

**2021 ANNUAL DIOCESAN APPEAL — FOLLOW-UP WEEKEND**

Welcome to the 2021 Annual Diocesan Appeal—Building Our Family of Faith. Many of you have received a letter from Bishop Knestout asking for your support. For those of you who did not receive a mailing or have not had time to respond to it yet, we are conducting a second digital in-pew process this weekend to direct donations online at the diocesan secure website: <https://richmondcatholicfoundation.org/appeal/>.

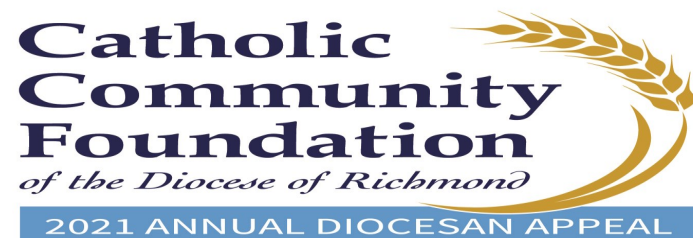
Each gift that is contributed to the Appeal makes a real difference because the gifts enable our Diocese to deliver needed ministries and services such as heating and grocery assistance to families through the Fuel and Hunger Fund, health insurance and long-term care for our retired priests, and tuition for our future priests to attend the seminary.

In addition, all parishes receive back a portion of their funds collected to be used for important local priorities. This year, the funds returned to SEAS Parish will be added to our maintenance fund to upgrade our HVAC with air purifiers in the near future.

The Diocese has set the total goal for SEAS Parish this year at \$13,950.00.

All pledges can be paid in monthly installments. Thank you in advance for your support.

Full details can be found at: <https://richmondcatholicfoundation.org/appeal/>



**REGULATIONS FOR FASTING AND ABSTINENCE**

*Fasting is to be observed by all 18 years of age and older, who have not yet celebrated their 59th birthday. On a fast day, one full meal is allowed. Two other meals, sufficient to maintain strength, may be taken according to each one's needs, but together they should not equal another full meal. Eating between meals is not permitted, but liquids, including milk and juices, are allowed.*

*Abstinence is observed by all 14 years of age and older. On days of abstinence no meat is allowed. Note that when health or ability to work would be seriously affected, the law does not oblige. When in doubt concerning fast and abstinence, the parish priest should be consulted.*

*Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of fast and abstinence. All the Fridays of Lent are days of abstinence.*

*Fasting, almsgiving, and prayer are the three traditional disciplines of Lent. The faithful and catechumens should undertake these practices seriously in a spirit of penance and of preparation for baptism or of renewal of baptism at Easter.*



**ST. ELIZABETH ANN SETON CATHOLIC CHURCH**

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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 and by appointment.

*Second Sunday of Lent  
February 28, 2021*

**O** God, who have commanded us to listen to your beloved Son, be pleased, we pray, to nourish us inwardly by your word, that, with spiritual sight made pure, we may rejoice to behold your glory.

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.**



The Transfiguration of Christ (fresco), Pietro Perugino (Collegio del Cambio, Perugia, Italy), 1497-1500

*Parish Staff*

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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*

## Parish Schedule

### Saturday, February 27—Vigil

5:00 PM—Confessions  
5:30 PM—Vigil Mass: Pastor's Intention

### Sunday, February 28—Second Sunday of Lent

8:30 AM—Mass: Poor Clare Nuns  
9:30 AM—Rel. Ed. Class (SEAS Social Hall)  
11:00 AM—Mass: People of the Parish

### Monday, March 1—Lenten Weekday

Tuesday, March 2—Lenten Weekday  
\*Office Closed

### Wednesday, March 3—St. Katharine Drexel

Thursday, March 4—St. Casimir  
11:00 AM—Mass: †Ronald Searles

### Friday, March 5—Lenten Weekday

### Saturday, March 6—Vigil

5:00 PM—Confessions  
5:30 PM—Vigil Mass: Special Intention

### Sunday, March 7—Third Sunday of Lent

8:30 AM—Mass: People of the Parish  
11:00 AM—Mass: †Leona Lilly

\*Daily Mass this week is on **Thursday at 11:00 AM.**

## 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 thanks to all who are mailing in contributions & utilizing the website for electronic giving!

### FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP OPTIONS

The parish budget is 100% dependent on Offertory contributions. 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](https://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!

### BLAZE 7TH & 8TH GRADE GIRLS PROGRAM

BLAZE is the Walking with Purpose ministry for seventh and eighth grade girls. The mission of BLAZE is to use Scripture to speak truth into the hearts of young girls who are bombarded by lies about their true worth and beauty.

BLAZE is coming soon to SEAS! The first weekly lessons will start in March. Each week, participants will be led through a short lesson based on a lie found in the world and a truth found in Scripture. The group is currently deciding what evening of the week to meet.

Girls are filled with questions. They have doubts, they desire clarification, and they want to share their thoughts in a space that will allow them to make their relationship with God personal and meaningful. **Registration is required so materials can be ordered.** Register your 7th or 8th grade daughter for BLAZE or learn more by contacting Donna Thomson at [seas.dthomson@verizon.net](mailto:seas.dthomson@verizon.net). You can also learn more about the BLAZE ministry at [walkingwithpurpose.com/blaze](http://walkingwithpurpose.com/blaze).

