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

We are very blessed to have two communities of Religious Women living in New Kent County. The Poor Clare Nuns in Barhamsville in eastern New Kent, and the Little Sisters of St. Francis in Quinton in western New Kent.

The Poor Clares are at Bethlehem Monastery, a cloistered community who work and pray primarily in silence. The Little Sisters of St. Francis' Seton House provides care for severely physically and mentally challenged adults who require 24/7 care. The Little Sisters of St. Francis are a missionary community of Catholic sisters who reach out in service to the poor and the marginalized in society.

The Poor Clares are vegetarian but do eat fish twice a week. They can use canned veggies, fruit, rice, flour, salt, canned tuna and salmon as well as toothpaste and soap.

The Little Sisters of St. Francis appreciate canned foods, gelatin desserts, puddings, soups as well as paper towels, toilet paper, detergent, etc.

Our next donation delivery date is on May 2nd.

## **NUN RUN VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

Many thanks to Carol Reamy who has been coordinating the Nun Run over the last few years. Carol is stepping down due to family obligations and SEAS Parish is looking for new volunteers who can assist JoAnne Terrell each month with this ongoing ministry.

This would involve sorting donations and delivery. Training will be provided. Please call the parish office at 932-4125 if you are able to help out.

## OFFICE OF VOCATIONS

"As the Father has sent Me, so I send you." Do you have a growing interest in sharing the Lord's saving mission as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life? Contact Father Brian Capuano, Vicar for Vocations, Catholic Diocese of Richmond (804) 359-5661, vocations@richmonddiocese.org or Father J. Scott Duarte at (804) 557-3962, sduarte@richmonddiocese.org.

#### **DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY (4/11)**

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 Her 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.

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## **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 Easter (Dívíne Mercy Sunday) Apríl 11, 2021

God of everlasting mercy, who in the very recurrence of the paschal feast kindle the faith of the people you have made your own, increase, we pray, the grace vou have bestowed, that all may grasp and rightly understand in what font they have been washed, by whose Spirit they have been reborn, by whose Blood they have been redeemed.

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 Incredulity of St. Thomas (Maestà Altarpiece), Duccio di Buoninsegna, 1308-11

#### 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, April 10—Vigil** 5:00 PM—Confessions

5:30 PM—Mass: Special Intention

## Sunday, April 11—Second Sunday of Easter (Divine Mercy Sunday)

8:30 AM—Mass: Special Intention

9:30 AM—Rel. Ed. Class K-8th (SEAS Social Hall)

11:00 AM—Mass: People of the Parish

Monday, April 12—Easter Weekday

Tuesday, April 13—St. Martin I

Wednesday, April 14—Easter Weekday

Thursday, April 15—Easter Weekday

Friday, April 16—Easter Weekday

Saturday, April 17—Vigil

5:00 PM—Confessions

5:30 PM—Mass: Special Intention

# Sunday, April 18—Third Sunday of Easter

8:30 AM—Mass: People of the Parish 11:00 AM—Mass: †Mary & Jack Martin

\*\*There will be **no daily Mass** this week at the Church.

# 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 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 I Box 648, Quinton, VA 23141.
- Drop your contributions off to the parish office during office hours. Thank you!

#### **RCIA**

## (RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS)

Are you interested in becoming Catholic? Or in learning more about Catholicism, or know someone else who is? SEAS Parish offers a program for those who are seeking God and a journey of faith or would like to learn more about the Catholic faith. For more information, please contact the parish office at 932-4125 or email seas.dthomson@verizon.net.



# Scripture Readings

Sunday, April 11 Second Sunday of Easter (Divine Mercy Sunday)

Àcts 4:32-35/Ps 118:2-4,13-15,22-24/1 Jn 5:1-6/Jn 20:29/ Jn 20:19-31

Monday, April 12 Monday of the Second Week of Easter Acts 4:23-31/Ps 2:1-3,4-7ab,9/Col 3:1/Jn 3:1-8

Tuesday, April 13 Tuesday of the Second Week of Easter Acts 4:32-37/Ps 93:1ab,1cd-2,5/Jn 3:14-15/Jn 3:7b-15 Wednesday, April 14 Wed. of the Second Week of Easter

Wednesday, April 14 Wed. of the Second Week of Easter Acts 5:17-26/Ps 34:2-9/Jn 3:16/Jn 3:16-21 Thursday. April 15 Thurs, of the Second Week of Easter

Acts 5:27-33/Ps 34:2&9,17-20/Jn 20:29/Jn 3:31-36 **Friday, April 16 Friday of the Second Week of Easter** Acts 5:34-42/Ps 27:1,4,13-14/Mt 4:4b/Jn 6:1-15

Saturday, April 17 Sat. of the Second Week of Easter Acts 6:1-7/Ps 33:1-2,4-5,18-19/Jn 6:16-21

Sunday, April 17 Third Sunday of Easter

Acts 3:13-15,17-19/Ps 4:2,4,7-9/1 Jn 2:1-5a/Lk 24:32/ Lk 24:35-48

# 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.

# Diocese to Host Rosary for the Protection of Children and Families in Recognition of Child Abuse Prevention Month on April 14

(RICHMOND) – For the third year, the Diocese of Richmond invites you to join in praying for the healing and protection of all who have been touched and affected by sexual abuse during a special rosary held Wednesday, April 14, 2021. The rosary is a form of prayer and meditation in honor of the Blessed Mother, Mary, with the intention of drawing us closer to Christ.

The Most Reverend Barry C. Knestout, bishop of the Diocese of Richmond, will lead the Rosary for the Protection of Children and Families as part of the diocese's observance of Child Abuse Prevention Month. The rosary will begin at 7 p.m.

"The rosary is a way to lift up in prayer all who have been abused and all those who love and support them," said Bishop Knestout. "As people of God, we hope that in prayer, all those affected by abuse might find a path toward healing and comfort."

Our meditation will be on the Glorious Mysteries: The Resurrection, The Ascension Into Heaven, The Descent of the Holy Spirit, The Assumption, The Crowning of the Blessed Virgin Mary as Queen of Heaven.

The event will be livestreamed on the diocesan website, YouTube and other social media platforms so all can join in prayer, as the cathedral will not be open during the livestream.

# 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.

To learn more about the Knights of Columbus in Virginia, visit <u>kofc.org/joinus</u>.

# KROGER COMMUNITY REWARDS PROGRAM

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.

# 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.