

OFFICE OF VOCATIONS

“The harvest is abundant, but the laborers are few.” Are you called to be a laborer for Christ as a priest? 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.

VIRGINIA DEPT. OF EDUCATION K-12 LEARNING ACCELERATION GRANT

The Virginia Department of Education has launched a \$30 million K-12 Learning Acceleration Grant to help close the gap caused by the pandemic. The amounts are \$3,000.00 or \$1,500.00 to help families access tutoring, educational services, summer enrichment programs, etc. For eligibility requirements and additional details, please visit the Virginia Department of Education website page: <https://online.factsmtg.com/grant-aid/inst/4PWYQ/landing-page>.

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. We would like to thank our families who have been participating in this program the last few years. Since we began, we have received **\$1,093.11** for our New Church Fund.

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

Thank you for your continued support!

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.

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.



DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE

October 21, 2023

Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception

Join Bishop Knestout and the faithful from across the Commonwealth at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception for a pilgrimage focused on the source and summit of our faith, the Eucharist. Pilgrims will be invited to talks, tours, Eucharistic Procession, Adoration, Music, and Mass with the Bishop all surrounded by the awe-inspiring beauty of the largest Catholic Church in North America. Registration for this free event opens in late summer and transportation will be offered from each vicariate.



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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.

15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 16, 2023

O God, who show the light of your truth to those who go astray, so that they may return to the right path, give all who for the faith they profess are accounted Christians the grace to reject whatever is contrary to the name of Christ and to strive after all that does it honor.

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.



Parable of the Sower
Pieter Bruegel the Elder, 1566

Parish Staff

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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, July 15—Vigil
5:00 PM—Confessions
5:30 PM—Mass: †Irma Gregory

Sunday, July 16—Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:30 AM—Mass: Special Intention
11:00 AM—Mass: People of the Parish

Monday, July 17—Weekday
4:30 PM—RCIA Mtg.

Tuesday, July 18—St. Camillus de Lellis

Wednesday, July 19—Weekday
11:00 AM—Mass: Special Intention

Thursday, July 20—St. Apollinaris
7:30 PM—K of C Mtg. (SEAS Hall)

Friday, July 21—St. Lawrence of Brindisi

Saturday, July 22—Vigil
5:00 PM—Confessions
5:30 PM—Mass: Special Intention

Sunday, July 23—Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:30 AM—Mass: †George & Jean Stine
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 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 those who have died are remembered in a special way, especially:

Joseph Frank Stacklin, Natalie Pastore Johnson, Anthony Iacovone, Alice R. Iacovone, Paulette Perkinson, Caroline Joseph, Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI, Gertrude Langford, Mabel Rhymes Hart and Irma Gregory.

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!

SAVE THE DATE: UPDATE

Father Scott celebrates his 45th anniversary of his ordination to the priesthood on Saturday, September 9th this year. **The Mass time has been changed to 4:00 PM**, with a reception to follow at the Vineyard Estate of New Kent Winery at 6800 New Kent Highway, New Kent, Virginia 23124. There will be no 5:30 PM Vigil Mass on Sept. 9th.

Overflow seating for this special Mass will be available in the SEAS Social Hall. If you plan to attend the reception following Mass at the Vineyard Estate, please RSVP with the number in your family attending by calling the parish office at 804-932-4125 or email the parish secretary at: secretary@seascatholicchurch.org.

In order to have enough food and beverages on hand, the deadline to RSVP for the reception is August 31, 2023.

Scripture Readings

July 15 Memorial of St. Bonaventure
Gn 49:29-32; 50:15-26a/Ps 105:1-4, 6-7/1 Pt 4:14/Mt 10:24-33

July 16 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Is 55:10-11/Ps 65:10-14/Rom 8:18-23/Mt 13:1-23

July 17 Monday of the 15th Week in Ordinary Time
Ex 1:8-14, 22/Ps 124:1b-3, 4-8/Mt 5:10/Mt 10:34—11:1

July 18 Tuesday of the 15th Week in Ordinary Time
Ex 2:1-15a/Ps 69:3, 14, 30-31, 33-34/Ps 95:8/Mt 11:20-24

