



During Holy Week the Little Sisters of St. Francis hosted the Blaze group and some of their family members for fellowship. After a warm welcome followed by time sharing prayer and Scripture the Sisters spoke to the group about their foundress Servant of God Mother Mary Kevin of the Little Sister's of St. Francis and their mission to serve God and the needy around the world.

The Sisters live in community which works and prays as one in the spirit of St. Francis of Assisi and Mother Kevin. They strive to emulate the Gospel values of compassion, humility and peace in their daily lives. The Sister's also shared information on vocational discernment and their vows of poverty, chastity and obedience.

The group was given a tour of Seton House where they had the privilege of meeting the residents. The gracious hospitality extended by the Little Sisters and their residents expanded the groups understanding of the calling to religious vocations and gave the group greater appreciation of the mission of the Little Sisters in our community.

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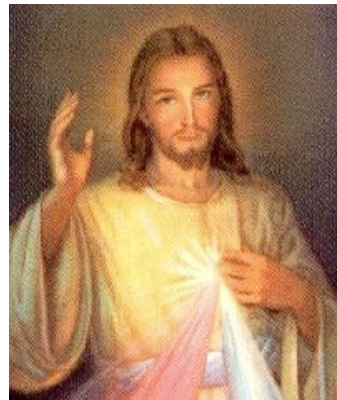
A Gift Anyone Can Make: Want to support your parish but think you cannot afford to give? There are ways to give today while still preserving your retirement assets. If you are 72 or over, a gift of a Qualified Charitable Distribution from your IRA directly to the parish helps the parish and provides you with tax benefits. 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; email to Maggie at: [mkeenan@richmonddiocese.org](mailto:mkeenan@richmonddiocese.org).

#### DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY (4/24)

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 His 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.

Pamphlets on how to pray the Chaplet of Divine Mercy and the Novena before Divine Mercy Sunday (the Second Sunday of Easter) are located by both Church entrances.



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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 Second Sunday of Easter (Divine Mercy Sunday)

April 24, 2022

**G**od 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 you 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 23—Vigil

5:00 PM—Confessions  
5:30 PM—Mass: All Priests

### Sunday, April 24—Second Sunday of Easter (Divine Mercy Sunday)

8:30 AM—Easter Mass: Special Intention  
11:00 AM—Easter Mass: People of the Parish

### Monday, April 25—St. Mark, Evangelist

1:00 PM—RCIA Mtg.  
4:30 PM—BLAZE Mtg.

### Tuesday, April 26—Easter Weekday

### Wednesday, April 27—Easter Weekday

11:00 AM—Mass: Special Intention

### Thursday, April 28—St. Peter Chanel; St. Louis Grignon de Montfort

### Friday, April 29—St. Catherine of Siena

### Saturday, April 30—Vigil

5:00 PM—Confessions  
5:30 PM—Mass: Special Intention

### Sunday, May 1—Third Sunday of Easter

8:30 AM—Mass: People of the Parish  
11:00 AM—Mass: †Betty Bonaventura

**\*Daily Mass is on Wednesday at 11:00 AM.**

## SEAS Parish Prayer List



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

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

### PRAYER FOR THE SICK:

Lord Jesus, who went about doing good and healing all, we ask you to bless your friends who are sick.

Give them the strength in body, courage in spirit, and patience in pain.

Let them recover their health, so that, restored to the Christian community, they may joyfully praise your name, for you live and reign for ever and ever.  
Amen.

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

## Parish Contributions

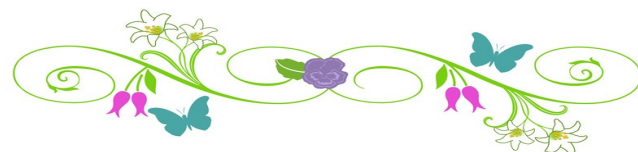
If you are a registered SEAS parishioner and would like contribution information, please contact the parish office at 804-932-4125.

**Donation options:** Sign-up for E-giving on the parish website at [seascatholicchurch.org](http://seascatholicchurch.org); mail your contributions to our mailing address: PO Box 648, Quinton, VA 23141; drop off contributions at Mass or to the parish office during office hours, M-F 9:00am-2:30pm.

**Thank you for your generosity and support!**

### EASTER FLOWER DONATIONS

Additional Easter flower donations were contributed but omitted from last weekend's list in the bulletin. Generous donations were made by Hampton and Scarlette Hart, Roy Wullich, II, John and Mary Ann Keogh and Mrs. Susan Ferguson. We thank you for your contributions and continued support!



