community on selected Tuesdays for square dancing from **1:30 to 3:00 p.m.** The dancing, open to the public, is for everyone, and no dance experience is required. The cost is FREE for your first visit. After that, we ask for **\$10.00** each time to compensate our caller for his time and travel. We also request donations for snacks.

RSVP: Please contact us at ptscnva@gmail.com for more information.

Location: Hunters Crossing building at Greenspring, 7430 Spring Village Drive, Springfield, VA 22150 (subject to change).

December 11, Thursday, 1:00 p.m.: *Lunch at Bonefish Grill*

Our gathering here scheduled for September was cancelled, so be sure to join your PTSC friends for lunch this month at Bonefish Grill in Kingstowne. See <https://order.bonefishgrill.com/menu/bonefish-alexandria-va> for their menu and prices.

RSVP to us at ptscnva@gmail.com by **9:00 p.m. on Tuesday, December 9**. Please do not show up without making a reservation! If you respond after the deadline, we may be able to accommodate you, or place you on a waiting list.

Location: 5920 Kingstowne Towne Center, Alexandria, VA 22315 (703-971-3202).

Directions: From the Beltway (I-95/I-495) – Take Exit 173 (“Van Dorn/Franconia”). Keep to the right as you exit. At the light, make a right onto South Van Dorn Street. Go about 0.6 mile and cross Franconia Road (major intersection). At the third light after Franconia Road, turn right onto Kingstowne Blvd. At the second light, turn right into the Kingstowne Towne Center. Go to the stop sign; you will see the movie theater straight ahead. Bonefish is on the left side of the same building, towards the back of the row. There is ample free parking both in the surrounding surface lots and in the underground parking garage.

December 18, Thursday: RSVP for December 20 Navy Band Concert / Dinner

December 19, Friday: RSVP for December 21 Breakfast at K of C Arlington

RSVP for December 25 Christmas Day Dinner at House of Dynasty

December 20, Saturday, 1:30 p.m.: Navy Band Concert / Dinner

NOTE: This occasion is also our December Roving Restauranteers dinner.

Join us for this year’s extravaganza, the US Navy Band Christmas Concert at DAR Constitution Hall, 1776 D Street, NW, in Washington, DC. We will provide the free tickets that are required to get into the hall for the **3:00 p.m.** concert; please see below under **Transportation**. Afterwards, we plan to visit the Pageant of Peace on the Ellipse and/or the nearby hotels to see their Christmas displays. To complete the day, we will gather for dinner around **5:30 p.m.** at the Old Ebbitt Grill, 675 15th Street, NW (near G Street). See <https://www.ebbitt.com> for menu selections and prices. **NOTE:** Please bring cash (including smaller bills) to make paying your bill easier.

RSVP: Contact us at ptscnva@gmail.com by **9:00 p.m. on Thursday, December 18**. Earlier responses will be appreciated! You **MUST** respond, especially if you wish to participate in only some of our planned festivities. If you are not coming to the concert and/or not meeting us on the Ellipse at the Pageant of Peace, please let us know. We will make suitable arrangements for you. We advise you to travel into DC via carpools or Uber, not public transportation, to make it easier to find us.

Transportation: We will meet at the federal parking lot between I-395 and Army/Navy Drive in Pentagon City (opposite Macy’s) at 1:30 for distribution of the concert tickets, and then carpool or Uber into DC.

December 21, Sunday, 10:00 a.m.: Breakfast at K of C Arlington

The Knights will serve us a sumptuous homemade breakfast, including waffles, omelets, and a host of other traditional breakfast items. The price is **\$12**, which includes tax and tip, and is payable at the door. Santa will be there to delight the children, and to delight us through the children (and perhaps even directly – Ho, Ho, Ho).

RSVP by **9:00 p.m. on Friday, December 19**, to us at ptscnva@gmail.com to let us know you are joining us. Earlier responses will be appreciated.

