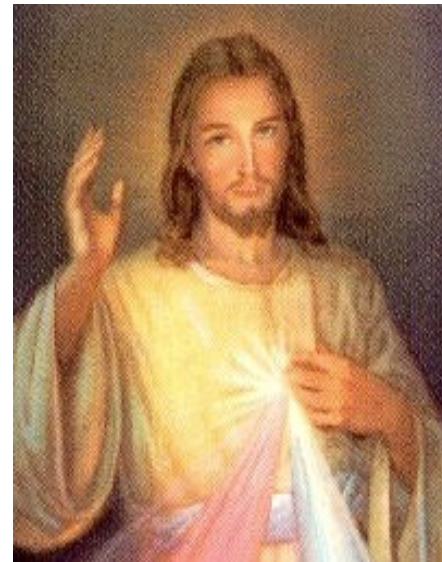


DIVINE MERY SUNDAY (APRIL 19, 2020)

Throughout the centuries Our Lord and His Blessed Mother have appeared to people of faith bringing a message of salvation and love. The message and devotion to Jesus as *The Divine Mercy* is based on the writings of St. Faustina Kowalska, an uneducated Polish nun who, in obedience to her spiritual director, wrote a diary recording the revelations she received about God’s mercy.

The message of mercy is that God loves us—all of us—no matter how great our sins. He wants us to recognize that His mercy is greater than our sins, so that we will call upon Him with trust, receive His mercy, and let it flow through us to others. Devotion to *The Divine Mercy* is a decision to trust completely in Him, to accept His mercy with thanksgiving, and to be merciful as He is merciful. By doing this you will gain great peace of mind and soul.

The image of Jesus as *Divine Mercy* on the front of our lectern is from St. Faustina’s convent in Poland. Each time you gaze at the image repeat to yourself *Jesus, I trust in you*. Let your heart open and accept God’s graces and share that bounty with others through your good deeds. *Be still and listen for the voice of God*.



OFFICE OF WORSHIP

The Catholic Diocese of Richmond Office of Worship has developed several resources to assist us as we continue to encounter Christ during this time.

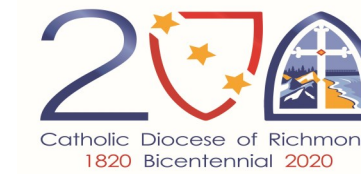
Several important resources for daily prayer and daily Mass readings have been posted, such as links to free versions of GIVE US THIS DAY, MAGNIFICAT and prayers for Spiritual Communion.

Visit <http://www.cdrworship.org/coronavirus> for more information.



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WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE:

Saturday Vigil—5:30 PM

Sunday—8:30 AM & 10:45 AM

Until further notice the Sacrament of Reconciliation is available by appointment through the office.

*Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord
 April 12, 2020*



The Resurrection (Cappella degli Scrovegni all’ Arena, Padua, Italy)
 Giotto di Bondone (1304-1306)

OFFICE OF VOCATIONS—APRIL 12, 2020

Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

“The Lord is risen, it is true!” Through our baptism He calls us to proclaim new life to the world. Pray for those who herald the Good News as priests, brothers and sisters. Are you being called to proclaim the Lord’s resurrection? Please contact the Vocations Office to speak with Father Brian Capuano: (804)-359-5661, or email: vocations@richmonddiocese.org.



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On the mission of the Church...

“The parish is the presence of the Church in a given territory, an environment for hearing God’s word, for growth in the Christian life, for dialogue, proclamation, charitable outreach, worship and celebration. In all its activities the parish encourages and trains its members to be evangelisers. It is a community of communities, a sanctuary where the thirsty come to drink in the midst of their journey, and a centre of constant missionary outreach... to make them environments of living communion and participation, and to make them completely mission-oriented.”

