

OFFICE OF VOCATIONS—WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

On this Good Shepherd Sunday we celebrate the World Day of Prayer for Vocations. Pray for an increase in vocations to the priesthood, diaconate, and consecrated life, especially for our diocese, that God will raise up good shepherds in our midst. If you think God is calling you to serve the Church as a priest or in the consecrated life, 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.



**OFFICE OF WORSHIP—TRANSITIONAL DIACONATE ORDINATION
May 20, 2023: 10:30 AM at the Cathedral of the Sacred Heart**

There will be plenty of pew space available for the faithful who wish to attend the Transitional Diaconate Ordination for David Arellano and Seth Seaman. This is a unique opportunity to join Bishop Knestout and the local Church as we respond to the Lord’s invitation as disciples and to pray for the young men who seek to serve the Church of Richmond. For parking information, including a QR code for use at the West Main Street Parking Deck, please contact the parish office.

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 Holy Eucharist or Confirmation. For more information about our programs at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish, please contact the parish office at 932-4125 to be put in touch with our RCIA Coordinator.

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.

UNVEILED: PRE-CANA PROGRAM

\$170/couple

Various Times & Locations

Unveiled is the Diocese of Richmond’s marriage preparation program designed for engaged couples preparing to be married in the Catholic Church. Each session is facilitated by a married couple who will help the engaged couples attending to explore the core topics:

- Communication and Intimacy
- Theology of Marriage
- Spirituality of a Marriage

These core topics are communicated by way of engaging videos featuring married couples, priests, theologians, and physicians. This rich content serves as the springboard for deeper discussion between each couple. There are also occasions for facilitated larger group discussions and opportunities to interact with the other couples attending the session.

To register, visit: <https://www.cdrcmfl.org/marriage-preparation-classes/classes-unveiled/>

AROUND TOWN...

St. Anthony Church, 4611 Sadler Road, Glen Allen, VA 23060

The *2023 Lebanese Food Festival* will be held on **Friday & Saturday, May 19/20** from 11:00 AM-10:00 PM.

This year, credit cards, punch cards and ATMs will be available.

Indoor and outdoor dining available, as well as live music and entertainment. **Admission and parking are free.**



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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.

*Fourth Sunday of Easter
April 30, 2023*

Almighty ever-living God, lead us to a share in the joys of heaven, so that the humble flock may reach where the brave Shepherd has gone before.

Who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.



The Good Shepherd, James Powell, 1888

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, April 29—Vigil

5:00 PM—Confessions
5:30 PM—Mass: †Alice R. Iacovone

Sunday, April 30—Fourth Sunday of Easter

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

Monday, May 1—St. Joseph the Worker

Tuesday, May 2—St. Athanasius

Wednesday, May 3—Sts. Philip and James, Apostles

***Office Closed**
11:00 AM—Mass: Special Intention

Thursday, May 4—National Day of Prayer

***Office Closed**
7:30 PM—K of C Virtual Mtg.

Friday, May 5—Easter Weekday

***Office Closed**

Saturday, May 6—Vigil

5:00 PM—Confessions
5:30 PM—Mass: †Anthony Iacovone

Sunday, May 7—Fifth Sunday of Easter

8:30 AM—Mass: Ancila & Stanislas Kielan
11:00 AM—Mass: People of the Parish

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

SEAS Parish Prayer List



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.

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 the prayer offered in faith will make the sick person well.”
James 5:15

And those who have died are remembered in a special way, especially Anthony Iacovone, Alice R. Iacovone, Paulette Perkinson, Caroline Joseph, Walter Burchanowski, Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI, Rev. Charles Saglio, Jr., Rev. Stephen McNally, Msgr. Joseph P. Lehman, III, 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!

HVAC UPDATE

The project to replace the large church heat pump and air handler was completed this week. This project also included a remedy for the condensation around the sky lights. Supply vents to each skylight were installed and attached to the existing ductwork applications. We are very grateful to everyone for their patience and continued generosity as we tackle updates to our aging facilities.

THANK YOU PAT SEARLES!

Many thanks to Pat Searles, who has served as a volunteer collection counter for several years and is stepping down. We greatly appreciate all you have done to assist this ministry and your years of dedicated service at SEAS Parish.

WELCOME LIZ MILLER!

We would like to share that Liz Miller has volunteered to assist with collection counting on Sundays, filling in with Maggie Stegmaier for the 3rd and 4th weekends. Thank you Liz!

