

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.

BLAZE 7TH & 8TH GRADE GIRLS PROGRAM

BLAZE is a Walking with Purpose ministry for 7th and 8th 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.

We started our BLAZE group last spring and are excited to welcome new girls this fall! Each week, participants will be led through a short lesson based on a lie found in the world and a truth found in Scripture.

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. The group will meet once a week after school. The group is currently deciding what day works for all participants. **Registration is required so that 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. You can also learn more about the BLAZE ministry at walkingwithpurpose.com/blaze.

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.

OFFICE OF VOCATIONS

“This is the Lord’s doing and it is amazing in our eyes.” Being chosen to serve as a priest or in the consecrated life is an amazing work of the Lord. Ask the Holy Spirit and our Blessed Mother to help you recognize and be faithful to your vocation. 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.

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.

Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time October 3, 2021

Almighty
ever-living God, who in the abundance of your kindness surpass the merits and the desires of those who entreat you, pour out your mercy upon us to pardon what conscience dreads and to give what prayer does not dare to ask.

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 Blessing Little Children, Charles Lock Eastlake, 1839

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, Oct. 2—Vigil

5:00 PM—Confessions
5:30 PM—Mass: †John Howley (livestreamed)

Sun., Oct. 3—Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 AM—Mass: People of the Parish
9:30 AM—Rel. Ed. Class (K-8)
11:00 AM—Mass: †Allison Rocha

Monday, Oct. 4—St. Francis of Assisi

Tuesday, Oct. 5—Blessed Francis Xavier Seelos

Wednesday, Oct. 6—St. Bruno; Blessed Marie Rose Durocher

Thursday, Oct. 7—Our Lady of the Rosary

11:00 AM—Mass: Pastor's Intention

Friday, Oct. 8—Weekday

Saturday, Oct. 9—Vigil

5:00 PM—Confessions
5:30 PM—Mass: †Nello & Mathew Bazzichi (livestreamed)

Sun., Oct. 10—Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 AM—Mass: Layne Demkosky
11:00 AM—Mass: People of the Parish

****Daily Mass this week is 11am on Thursday.**

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.

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

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

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

A donation has been made to the Capital Improvements Fund for repairs at the rectory in the amount of \$2,336. We would like to express our heartfelt thanks and appreciation to our parish family for their continued support and generosity and invite parishioners and visitors to consider donating for this effort.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY FATHER SCOTT!

We would like to wish Father Scott a very happy birthday, filled with many blessings of joy and wonderful moments to cherish. Father celebrates his birthday on Tuesday, October 5th. May this be the beginning of another special year for you filled with good health, happiness and peace.

Scripture Readings

Saturday, Oct. 2 Memorial of the Holy Guardian Angels

Bar 4:5-12,27-29/Ps 69:33-37/Ps 103:21/Mt 18:1-5,10

Sunday, Oct. 3 Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Gn 2:18-24/Ps 128:1-6/Heb 2:9-11/Jn 4:12/Mk 10:2-16

Mon., Oct. 4 Memorial of St. Francis of Assisi

Jon 1:1—2:1-2,11/Jn 2:3-5,8/Jn 13:34/Lk 10:25-37

Tues., Oct. 5 Tues. of the Twenty-seventh Wk in Ord Time

Jon 3:1-10/Ps 130:1b-4ab,7-8/Lk 11:28/Lk 10:38-42

Wed., Oct. 6 Wed. of the Twenty-seventh Wk in Ord Time

Jon 4:1-11/Ps 86:3-6,9-10/Rom 8:15bc/Lk 11:1-4

Thurs., Oct. 7 Memorial of Our Lady of the Rosary

Mal 3:13-20b/Ps 1:1-4&6/Acts 16:14b/Lk 11:5-13

Friday, Oct. 8 Fri. of the Twenty-seventh Wk in Ord Time

Jl 1:13-15; 2:1-2/Ps 9:2-3,6&16,8-9/Jn 12:31b-32/Lk 11:15-26

Saturday, Oct. 9 Sat. of the Twenty-seventh Wk in Ord Time

Jl 4:12-21/Ps 97:1-2,5-6,11-12/Lk 11:28/Lk 11:27-28

Sunday, Oct. 10 Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Wis 7:7-11/Ps 90:12-17/Heb 4:12-13/Mt 5:3/Mk 10:17-30

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.

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.

NUN RUN FOOD DONATIONS

Our next monthly food collection for the Poor Clare nuns and Little Sisters of St. Francis is the weekend of **Oct. 2/3**. Please drop off all donations to the collection box in the Church.

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. During October we will be focusing on the Action 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."

For complete information on meeting nights, time and the Zoom meeting link, contact Mrs. Donna Thomson at: seas.dthomson@verizon.net.

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 info, please contact Donna Thomson at seas.dthomson@verizon.net.



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.

K of C Membership Open House: All men and their families are invited to attend the Open House in the SEAS Social Hall after each Mass Oct. 9-10, 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. 18-26, 2021.

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 Deputy Grand Knight, James Ginter at: jandaginter@comcast.com. To learn more about the K of C in Virginia, visit kofc.org/joinus.

PRIVATE PRAYER

The Church is open during office hours 9am-3pm for private prayer or adoration. Any changes to the office hours are made available on the parish phone line at 932-4125 or on the parish website calendar at <https://seascatholicchurch.org/>.

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.