

OFFICE OF VOCATIONS

“Be holy, for I, the LORD your God, am holy.” Is your vocation to holiness to be lived out as a priest or in the consecrated life? 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.

KROGER COMMUNITY REWARDS PROGRAM

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish is enrolled in Kroger Community Rewards. You can help support the SEAS New Church Fund by shopping at Kroger and using your Kroger Plus Card.

To enroll, visit <https://www.kroger.com/i/community/community-rewards>. Click on “Link Your Shoppers Card” and get started. The parish account number is: CF801.



Thank you, SEAS Parishioners! K of C Life Director, Jeffrey Gargiulo and Roberta Gargiulo delivered over \$1000 of baby products donated by SEAS parishioners and Knights of Columbus to the East End Pregnancy Center on February 16, 2023.

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.

2023 ANNUAL DIOCESAN APPEAL

Welcome to the 2023 Annual Diocesan Appeal—Sharing His Love with Others

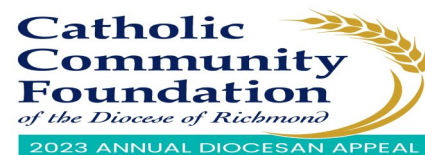
Many of you have received a letter from Bishop Knestout asking for your support. For those of you who have not received a mailing or had an opportunity to respond, we will be conducting our digital in-pew process the weekends of Feb. 25/26 and March 4/5 to direct donations to the diocesan secure website: <https://richmondatholicfoundation.org/appeal-2/>.

Each gift that is contributed to the Appeal makes a big difference because the gifts enable our Diocese to deliver needed ministries and services such as heating and grocery assistance to families through the Fuel and Hunger Fund, health insurance and long-term care for our retired priests, and tuition for our future priests to attend the seminary.

In addition, all parishes receive back a portion of their funds collected to be used for important local priorities. This year, the funds returned to SEAS Parish will be added to our maintenance fund to provide for our parish properties.

The Diocese has set the total goal for SEAS Parish this year at \$16,580.00.

All pledges can be paid in monthly installments. Thank you in advance for your support.



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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 Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time
February 19, 2023*

**Grant, we pray,
almighty God,
that, always
pondering spiritual
things, we may
carry out
in both word
and deed that
which is pleasing
to you.**

**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.**



Maestà (detail of back crowning panel)
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*

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Parish Schedule

Saturday, Feb. 18—Vigil
5:00 PM—Confessions
5:30 PM—Mass: †Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI

Sunday, Feb. 19—Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:30 AM—Mass: People of the Parish
11:00 AM—Mass: †Dawn Marek

Monday, Feb. 20—President's Day
***Office Closed**

Tuesday, Feb. 21—St. Peter Damian
7:00 PM—Choir Practice

Wednesday, Feb. 22—Ash Wednesday
12:00 PM—Mass: Special Intention
7:00 PM—Mass: People of the Parish

Thursday, Feb. 23—Thursday after Ash Wednesday

Friday, Feb. 24—Friday after Ash Wednesday

Saturday, Feb. 25—Vigil
5:00 PM—Confessions
5:30 PM—Mass: Special Intention

Sunday, Feb. 26—First Sunday of Lent
8:30 AM—Mass: Special Intention
11:00 AM—Mass: People of the Parish

***Ash Wednesday Masses
(with Imposition of Ashes) are 12 PM & 7 PM.**

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

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 Walter Burchanowski, Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI, Rev. Charles Saglio, Jr., Rev. Stephen McNally, Msgr. Joseph P. Lehman, III, Mrs. Maryjane Fuller, Mrs. Irma Gregory, Fr. John Abe and the earthquake victims of Turkey and Syria.

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!

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA) Prayer Request

Next weekend, our RCIA Catechumens, Jackie O'Connor, Forrest Parker and Brandon Smith, along with their sponsors, families and members of the RCIA team, will celebrate the Rite of Election at the Cathedral of the Sacred Heart in Richmond with Bishop Knestout. In preparation, our Catechumens will be signing the Book of the Elect at Mass this weekend and will be sent, with the parish's blessing and support, to the Cathedral where the Bishop will call all the Catechumens to the Easter Sacraments. From this point on our Catechumens will be among "The Elect," those chosen in Christ to receive the Easter Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist. Please keep Jackie, Forrest, Brandon, and all the Catechumens of our Diocese, in your prayers as they undertake with generous hearts and souls what God asks of them.