## Scripture Readings

### Saturday, April 23 Saturday in the Octave of Easter

Acts 4:13-21/Ps 118:1&14-15ab,16-21/Ps 118:24/Mk 16:9-15

### Sunday, April 24 Second Sunday of Easter (Sunday of Divine Mercy)

Acts 5:12-16/Ps 118:2-4,13-15/Rev 1:9-11a,12-13/Jn 20:29/Jn 20:19-31

### Monday, April 25 Feast of St. Mark, evangelist

1 Pt 5:5b-14/Ps 89:2-3,6-7,16-17/1 Cor 1:23a-24b/Mk 16:15-20

### Tuesday, April 26 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

### Wed., April 27 Wednesday of the Second Week of Easter

Acts 5:17-26/Ps 34:2-9/Jn 3:16/Jn 3:16-21

### Thurs., April 28 Thursday 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 29 Memorial of St. Catherine of Siena

Acts 5:34-42/Ps 27:1,4,13-14/Mt 4:4b/Jn 6:1-15

### Sat., April 30 Saturday of the Second Week of Easter

Acts 6:1-7/Ps 33:1-2,4-5,18-19/Jn 6:16-21

### Sunday, May 1 Third Sunday of Easter

Acts 5:27-32,40b-41/Ps 30:2,4,5-6,11-13/Rev 5:11-14/Jn 21:1-19

## 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.

### PARISH LUNCHEON APRIL 24

Following the 11:00 AM Mass this Sunday, April 24th, the Knights of Columbus invite all parishioners, Brother Knights, families and friends to a free Fish Fry luncheon in the SEAS Hall to recognize those who have greatly helped the council or are deserving of recognition. Please join us for this fraternal event and enjoy some good food.

### 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, visit [www.krogercommunityrewards.com](http://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.*

## VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR MINISTRY TO THE SICK

Additional volunteers are needed to take communion to our elderly and homebound parishioners who are no longer able to attend Mass in person. One of our elderly parishioners who has returned home from the rehabilitation hospital and lives in the Providence Forge area of New Kent would like to receive communion at home. If you are a Catholic in good standing, attend SEAS Parish regularly and are willing to assist, please contact the parish office at 932-4125.

### VIRGINIA MARCH FOR LIFE

April 27, 2022, Richmond, VA  
The Virginia March for Life is Wed., April 27th in Richmond! Visit [va.marchforlife.org](http://va.marchforlife.org) and follow the Virginia Catholic Conference on Instagram @vacatholic to find out more.

### ST. VINCENT DE PAUL VIRTUAL ACADEMY (SVVA)

A virtual learning option for students who wish to attend a Catholic high school either full time or part time. SVVA is authorized and overseen by the Catholic Diocese of Richmond, Office of Catholic Schools and operated by the administration and faculty of Peninsula Catholic High School (PCHS).

It is available for students in grades 8-12 who live throughout the Diocese of Richmond as well as military families living anywhere.

PCHS has been a leader in innovative strategies since 2014, delivering an engaging college preparatory program to students. In 2020, we leveraged our enhanced technology resources to engage students in a collaborative learning environment.

Our excellent academics combined with the Catholic spiritual enrichment is the right choice for many families seeking a dynamic virtual educational experience. To learn more, visit <https://www.peninsulacatholic.org/st.-vincent-de-paul-virtual-academy/>.



**Schedule:** Knights of Columbus meetings are on the 1st and 3rd Thursday of the month at 7:30 PM in the SEAS Social Hall.

**Congratulations:** Please congratulate Bill McArdle as the April Knight of the Month. Please also congratulate Greg and Iris Davis as the Family of the Month for April. Thank you so much for all you do for our council and for SEAS Parish.

**Parish & Knights Awards Luncheon:** The Knights are sponsoring a Parish and Knights Awards Luncheon on April 24th after the 11:00 AM Mass in the SEAS Social Hall. Free and welcome to all to attend.

**Baby Products Collection:** The Knights will be collecting baby products in support of the East End Pregnancy Center (a faith-based organization) from April 22-May 15, 2022.

**Prayer Request:** Please remember in prayer: Mark Kulick, 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 St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish and all we do to help our pastor, parish and community, please contact GK Jeffrey Gargiulo at: [jrgarg55@yahoo.com](mailto:jrgarg55@yahoo.com). To learn more about the Knights of Columbus in Virginia, visit [kofc.org/joinus](http://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.