### **KROGER COMMUNITY REWARDS PROGRAM**

As a reminder, SEAS Parish is enrolled in Kroger Community Rewards. You can help support SEAS New Church Fund by shopping at Kroger and using your Kroger Plus Card.

- To enroll your Plus Card, go to www.krogercommunityrewards.com.
- Click on "Create An Account."
- Enter your email address and create a password, agreeing to terms and conditions.
- Enter your card number and our church name, "St. Elizabeth Ann Seton" or our account number, CF801.

Questions? Please contact the parish office at 932-4125.

#### **SEAS LENDING LIBRARY**

Although the local library may be closed, SEAS Lending Library is still available in the Commons Area of the Church. If you are in need of some reading material, right now is a good time to read up on the lives of the Saints, the history of the Church, the glories of Mary or maybe the story of Fatima. Items are available to sign out for two weeks. Please feel free to stop by during office hours or call to reserve your items.

## **SEAS GRADUATES**

If your special student is graduating this year from high school or college, please send an email to the parish office at <a href="mailto:seasecretary@verizon.net">seasecretary@verizon.net</a> with any pertinent information you would like to share with the parish.

We would love to recognize your graduate and highlight their unique journey this year to graduation.

## OFFICE OF VOCATIONS—MAY 17, 2020

Sixth Sunday of Easter

"Whoever loves me will keep my word." Are you called to bring the word of Christ to his flock? Please contact the Vocations Office to speak with Father Brian Capuano: (804)-359-5661, or send an email to:

vocations@richmonddiocese.org.

#### **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 (https://us.magnificat.net/free) and prayers for Spiritual Communion.

Visit <a href="http://www.cdrworship.org/">http://www.cdrworship.org/</a> coronavirus for more information.

#### SEAS EMAIL LIST

If you have not been receiving our parish-wide emails, please contact the office so we can update your information and keep you "in the loop." Thank you!

#### **NUN RUN FOOD DONATIONS**

The first weekend of the month is our monthly food collection for the Poor Clare nuns and the Little Sisters of St. Francis. Please drop off all donations to the Church during office hours by the weekend of May 30/31. Thank you for your continued support of this ongoing ministry.

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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.

# Sixth Sunday of Easter May 17, 2020

Grant,
almighty God,
that we may
celebrate with
heartfelt devotion
these days of joy,
which we keep in
honor of the risen
Lord, and that
what we relive in
remembrance we
may always hold to
in what we do.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.



Christ the Redeemer Tiziano Vecellio (Titian), 1532-1534

## 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

## Parish Schedule

Saturday, May 16 —Vigil

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

Sunday, May 17—Sixth Sunday of Easter

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

Monday, May 18-St. John I

Tuesday, May 19— Easter Weekday

Wednesday, May 20—St. Bernardine of Siena

Thursday, May 21—St. Christopher Magallanes and Companions

Friday, May 22-St. Rita of Cascia

Saturday, May 23—Vigil

5:00 PM—Confessions

5:30 PM—Vigil Mass: Special Intention

Sunday, May 24—The Ascension of the Lord

8:30 AM—Mass: People of the Parish 11:30 AM—Mass: Special Intention

## 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 info, please contact the parish office at 804-932-4125. We wish to extend our heartfelt thanks to all who have recently mailed in contributions and signed up for online e-giving. We thank you for your support and generosity!

#### **OFFICE CLOSING**

The parish office will be closed for Memorial Day on Monday, May 25, 2020 and in June while the secretary is on vacation from June 15-26, 2020.

Volunteers will be needed to cover the church phone line and open up for private prayer as well as for when the cleaning crew works on Mondays.

If you are *Virtus* trained and would like to assist, please call the parish office at 932-4125. Thank you.

## FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP OPTIONS

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. 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 (https://seascatholicchurch.org/support-your-parish/).
- Mail your regular contributions to 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, May 17 Sixth Sunday of Easter

Acts 8:5-8,14-17/Ps 66:1-7,16,20/1 Pt 3:15-18/Jn 14:23/ Jn 14:15-21

Monday, May 18 Monday of the Sixth Week of Easter Acts 16:11-15/Ps 149:1b-5,6a&9b/Jn 15:26b,27a/Jn 15:26— 16:4a

