

## SEAS GRADUATES

If your special student is graduating this year from high school or college, please send an email to the parish office at [secretary@seascatholicchurch.org](mailto:secretary@seascatholicchurch.org) with any pertinent information you would like to share with the parish. We would love to recognize your graduate and highlight their accomplishments.

## OFFICE OF VOCATIONS

“Go and teach all nations, says the Lord.” Do you feel a calling to be a teacher of the Word as a priest or consecrated religious? Contact the Vocations Office, (804) 359-5661 to speak with Fr. Brian Capuano or email [vocations@richmonddiocese.org](mailto:vocations@richmonddiocese.org) or contact Fr. J. Scott Duarte, (804) 557-3962, [sduarte@richmonddiocese.org](mailto:sduarte@richmonddiocese.org).

## STATEMENT OF USCCB ON SCHOOL SHOOTING IN UVALDE, TX May 24, 2022

WASHINGTON – In response to the news of the school shooting in Uvalde, Texas reported this afternoon, the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) offered the following statement from its spokesperson, Chieko Noguchi, director of public affairs.

“There have been too many school shootings, too much killing of the innocent. Our Catholic faith calls us to pray for those who have died and to bind the wounds of others, and we join our prayers along with the community in Uvalde and [Archbishop Gustavo García-Siller](#). As we do so, each of us also needs to search our souls for ways that we can do more to understand this epidemic of evil and violence and implore our elected officials to help us take action.”

## IRA QUALIFIED CHARITABLE DISTRIBUTION

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).

## Parish Staff

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<b>Parish Organist (Saturday):</b>	Position Open	
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## VIRTUS TRAINING

*Virtus* is the brand name for the safe environment program used by the Catholic Diocese of Richmond. It is required that all youth-related volunteers over the age of 18 take this approximately 3-hour course. The registration days and times can be accessed through the [Virtus.org](http://Virtus.org) website, by following the First-time Registrant prompts.

The Catholic Diocese of Richmond is committed to ensuring that diocesan institutions and ministries provide a safe and nurturing environment for children, young people and vulnerable individuals. If you are thinking about volunteering, especially for Religious Education, now is the perfect time to get a jump start and take this class.

## WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

Marriage is a Journey! A Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience can help you enrich your marriage and add some pizzazz to your journey. Whether you've been married 1 year or 50, a Marriage Encounter Experience may be just the thing you need to put a breath of fresh air into your relationship. Our next in-person experience is: September 23-25, 2022 at the Crowne Plaza in Reston, VA. Only 20 spots available so sign up early. To register, go to [WWME.org](http://WWME.org) and click “Apply” and search on Virginia. Feel free to contact Mary & Cathy Stangler at 703-378-4150 or [mstang1987@aol.com](mailto:mstang1987@aol.com) with any questions.



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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.

## The Ascension of the Lord May 29, 2022

Gladden 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 28—Vigil

5:00 PM—Confessions  
5:30 PM—Mass: †Barbara Pritchard

### Sunday, May 29—The Ascension of the Lord

8:30 AM—Mass: †Ruth Giesige  
11:00 AM—Mass: People of the Parish

### Monday, May 30—Easter Weekday

\*Office Closed

### Tuesday, May 31—The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

\*Office Closed

### Wednesday, June 1—St. Justin

11:00 AM—Mass: Special Intention

### Thursday, June 2—Sts. Marcellinus and Peter

### Friday, June 3—St. Charles Lwanga & Companions

### Saturday, June 4—Vigil

5:00 PM—Confessions  
5:30 PM—Mass: †Nancy Maldonado

### Sunday, June 5—Pentecost Sunday

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

\*Daily Mass is 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.

Also, we join our prayers along with the community in Uvalde, Texas for those who have died or are injured and their families.

## 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!



## Scripture Readings

### Sat., May 28 Saturday of the Sixth Week of Easter

Acts 18:23-28/Ps 47:2-3,8-10/Jn 16:28/Jn 16:23b-28

### Sunday, May 29 The Ascension of the Lord

Acts 1:1-11/Ps 47:2-3,6-9/Eph 1:17-23/Mt 28:19a,20b/Lk 24:46-53

### Monday, May 30 Monday of the Seventh Week of Easter

Acts 19:1-8/Ps 68:2-3ab,4-5acd/Col 3:1/Jn 16:29-33

### Tuesday, May 31 Feast of the Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Zep 3:14-18a/Is 12:2-3,4bcd,5-6/Lk 1:45/Lk 1:39-56

### Wed., June 1 Memorial of St. Justin

Acts 20:28-38/Ps 68:29-30,33-35a/Jn 17:17b,17a/Jn 17:11b-19

### Thurs., June 2 Thursday 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, June 3 Memorial of St. Charles Lwanga & Comp.

