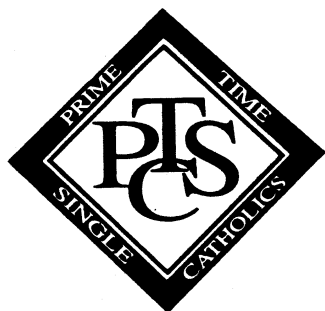




NEWSLETTER OF PRIME TIME SINGLE CATHOLICS (PTSC)
OF NORTHERN VIRGINIA
FOR SINGLE CATHOLICS, AGE 40 AND OVER

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November 2025 at a Glance

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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2	3	4 <i>Sq. Dancing</i> 1:30 p.m. PAYMENT DUE: <i>Dinner Dance</i>	5 RSVP: <i>Walk</i> <i>in Arlington</i>	6 <i>Walk in</i> <i>Arlington</i> 11:00 a.m.	7 RSVP: <i>Mem. Mass;</i> <i>Rov. Rest.</i>	8 <i>Memorial Mass</i> 10:45 a.m.
9 <i>Rov. Rest.</i> 2:00 p.m.	10	11 <i>Sq. Dancing</i> 1:30 p.m. RSVP: <i>Lunch</i>	12	13 <i>Lunch</i> 1:00 p.m.	14	15 <i>Annual Dinner</i> <i>Dance</i> 5:30 p.m.
16	17	18	19	20 RSVP: <i>"Murder .."</i>	21	22 <i>"Murder .."</i> 1:30 p.m. <i>Christ House</i> 3:00 p.m.
23 RSVP: <i>Thanksgiving</i> <i>Day Dinner</i>	24	25 <i>Square Dancing</i> 1:30 p.m.	26	27 <i>Thanksgiving</i> <i>Day Dinner</i> 3:00 p.m.	28	29
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President's Message

Newsletter and Dues – BIG NEWS – READ CAREFULLY!

Based on the results of the recent poll about newsletter delivery, the Council voted to offer two options for receiving the newsletter starting in 2026.

1. Email Only – Pay \$15 in 2026 dues and receive the newsletter by email as a PDF attachment (the way you do now)

OR

2. Email + Printed Copy – Pay \$30 in 2026 dues and receive the newsletter both by printed copy in the regular mail and by email.

You choose! Pay \$15 or \$30 for your 2026 dues. Simply indicate your preferred option when completing the 2026 New/Renewal Membership Application included this newsletter.

2026 Election of PTSC Officers – Please take a moment to thank the dedicated candidates who have stepped up to serve! PTSC could not thrive without their time, energy, and commitment.

Best wishes to the 12 members heading to Beach Days at the end of October. A special thank-you to our Beach Days coordinator for keeping this cherished tradition going strong for another year.

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NOVEMBER EVENTS

November 4, Tuesday: PAYMENT DUE for November 15 Annual Dinner Dance

November 4, 11, 25, Tuesdays, 1:30 p.m.: Square Dancing at Greenspring Village

You are invited to join other PTSC members at Greenspring Village Retirement Community on most 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 **\$5.00** or **\$10.00** per week to compensate our caller for his time and travel. We also request **\$1.00** for snacks.

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

Location: Accotink Room in the Village Square building at Greenspring, 7410 Spring Village Drive, Springfield, VA 22150 (subject to change).

November 5, Wednesday: RSVP for November 6 Walk at Bluemont Junction Park in Arlington

November 6, Thursday, 11:00 a.m.: Walk at Bluemont Junction Park in Arlington

Join us as we revisit the beautiful Bluemont Junction Park in Arlington. Under the leadership of our knowledgeable member, we can walk on both the Bluemont Junction Trail and the Four Mile Trail (they intersect). We can go the usual 2 miles and anyone can turn back at their discretion or keep on walking.

RSVP: Contact us at ptscnva@gmail.com by **9:00 p.m.** on **Wednesday, November 5**, to let us know you are coming.