Scripture Readings

Feb. 18 Sat. of the Sixth Week in Ordinary Time

Heb 11:1-7/Ps 145:2-5,10-11/Mk 9:6/Mk 9:2-13

Feb. 19 Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Lv 19:1-2,17-18/Ps 103:1-4,8,10;12-13/1 Cor 3:16-23/1 Jn 2:5/Mt 5:38-48

Feb. 20 Monday of the Seventh Week in Ordinary Time

Sir 1:1-10/Ps 93:1abcd-2,5/2 Tm 1:10/Mk 9:14-29

Feb. 21 Tuesday of the Seventh Week in Ordinary Time

Sir 2:1-11/Ps 37:3-4,18-19,27-28,39-40/Gal 6:14/Mk 9:30-37

Feb. 22 Ash Wednesday

Jl 2:12-18/Ps 51:3-6ab,12-14&17/2 Cor 5:20—6:2/Ps 95:8/Mt 6:1-6,16-18

Feb. 23 Thursday after Ash Wednesday

Dt 30:15-20/Ps 1:1-4&6/Mt 4:17/Lk 9:22-25

Feb. 24 Friday after Ash Wednesday

Is 58:1-9a/Ps 51:3-6ab,18-19/Am 5:14/Mt 9:14-15

Feb. 25 Saturday after Ash Wednesday

Is 58:9b-14/Ps 86:1-6/Ez 33:11/Lk 5:27-32

Feb. 26 First Sunday of Lent

Gn 2:7-9;3:1-7/Ps 51:3-6,12-14&17/Rom 5:12-19/Mt 4:4b/Mt 4:1-11

Parish News

ASH WEDNESDAY MASSES

The season of Lent begins at Midnight on the morning of Ash Wednesday, February 22. SEAS Parish will be celebrating Ash Wednesday Masses (with Imposition of Ashes) at 12:00 PM and 7:00 PM.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS & SOUP SUPPERS DURING LENT

During Lent we will be having Stations of the Cross on Fridays at 6:30 PM. Lay Leaders this year are:

2/24/23—Jeffrey Gargiulo

3/03/23—James Ginter

3/10/23—Edward Gillikin

3/17/23—John Leyo

3/24/23—Mark Dupuis

3/31/23—Volunteer Needed

A meatless soup supper will follow Stations in the SEAS Social Hall. Volunteer soup makers are still needed. Current volunteers are:

2/24/23—Jeffrey & Roberta Gargiulo
Ruth & John Huber

3/03/23—James Ginter
Volunteer Needed

3/10/23—Edward Gillikin
Volunteer Needed

3/17/23—John Leyo
Volunteer Needed

3/24/23—Mark Dupuis
Volunteer Needed

3/31/23—Volunteers Needed

If you would like to help out, please contact K of C Faith Director, James Ginter at james.ginter@kofc.org or K of C Life Chairman Jeffrey Gargiulo at jrgarg55@yahoo.com.

There is also a sign-up sheet to make soup on the bulletin board in the Commons Area.

WELCOME!

Please extend a warm SEAS welcome to Fr. Thomas Miller, retired priest with the Diocese of Richmond and Fr. Brian Capuano, Vicar for Vocations with the Diocese of Richmond. Fr. Miller is celebrating Mass with us this Saturday, February 18, 2023 and Fr. Capuano is celebrating both Masses this Sunday, February 19, 2023. We thank you for your support and prayers!

GUIDELINES FOR LENT

Fasting is to be observed by all 18 years of age and older, who have not yet celebrated their 59th birthday. On a fast day one full meal is allowed. Two other meals, sufficient to maintain strength, may be taken according to each one's needs, but together should not equal another full meal. Eating between meals is not permitted, but liquids, including milk and juices, are allowed. *Abstinence* is observed by all 14 years of age and older. On days of abstinence no meat is allowed. Note that when health or the ability to work would be seriously affected, the law does not oblige. When in doubt concerning fast and abstinence, the parish priest should be consulted.

Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of fast and abstinence. All the Fridays of Lent are days of abstinence.

Fasting, almsgiving and prayer are the three traditional disciplines of Lent. The faithful and catechumens should undertake these practices seriously in a spirit of penance and of preparation for baptism or of renewal of baptism at Easter.

2023 GRASS-CUTTING TEAMS

Come one and all for a service opportunity with plenty of fresh air and sunshine. Team members and substitutes are needed for the 2023 spring/summer grass-cutting schedule. If you were on the schedule last year and are still able to volunteer, or if you are new to the parish and would like to get involved, 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.*



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.

Thank you All: Thanks to all the Knights and parishioners who so generously donated to the Virginia Special Olympics Polar Plunge this year. Because of your generosity, Jeffrey Gargiulo was able to raise \$1,352 to support the Virginia Special Olympic athletes.

Stations of the Cross: The council is seeking volunteers to help lead the Stations of the Cross at SEAS Parish during Lent. We also need volunteers to provide vegetarian soup and bread for the suppers after the Stations of the Cross. Please contact Jeffrey at jrgarg55@yahoo.com to volunteer.

Prayer Request: Please remember in prayer: the Kulick family, the Barrie Deis family, the Gillikin family, the Gothreau family, the Cashin family, the Almeida family, the Casano 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.