

OFFICE OF VOCATIONS

“I am the light of the world, says the Lord.” Are you called to bring the Light of Christ to the world through a vocation to the priesthood? Please contact the Vocations Office, (804) 359-5661; email to: vocations@richmonddiocese.org or contact Father J. Scott Duarte, (804) 557-3962; email: sduarte@richmonddiocese.org.

OUR LENTEN JOURNEY...

Each of us is called to name the ways that evil continues to prevent us from living the gospel fully. Every Catholic should spend some time reflecting on what obstacles (sin) to gospel living exist in his or her own life. We confront sin through the Sacrament of Penance.

Come to know Jesus as a friend, and experience God’s unbelievable love and generosity toward us.



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: mkeenana@richmonddiocese.org.

Nine Days Novena to Saint Joseph

Oh, St. Joseph, whose protection is so great, so strong, so prompt before the throne of God. I place in you all my interests and desires. Oh, St. Joseph, do assist me by your powerful intercession, and obtain for me from your divine Son all spiritual blessings, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. So that, having engaged here below your heavenly power, I may offer my thanksgiving and homage to the most loving of Fathers.

Oh, St. Joseph, I never weary of contemplating you, and Jesus asleep in your arms; I dare not approach while He reposes near your heart. Press Him in my name and kiss His fine head for me and ask him to return the Kiss when I draw my dying breath. St. Joseph, Patron of departing souls—Pray for me.



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WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE:

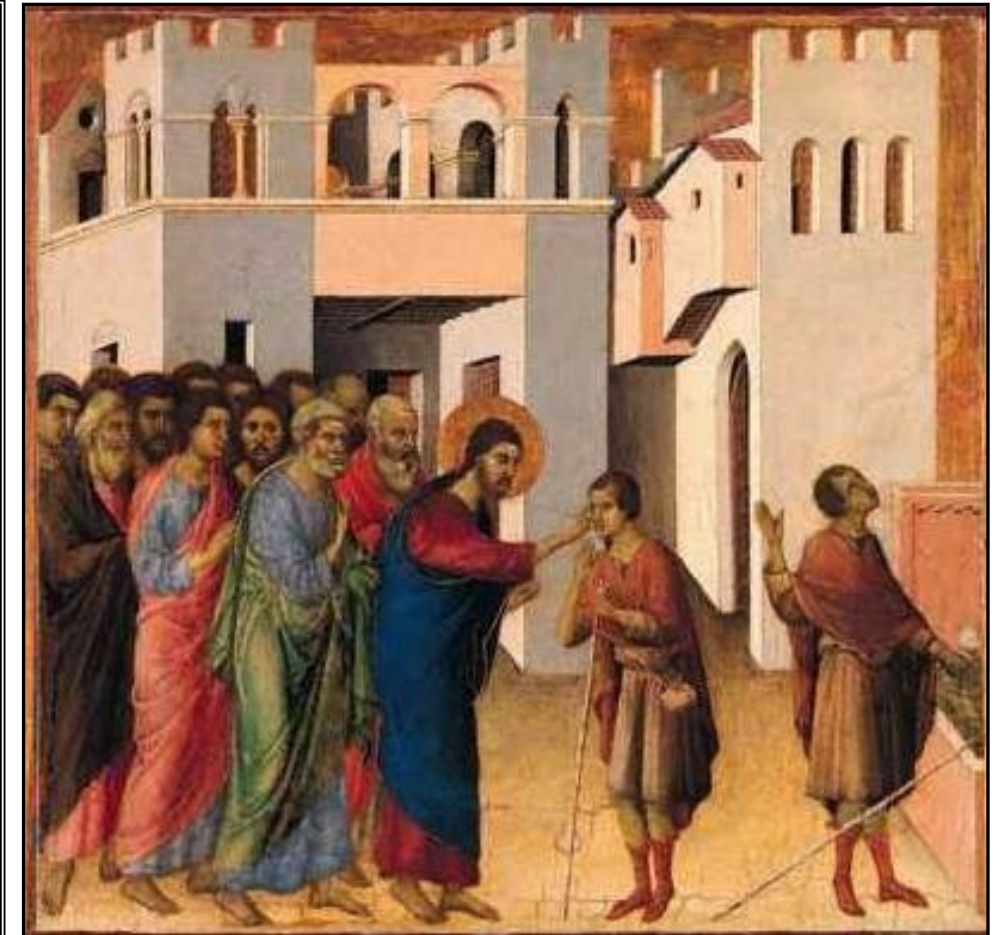
Saturday Vigil: 5:30 PM; Sunday: 8:30 AM & 11:00 AM

The Sacrament of Reconciliation is offered Saturdays at 5:00 PM and by appointment.

The Fourth Sunday of Lent March 19, 2023

**O God,
who through your
Word reconcile the
human race to
yourself in a
wonderful way,
grant, we pray, that
with prompt
devotion and eager
faith the Christian
people may hasten
toward the solemn
celebration to come.**

**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 Healing of a Blind Man (National Gallery, London)
Duccio di Buoninsegna, 1255-1319

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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, March 18—Vigil

5:00 PM—Confessions
5:30 PM—Mass: Special Intention
6:30 PM—K of C Mtg.

