

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 sepa-

FOR A SYNODAL CHURCH: COMMUNION, PARTICIPATION AND MISSION

As you know, the Holy Father has convoked a Synod on Synodality, running from October 2021 to October 2023. The theme is *For a Synodal Church: Communion, Participation and Mission*.

We invite the faithful to pray the following prayer after Mass:

Adsumus, Sancte Spiritus

We stand before You, Holy Spirit, as we gather together in Your name. With You alone to guide us, make Yourself at home in our hearts; Teach us the way we must go and how we are to pursue it. We are weak and sinful; do not let us promote disorder. Do not let ignorance lead us down the wrong path nor partiality influence our actions. Let us find in You our unity so that we may journey together to eternal life and not stray from the way of truth and what is right. All this we ask of You, who are at work in every place and time, in the communion of the Father and Son, forever and ever. Amen.

MAKE A DIFFERENCE THROUGH YOUR IRA

As we near the Advent season, we hope you will consider making a charitable donation from your IRA to benefit our parish. If you are 72 or older, you can make your Required Minimum Distribution (RMD) from your IRA straight to our parish. And there is a benefit to you: it is excluded from your gross taxable income.

Giving through your IRA is EASY! To learn how you can make an impact through your IRA right now, contact your financial advisor or Maggie Keenan at the Catholic Community Foundation, 804-622-5221 or mkeenan@richmonddiocese.org.

****Please make your gift as soon as possible so you can ensure it is received by December 31st, 2021!**

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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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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.

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time October 24, 2021

Almighty ever-living God, increase our faith, hope and charity, and make us love what you command, so that we may merit what you promise.

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.



Healing of the Man Born Blind, El Greco, 1567

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, Oct. 23—Vigil
5:00 PM—Confessions
5:30 PM—Mass: Special Intention (livestreamed)
6:30 PM—K of C PGK Dinner

Sun., Oct. 24—Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:30 AM—Mass: †Scott Cleveland
11:00 AM—Mass: People of the Parish

Monday, Oct. 25—Weekday

Tuesday, Oct. 26—Weekday

Wednesday, Oct. 27—Weekday
11:30 AM—Mass: Special Intention

Thursday, Oct. 28—Sts. Simon & Jude

Friday, Oct. 29—Weekday

Saturday, Oct. 30—Vigil
5:00 PM—Confessions
5:30 PM—Mass: Brigitte Richards (livestreamed)

Sun., Oct. 31—Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:30 AM—Mass: Special Intention
11:00 AM—Mass: People of the Parish
12:00 PM—Rel. Ed. All Saints Festival Party

***Daily Mass this week is 11:30 AM on Wednesday.**

SEAS Parish Prayer List



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

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.

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!

THANK YOU

Two donations have been made to the Capital Improvements Fund this week for repairs at the rectory in the amounts of \$2,603.23 and \$9,617.41. We would like to thank our generous parishioners for their continued support. You have our most sincere gratitude.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Volunteers are needed to help break down the SEAS Social Hall for voting readiness for the Tuesday, Nov. 2nd general election. All chairs and tables will need to be stacked and the floors cleaned. If you are available to help out on Monday, Nov. 1st, please call the office.

NUN RUN FOOD DONATIONS

Our next monthly food collection for the Poor Clare Nuns and Little Sisters of St. Francis is **Nov. 6/7**. Please drop off all donations to the collection box in the Church.

Scripture Readings

Sat., Oct. 23 Sat. of the Twenty-ninth Wk in Ord Time
Rom 7:18-25a/Ps 119:66,68,76,77/Mt 11:25/Lk 12:54-59
Sunday, Oct. 24 Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Jer 31:7-9/Ps 126:1-6/Heb 5:1-6/2 Tm 1:10/Mk 10:46-52
Mon., Oct. 25 Mon. of the Thirtieth Wk in Ord Time
Rom 8:12-17/Ps 68:2&4,6-7ab,20-21/Jn 17b,17a/Lk 13:10-17
Tues., Oct. 26 Tues. of the Thirtieth Wk in Ord Time
Rom 8:18-25/Ps 126:1b-2abcd,3-6/Mt 11:25/Lk 13:18-21
Wed., Oct. 27 Wed. of the Thirtieth Wk in Ord Time
Rom 8:26-30/Ps 13:4-6/2 Thes 2:14/Lk 13:22-30
Thurs., Oct. 28 Feast of Sts. Simon & Jude
Eph 2:19-22/Ps 19:2-5/Lk 6:12-16
Friday, Oct. 29 Fri. of the Thirtieth Wk in Ord Time
Rom 9:1-5/Ps 147:12-15,19-20/Jn 10:27/Lk 14:1-6
Sat., Oct. 30 Sat. of the Thirtieth Wk in Ord Time
Rom 11:1-2a,11-12,25-29/Ps 94:12-13a,14-15,17-18/
Mt 11:29ab/Lk 14:1,7-11
Sunday, Oct. 31 Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time
Dt 6:2-6/Ps 18:2-4,47,51/Heb 7:23-28/Jn 14:23/Mk 12:28b-34