Acts 25:13b-21/Ps 103:1-2,11-12,19-20ab/Jn 14:26/Jn 21:15-19

### Sat., June 4 Saturday 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, June 5 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

### 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.

### AUDIO/VISUAL VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

The parish livestreams the 5:30 PM Vigil Mass on our Facebook page and volunteers are needed to help out. The time commitment would be about a half hour before the Mass starts to get set up and an hour for during the Mass. Once the camera connection is made, few adjustments would need to be made. If you attend the 5:30 PM Vigil Mass and are able to assist, please contact the parish office at 932-4125.

### OFFICE CLOSING

The parish office will be closed this Monday and Tuesday, May 30-31, 2022.

### RCIA

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is a process of study and prayer for those who have never been baptized, were baptized in another Christian denomination and would like to become Catholic, or were baptized Catholic, but never received the Sacraments of Eucharist or Confirmation. For more information about our programs at SEAS Parish, 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.

## COORDINATOR AND VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR MINISTRY TO THE SICK

A coordinator and additional volunteers are needed for our Ministry to the Sick. Many of our elderly are becoming homebound and there is an increasing need for volunteers to take them communion. If you are a SEAS Catholic in good standing, attend SEAS Parish regularly and are able to volunteer, please contact the parish office at 932-4125.

### YOUNG ADULT RETREAT

#### Friday, Oct. 21-Sunday, Oct. 23

This fall, young adults from across the Diocese will have an opportunity for a spiritual weekend retreat in a relaxing environment. The retreat will include a series of inspiring talks and a priest will be available for Mass, Reconciliation and Eucharistic Adoration. There will be ample time for prayer, fellowship, and downtime. Join us as we praise the Lord "from the rising of the sun to its setting" and watch the horizon at Sunrise|Sunset!

#### Who should attend this retreat?

The diocesan Young Adult Fall Retreat is intended for young adults ages 18-39. All attendees must be out of high school. Single people and married couples are all welcome. Though the retreat is designed for Catholics, interested young adults of any faith backgrounds are welcome to attend.

**Where/when is the retreat?** Oct. 21-23, 2022 at the [Ramada Plaza Nags Head Oceanfront](#) on the beach in Kill Devin Hills, NC.

**Early-Bird Offer:** \$150/person if you register by July 31, 2022.

**Normal Registration:** \$175/person if you register between Aug. 1, 2022 and Sept. 18, 2022.

**How do I register?** Register online at [evangelizerichmond.org/events/young-adult-retreat/](http://evangelizerichmond.org/events/young-adult-retreat/).

Cancellations received after Sept. 18, 2022 are non-refundable, regardless of reason for cancellation. Space is limited so register soon.

**Questions?** Contact Katie Yankowski, Associate Director for Youth & Young Adults by email: [evangelization@richmonddiocese.org](mailto:evangelization@richmonddiocese.org), or by phone at 804-622-5159.



**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 Kevin Almeida for being selected the Knight of the Month for the month of May. Please also congratulate Matt & Beth Ann Luther for being chosen as the May Family of the Month by our council. *Many thanks for all you do for our K of C Council and SEAS Parish!*

**Thank you very much:** A huge shout out to the New Kent Winery and the Dombroski family for donating their fabulous wines for our council's Fraternal Benefits Event, which was a great success.

**Council Elections:** On May 19, 2022, our council held its election of the new council officers for the fraternal year 2022-2023. Our new Grand Knight will be John Leyo and the Deputy Grand Knight will be Bill McArdle.

**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 Knights of Columbus Council at SEAS Parish and all we do to help our pastor, parish and community, please contact Grand Knight Jeffrey Gargiulo at: [jrgarg55@yahoo.com](mailto:jrgarg55@yahoo.com). To learn more about the K of C in Virginia, visit our website: [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 the Richmond 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.