Location: The Knights of Columbus is at 5115 Little Falls Road, Arlington, VA 22207.

Directions: From the Beltway (I-495) – Take Exit 49B onto I-66 east and get off at Exit 69, Langston Blvd./ Washington Blvd. Turn left onto Langston Blvd. Go 0.4 mile to the light and turn left onto Sycamore Street. Go 0.7 mile to a traffic light (CVS Pharmacy on the corner); just after the light, veer to the right onto Little Falls Road. Go 0.4 mile and veer to the right again, following Little Falls Road. Go 0.5 mile to the top of the hill and

turn left into the Knights of Columbus parking lot. Carpooling is encouraged.

December 25, Thursday, 1:00 p.m.: *Christmas Day Dinner at House of Dynasty*

You can star in your own version of the classic holiday movie *A Christmas Story* as we dine at this elegant Chinese restaurant with great food and reasonable prices. Visit <https://www.houseofdynasty.com> to view their menu.

RSVP to us at ptscnva@gmail.com by **9:00 p.m. on Friday, December 19**. We have a limited reservation. Reserve early, but please check with us after the deadline to see whether we can still fit you in – we don't want anyone to eat alone on Christmas Day. Good faith reservations only, please!

Location: House of Dynasty is at 7550 Telegraph Road, Alexandria, VA 22315 (phone 703-922-5210).

Directions: From the Beltway (I-95/I-495) – Take Exit 173 (“Van Dorn/Franconia”). Keep to the right as you exit. At the light, make a right onto South Van Dorn Street. Go about 0.6 mile and cross Franconia Road (major intersection). Continue on South Van Dorn Street for about 1.5 miles to the end (going past the Kingstowne Towne Center). Turn right on Telegraph Road (VA Route 611) and go about 1.2 miles. Turn right into the Hayfield Shopping Center, and House of Dynasty will be straight ahead.

December 26, Friday: RSVP for December 28 *Mass at St. Anthony of Padua Church and Lunch*

December 27, Saturday, 3:00 p.m.: *Christ House*

PTSC continues its long-standing commitment to feed the hungry at Christ House in Alexandria. Volunteers interested in serving this month, please email us at ptscnva@gmail.com on the **Thursday** or **Friday** before Christ House Saturday to see whether extra help is needed. Needs will be filled on a first-call basis. The serving and cleanup usually end by 6:15 p.m., with optional dining-out afterwards.

Location: 131 S. West Street, Alexandria, VA 22314.

Another way you can help:

We welcome donations to help us buy the food for the meals served at Christ House. Please consider giving a modest amount regularly if you can. Contact us at ptscnva@gmail.com for more information.

December 28, Sunday, 10:45 a.m.: *Mass at St. Anthony of Padua Church and Lunch*

To continue the celebration of Christmas, we will attend the **11:00 a.m.** Mass at St. Anthony of Padua Church in Falls Church, see what beautiful decorations are on display, and then enjoy lunch at the Peking Gourmet Inn at around 12:30. Meet us in the back of the church by **10:45 a.m.**, as this Mass may be crowded.

RSVP by **9:00 p.m. on Friday, December 26**, to Anne at 703-751-0739.

Locations: St. Anthony Church is at 3305 Glen Carlyn Road, Falls Church, VA 22041. Peking Gourmet Inn is at 6029 Leesburg Pike (Route 7), Falls Church, VA 22041 (phone 703-671-8088).

Directions: From the Beltway (I-495) – Take Exit 50, Route 50 east toward Arlington. Go about 3.7 miles, and at Leesburg Pike (Route 7), bear right toward Alexandria. Go about 1.5 miles. Turn left onto Glen Carlyn Road and the church will be on the right.

From I-395 (Shirley Highway) – Turn onto Route 7 west (King Street, which becomes Leesburg Pike) and go approximately 2.5 miles. Turn right onto Glen Carlyn Road and the church will be on the right.