From Pope Francis’ *Evangelii Gaudium*

O God, who on this day, through your Only Begotten Son, have conquered death and unlocked for us the path to eternity, grant, we pray, that we who keep the solemnity of the Lord’s Resurrection may, through the renewal brought by your Spirit, rise up in the light of life. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Parish Schedule

Saturday, April 11—Holy Saturday

8:00 PM—Vigil Mass: People of the Parish (view on Facebook.com/SEASCatholic or website)

Sunday, April 12—Easter Sunday

10:00 AM—Mass: Bishop Knestout at the Cathedral (view on richmonddiocese.org/livestream)

Monday, April 13—Monday in the Octave of Easter

*Offices Closed

Tuesday, April 14—Tuesday in the Octave of Easter

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Wed., April 15—Wednesday in the Octave of Easter

9:00 AM—3:00 PM Church Open for Private Prayer

Thursday, April 16—Thursday in the Octave of Easter

9:00 AM—3:00 PM Church Open for Private Prayer

Friday, April 17—Friday in the Octave of Easter

9:00 AM—3:00 PM Church Open for Private Prayer

Saturday, April 18—Vigil

5:30 PM—Vigil Mass: People of the Parish (view on Facebook.com/SEASCatholic or Parish website)

Sunday, April 19—Second Sunday of Easter

(Sunday of Divine Mercy)

10:00 AM—Mass: Bishop Knestout at the Cathedral (view on richmonddiocese.org/livestream)

SEAS Parish Prayer List

Prayer of Pope Francis to Our Lady, Health of the Sick, to implore her protection during the COVID-19 coronavirus pandemic:

O Mary, you shine continuously on our journey as a sign of salvation and hope.

We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick. At the foot of the Cross you participated in Jesus' pain, with steadfast faith.

You, Salvation of the Roman People, know what we need. We are certain that you will provide, so that, as you did at Cana of Galilee, joy and feasting might return after this moment of trial.

Help us, Mother of Divine Love, to conform ourselves to the Father's will and to do what Jesus tells us: He who took our sufferings upon Himself, and bore our sorrows to bring us, through the Cross, to the joy of the Resurrection. Amen.

We seek refuge under your protection, O Holy Mother of God.

Do not despise our pleas - we who are put to the test - and deliver us from every danger, O glorious and blessed Virgin.



Parish Contributions

If you are a registered parishioner and would like contribution information, please contact the parish office at 804-932-4125. We wish to extend our heartfelt thanks to all those who have recently mailed in contributions and signed up for online e-giving during this difficult time. We thank you for your support and generosity!

OFFICE CLOSING

The parish office will be closed on Easter Monday and Tuesday and will re-open on Wednesday at 9am.

For private prayer this week, the Church will be open during office hours Wednesday-Friday from 9am-3pm.

FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP OPTIONS

Many people have asked how they can continue to financially support SEAS Parish while public Masses are suspended. The parish budget is 100% dependent on Offertory contributions during the year. Half of the income comes by electronic means and half through the regular weekend collections. With the suspension of public Masses, we will lose about half of our income.

During these difficult times, if you are able, please continue to support the parish through your donations:

- Sign-up for online e-giving through the parish's website at: seascatholicchurch.org and select the red "Donate Online" button at the top.
- Mail your regular contributions to the parish office through our mailing address: PO Box 648, Quinton, VA 23141.
- Drop your contributions off to the parish office during office hours. Thank you!

Scripture Readings

Sunday, April 12 Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of The Lord

Acts 10:34a,37-43/Ps 118:1-2,16-17,22-23/Col 3:1-4/1 Cor 5:7b-8a/Jn 20:1-9

Monday, April 13 Monday in the Octave of Easter

Acts 2:14,22-33/Ps 16:1-2a/Ps 118:24/Mt 28:8-15

Tuesday, April 14 Tuesday in the Octave of Easter

Acts 2:36-41/Ps 33:4-5/Ps 118:24/Jn 20:11-18

Wednesday, April 15 Wednesday in the Octave of Easter

Acts 3:1-10/Ps 105:1-4,6-9/Ps 118:24/Lk 24:13-35

Thursday, April 16 Thursday in the Octave of Easter

Acts 3:11-26/Ps 8:2ab&5-9/Ps 118:24/Lk 24:35-48

Friday, April 17 Friday in the Octave of Easter

Acts 4:1-12/Ps 118:1&14-15ab,16-21/Ps 118:24/Jn 21:1-14

Saturday, April 18 Saturday in the Octave of Easter

Acts 4:13-21/Ps 118:1&14-15ab,16-21/Ps 118:24/Mk 16:9-15

Sunday, April 19 Second Sunday of Easter (Sunday of Divine Mercy)

Acts 2:42-47/Ps 118:2-4,13-15,22-24/1 Pt 1:3-9/Jn 20:29/Jn 20:19-31

Parish News

COVID-19 PANDEMIC UPDATE

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, Bishop Barry C. Knestout has temporarily suspended all Masses, Events, Activities and Meetings throughout the Catholic Diocese of Richmond until further notice. His letter can be read at: richmonddiocese.org.

