FROM THE POOR CLARES: PRAYER INTENTIONS

Your Poor Clare Sisters are here on Mt. St. Francis praising God and interceding for His suffering people. We sincerely thank the members of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish for your generosity. We pray daily for the needs of your parish and for your pastor, Father Scott Duarte. If you would like to entrust your special needs and intentions to our prayers, please feel free to contact us, using the following information:

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To know more about us, please go to our webpage: www.poor-clares.org

JOINING THE PARISH

We invite all who worship with us to become formal members of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton (SEAS) Parish by registering as parishioners. This enables our ministries and staff to better plan in order to meet the needs of the community. Registration forms are located at both Church entrances, on our website at https://seascatholicchurch.org/, or you can call the parish office at 932-4125 and we will be happy to assist you.

OFFICE OF VOCATIONS

Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time ~ September 6, 2020

"Where two or three are gathered in My name..." The community that gathers in Christ needs leadership. Are you being called to discipleship as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life? Please contact the Vocations Office to speak with Father Brian Capuano: (804) 359-5661; email to: vocations@richmonddiocese.org.



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.

SEAS LENDING LIBRARY

SEAS Lending Library is available for use in the Commons Area of the Church. If you would like to borrow items, there is a sign-out sheet to borrow items for up to two weeks.

PRIVATE PRAYER

The Church is open during office hours for personal private prayer. This week the parish office will be closed on Monday, Sept. 7th in observance of Labor Day. Questions? Please call the parish office at 932-4125

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Facebook: facebook.com/SEASCatholic Twitter: twitter.com/SEASQuinton Office Hours: M-F 9:00 AM-2:30 PM WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE:

Saturday Vigil—5:30 PM Sunday—8:30 AM & 11:00 AM The Sacrament of Reconciliation is offered Saturdays at 5:00 PM.

The Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time September 6, 2020

O God,
by whom we
are redeemed and
receive adoption,
look graciously
upon your beloved
sons and daughters,
that those who
believe in Christ
may receive true
freedom and an
everlasting
inheritance.

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 as 'The Light of the World' (The National Gallery, London), Paris Bordone, abt 1550

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, September 5—Vigil

5:00 PM—Confessions

5:30 PM—Vigil Mass: †Patrick Penny

Sunday, September 6—Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 AM—Mass: †Annette Kustrup & †Betty Sheahan

11:00 AM—Mass: People of the Parish

Monday, September 7—Weekday *Office Closed for Labor Day

Tuesday, September 8—The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Wednesday, September 9—St. Peter Claver, Priest

12:00 PM—Mass: Pastor's Intention (42nd Anniversary of Fr. Scott's Ordination to the Priesthood)

Thursday, September 10—Weekday

Friday, September 11—Weekday

Saturday, September 12 —Vigil

5:00 PM—Confessions

5:30 PM—Vigil Mass: †Gary Doverspike

Sunday, September 13—Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 AM—Mass: †Jack Crane 11:00 AM—Mass: People of the Parish

*Daily Mass this week is on Wednesday at 12:00 PM.

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 who have mailed in contributions and signed up on the website for online electronic giving!

CONGRATULATIONS FR. SCOTT

On Wednesday, September 9th, 2020, Father Scott celebrates the 42nd anniversary of his ordination to the priesthood. Mass will be celebrated on Wednesday at 12 noon. We wanted to express our best wishes and congratulations on this major milestone and thank Father Scott for his many years of service.

FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP OPTIONS

The parish budget is 100% dependent on Offertory contributions. Half of the income comes by electronic means and half through the regular weekend collections. 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, Sept. 6 Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time Ez 33:7-9/Ps 95:1-2,6-9/Rom 13:8-10/2 Cor 5:19/Mt 18:15-20 Monday, Sept. 7 Monday of the Twenty-third Week in Ordinary Time

1 Cor 5:1-8/Ps 5:5-7,12/Jn 10:27/Lk 6:6-11

Tuesday, Sept. 8 Feast of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Mi 5:1-4a/Ps 13:6ab,6c/Mt 1:1-16,18-23

Wednesday, Sept. 9 Memorial of St. Peter Claver
1 Cor 7:25-31/Ps 45:11-12,14-17/Lk 6:23ab/Lk 6:20-26
Thursday, Sept. 40 Thursday of the Twenty third Wee

Thursday, Sept. 10 Thursday of the Twenty-third Week in Ordinary Time

1 Cor 8:1b-7,11-13/Ps 139:1b-3,13-14ab,23-24/1 Jn 4:12/ Lk 6:27-38

Friday, Sept. 11 Friday of the Twenty-third Week in Ordinary Time

1 Cor 9:16-19,22b-27/Ps 84:3-6,12/Jn 17:17b,17a/Lk 6:39-42 **Saturday, Sept. 12 Saturday of the Twenty-third Week in Ordinary Time**

1 Cor 10:14-22/Ps 116:12-13,17-18/Jn 14:23/Lk 6:43-49

Sunday, Sept. 13 Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time Sir 27:30—28:7/Ps 103:1-4,9-12/Rom 14:7-9/Jn 13:34/ Mt 18:21-35

Parish News

PHASE 3 PUBLIC MASS Occupancy—50% (70 Individuals) Guidelines:

Face coverings—All present for the liturgy ages 10 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.

The **5:30 PM Saturday Vigil Mass** is being recorded for use on SEAS and various Diocesan digital media accounts of the Catholic Diocese of Richmond, including, but not limited to, the websites of the Catholic Diocese of Richmond and *The Catholic Virginian*, and social media platforms of the Catholic Diocese of Richmond. Photography and/or screenshot images from the livestream may be used for *The Catholic Virginian* print edition. If you do not wish to be captured by recordings, please refrain from attending the 5:30 PM Saturday Vigil Mass.

Additional Considerations:

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

Communion—Sanitize hands when entering/leaving Church. Bring personal supply to use before receiving Communion if possible. Consider receiving Holy Communion in the hand. After receiving Communion, step 6 feet to the side, lower/lift mask, consume the host, put mask back in place and return to your seat.

Current Mass times are: Saturday Vigil Mass, 5:30 PM; Sundays, 8:30 AM and 11:00 AM. We ask that you arrive 30 minutes prior to the start of Mass to allow time to be seated.

Church Entrance Questions (Updated):

- Do you or anyone in your household have a fever (temperature is 100.4 degrees or higher)?
- In the past two (2) weeks, have you or anyone in your household presented symptoms of COVID-19, such as a fever, chills, sore throat, cough, shortness of breath, muscle pain, nausea, vomiting or diarrhea, with no alternative diagnosis?
- In the past two (2) weeks, have you or anyone in your household been exposed—less than six (6) feet for greater than 15 minutes—to anyone who has tested positive for or exhibited symptoms of COVID-19 (with no alternative diagnosis) without wearing the appropriate Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) as defined by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention?

If any individual or household responds "yes" to any question or are not wearing a face covering (if they are age 10 and older), they are not permitted to enter the Church.

Please take a few minutes to review these questions prior to entering the Church.

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.



Schedule: All meetings have been postponed until further notice. Please check back for updates which will be posted when they become available.

Prayer Request: Please remember in prayer: Ty Oppenlander, 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.

Family of the Month: The K of C August Family of the Month is Robert & Mary Brooks. Mary serves as Mass Coordinator and Lector/Usher for the 5:30 PM Vigil Mass, also setting up and sanitizing the Church. Robert (Bobby) is our altar server and usher, always assisting wherever needed. They both also help out with Church and Rectory Maintenance. Congratulations and a BIG thank you to you both!

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.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Registration for Religious Education classes will begin next week. Parents will be emailed registration forms and asked whether they prefer in-person classes or "other." Forms are also available at both Church entrances and from the parish office. Responses will be gathered so as to prepare the best options for our SEAS families.

The month of September will be used for information gathering and an introduction of the program, with an October start date. Further details to follow this coming week.