Peking Gourmet Inn is across Leesburg Pike from St. Anthony Church, in the Culmore Shopping Center. You are encouraged to re-park in the shopping center after Mass for your own safety, and also to leave room for people attending later Masses at the church.

**December 29, Monday: RSVP for December 31 *New Year's Eve Celebration at Bertucci's*
RSVP for January 1 *Lunch at Chadwicks***

December 31, Wednesday, 2:00 p.m.: *New Year's Eve Celebration at Bertucci's*

Get an early, sunlit start to your out-with-the-old, in-with-the-new revelry. Watch the biggest ball of them all drop

from the sky. Join us for delicious Italian food at Bertucci's Brick Oven Pizza & Pasta in Springfield. To see their menu, visit <https://www.bertuccis.com/locations/springfield>.

RSVP to us at ptscnva@gmail.com by **9:00 p.m. on Monday, December 29** (after that, check with us).

Location: Bertucci's is at 6525 Frontier Drive, Springfield, VA 22150; phone is 703-313-6700.

Directions: From I-395 or the Beltway (I-95/I-495) – Take Exit 1B (*I-395 South from Arlington/Alexandria*), Exit 169B/169A (*I-95/I-495 from Woodrow Wilson Bridge*) (keep left at the fork to continue to Exit 169A), or Exit 57A (*I-495 South from Tysons Corner*) to Springfield/Franconia onto Franconia Road (Route 644 east). Stay to the right for the local access road to the Springfield Town Center. Go through one light, pass the Silver Diner, and then turn right at the next light onto Frontier Drive. Turn left at the next light, and Bertucci's will be immediately on the left. There is plenty of free parking.

UPCOMING EVENT

January 1, 2026, Thursday, 2:30 p.m.: Lunch at Chadwicks

Located on the waterfront in Old Town Alexandria for almost 40 years, Chadwicks offers traditional American food – burgers, sandwiches, salads, soups, and more – in a warm, inviting atmosphere. Chadwicks will provide us with individual checks, but, as a precaution, please bring enough cash in smaller bills (ones, fives, and tens) to cover your check and gratuity. We may not be able to expand our reservation, so do not hesitate to RSVP.

Note that we will probably be seated upstairs (Chadwicks has no elevator).

We are hoping to continue our New Year's Day tradition, weather permitting, of walking to Market Square to see the beautifully decorated huge Christmas tree after our meal.

RSVP to us at ptscnva@gmail.com by **9:00 p.m. on Monday, December 29** (after that, check with us).

Location: Chadwicks is at 203 Strand Street, Alexandria, VA 22314 (<https://www.chadwicksoldtown.com>, 703-836-4442). There is plenty of on-street and facility parking nearby; a pay parking lot is across the street from the restaurant. The free King Street Trolley provides easy access from the King Street Metro Station on the Blue and Yellow Lines.

Directions: From I-95/I-495 (Woodrow Wilson Bridge/Northern VA) – Take Exit 177 (Route 1 north) **using the local lanes** and follow the signs to Alexandria. You should be on Patrick Street. After the light at Franklin Street, go four blocks and then turn right onto Duke Street; go nine blocks, cross Union Street, and then turn left onto Strand Street. The restaurant will be on the left.

PTSC ORGANIZATION STATEMENT:

PTSC is a Club organized to serve the needs of single Catholics, age 40 and over, who are free to marry by Catholic standards. This includes those widowed or with annulments. The objectives of PTSC are to share in Christian fellowship with one another through religious, social, cultural, community and recreational activities, and to promote greater participation in our Catholic parishes.

NON-MEMBER POLICY:

We welcome prospective members to attend our events as non-members to become acquainted and learn more about PTSC. Non-members are permitted to attend a maximum of three (3) events (excluding events that may be limited to members only). Further participation requires such non-members to apply for membership.

PTSC PUBLIC WEBSITE (OPEN TO ALL): Visit bit.ly/ptsc, or <https://ptscnva.wixsite.com/website>.

