

VIRGINIA MARCH FOR LIFE

The Virginia March for Life will take place in Capitol Square, Richmond, VA, on Wednesday, Feb. 1, 2023. There will be a Rally at 12 PM followed by the March at 1:00 PM.

The Richmond Diocese is supporting the Virginia March for Life this year as part of the Virginia Pro-Life Day which includes Defending Life Day in the morning. The event will be an opportunity to meet with elected officials about pro-life issues. To help people prepare for conversations with elected officials, there will be a gathering that morning at the Convention Center. There is no Mass or specific prayer this year.

You can attend just the Rally at 12 PM and the March at 1:00 PM if you do not want to attend the early morning events. To register for updates and for the March, including the Rally, or for further details, visit: <https://vaprolifeday.org/>.

OFFICE OF VOCATIONS

“He gave power to become children of God.” If you think you may be called to share the Father’s love as a priest, deacon, religious sister or brother, please contact the Vocations Office, (804) 359-5661; email to: vocations@richmonddiocese.org or contact Fr. J. Scott Duarte, (804) 557-3962; email: sduarte@richmonddiocese.org.

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.

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A PRAYER FOR CHRISTMAS

Child of Bethlehem, grant that we may share with all our hearts in this profound mystery of Christmas, put into our hearts this peace for which we sometimes seek so desperately and which you alone can give us. Help us know one another better, and live as brothers and sisters, children of the same Father. Reveal to us also your beauty, holiness and purity. Awaken in our hearts love and gratitude for your infinite goodness. Join us all together in your love, and give us your heavenly peace. Amen.

Pope St. John XXIII



Madonna and Child
Marianne Stokes (1905)



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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 Solemnity of the Epiphany of the Lord January 8, 2023

O God, who on this day revealed your Only Begotten Son to the nations by the guidance of a star, grant in your mercy that we, who know you already by faith, may be brought to behold the beauty of your sublime glory.

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.



Adoration of the Magi (Bartolomé Esteban Murillo, Toledo Museum of Art, Ohio), 17th Century

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, Jan. 7—Vigil

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

Sun., Jan. 8—Solemnity of the Epiphany of the Lord

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

Mon., Jan. 9—The Baptism of the Lord

Tuesday, Jan. 10—Weekday

Wednesday, Jan. 11—Weekday

11:00 AM—Mass: Special Intention

Thursday, Jan. 12—Weekday

Friday, Jan. 13—St. Hilary

Saturday, Jan. 14—Vigil

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

Sun., Jan. 15—Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

***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 Catholic Church, our local community and the Catholic Diocese of Richmond.

“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.

And those who have died are remembered in a special way, especially Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI, Rev. Charles Saglio, Jr., Rev. Stephen McNally, Msgr. Joseph P. Lehman, III, Mrs. Maryjane Fuller, Mrs. Gertrude Langford, Mrs. Mabel Rhymes Hart, Mrs. Irma Gregory, Mrs. Alice R. Iacovone, Baby Epps and Fr. John Abe.

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 parish office during office hours, M-F 9:00am-2:30pm.

Thank you for your generosity and support!

THANK YOU

Father Scott wishes to thank everyone for their kind and thoughtful gifts of flowers, baked goods, nuts, jam, gift cards, etc., during the Christmas season. Many thanks as well for all the lovely music, decorations and linens which made everything so beautiful at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish this year.

NOVENA IN MEMORY OF POPE EMERITUS BENEDICT XVI

The entire Church mourns the death of our Emeritus Holy Father, Benedict XVI. A novena has been prepared to help us pray for the Pope Emeritus during this time. Visit the USCCB website at <https://www.usccb.org/novena-pope-benedict-xvi> for full details of the daily prayer or <https://www.usccb.org/resources/novena-benedict-xvi.pdf> for printable materials in English or Spanish.

Scripture Readings

Jan. 7 Christmas Weekday

1 Jn 5:14-21/Ps 149:1-5&6a&9b/Lk 7:16/Jn 2:1-11

Jan. 8 The Epiphany of the Lord

Is 60:1-6/Ps 72:1-2,7-8,10-13/Eph 3:2-3a,5-6/Mt 2:2/Mt 2:1-12

Jan. 9 The Baptism of the Lord

Is 42:1-4,6-7/Ps 29:1-4,9-10/Mk 9:7/Mt 3:13-17

Jan. 10 Tues. of the First Week in Ordinary Time

Heb 2:5-12/Ps 8:2ab&5-9/1 Thes 2:13/Mk 1:21-28

Jan. 11 Wed. of the First Week in Ordinary Time

Heb 2:14-18/Ps 105:1-4,6-9/Jn 10:27/Mk 1:29-39

Jan. 12 Thurs. of the First Week in Ordinary Time

Heb 3:7-14/Ps 95:6-7c,8-11/Mt 4:23/Mk 1:40-45

Jan. 13 Fri. of the First Week in Ordinary Time

Heb 4:1/Ps 78:3&4bc,6c-8/Lk 7:16/Mk 2:1-12

Jan. 14 Sat. of the First Week in Ordinary Time

Heb 4:12-16/Ps 19:8-10,15/Lk 4:18/Mk 2:13-17

Jan. 15 Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Is 49:3,5-6/Ps 40:2,4,7-10/1 Cor 1:1-3/Jn 1:14a,12a/Jn 1:29-34