Location: Bluemont Junction Park is at 601 N. Manchester Street, Arlington, VA 22205 (near the intersection with

Wilson Blvd). This is the address for the Four Mile Run Trail Parking Lot and is the meeting place for our walk. It is about one mile east on Wilson Blvd. from Seven Corners (Routes 7 and 50).

November 7, Friday: RSVP for November 8 Annual Memorial Mass
RSVP for November 9 Roving Restauranteers – Old House Cosmopolitan

November 8, Saturday, 10:45 a.m.: Annual Memorial Mass

Fr. Jean-Marie Mzumbi (Congregation of the Immaculate Heart of Mary) will offer Mass at **11:00 a.m.** at Missionhurst in remembrance of PTSC deceased members, former members, and alumni. Missionhurst is in a rustic setting near Marymount University in Arlington. Please meet us at **10:45 a.m.** outside the chapel. After the Mass, for those interested, we will gather for lunch afterwards at a place to be determined by the attendees.

RSVP to Anne at 703-751-0739 by **9:00 p.m.** on **Friday, November 7**, to let us know you are coming.

Location: Missionhurst is at 4651 N. 25th Street, Arlington, VA 22207.

Directions: From the Beltway (I-495) – Take Exit 45B to I-66 east, to Exit 71 (Glebe Road). At the second light, turn left onto N. Glebe Road. After about one mile, cross Langston Blvd. (Route 29), go four more blocks, and turn right onto N. 25th Street. (If you reach the intersection of Glebe Road and Old Dominion Drive, you have gone too far.) Cross Old Dominion Drive on 25th Street and follow to the end. The chapel is just beyond the cul-de-sac, to the right.

November 9, Sunday, 2:00 p.m.: Roving Restauranteers – Old House Cosmopolitan Grill

Please join fellow PTSCers at this 2023 Trip Advisor's Number 1 Traveler's Choice restaurant in Alexandria, VA. The restaurant features delicious German cuisine made with local organic produce. The regular entrées are from **\$20 to \$36** and the entrées for lunch only (served until 4:00 p.m.) are from **\$12 to \$18**. The restaurant will provide us with separate checks. Remember to bring enough small bills to make paying your bill easier if using cash.

RSVP to us at ptscnva@gmail.com by **9:00 p.m.** on **Friday, November 7**. Please do not show up without making a reservation!

Location: 1024 Cameron Street (at the corner with Henry Street), Alexandria, VA 22314 (703-717-9361; <https://www.oldhousecosmopolitan.com>).

Parking: In addition to nearby street parking, there is a garage at 1150 Cameron Street, in the block between Henry and Fayette Streets. NOTE: Henry Street is Route 1 southbound.

November 11, Tuesday: RSVP for November 13 Lunch at Eleni's Greek Taverna

November 13, Thursday, 1:00 p.m.: Lunch at Eleni's Greek Taverna

Enjoy lunch with us at Eleni's Greek Taverna in Springfield, a PTSC favorite, for sizable portions of classic Greek-American dishes. See <http://www.elenisgreektaverna.com> for their menu and prices.

RSVP to us at ptscnva@gmail.com by **9:00 p.m.** on **Tuesday, November 11**. 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: Eleni's is at 6131 Backlick Road, Springfield, VA 22150. It is to the right of the Aldi market, in the shopping center behind the Blue Pearl and El Paso restaurants. Restaurant phone number is 703-912-1400.

Directions: From I-395 or the Beltway (I-95/I-495) – Take Exit 1B (I-395 South from Arlington/Alexandria), Exit 169B (I-95/I-495 from Woodrow Wilson Bridge), or Exit 57A (I-495 South from Tysons Corner) to Springfield onto Old Keene Mill Road (Route 644 west). On the Exit 169B ramp, go past Brandon Avenue and then take the next right onto Backlick Road (Route 617 north). Go past Bland Street and Commerce Street, and then turn right into the shopping center immediately after the 7-Eleven.

November 15, Saturday, 5:30 to 10:00 p.m.: Annual Dinner Dance **(NOTE: We invite you to attend this event if you meet the requirements for membership in Prime Time Single Catholics: that is, you**

must be a single Catholic, 40 years of age or older, who is free to marry in the Catholic Church.)