To view Masses and liturgies, especially for Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Easter, please visit the parish Facebook page at: [Facebook.com/SEASCatholic](https://www.facebook.com/SEASCatholic) or the parish website at seascatholicchurch.org/View-Mass.

Bishop Knestout is also livestreaming private celebration of Sunday Masses at the Cathedral at 10:00am (richmonddiocese.org/livestream).

SEAS Parish will be open for **private prayer only** during office hours.

For the upcoming week, the parish office will be **closed on Easter Monday and Tuesday and will re-open Wednesday morning at 9am.**

APRIL IS CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH

We all play a role in the healthy formation of children and as children are home from school and spending more time online, we wanted to share some important resources with families to assist with the task of keeping our young people safe while they navigate the internet.

Our diocesan Safe Environment page at: richmonddiocese.org/protecting-gods-children has family resources and activities such as a calendar and coloring projects, and the *Virtus* website (virtusonline.org) has information under the "Resources" tab which might prove beneficial such as a Parent's Prevention Handbook and an acronyms/internet shorthand tool.

Also, if you are *Virtus* trained and receive monthly email bulletins, now might be a good time to get caught up on any you might have missed or just spend some time in reviewing some of the subject matter.

PRAYER FOR SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

My Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the Most Blessed Sacrament.

I love You above all things and I desire to possess You within my soul. Since I am unable at this moment to receive You Sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart.

I embrace You as being already there, and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You.

Amen.

EASTER SUNDAY AND THE EASTER SEASON

The fifty days from Easter Sunday (April 12, 2020) to Pentecost (May 31, 2020), audibly and visually are celebrated in joyful exultation as one feast day, or better, as one "great Sunday." The first eight days of the Easter Season make up the Octave of Easter and are celebrated as solemnities of the Lord. The Easter candle is lighted for all liturgical celebrations of the season.

The earthshaking promise of Easter is that God has not forsaken any of us. The Risen Christ is alive and working through his Holy Spirit to reach into each human heart and give hope to whomever is oppressed and suffering.

The Risen Christ will meet us along the confused, chaotic, fearful paths of our lives and speak the same words the women hear at the tomb, **"Do not be afraid."**



Meeting Schedule: Due to the flu outbreak, all K of C activities and meetings have been CANCELED until further notice.

Prayer Request: Please remember in your prayers Jeffrey & Roberta Gargiulo, Levie Edmond, Leonard R. Rapozo, Agnes Cashin, Cherie Gothreau & Wanda Pleva, Carol Trent, Kevin Almeida, John (Jackie) J. Gothreau, Fred Graf, Joshua C. Gothreau, Cathy Iwaskey, Al Polson, Kate Nixon, Fr. R. Smith, Eileen Simzak, Elizabeth Robertson, Ann Gillikin, Ed Gillikin, Sr., Tony Martinez, our law enforcement, military families, and those not known to us in need of prayers.

Membership: To learn more about the K of C at SEAS Parish, please contact Membership Director, Jack Simzak; jrrsimzak@aol.com. To learn more about the K of C in Virginia, visit the K of C website at: kofc.org/joinus.

FROM THE HOLY SEE PRESS OFFICE

Decree of the Apostolic Penitentiary on the granting of special Indulgences to the faithful in the current pandemic, 20.03.2020

"The gift of special Indulgences is granted to the faithful suffering from COVID-19 disease, commonly known as Coronavirus, as well as to health care workers, family members and all those in any capacity, including through prayer, care for them." Please read the complete announcement: <https://press.vatican.va/content/salastampa/en/bollettino/pubblico/2020/03/20/200320c.html#>.

DIocese of Richmond Office of the Bishop

Bishop Knestout encourages anyone aware of sexual abuse of minors on the part of clergy or staff of our diocese to notify civil authorities, call the Attorney General's Clergy Abuse Hotline at 1-833-454-9064, and reach out to the Diocesan Victim Assistance Coordinator, Jennifer Sloan at 1-877-887-9603.