

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.

BISHOP BARRY C. KNESTOUT TO CELEBRATE MASSES FOR HOPE & HEALING

You are invited to come and pray for victim survivors of child sexual abuse and their families.

Western Vicariate: Friday, Sept. 17, 2021 at 7pm, Our Lady of Nazareth Church, Roanoke, Va.

Eastern Vicariate: Wednesday, Nov. 10, 2021 at 7pm, Basilica of Saint Mary of the Immaculate Conception, Norfolk, Va.

Central Vicariate: Tuesday, Feb. 15, 2021 at 7pm, Saint Thomas Aquinas University Parish, Charlottesville, Va.

Light refreshments will be served after Mass. Counselors will be available before and after Mass. For information, contact the Victim Assistance Coordinator, at 877-887-9603.

***Please note:** Photographs will be taken during the liturgy but only of the altar and bishop. Photos may be used for digital and print communications of The Catholic Diocese of Richmond.

OFFICE OF VOCATIONS

“Where two or three are gathered in My name...” The community who gathers in Christ needs leadership. Might He be inviting you to consider a vocation to the consecrated life or priesthood? Please 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.

Send us  Shepherds

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Year of St. Joseph Prayer

To you, O blessed Joseph, do we come in our afflictions, and having implored the help of your most holy Spouse, we confidently invoke your patronage also.

Through that charity which bound you to the Immaculate Virgin Mother of God and through the paternal love with which you embraced the Child Jesus, we humbly beg you graciously to regard the inheritance which Jesus Christ has purchased by his Blood, and with your power and strength to aid us in our necessities.

O most watchful guardian of the Holy Family, defend the chosen children of Jesus Christ; O most loving father, ward off from us every contagion of error and corrupting influence; O our most mighty protector, be kind to us and from heaven assist us in our struggle with the power of darkness.

As once you rescued the Child Jesus from deadly peril, so now protect God's Holy Church from the snares of the enemy and from all adversity; shield, too, each one of us by your constant protection, so that, supported by your example and your aid, we may be able to live piously, to die in holiness, and to obtain eternal happiness in heaven. Amen.



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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.

Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time September 5, 2021

**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, your
Son, who lives and
reigns with you in
the unity of the Holy
Spirit, one God, for
ever and ever.
Amen.**



Christ Healing the Deaf Mute of Decapolis, Barothomeus Breenbergh, 1635

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, Sept. 4—Vigil
5:00 PM—Confessions
5:30 PM—Mass: Special Intention (livestreamed)

Sun., Sept. 5—Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:30 AM—Mass: In Gratitude for Answered Prayers
11:00 AM—Mass: People of the Parish

Monday, Sept. 6—Weekday
***Office Closed**

Tuesday, Sept. 7—Weekday

Wednesday, Sept. 8—The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Thursday, Sept. 9—St. Peter Claver

Friday, Sept. 10—Weekday

Saturday, Sept. 11—Vigil
5:00 PM—Confessions
5:30 PM—Mass: Special Intention (livestreamed)

Sunday, Sept. 12—Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:30 AM—Mass: People of the Parish
11:00 AM—Mass: †Mathew Bazzichi

****There will be NO Public Daily Mass this week at the Church.**

SEAS Parish Prayer List



Please hold in prayer this week all the sick, suffering and home-bound of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish and the Catholic Diocese of Richmond.

“And the prayer offered in faith will make the sick person well.”
James 5:15

Those who have died are remembered in a special way, especially those who passed away due to complications of COVID-19.

For an end to the pandemic:

Let us pray, dearly beloved, for a swift end to the coronavirus pandemic that afflicts our world, that our God and Father, will heal the sick, strengthen those that care for them, and help us all to persevere in faith.

Almighty and merciful God, source of all life, health and healing, look with compassion on our world, brought low by disease; protect us in the midst of the grave challenges that assail us and in your fatherly providence, grant recovery to the stricken, strength to those who care for them, and success to those working to eradicate this scourge.

Through Christ Our Lord. Amen.

Parish Contributions

If you are a registered SEAS parishioner and would like contribution information, please contact the parish office at 804-932-4125.

Donation options: Sign-up for E-giving on the parish website at seascatholicchurch.org; mail your contributions to our mailing address: PO Box 648, Quinton, VA 23141; drop off contributions at Mass or to the office during office hours, M-F 9am-2:30pm.

Thank you for your generosity and support!

CONGRATULATIONS FR. SCOTT

On Thursday, September 9th, 2021, Father Scott celebrates the 43rd anniversary of his ordination to the priesthood. We would like to express our best wishes and congratulations on this major milestone and thank Father for his many years of service.

OFFICE CLOSED

The parish office will be closed on Monday, September 6th and Monday, September 13th.