Parish News

RCIA

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is a process of study and prayer for adults who wish to join the Catholic Church, were baptized Catholic but never received the Sacraments of Penance, Holy Eucharist or Confirmation, are interested in exploring the Faith but are unsure about joining, or practicing Catholics who wish to learn a bit more about their Faith. For more information about our program at SEAS Parish, please contact the parish office at 804-932-4125.

OFFICE CLOSING

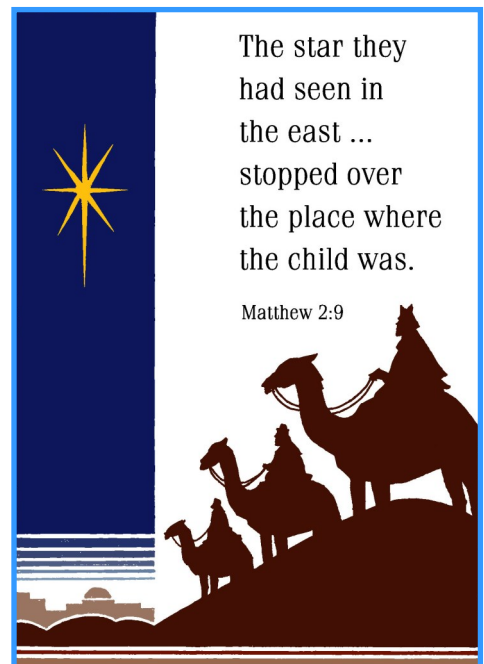
The parish office will be closed for Martin Luther King, Jr. Day on Monday, Jan. 16, 2023.

PRIVATE PRAYER TIME

If you would like to schedule private prayer time in the Church during the week, please call the parish office at 932-4125 and we will be happy to assist you. Any changes to the office schedule will be updated to the parish voicemail or website calendar.

THE SEASON OF CHRISTMAS

The season of Christmas is its own liturgical time which extends beyond the Octave of Christmas. Christmas time includes the Solemnity of the Epiphany of the Lord and continues until the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord on January 9th.



The star they had seen in the east ... stopped over the place where the child was.

Matthew 2:9

NEW TO THE AREA? WELCOME!

Registration forms are located at both entrances to the Church or visit the parish office and we will be happy to assist you.

MOVING?

Please notify the office so we can update our records.

INCLEMENT WEATHER POLICY

When New Kent County public schools are closed due to poor weather conditions, the parish office and church will be closed.

On the weekend, please check the parish website or call the parish office voicemail at 804-932-4125 for any updates or news.

A GENTLE REMINDER

During times of inclement weather when water, snow and ice can be tracked into the Church and other parish buildings, please wear appropriate footwear and exercise caution when entering and exiting in case the floors have become slippery.

BLESSING OF HOMES FOR THE EPIPHANY

The Sunday after New Year's Day is the Feast of the Epiphany. In imitation of the magi, who, according to Matthew's Gospel, came to the home of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph, we ask Christ to visit our home and to bless all who reside there. Pick up a blessing prayer and a piece of chalk after Mass to inscribe above the door: "20+C+M+B+23" for the year, and the Latin words "Christus mansionem benedicat," May Christ bless this house.

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.



Schedule: K of C Council 14034 meets on the first Thursday of the month at 7:30 PM. This is a virtual meeting. The second meeting is on the third Saturday of the month at 6:30 PM in the SEAS Social Hall. A dinner at a local restaurant for members, wives and parishioners will be held after the meeting.

Thanks to All Parishioners: A heartfelt thank you to all parishioners who donated baby products to the East End Pregnancy Center. Your donations will go a long way to helping pregnant women after the birth of their child.

Polar Plunge Feb. 4, 2023: Life Director, Jeffrey Gargiulo, will be plunging into the icy waters of the Atlantic to raise funds for the Virginia Special Olympic Athletes. If you would like to donate to support this worthy cause, please contact Jeffrey at jrgarg55@yahoo.com for a secure link.

Prayer Request: Please remember in prayer: the Barrie Deis family, the Gillikin family, the Gothreau family, the Cashin family, the Almeida family, the Cassano family, the Gargiulo family, the Griffin family, and all our military, law enforcement, first responders and their families.

Membership: To learn more about the K of C Council at SEAS Parish and all we do, please contact Membership Director James Ginter at: James.Ginter@kofc.org.

To learn more about the Knights of Columbus in Virginia, visit our website: 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.