ST. AIDAN'S
EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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THIS WEEK at ST. AIDAN'S

Sunday, January 4
- Holy Eucharist at 9:30 a.m. (in-person and via Zoom)
- Nibbles in the Narthex at 10:45 a.m.
- Formation - Card making for Rev. Laura's birthday
- Celtic Worship at 5:30 p.m. (in-person)

Monday, January 5
- Compline at 7:00 p.m. (online via Zoom)
- Al-Anon meeting at 7:00 p.m. (in-person and live streamed via Zoom)

Tuesday, January 6
- Meditation/Silent Prayer at 8:00 a.m. (in-person)
- Women's Reading Circle at 9:30 a.m. (in-person)

Wednesday, January 7
- Compline at 7:00 p.m. (online via Zoom)

Thursday, January 8
- Soul Circle at 7:30 p.m. (online via Zoom)

Friday, January 9
- Meditation/Silent Prayer at 8:00 a.m. (in-person)
- Compline at 7:00 p.m. (online via Zoom)

Sunday, January 11
- Holy Eucharist at 9:30 a.m. (in-person)
- Nibbles in the Narthex at 10:45 a.m.
- Formation at 10:45 a.m.
- Knitting + meeting at 3:00 p.m.
- Celtic Worship at 5:30 p.m. (in-person and via Zoom)

See the reverse side for a more detailed look at events this week and beyond.

A LOOK AHEAD at ST. AIDAN'S

Formation • Sunday, January 4 • 10:45 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.
Rev. Laura's birthday is January 5. In celebration, we will be making cards after worship on December 21, December 28, and January 4 and filling out a form for "50 things we love about Laura." If you would like to email your well wishes/thoughts to the office, we can fill it out for you. Please send it to Eileen in the front office. We are also taking a collection for gift cards to buy her as she adjusts to being home. If you would like to contribute, leave a contribution in the offering plate or at the office with the note "Laura's birthday."

Sunday, January 11 & 18 - Adult Formation: Waiting for God • 10:45 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.
Rescheduled from Advent! The Rev. Ed Shiley will lead a two-part discussion titled "Waiting for God." Who is God? Who are we? How do we experience this intersection? Join us as we explore these questions and the practices that inform them

Knitting + Group • Sunday, January 11 & 25, 3:00 p.m. till 5:00 p.m. (in the nursery)
If you are a crafter and want to have a little "Craft and Natter" time, Knitting Group + is meeting on 1/11 & 1/25 from 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. in the nursery. Come one or both days. If you knit, crochet, sew or have another fiber art you enjoy and would like to make hats or scarves for local shelters, bring your favorite pattern, one size fits all is best, and materials and join us..

Annual Parish Meeting • Sunday, January 25 • 10:45 a.m.
Join us for the Annual Parish Meeting to thank outgoing vestry members, elect three new vestry members, and hear about "the State of St. Aidan's." Each year, this is a time for us to gather and both do business of the church and check in with one another. Please plan to join us!

INOVA Blood Drive • February 1, 9am-1pm • White Hall
St. Aidan's has hosted community blood drives, inspired by local families with children who have battled blood cancers. This year's drive is in honor of our Rector, Rev. Laura and the lifesaving heart transplant she received at Inova Fairfax in August 2025. Every 2 seconds someone in the U.S. needs blood and/or platelets-there is no replacement for human blood! Please consider donating if you are able, inviting someone from the community to St. Aidan's to donate, or helping to support the drive if you are unable to donate. Stay tuned for a Sign-Up Genius; we are looking for a volunteer to open and close the church for the Inova team on the morning of February 1. Contact Eileen or Rebecca+ if you can help!

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