



SEAS Confirmation Ceremony - April 28, 2021

**Confirmation Blessings!**

*May the Father always watch over you.*

*May the Son ever bless you.*

*May the Holy Spirit always guide you.*

**OFFICE OF VOCATIONS**

“And they went out and proclaimed the good news everywhere, while the Lord worked with them.” If you are discerning a vocation to proclaim the Gospel of Jesus 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](mailto:vocations@richmonddiocese.org) or Father J. Scott Duarte at (804) 557-3962, [sduarte@richmonddiocese.org](mailto:sduarte@richmonddiocese.org).

**VOCATIONS**

**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.*

**Prayer to the Holy Spirit**

*Come, Holy Spirit*

*and guide us throughout the Diocese of Richmond as we embark on our third century in Your service.*

*We humbly ask You to strengthen our trust in You and our eagerness to share the Gospel message with others.*

*Enkindle in us a keen desire to grow in our relationship with You and to encounter You in Your sacraments.*

*Through the intercession of Mary, Star of the New Evangelization, and St. Vincent de Paul, may we experience a new Pentecost and a profound renewal of faith in our diocese, our parishes, our families, and our hearts.*

*Amen.*



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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.

**The Ascension of the Lord**  
May 16, 2021

**G**ladden us with holy joys, almighty God, and make us rejoice with devout thanksgiving, for the Ascension of Christ your Son is our exaltation, and, where the Head has gone before in glory, the Body is called to follow in hope.

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 Ascension of Christ, Benvenuto Tisio da Garofalo, 1510-1520

**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 15—Vigil**  
5:00 PM—Confessions  
5:30 PM—Mass: †Mary Rudolph

**Sunday, May 16—The Ascension of the Lord**  
8:30 AM—Mass: First Communicants & Families  
11:00 AM—Mass: People of the Parish

**Monday, May 17—Easter Weekday**

**Tuesday, May 18—St. John I, Pope & Martyr**  
**\*Office Closed**

**Wednesday, May 19—Easter Weekday**

**Thursday, May 20—St. Bernardine of Siena**  
11:00 AM—Mass: Special Intention

**Friday, May 21—St. Christopher Magallanes and Companions, Priest & Martyrs**

**Saturday, May 22—Vigil**  
5:00 PM—Confessions  
5:30 PM—Mass: Special Intention

**Sunday, May 23—Pentecost**  
8:30 AM—Mass: †Robert Reamy  
11:00 AM—Mass: People of the Parish

**\*\*Daily Mass 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 the Offertory. If you are able, please continue to support the parish with your donations:

- Sign-up for online e-giving at: [seascatholicchurch.org](https://seascatholicchurch.org/support-your-parish/) 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!

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION CONGRATULATIONS!**  
We would like to congratulate all those receiving the Sacrament of First Holy Communion at the 8:30 AM Mass this Sunday: Rachel Hirsch, Joey Mauro and Adrian Mercado. May the joy and peace of Jesus, present in the Holy Eucharist be with you today and always.

**SPECIAL REQUEST FOR TECH VOLUNTEERS**  
SEAS Parish is seeking a few dedicated volunteers for each Mass who would like to be taught the camera system for over flow seating in the social hall and for livestreaming. A prerequisite is being comfortable around a computer and electronics. If interested and able to help out, please contact the parish office at 932-4125.

**A GENTLE REMINDER**  
If you are assisting the Altar Guild with laundering altar linens such as purificators, finger towels, etc., please return the cleaned items to the Church in a timely manner. We have a large number of items that haven't been returned as of yet. Thank you.

Scripture Readings

**Sunday, May 16 Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord**  
Acts 1:1-11/Ps 47:2-3,6-9/Eph 1:17-23/Mt 28:19a,20b/Mk 16:15-20

**Monday, May 17 Monday of the Seventh Week of Easter**  
Acts 19:1-8/Ps 68:2-3ab,4-5acd,6-7ab/Col 3:1/Jn 16:29-33

**Tuesday, May 18 Tuesday of the Seventh Week of Easter**  
Acts 20:17-27/Ps 68:10-11,20-21/Jn 14:16/Jn 17:1-11a

**Wednesday, May 19 Wed. of the Seventh Week of Easter**  
Acts 20:28-38/Ps 68:29-30,33-35a/Jn 17:17b,17a/Jn 17:11b-19

**Thursday, May 20 Thurs. of the Seventh Week of Easter**  
Acts 22:30;23:6-11/Ps 16:1-2a&5,7-11/Jn 17:21/Jn 17:20-26

**Friday, May 21 Friday of the Seventh Week of Easter**  
Acts 25:13b-21/Ps 103:1-2,11-12/Jn 14:26/Jn 21:15-19

**Saturday, May 22 Sat. of the Seventh Week of Easter**  
Acts 28:16-20,30-31/Ps 11:4,5&7/Jn 16:7,13/Jn 21:20-25

**Sunday, May 23 Pentecost Sunday**  
Acts 2:1-11/Ps 104:1,24,29-31,34/1 Cor 12:3b-7,12-13/Jn 20:19-23

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 responds “yes” to any of the Entrance questions or are not wearing a cloth face covering (if they are age 5 and older), they are not permitted to enter the Church.

ECUMENICAL NOVENA TO THE HOLY SPIRIT

**May 13-22, 2021**

You are invited to participate in an ecumenical Novena to the Holy Spirit, May 13-22, commemorating the 120th anniversary of the Pentecostal movement. The movement began in 1897 when Pope Leo XIII decreed that this novena would occur annually prior to Pentecost Sunday. Catholic bishops and Pentecostal leaders will lead us in prayer for a fresh outpouring of the Holy Spirit on our world to change hearts and overcome what divides us. The concluding event will be the Pentecostal Vigil celebrated by Pope Francis at 9:00 PM Rome time (3:00 PM EDT). More info, including resources and instructions on how to participate in the international prayer service can be found at [www.Pentecost.cmax.tv](http://www.Pentecost.cmax.tv).

FROM THE REAMY FAMILY

The Reamy Family wishes to warmly thank everyone for all their prayers and kind expressions of sympathy during our time of loss. It has meant so much to us.

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 by the weekend of **May 29/30**. Delivery date will be Tuesday, June 1st. Thank you for your continued support and generosity of this ongoing ministry.

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.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

IN SERVICE TO ONE. IN SERVICE TO ALL.

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).

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Dedicated volunteers are needed to serve as lectors and ushers at the 5:30 PM Saturday Vigil Mass and the 11:00 AM Mass on Sundays. Training will be provided. Please call Mary Brooks at 804-795-5183 if you would like to help out.

SEAS GRADUATES

If your special student is graduating this year from high school or college, please send an email to the parish office with info so we can recognize them in our yearly list of graduates in late June.

OFFICE CLOSING

The parish office will be closed for Memorial Day on Monday, May 31, 2021 and in June while the secretary is on vacation from June 14-25, 2021.

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.