You are cordially invited to attend our 48th Annual Dinner Dance in the downstairs Banquet Room of P.J. Skidoos Restaurant in Fairfax, Virginia. The event features a social hour starting at **5:30 p.m.**, a sit-down dinner at **6:15 p.m.**, and after-dinner socializing and dancing to the music of deejay Russell Acosta. We are co-sponsoring this event with Catholic Singles of Greater Washington (CSGW). PTSC or CSGW “alumni” are welcome to attend. See you there!

Reservations and Directions: Advance payment is required. Please see the flyer on page 7 of this newsletter, which has the reservation form, directions to the restaurant, and details of the dinner.

RESERVE NOW! We must receive your reservation and payment by **Tuesday, November 4.**

Optional Christ House donations: At this event, you may donate to help PTSC feed the hungry at Christ House Men’s Shelter in Alexandria (<https://ccda.net/find-help/transitional-housing/men/>). Please make checks payable to “PTSC.”

November 20, Thursday: RSVP for November 22 “A Murder Is Announced” at Greenspring

November 22, Saturday, 1:30 p.m.: “A Murder Is Announced” at Greenspring

If you’ve ever been to a play at Greenspring Village you know they are fun. The one coming up, *A Murder Is Announced*, is set “in the quiet, little village of Chipping Cleghorn, where an announcement in the local newspaper causes a stir among the residents. There is to be a murder in the home of Miss Blacklock that evening! As Miss Blacklock, her lodgers, and curious visitors begin to arrive, tensions mount and everyone wonders if it’s all a silly joke. . . . In a classic Agatha Christie tale of concealed identities, desperation, mixed motives, and another death, it takes a risky strategy to uncover the true identity of the murderer” (from <https://stageagent.com/shows/play/26789/a-murder-is-announced>). The cost of tickets (available at the door) is **\$10.00**.

RSVP: Please contact Anne at 703-751-0739 by **9:00 p.m. on Thursday, November 20**, so that we can look for you. Meet us by **1:30 p.m.** outside the theater entrance in the lower level of the Village Square building to buy tickets for the **2:00 p.m.** performance. NOTE: Seating is open (no reserved seats).

Location: Village Square building at Greenspring, 7410 Spring Village Drive, Springfield, VA 22150.

Directions: From I-395 or the Beltway (I-95/I-495) – Take Exit 1B (I-395 South from Arlington/Alexandria), Exit 169B (I-95/I-495 from Woodrow Wilson Bridge), or Exit 57A (I-495 South from Tysons Corner) to Springfield onto Old Keene Mill Road (Route 644 west). After passing under a bridge, turn right onto Bland Street. At the next light, turn right onto Amherst Avenue to cross over Old Keene Mill Road. After the fourth light, keep right for the ramp onto the Franconia-Springfield Parkway (Route 289) west. Proceed on the parkway to the next light and turn right onto Spring Village Drive; go to the stop sign, then proceed straight ahead to the Greenspring gatehouse. Tell them you are going to the play at Village Square (VS). You will get a parking permit. From the gatehouse, go straight ahead to the second stop sign (at the chapel), turn right, and proceed down the hill to VS. If the parking lots nearest to VS are full, go back toward the Chapel and make the first right into the upper deck of parking garage K (normally used for contractors). Do not park in spaces marked reserved and numbered.

November 22, 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.

November 23, Sunday: RSVP for November 27 Thanksgiving Day Dinner at Seasons 52

November 27, Thursday, 3:00 p.m.: *Thanksgiving Day Dinner at Seasons 52*

Come join us at the Seasons 52 Restaurant in Tysons Corner Center to give thanks for all our blessings. *Seasons* will offer a traditional Thanksgiving meal for approximately \$40, but diners will also be able to select from the main menu of American cuisine. We have a limited reservation, so do not hesitate to reserve if you know you will be joining us. If you are not on time to get on the list, we will put you on a waitlist for a possible opening. The restaurant has cautioned us to be on time since it will be fully booked that day and will not hold our table if our group is late. *Seasons* is not promising us individual checks, so please bring enough cash in small bills to exactly cover your costs. The restaurant will add an automatic gratuity of **20%**.

