

**OFFICE OF VOCATIONS**

“God has called us with a holy calling... According to His own purpose and grace.” Do you think God is offering you the grace of a vocation to the priesthood or consecrated life? Please contact the Vocations Office, (804) 359-5661; email to: [vocations@richmonddiocese.org](mailto:vocations@richmonddiocese.org) or contact Fr. J. Scott Duarte, (804) 557-3962; email: [sduarte@richmonddiocese.org](mailto:sduarte@richmonddiocese.org).

**WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER**

**From Greg & Christine Barlage...**

Last fall we decided to go to a Worldwide Marriage Encounter (WWME) Experience, and we wanted to share a few thoughts. We thought everything was going fine in our marriage, but with many changes in our lives the last few years, we felt like we needed a little boost. We came across WWME while on the diocese website and thought why not give it a try. As a bonus, there happened to be a WWME weekend at the beach in NC. After the WWME weekend, we decided to take our experience and put it into practice. It has been a major blessing for our marriage. Even if you get along great as a couple, a WWME experience can make it better. It was like that 35-year maintenance checkup we needed. Everyday life can cause you to lose touch with your spouse. A WWME Experience can put you back on track. We believe we are a much better couple, better parents, and better Christians because of it. We would like to invite every couple to check it out at <https://wwme.org/> and if it looks good to you, go for it and apply for a weekend. If you have any questions, please contact us at [gbarlage@verizon.net](mailto:gbarlage@verizon.net) (804-519-3276) or [chrisbarlage@verizon.net](mailto:chrisbarlage@verizon.net) (804-921-4873).



Rite of Election 2023 (l to r) Donna Thomson, SEAS RCIA Coordinator, Jackie O'Connor, Bishop Knestout, Brandon Smith and Forrest Parker.

**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 follow-up in-pew process this weekend, March 4/5 to direct donations to the diocesan secure website: <https://richmondcatholicfoundation.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 online.

If contributing by check, make checks payable to **Catholic Diocese of Richmond**. Checks can be mailed to the payment processing address at: Annual Diocesan Appeal, P.O. Box 79212, Baltimore, MD 21279-0212.

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 Second Sunday of Lent*  
March 5, 2023

**O God, who have commanded us to listen to your beloved Son, be pleased, we pray, to nourish us inwardly by your word, that, with spiritual sight made pure, we may rejoice to behold your 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.**



The Transfiguration of Christ (fresco), Pietro Perugino (Collegio del Cambio, Perugia, Italy), 1497-1500

<i>Parish Staff</i>		
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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 4—Vigil

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

### Sunday, March 5—Second Sunday of Lent

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

### Monday, March 6—Lenten Weekday

5:30 PM—RCIA Mtg.

### Tuesday, March 7—Sts. Perpetua and Felicity

### Wednesday, March 8—St. John of God

### Thursday, March 9—St. Frances of Rome

4:30 PM—BLAZE Mtg.

### Friday, March 10—Lenten Weekday

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

### Saturday, March 11—Vigil

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

### Sunday, March 12—Third Sunday of Lent

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

**\*There will be no public daily Mass this week at the Church.**

## 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 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](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!**

### THANK YOU

Recently the parish office received qualified charitable donations from two parish families in the amounts of \$12,000.00 and \$5,711.50 to help with maintaining our parish financial obligations. We wanted to express our heartfelt thanks to our two SEAS families for their continued generosity and support of our parish.

### UPCOMING PENANCE SERVICES IN DEANERY 6

Holy Rosary Catholic Church, Richmond, VA  
Saturday, March 11th: 10:00 AM

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

## Scripture Readings

### March 4 Saturday of the First Week of Lent

Dt 26:16-19/Ps 119:1-2,4-5,7-8/2 Cor 6:2b/Mt 5:43-48

### March 5 Second Sunday of Lent

Gn 12:1-4a/Ps 33:4-5,18-20,22/2 Tm 1:8b-10/Mt 17:5/Mt 17:1-9

### March 6 Monday of the Second Week of Lent

Dn 9:4b-10/Ps 79:8,9,11&13/Jn 6:63c,68c/Lk 6:36-38

### March 7 Tuesday of the Second Week of Lent

Is 1:10,16-20/Ps 50:8-9,16bc-17,21&23/Ez 18:31/Mt 23:1-12

### March 8 Wednesday of the Second Week of Lent

Jer 18:18-20/Ps 31:5-6,14-16/Jn 8:12/Mt 20:17-28

### March 9 Thursday of the Second Week of Lent

Jer 17:5-10/Ps 1:1-4&6/Lk 8:15/Lk 16:19-31

### March 10 Friday of the Second Week of Lent

Gn 37:3-4,12-13a,17b-28a/Ps 105:16-21/Jn 3:16/Mt 21:33-43,45-46

### March 11 Saturday of the Second Week of Lent

Mi 7:14-15,18-20/Ps 103:1-4,9-12/Lk 15:18/Lk 15:1-3,11-32

### March 12 Third Sunday of Lent

Ex 17:3-7/Ps 95:1-2,6-9/Rom 5:1-2,5-8/Jn 4:42,15/Jn 4:5-42

## 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:

3/10/23—John Leyo

3/17/23—Edward Gillikin, Sr.

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:

3/10/23—John Leyo

Mike & Lillian McElhinney

3/17/23—Edward Gillikin, Sr.

Cunha & Cashin Families

3/24/23—Mark Dupuis

Volunteer Needed

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](mailto:james.ginter@kofc.org) or K of C Life Chairman Jeffrey Gargiulo at [jrgarg55@yahoo.com](mailto:jrgarg55@yahoo.com).

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

### NUN RUN FOOD DONATIONS

This weekend, **March 4/5**, is our monthly collection for the Nun Run Food Donations for the Poor Clare nuns and Little Sisters of St. Francis. Please place all donations in the collection box in the Commons Area of the Church. Deliveries are made on the Tuesday after the first weekend of the month to the two religious communities. Thank you for your continued support of this monthly ministry.

### OPERATION RICE BOWL

Each year during Lent we invite you to take a Rice Bowl in support of the global work of Catholic Relief Services. During the season of Lent, please pray and reflect on the poverty both here and around the world. Place donations in your Rice Bowl during this time and return your filled Rice Bowl during the Easter season. Rice Bowls are available at both Church entrances. Thank you for your support of this Lenten sharing.

### 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.

**Spring Membership Drive and Fraternal Benefits Event:** During the weekend of March 11-12, after Mass, the Knights will hold a membership and fraternal benefits event to provide valuable information and to encourage men to join the Knights of Columbus.

**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](mailto:James.Ginter@kofc.org).

To learn more about the Knights of Columbus in Virginia, visit our website: [kofc.org/joinus](http://kofc.org/joinus).

### UPCOMING OFFICE CLOSINGS

Monday-Tuesday, March 13-14  
Wednesday-Thursday, March 22-23

### 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.