NEW AND RENEWAL PTSC MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

(To apply or renew online, download the fillable form at tinyurl.com/PTSCmem; email form back and pay with ZELLE® using ptscnva@gmail.com.)

Type of newsletter desired (mark X):

Paper, sent by U.S. Mail ____ (annual dues = \$30; includes a no-cost, emailed copy as well).

Online ONLY (no paper copy), in an email attachment ____ (annual dues = \$15) – please provide your email address below.

Note: 1. Annual dues are prorated for new members; see “ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP DUES” below.

2. Regardless of above choice, please provide your email address below.

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

APPLICATION TYPE: NEW: ____ RENEWAL: ____

NAME: _____
LAST NAME FIRST NAME: M.I. Birth month/day
as you want it shown in the PTSC Directory (optional) (optional)

ADDRESS:

NUMBER, STREET, APT. #: _____

CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP+4: _____

PHONE/E-MAIL: (PUBLISH = OKAY TO PUBLISH IN MEMBERSHIP DIRECTORY AND TO GIVE TO OTHER MEMBERS)

PRIMARY PHONE #: (____) _____ PUBLISH PHONE #? YES ____ NO ____

E-MAIL: _____ PUBLISH E-MAIL? YES ____ NO ____

PARISH: _____

EMERGENCY CONTACT(S):

NAME(s): _____ PHONE #(s): _____

HOW DID YOU HEAR ABOUT PTSC? (new applications only) _____

MEMBERSHIP REQUIREMENTS: I am a single Catholic, 40 years of age or older, who is free to marry in the Catholic Church because I am either single, widowed or, if divorced, have an annulment. I agree to abide by such rules and regulations as stated in the Bylaws of **Prime Time Single Catholics of Northern Virginia (“PTSC”)** and/or as adopted by the Executive Council. Membership may be revoked or suspended in accordance with the PTSC Bylaws. I waive and release any claim or cause of action that I may have against PTSC, its officers or directors, and/or its members for any damages, injuries, or losses sustained by me while participating in events and functions sponsored by the PTSC, except when caused by gross negligence or willful misconduct on the part of the PTSC, or its officers and directors.

I certify that I meet the above membership requirements and hereby apply for membership. (NOT VALID UNLESS SIGNED & DATED)

SIGNATURE (Required)

DATE (Required)

PLEASE MARK (X) FOR EACH AREA YOU ARE WILLING TO ASSIST US IN:

COMMUNITY SERVICES: ____ CULTURAL: ____ DANCES: ____ HOSPITALITY: ____ MEMBERSHIP: ____ NEWSLETTER/EDITORIAL: ____

PARISH REP.: ____ PUBLICITY: ____ RECREATION: ____ RELIGIOUS: ____ ROVING RESTAURANTEERS: ____ SOCIAL: ____

ANNUAL (Jan.-Dec.) MEMBERSHIP DUES: 1. To receive a paper newsletter: For current or recent (in last 3 years) members: **\$30**. For everyone else: If we receive your application in Jan.-Feb., **\$30**; Mar.-May, **\$22**; June-Aug., **\$16**; Sep.-Oct., **\$8**; Nov.-Dec., **\$30**, credited as full payment for current and following year. 2. To receive an online newsletter ONLY (no paper copy): pay half (50%) of corresponding amount above. *Any questions on dues, call 703-402-1333.*

MAIL THIS FORM WITH YOUR CHECK PAYABLE TO “PTSC” TO:

JOHN CALDWELL, 9051 GOLDEN SUNSET LANE, SPRINGFIELD, VA 22153-2456

(Note that, in lieu of a check, you may pay dues online with ZELLE® addressed to ptscnva@gmail.com.)

FOR MEMBERSHIP CHAIRPERSON ONLY: AMOUNT PAID: _____ CHECK NUMBER/DATE: _____ / _____ DATE RECEIVED: ____ INITIAL: ____