Scripture Readings

April 29 Memorial of St. Catherine of Siena

Acts 9:31-42/Ps 116:12-17/Jn 6:63c,68c/Jn 6:60-69

April 30 Fourth Sunday of Easter

Acts 2:14a,36-41/Ps 23:1-3a,3b-6/1 Pt 2:20b-25/Jn 10:14/Jn 10:1-10

May 1 Monday of the Fourth Week of Easter

Acts 11:1-18/Ps 42:2-3;43:3,4/Jn 10:14/Jn 10:11-18

May 2 Memorial of St. Athanasius

Acts 11:19-26/Ps 87:1b-7/Jn 10:27/Jn 10:22-30

May 3 Feast of Sts. Philip and James

1 Cor 15:1-8/Ps 19:2-5/Jn 14:6b,9c/Jn 14:6-14

May 4 Thursday of the Fourth Week of Easter

Acts 13:13-25/Ps 89:2-3,21-22,25&27/Rv 1:5ab/Jn 13:16-20

May 5 Friday of the Fourth Week of Easter

Acts 13:26-33/Ps 2:6-11ab/Jn 14:6/Jn 14:1-6

May 6 Saturday of the Fourth Week of Easter

Acts 13:44-52/Ps 98:1,2-3abcd,4/Jn 8:31b-32/Jn 14:7-14

May 7 Fifth Sunday of Easter

Acts 6:1-7/Ps 33:1-2,4-5,18-19/1 Pt 2:4-9/Jn 14:6/Jn 14:1-12

Parish News

PARISH-WIDE PICNIC

Sunday, April 23rd, 12:00 PM

Everyone is invited to attend the parish-wide picnic scheduled for April 23, 2023, after the 11:00 AM Mass.

This event is being sponsored by our Knights of Columbus Council 14034. The menu will include hamburgers, hot dogs, french fries, beverages and assorted goodies.

Please make plans to attend and enjoy fellowship with your SEAS parishioners. All are welcome.

KROGER COMMUNITY REWARDS PROGRAM

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

- To enroll your Plus Card, visit www.krogercommunityrewards.com.
- Click on “Create An Account.”
- Enter your email address and create a password, agreeing to terms and conditions.
- Enter your card number and our church name, “St. Elizabeth Ann Seton” or our account number, CF801.

Questions? Please contact the parish office at 932-4125.

NUN RUN FOOD DONATIONS

Items donated for the monthly Nun Run help support two communities of women religious, the Poor Clare Nuns and the Little Sisters of St. Francis. The Poor Clares are vegetarian but eat fish twice a week. They can use canned veggies, fruit, rice, flour, canned tuna and salmon as well as paper products. The Little Sisters of St. Francis appreciate canned veggies, gelatin desserts, puddings, soups, paper products, disinfectant wipes and personal hygiene products for the mentally and physically handicapped residents they care for. On the first weekend of each month, there is a collection for both communities. **Next date: May 6/7.**

OFFICE CLOSING

The parish office will be closed this week from Wednesday-Friday, May 3-5, 2023.

BUILDING & GROUNDS Volunteers Needed...

SEAS Parish is in need of volunteers to help with landscaping this summer: weeding, pruning, cleaning gutters and blowing leaves from the shrubbery beds near the sidewalks to keep them clear. If you would like to assist, please call the parish office at 932-4125.

GRASS-CUTTING TEAMS UPDATE

SEAS Parish is still in need of a volunteer for the 3rd week of the month on the grass-cutting team. A Big thank you to Terry Parker, husband of Ashley Parker, for volunteering for this vacancy. We are still in need of a second team member to pair with Terry, since the size of the parish property makes this a two person job. If interested in helping out, please contact the parish office at 932-4125. Training will be provided.

A GENTLE REMINDER

If you are in need of a letter of any kind from the SEAS parish office (godparent sponsor letter, recommendation, etc.), please call or email your request well in advance of your deadline. During the week, the office is staffed by one person and closed on the weekends. We have been receiving a number of these requests lately and it should not be assumed that every last minute request can be accommodated especially when other parish offices and entities are involved. Thank you.

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 Casano family, the Gargiulo family, the Griffin family, and all our military, law enforcement, first responders and their families.

We Need You: The council needs a member to step up to become the next Grand Knight to lead the council in the 2023-2024 fraternal year. You will have the help of the Past Grand Knights and Trustees to guide you through the programs and activities. Please contact Jeffrey Gargiulo or Kevin Almeida for more information.

A Great Success: Thanks to all the Brother Knights and their wives for making this year's parish picnic a great success. A special thanks to Jack Simzak and his bride Eileen for their amazing planning. There were over 70 parishioners and their families that attended the picnic to enjoy good food and fellowship.

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.