## Scripture Readings

### Sunday, Feb. 28 Second Sunday of Lent

Gn 22:1-2,9a,10-13,15-18/Ps 116:10,15-19/Rom 8:31b-34/Mt 17:5/Mk 9:2-10

### Monday, Mar. 1 Monday of the Second Week of Lent

Dn 9:4b-10/Ps 79:8,9,11&13/Jn 6:63c,68c/Lk 6:36-38

### Tuesday, Mar. 2 Tuesday of the Second Week of Lent

Is 1:10,16-20/Ps 50:8-9,16bc-17,21&23/Ez 18:31/Mt 23:1-12

### Wednesday, Mar. 3 Wed. of the Second Week of Lent

Jer 18:18-20/Ps 31:5-6,14-16/Jn 8:12/Mt 20:17-28

### Thursday, Mar. 4 Thursday of the Second Week of Lent

Jer 17:5-10/Ps 1:1-4&6/Lk 8:15/Lk 16:19-31

### Friday, Mar. 5 Friday of the Second Week of Lent

Gn 37:3-4,12-13a,17b-28a/Ps 105:16-21/Jn 3:16/Mt 21:33-43,45-46

### Saturday, Mar. 6 Saturday of the Second Week of Lent

Mi 7:14-15,18-20/Ps 103:1-4,9-12/Lk 15:18/Lk 15:1-3,11-32

### Sunday, Mar. 7 Third Sunday of Lent

Ex 20:1-17/Ps 19:8-11/1 Cor 1:22-25/Jn 2:13-25

## Parish News

### PUBLIC MASS GUIDELINES

#### Occupancy 50% (70 Individuals):

**Face coverings**—All present for the liturgy ages 5 and older must wear a cloth face covering, as recommended by the CDC when present for any Mass or liturgical celebration.

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

### Church Entrance Questions:

- 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?
- Have you had a positive diagnostic test for the virus that causes COVID-19 in the prior 10 days?
- In the past two (2) weeks, have you or anyone in your household been exposed—less than six (6) feet for a cumulative 15 minutes over a 24 hour period—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 of the **Church Entrance** question or are **not wearing a cloth face covering (if they are age 5 and older), they are not permitted to enter the Church.**

**Questions regarding public Mass should be directed to the SEAS Parish Office: 804-932-4125.**

### PRIVATE PRAYER & STATIONS OF THE CROSS

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish is open for private prayer and private Stations of the Cross during office hours. As always, it is recommended that you check the parish voicemail at 932-4125 or the online calendar (<https://seascatholicchurch.org/>) for any changes in scheduling before heading over to the Church. Thank you.

### NUN RUN FOOD DONATIONS

**Reminder:** Next weekend, **March 6/7** is our monthly food collection date for the Poor Clare nuns and the Little Sisters of St. Francis. Please drop off all donations to the collection box in the Commons Area of the Church. Delivery date is Monday, March 8th. Thank you for your support and generosity towards this monthly ministry.

### BUILDING & GROUNDS

Our thanks and appreciation to Gene Griffin for troubleshooting and repairing the parish phone lines Monday and Tuesday this past week. Gene spent a wet afternoon outside the Church on Monday and persisted into Tuesday when the weather was more mild. Once the problem was isolated, Gene repaired the lines inside the offices so we no longer have so much static and dropped calls. *Thank you so much Gene!*

### 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:** Meetings have resumed virtually only, until further notice.

**Prayer Request:** Please remember in prayer: Jeffrey & Roberta Gargiulo, Levie Edmond, Leonard R. Rapozo, Cherie Gothreau & Wanda Pleva, Carol Trent, John (Jackie) J. Gothreau, Fred Graf, Joshua C. Gothreau, Cathy Iwaskey, Al Polson, Kate Nixon, Elizabeth Robertson, Tony Martinez, our law enforcement, military families, and those not known to us in need of prayers.

**Membership:** To learn more about the Knights of Columbus at SEAS Parish, please contact Membership Director, Tony Cassano at:

[tony@gobucketlisttravel.com](mailto:tony@gobucketlisttravel.com). To learn more about the Knights of Columbus in Virginia, visit [kofc.org/joinus](http://kofc.org/joinus).

### WOMEN'S VIRTUAL LENTEN GATHERINGS

#### Wednesdays at 6:30 PM

The SEAS Women's Group are using "*Words for the Weary*" by Ann Naffzinger's (PDF download—

**Individual pages**  
<http://products.pastoral.center/pc/pc109e/1/download-tn31/Words%20for%20the%20Weary%202021.pdf>; PDF download – **For booklet printing**

<http://products.pastoral.center/pc/pc109e/1/download-tn31/Words%20for%20the%20Weary%202021%20booklet.pdf>) as a spring board for a weekly discussion.

Joanne Kulick will lead a weekly virtual gathering via Zoom every Wednesday evenings at 6:30. Join us for prayer, fellowship and discussion on the suggested reflections. Our discussion is intended to assist us in identifying the hidden graces and hope our Lord offers us in these challenging times. All are welcome to join - even if you are unable to commit to attending every Wednesday. Come join us for an encouraging time of fellowship. To register for the Wednesday evening group and receive email reminders, meeting link and password, email Joanne Kulick at: [jhochenberger@cox.net](mailto:jhochenberger@cox.net); or Donna Thomson at: [seas.dthomson@verizon.net](mailto:seas.dthomson@verizon.net)