RSVP to us at ptscnva@gmail.com by **Sunday, November 23, at 9:00 p.m.**

Location: Seasons 52 is at 7863-L Tysons Corner Center, McLean, VA 22102. It is on the lower level next to The Cheesecake Factory restaurant.

Directions: From the Beltway (I-495) – Take Exit 47A, Leesburg Pike/Tysons Corner. Merge onto Route 7 heading west, and at the traffic light near the “Tysons Corner Center” sign, make a right onto Fashion Boulevard. Continue straight on Fashion Boulevard until you see an overhead walkway. Directly below the walkway, turn left into the garage entrance, over which is a large, red “AMC” sign. Once in the garage, make an immediate right to take the down ramp to the lower level. At the bottom of the ramp, turn left and park close to the #126 doorway to the right of the colorful Cheesecake Factory wall display. In the mall, Seasons 52 is located on the left just past the Cheesecake Factory.

UPCOMING EVENT

December 6, Saturday, 12:00 noon: *Christmas Party at Glory Days Grill*

Save the date for our 2025 Christmas party, to be held at Glory Days Grill in Lincolnia. We will order from the menu. A gift exchange and/or singing of Christmas carols may follow our meal. Look for more information in the December newsletter.

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: _____
[form approved 10/4/2025]

PRIME TIME SINGLE CATHOLICS &
CATHOLIC SINGLES OF GREATER WASHINGTON

ANNUAL DINNER DANCE

Dinner-Friends-Music-Dancing

Saturday, November 15

5:30 P.M. to 10:00 P.M.

P.J. SKIDDOOS RESTAURANT BANQUET ROOM
9908 FAIRFAX BOULEVARD, FAIRFAX, VA 22030



(NOTE: We invite you to attend this event if you meet the requirements for membership in Prime Time Single Catholics: that is, you must be a single Catholic, 40 years of age or older, who is free to marry in the Catholic Church.)

CASH BAR / COAT AND TIE FOR MEN / DRESSY ATTIRE FOR WOMEN / DEEJAY RUSSELL ACOSTA

DIRECTIONS: From the Capital Beltway (I-495), take Exit 50A, Arlington Blvd./Fairfax Blvd. (Route 50 west) and continue under the Gallows Road overpass. Proceed about 3.5 miles. The restaurant will be on your right just before the light at Lion Run. Park on the side or back of the restaurant, or in back of the adjacent Ashley Home Store. Use the private entrance on the left side of the building or the front entrance. If lost, call P.J. Skiddos Restaurant at 703-591-4515.

TO RESERVE: Email your entree selection (see below) to Tom at tompalumbo@outlook.com, and pay online with ZELLE® addressed to ptsqnva@gmail.com. OR Complete the form below and mail it, along with your check payable to "PTSC", to: Tom Palumbo, 7228 Cherwell Lane, Alexandria, VA 22315-4750. *The total required payment equals the price of your entree selection.*

Payments must be received by November 4. Sorry, no refunds after Nov. 4 (but check with tompalumbo@outlook.com).

QUESTIONS/DIETARY RESTRICTIONS OR NEEDS? Contact Tom Palumbo (tompalumbo@outlook.com; 703-313-8388).

NAME (PLEASE PRINT): _____

EMAIL: _____ (or) PHONE: (____) _____

ENTRÉE SELECTION — CIRCLE ONE NUMBER:

1. CHICKEN CORDON BLEU STUFFED W/HAM & CHEESE, WITH RICE PILAF AND GREEN BEANS (price: \$36)
2. PRIME RIB OF BEEF AU JUS WITH RED POTATOES AND GREEN BEANS (price: \$46)
3. FRESH BROILED SALMON WITH LEMON BUTTER SAUCE, RED POTATOES, AND GREEN BEANS (price: \$42)
4. GARDEN PASTA WITH PARMESAN CHEESE (price: \$29)

Entrées come with a Caesar Salad, bread and butter, coffee and tea, and ice cream for dessert.