Tuesday, May 19 Tuesday of the Sixth Week of Easter
Acts 16:22-34/Ps 138:1-2abcde-3,7c-8/Jn 16:7,13/Jn 16:5-11
Wed., May 20 Wednesday of the Sixth Week of Easter
Acts 17:15,22—18:1/Ps 148:1-2,11-14/Jn 14:16/Jn 16:12-15
Thursday, May 21 Thursday of the Sixth Week of Easter
Acts 18:1-8/Ps 98:1-3abcd,4/Jn 14:18/Jn 16:16-20
Friday, May 22 Friday of the Sixth Week of Easter

Acts 18:9-18/Ps 47:2-7/Lk 24:46,26/Jn 16:20-23 **Saturday, May 23 Saturday of the Sixth Week of Easter** Acts 18:23-28/Ps 47:2-3,8-10/Jn 16:28/Jn 16:23b-28

**Sunday, May 24 The Ascension of the Lord** Acts 1:1-11/Ps 47:2-3,6-9/Eph 1:17-23/Mt 28:19a,20b/ Mt 28:16-20

## Parish News

### **RE-OPENING FOR PUBLIC MASS**

Bishop Knestout and the offices of the Diocese have shared that the suspension of Masses is lifted beginning with the Vigil Mass on Saturday, May 23, 2020; however, parishes must submit a re-opening plan to the Diocese and receive approval of their plan before a public Mass can be celebrated at their parish. In accord with the direction of the governor, public worship will begin with a 50% capacity limit, maintaining 6 feet from other people (as defined by the CDC) by all gathered.

## **Guidelines:**

Face coverings—All present for the liturgy ages 3 and older must wear face coverings, as recommended by the CDC, WHO and Governor of Virginia when present for any Mass or liturgical celebration.

**Vulnerable category**—Those in the vulnerable category (65+ adults, people who are immunocompromised) are encouraged to remain home as per CDC and the governor recommendations.

Dispensation from the obligation to attend Mass—Due to the capacity limit for liturgies which limits the number of faithful who can attend Mass and recognizing that those in the vulnerable category should remain home, Bishop Knestout dispenses all of the faithful of the Diocese of Richmond from the obligation to attend Mass on Sundays and holy days until further notice.

**Recorded Mass**—will continue to be offered on our Facebook and web page for the present time.

## **Additional Considerations:**

**Seating**—Families/households will be seated on one side and individuals on the other, every other pew to maintain distancing.

Mass times—Please note we have adjusted Mass times on Sundays to 8:30 AM and 11:30 AM to allow enough time between for proper exiting and sanitizing between Masses.

Church Entrance Questions—Prior to entrance, a usher will ask 3 questions: Have you or anyone in your household had a fever in the past 2 weeks? Do you or anyone in your household have a new cough or shortness of breath?

Have you come into contact with anyone who is positive with Covid-19 in the past 2 weeks?

If any individual or household responds "yes" to any question or are not wearing a face covering (if they are age 3 and older), they are not permitted to enter the Church.

Mass Sign-Up—In anticipation of our re-opening plan being approved, parishioners are invited to respond by email to the following questions: Are you ready to return to public Mass? How many household members will attend? Which Mass would you prefer to attend?

Arrival Times & Exiting—Parishioners are asked to arrive approximately 30 minutes early since ushers will be leading parishioners to their seating area. Pews will be filled front to back and after Mass we will exit one pew at a time from the back to front to maintain distancing.

Volunteers—will be needed to serve as extra ushers and to help with sanitizing the Church after each Mass. If you are planning to attend Mass and able to help out, please contact the parish office to arrange training.

Additional details have gone out to parishioners this week by email. If you did not receive our email, please contact the parish office at 932-4125 so we can get all the details to you and answer any questions you may have.

Each and every parishioner is integral to the re-opening process in order to meet the virus control standards and we welcome your participation.

# 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 confidential Victim Assistance Reporting 24-Hour Number at 1-877-887-9603.



Meeting Schedule: 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; <a href="mailto:jrrsimzak@aol.com">jrrsimzak@aol.com</a>. To learn more about the K of C in Virginia, visit the K of C website at: kofc.org/joinus.

## THE ROSARY DURING MAY

This May, during the month dedicated to the Blessed Virgin Mary, Pope Francis has invited the faithful to renew their love for the Most Holy Rosary, a prayer fully immersed in the Gospel. Vatican News has an article which looks at the dedication of various Popes throughout the centuries to this ancient devotion. Visit the Vatican News website at:

https://www.vaticannews.va/en/pope/news/2020-04/the-popes-and-the-rosary.html for more info.

# 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.