July 19 Wednesday of the 15th Week in Ordinary Time
Ex 3:1-6, 9-12/Ps 103:1b-4, 6-7/Mt 11:25/Mt 11:25-27

July 20 Thursday of the 15th Week in Ordinary Time
Ex 3:13-20/Ps 105:1&5, 8-9, 24-27/Mt 11:28/Mt 11:28-30

July 21 Friday of the 15th Week in Ordinary Time
Ex 11:10—12:14/Ps 116:12-13, 15&16bc, 17-18/Jn 10:27/ Mt 12:1-8

July 22 Feast of St. Mary Magdalene
Sgs 3:1-4b/Ps 63:2-6, 8-9/Jn 20:1-2, 11-18

July 23 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Wis 12:13, 16-19/Ps 86:5-6, 9-10, 15-16/Rom 8:26-27/ Mt 11:25/Mt 13:24-43

Parish News

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

“I PLACE MUCH OF MY HOPE FOR THE FUTURE IN MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER.” (Pope John Paul II)

The Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend centers entirely on your relationship. It is a positive, simple, common sense, private experience between you and your spouse, that revitalizes marriage by helping you to see again those loving qualities in each other that you may be taking for granted.

For more information or to register, go to <https://wwme.org/>, click “Apply” and search for “Virginia” or your desired location. Only 25 couples per weekend so register soon! Feel free to contact Mark and Cathy Stangler at 703-378-4150; mstang1987@aol.com with any questions. The remaining local experiences for 2023 are:

- **Sept. 22-24, 2023**—Crowne Plaza Hotel, Herndon, Virginia
- **Nov. 17-19, 2023**—Holiday Inn, Va. Beach, Virginia.

JOINING THE PARISH

We invite all who worship with us to become formal members of Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton (SEAS) Parish by registering as parishioners.

This enables our ministries and staff to better plan in order to meet the needs of the growing community.

Registration forms are located at both Church entrances, on our parish website at <https://seascatholicchurch.org/>, or you can email and/or call the parish office at 804-932-4125 and we will be happy to assist you.

REL. ED. REGISTRATION

Registration for all Religious Education classes K-12 is currently underway. Registration and sacramental prep forms are located by each entrance to the Church and on the parish website. Please return your completed forms to the parish office as soon as possible. Classes will begin in Sept.

SAFE ENVIRONMENT PROGRAM: VIRTUS TRAINING

Virtus is the brand name for the safe environment program used by the Catholic Diocese of Richmond.

It is required that all youth-related volunteers over the age of 18 take this approximately 3-hour course. The available session days and times can be accessed through the <https://www.virtusonline.org/virtus/> website by following the “First-Time Registrant” prompts.

The Catholic Diocese of Richmond is committed to ensuring that diocesan institutions and ministries provide a safe and nurturing environment for children, young people and vulnerable individuals.

If you have already taken the Virtus course and are having trouble accessing your account or it has been inactivated and you plan to assist one of our ministries, please contact the parish office at 932-4125 for assistance in updating your account.

If you are behind in reading the monthly bulletins, summertime is a great time to get caught up.

SEAS LENDING LIBRARY

SEAS Lending Library is available for use in the Commons Area of the Church. Pick up some reading material for the summer! If you would like to borrow items, there is a sign-out sheet to borrow items for up to two weeks.

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 and third Thursday of the month at 7:30 PM. The in-person meetings are in the SEAS Social Hall and please bring your membership cards. The first meeting is the Officers/Directors Meeting and the second meeting is the Membership/Business Meeting. Both meetings are open to all Brother Knights and the membership are encouraged to attend. A free light dinner will be served at 6:30 PM. Donations are gratefully accepted to defray meal costs. There will be a 50/50 drawing after every 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, and all our military, law enforcement, first responders and their families.

Council Audit: K of C Council 14034 will hold its semi-annual audit of its financial records on July 18, 2023, at 3:00 PM in the SEAS Social Hall.

Membership: To learn more about the K of C Council at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish and all we do, please contact Acting Membership Director Kevin Almeida at: alexandre2018@yahoo.com or call 804-803-9725.

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.