Sunday, March 19—Fourth Sunday of Lent

8:30 AM—Mass: Ann-Marie Manning
11:00 AM—Mass: People of the Parish

Monday, March 20—St. Joseph

5:30 PM—RCIA Mtg.

Tuesday, March 21—Lenten Weekday

Wednesday, March 22—Lenten Weekday

11:00 AM—Mass: Special Intention
1:30 PM—Plenary Deanery Mtg. (at St. John's)

Thursday, March 23—St. Turibius of Mogrovejo

4:30 PM—BLAZE Mtg.

Friday, March 24—Lenten Weekday

6:30 PM—Stations of the Cross
7:00 PM—Lenten Soup Supper (SEAS Hall)

Saturday, March 25—Vigil

5:00 PM—Confessions
5:30 PM—Mass: †Pat Wallace

Sunday, March 26—Fifth Sunday of Lent

8:30 AM—Mass: †Caroline Joseph
11:00 AM—Mass: People of the Parish

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

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 and home-bound of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, our local community and the Catholic Diocese of Richmond. Also, please remember in prayer all “the elect” called to receive the Easter Sacraments this year.

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 Mr. Walter Burchanowski, Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI, Rev. Charles Saglio, Jr., Rev. Stephen McNally, Msgr. Joseph P. Lehman, III, Mrs. Maryjane Fuller, Mrs. Irma Gregory 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!

UPCOMING PENANCE SERVICES IN DEANERY 6

St. Paul Catholic Church, Richmond, VA
Tuesday, March 28th: 12:00 PM & 7:00 PM

Cathedral of the Sacred Heart, Richmond, VA
Wednesday, March 29th: 5:30-6:30 PM

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE (APRIL 2-9)

- **Palm Sunday:** Saturday Vigil at 5:30 PM and Sunday Masses at 8:30 AM & 11:00 AM
- **Holy Thursday:** Holy Mass at 7:00 PM
- **Good Friday:** Liturgy of the Veneration of the Cross and Holy Communion at 7:00 PM
- **Easter Saturday:** Great Vigil of Easter and Mass of the Resurrection at 7:30 PM
- **Easter Sunday Masses:** 8:30 AM and 11:00 AM

Scripture Readings

March 18 Saturday of the Third Week of Lent

Hos 6:1-6/Ps 51:3-4,18-21ab/Ps 95:8/Lk 18:9-14

March 19 Fourth Sunday of Lent

1 Sm 16:1b,6-7,10-13a/Ps 23:1-3a,3b-6/Eph 5:8-14/Jn 8:12/Jn 9:1-41

March 20 Solemnity of St. Joseph

2 Sm 7:4-5a,14a,16/Ps 89:2-5,27&29/Rom 4:13,16-18,22/Ps 84:5/Mt 1:16,18-21,24a

March 21 Tuesday of the Fourth Week of Lent

Ez 47:1-9,12/Ps 46:2-3,5-6,8-9/Ps 51:12a,14a/Jn 5:1-16

March 22 Wednesday of the Fourth Week of Lent

Is 49:8-15/Ps 145:8-9,13cd-14,17-18/Jn 11:25a,26/Jn 5:17-30

March 23 Thursday of the Fourth Week of Lent

Ex 32:7-14/Ps 106:19-23/Jn 3:16/Jn 5:31-47

March 24 Friday of the Fourth Week of Lent

Wis 2:1a,12-22/Ps 34:17-21&23/Mt 4:4b/Jn 7:1-2,10,25-30

March 25 Solemnity of the Annunciation of the Lord

Is 7:10-14;8:10/Ps 40:7-8a,8b-11/Heb 10:4-10/Jn 1:14ab/Lk 1:26-38

March 26 Fifth Sunday of Lent

Ez 37:12-14/Ps 130:1-8/Rom 8:8-11/Jn 11:25a,26/Jn 11:1-45

Parish News

STATIONS OF THE CROSS & SOUP SUPPERS DURING LENT

During Lent we will be having Stations of the Cross on Fridays at 6:30 PM. Upcoming Lay Leaders are:
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:
3/24/23—Mark Dupuis
Ruth & John Huber
3/31/23—Evelyn & Herbert Chappell
Jeffrey & Roberta Gargiulo

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.

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.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE—FEBRUARY 22 THROUGH APRIL 2

40 Days for Life is a peaceful, side-walk prayer vigil, aimed at supporting women in crisis pregnancy with prayer and resources including housing, counseling, medical care, ultrasounds, education and more. We encourage the faithful of the diocese to choose a recurring time and day to participate during the season of Lent. The goal of the pro-life community is to provide a mother with everything she might need to keep her child and be supported as their child grows. Visit <https://www.40daysforlife.com/en/richmond> for more information or to sign up for vigil hours.

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

Team members and substitutes are needed for the 2023 spring/summer grass-cutting schedule. We are especially in need of volunteers for the 3rd week of the month. 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.

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 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.

DIOCESAN EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

The Catholic Diocese of Richmond is seeking an Administrative Assistant, for the Office of Finance, to provide administrative support to the Chief Financial Officer and the Dir. of Finance. For the full ad and how to apply, please click here <http://bit.ly/3XSnasW>. For further questions, please contact Kelly Shumate, HR Generalist and Recruiter at jobs@richmonddiocese.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 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.