Scripture Readings

Saturday, Sept. 4 Sat. of the Twenty-second Wk in Ord Time
Col 1:21-23/Ps 54:3-4,6&8/Jn 14:6/Lk 6:1-5

Sunday, Sept. 5 Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time
Is 35:4-7a/Ps 146:6-10/Jas 2:1-5/Mt 4:23/Mk 7:31-37

Mon., Sept. 6 Mon. of the Twenty-third Wk in Ord Time
Col 1:24—2:3/Ps 62:6-7,9/Jn 10:27/Lk 6:6-11

Tues., Sept. 7 Tues. of the Twenty-third Wk in Ord Time
Col 2:6-15/Ps 145:1b-2,8-11/Jn 15:16/Lk 6:12-19

Wed., Sept. 8 Feast of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Mi 5:1-4a/Ps 13:6abc/Mt 1:1-16,18-23

Thurs., Sept. 9 Memorial of St. Peter Claver
Col 3:12-17/Ps 150:1b-6/1 Jn 4:12/Lk 6:27-38

Friday, Sept. 10 Fri. of the Twenty-third Wk in Ord Time
1 Tm 1:1-2,12-14/Ps 16:1b-2a&5,7-8,11/Jn 17:17b,17a/Lk 6:39-42

Saturday, Sept. 11 Sat. of the Twenty-third Wk in Ord Time
1 Tm 1:15-17/Ps 113:1b-7/Jn 14:23/Lk 6:43-49

Sunday, Sept. 12 Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Is 50:5-9a/Ps 116:1-6,8-9/Jas 2:14-18/Gal 6:14/Mk 8:27-35

Parish News

Per the Governor of Virginia’s Executive Order 79 (effective May 28, 2021), public health restrictions have ended in the Commonwealth, apart from the continued guidance on mask wearing.

Per the Virginia Dept. of Health (Effective August 11, 2021):

- Unvaccinated or not fully vaccinated individuals should wear masks in public indoor settings.
- Fully vaccinated individuals do not need to wear a mask; however, masks should be worn in indoor settings in areas of substantial and high transmission.
- Any person not wearing a mask shall not be required to produce documentation that they are vaccinated or that they have an underlying medical condition.

Lifting the General Dispensation from the Obligation to Attend Mass (NEW):

On June 2, 2021, the Bishops of the Province of Baltimore and the Archdiocese of Washington put out a statement lifting the dispensation of the Sunday and Holy Days Mass obligation in the Archdiocese of Baltimore, the Archdiocese of Washington, the Dioceses of Arlington, Richmond, Wheeling-Charleston and Wilmington that took effect on June 26/27, 2021. Please read the full statement on the bulletin board in the Commons Area or on the website.

RECORDED/LIVESTREAMED MASSES

Due to COVID-19, Mass (at SEAS Parish each Saturday 5:30 PM Vigil Mass and Holy Days of Obligation) is being livestreamed for use on our social media platforms and various Diocesan digital media accounts of the Catholic Diocese of Richmond and *The Catholic Virginian*.

Photography and/or screenshot images may be used for *The Catholic Virginian* print edition. If you do not wish to be captured by livestreaming, please refrain from attending this Mass.

SHARE YOUR GIFTS: CATECHISTS NEEDED

Volunteer catechists are a priceless gift to the Church and SEAS Parish is in need of catechists for September. The discerning and often unnoticed ministry of the catechist is God’s assurance that our youth are formed in the faith and that the sacred treasures of the faith are handed on. We invite you to prayerfully consider whether God is calling you to this ministry.

Training, materials, and support are provided!

All volunteers must be cleared through our Safe Environment *Virtus* program before classes begin.

If interested or for additional details, please call or email the parish office.

CATHOLICS COME HOME

The SEAS Catholics Come Home Ministry offers a compassionate and encouraging atmosphere for inactive Catholics to consider returning to our faith. If someone you know has been away from the faith for several years we would enjoy the opportunity to assist them in coming back. The goal of the ministry is to reach out to inactive Catholics inviting them to join us for hospitality and discussion, giving them time to consider the stirrings of their hearts.

The Catholics Come Home program is intended to help bridge the sometimes intimidating obstacles to returning. Please consider inviting neighbors, friends or family members that may benefit from our ministry to contact us. We will have an informational gathering in the near future and begin a session soon. For additional information please contact Donna Thomson at seas.dthomson@verizon.net.

RELIGIOUS ED. CLASSES

Religious Education classes for grades K-8 are scheduled to begin Sunday, Sept. 19th from 9:30-10:30 AM.

Registration forms are located by both Church entrances and on the parish website. We would ask that you submit completed forms as soon as possible so adequate materials can be ordered. This prevents us from having to submit re-orders and pay for additional shipping costs.

Questions? Please contact the parish office at 804-932-4125.



Schedule: K of C meetings have resumed on the 1st and 3rd Thursday of the month at 7:30 PM in the SEAS Social Hall.

Soccer Challenge: Open to all boys and girls 9-14 years old on Sept. 25, 2021 at the New Kent High School. Contact GK Jeffrey Gargiulo at jrgarg55@yahoo.com.

Knight of the Month: Congratulations to the July Knight of the Month, James Giffin and the August Knight of the Month, Talon Almeida.

Family of the Month: K of C Council 14034 would like to recognize Tommy Cashin & family for July and our August Family of the Month, Bill Abel & family. *Many thanks for all your help & support.*

Richmond March for Life: On Sept. 17th at 12:00 PM there will be a March for Life in Richmond, starting at the State Capital. All are encouraged to attend.

Prayer Request: Please remember in prayer: the Gothreau family, the Cashin family, the Almeida family, the Cason family, and all our military, law enforcement, first responders and their families.

Membership: To learn more about the Knights of Columbus at SEAS Parish and all we do to help our pastor, parish and community, please contact Deputy Grand Knight, James Ginter at: jandaginter@comcast.com.

To learn more about the K of C in Virginia, visit kofc.org/joinus.

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.