Parish News

LIVESTREAMED MASSES

Due to COVID-19, Mass and Holy Days of Obligation are 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.

SPECIAL REQUEST FOR COMMUNION

A longtime parishioner at SEAS who is elderly and no longer able to attend Mass needs communion brought to her home each week, preferably during the week instead of over the weekend. If you are able to assist, please contact the parish office at 932-4125.

THANKSGIVING BASKETS & CHRISTMAS ANGEL TREE

Please contact the parish office at 804-932-4125 if you would like to submit a local or parish family in need to be sponsored for either a Thanksgiving Basket or for the Christmas angel tree program for 2021.

All submissions must be received by Friday, October 29th for consideration.

ALL HALLOWS' DAY OPEN HOUSE, OCT. 31ST

12pm@SEAS Hall and Grounds
Please join the Religious Education Department for this wonderful opportunity to introduce the children to the heroes of our faith with games, prizes, treats & lots of fun!

ALL AGES WELCOME!

In the spirit of the party, children may come dressed as their favorite Saint. Please feel free to use what you may already have at home. Saints are farmers, firemen, doctors, kings, princesses, knights, simple peasants, soldiers and angels!

Hotdogs and drinks will be provided; Large bags of candy to donate for prizes would be greatly appreciated!

SUNDAY ACCOMPANIST POSITION

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish seeks an enthusiastic individual to accompany on piano or organ our two Sunday Masses and various Holy Days.

Applicant should possess a strong knowledge and appreciation of Roman Catholic liturgy and a thorough knowledge of the principles related to service playing. The ability to work with various ages and musical abilities is also preferred.

Compensation will be commensurate with experience as per the Catholic Diocese of Richmond guidelines.

Interested candidates please send a resume with references to seassecretary@verizon.net; P.O. Box 648, Quinton, VA 23141.

SEAS OCTOBER VIRTUAL WOMEN'S ZOOM SCRIPTURE STUDY "PONDER"

All are invited to join us as we explore the "Ponder" program and share fellowship! The program is an introspective four week Scripture study that looks at Jesus' life through the lens of the mysteries of the Rosary. Beginning Tuesday, October 19th we will be focusing on the Actio portion of the study examining the flow of Grace, Gift and Gratitude.

The cost of the "Ponder" study guide is \$21.59 per person plus shipping and handling. Each day you will find Scripture, a devotional essay, pages for *Lectio Divina* and space for journaling. See the link below for additional information and/or to order materials.
<https://www.takeupandread.org/scripturestudies>. Scroll down until you see "Ponder."

Email Donna Thomson at seas.dthomson@verizon.net to receive the Zoom meeting link.



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.

Coats for Kids Collection: The Knights will be collecting new and gently used coats, hats and scarves for children and adults. Drop them off to the bin in the Church from Sept. 26-Nov. 14, 2021.

Novena for Life Prayer: For nine days we ask that you and your family all pray the Novena for Life Prayer. The Novena will be sent via email to all members Oct. 25-Nov. 2, 2021.

October Knight of the Month: John "JJ" Gothreau. *Congratulations!*

October Family of the Month: John "Jack" Simzak & Family. *Thanks for all you do!*

Prayer Request: Please remember in prayer: the Gillikin family, 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 K of C at SEAS Parish and all we do to help our pastor, parish and community, please contact GK Jeffrey Gargiulo at: jrgarg55@yahoo.com. To learn more about the K of C in Virginia, visit kofc.org/joinus.

SAVE THE DATE!

We will be having a special Parish Charities collection **Nov. 13/14**. This is the collection which funds our Rel. Ed. Program Thanksgiving Baskets delivery each year.

Many thanks to Liz Miller who has volunteered to coordinate this year's effort. The youth in our program will be putting the baskets together and with help from our K of C, delivering to local families in need on Sunday, Nov. 21st.

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.