

LECTOR WORKBOOKS

The parish is putting together an order for the 2024 Workbooks for Lectors, Gospel Readers and Proclaimers of the Word. If you are a current lector and would like to order a workbook, please see Mary Brooks. The suggested donation is \$16.00. Thank you.

LITTLE SISTERS OF ST. FRANCIS 100TH ANNIVERSARY MASS

November 3rd, 3:00 PM Mass at St. Bede, Williamsburg

A Mass of Thanksgiving will be celebrated by Bishop Knestout for the 100th Anniversary of the founding of the Little Sisters of St. Francis on November 3, 2023, at 3:00 PM at St. Bede Catholic Church in Williamsburg. All are welcome!

OUR DEEPEST SYMPATHY TO THE YATES FAMILY

We would like to express our deepest sympathy to the Yates family who are mourning the loss of SEAS parishioner, Joseph Yates, who passed away on September 18, 2023. A memorial service will be held at 4:00 PM on Sunday, September 24, 2023 at Bliley's—Central, 3801 Augusta Ave., Richmond, VA 23230, where the family will receive friends immediately following until 6:00 PM. Please pray for the happy repose of Joe's soul and for peace and comfort to all his friends and family.

NUN RUN FOOD DONATIONS

Our next monthly food collection for the Poor Clare Nuns and the Little sisters of St. Francis is Sunday, **Oct. 1st**. Please drop off all donations to the collection box, located in the Commons Area of the Church. Thank you for your support of this monthly ministry.

GREATER WILLIAMSBURG LIFE CHAIN

Once again, rain or shine, St. Olaf Catholic Church in coordination with other churches invites all to participate in the 35th National Life Chain on Respect Life Sunday, October 1st from 2:00 to 3:15 PM. This will be the Greater Williamsburg area's 11th annual Life Chain. Location will be on the sidewalk facing Richmond Road starting at Centerville Road. The Life Chain is a peaceful, prayerful, and public witness of pro-life faithful standing in honor of 60+ million lives lost to abortion. It is a visual statement of solidarity by the Christian Community that we support the sanctity of human life from the moment of conception to natural death. Pro-Life signs will be available, bring a chair if needed, and extend this invitation to your friends as well.

OFFICE OF VOCATIONS

“No servant can serve two masters.” Are you discerning a vocation to serve the Lord 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; sduarte@richmonddiocese.org.

FALL PARISH PICNIC OUTING

Sunday, Oct. 1st at 12:00 PM

K of C Council 14034 invites you to our Fall Picnic on Sunday, October 1st at 12:00 PM in the SEAS Social Hall and outside grounds. This will coincide with the start of Religious Education classes. We will serve hamburgers, hotdogs, sides, beverages and dessert.

Corn Hole and Horseshoes will be available. This event is FREE so mark your calendars and join us.

If you have any questions or wish to RSVP (not necessary, but appreciated), please contact Brother Knight Brandon Harshbarger at 757-345-1419 or email to: bdharshbarger@icloud.com.

***For those who did not get a chance to view Father's photo slide show at his 45th anniversary reception, it will be available at the parish picnic. All are welcome!**



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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.

*25th Sunday in Ordinary Time
September 24, 2023*

O God, who founded all the commands of your sacred Law upon love of you and of our neighbor, grant that, by keeping your precepts, we may merit to attain eternal life.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.



Christ (detail from fresco, Brancacci Chapel, Florence), Masaccio, 1580-1590

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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, Sept. 23—Vigil

5:00 PM—Confessions

5:30 PM—Mass: †Jim & Mary Niedenthal

Sunday, Sept. 24—25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 AM—Mass: †Irma Gregory

11:00 AM—Mass: People of the Parish

Monday, Sept. 25—Weekday

Tuesday, Sept. 26—Sts. Cosmas and Damian

4:30 PM—RCIA Mtg.

Wednesday, Sept. 27—St. Vincent de Paul

11:00 AM—Mass: Special Intention

Thursday, Sept. 28—St. Wenceslaus; St. Lawrence Ruiz and Companions, Martyrs

Friday, Sept. 29—Sts. Michael, Gabriel and Raphael

Saturday, Sept. 30—Vigil

5:00 PM—Confessions

5:30 PM—Mass: †Wendy Meade

Sunday, Oct. 1—26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 AM—Mass: People of the Parish

9:30 AM—Rel. Ed. Classes K-12 (SEAS Hall)

11:00 AM—Mass: †Mary Timmons Darracott

12:00 PM—Parish Picnic (SEAS Hall)

***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 Yates, Joseph J. Marques, Wendy Meade, 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 continued generosity!

CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF RICHMOND'S LEARN TO LEAD CAMPAIGN: SEPT 30-OCT 1

Special Collection Planned in Support of Catholic Schools

"The Learn to Lead Campaign will extend the extraordinary legacy of a system of 23 schools serving families from Virginia Beach to Charlottesville, from Bristol to Roanoke, and from Danville to Richmond. Together these schools shape the lives of more than 7,000 young people—helping them to realize their greater purpose—succeeding, leading and serving God, their families, churches and communities.

Our goal is to raise \$30 million to prepare student leaders in the Diocese of Richmond over the next decade. Crucial initiatives will fund local priorities at our 23 schools, enhance financial aid opportunities, support economically-disadvantaged schools, develop and retain outstanding teachers and promote Catholic education to a new generation of students."

Our in-pew donation process will take place the weekend of Sept. 30-Oct. 1. For more information or to donate, please visit: <https://www.learntoleadcampaign.org/>.

Scripture Readings

Sept. 23 Memorial of St. Pius Pietrelcina

1 Tm 6:13-16/Ps 100:1b-5/Lk 8:15/Lk 8:4-15

Sept. 24 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Is 55:6-9/Ps 145:2-3,8-9,17-18/Phil 1:20c-24,27a/Acts 16:14b/Mt 20:1-16a

Sept. 25 Monday of the 25th Week in Ordinary Time

Ezr 1:1-6/Ps 126:1b-2ab,2cd-6/Mt 5:16/Lk 8:16-18

Sept. 26 Tuesday of the 25th Week in Ordinary Time

Ezr 6:7-8,12b,14-20/Ps 122:1-2,3-4ab,4cd-5/Lk 11:28/Lk 8:19-21

Sept. 27 Memorial of St. Vincent de Paul

Ezr 9:5-9/Tb 13:2,3-4a,7-8/Mk 1:15/Lk 9:1-6

Sept. 28 Thursday of the 25th Week in Ordinary Time

Hg 1:1-8/Ps 149:1b-6a&9b/Jn 14:6/Lk 9:7-9

Sept. 29 Feasts of Sts. Michael, Gabriel and Raphael

Dn 7:9-10,13-14/Ps 138:1-2ab,2cde-5/Ps 103:21/Jn 1:47-51

Sept. 30 Memorial of St. Jerome

Zec 2:5-9,14-15a/Jer 31:10-12ab,13/2 Tm 1:10/Lk 9:43b-45

Oct. 1 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Ez 18:25-28/Ps 25:4-9/Phil 2:1-11/Jn 10:27/Mt 21:28-32

Parish News

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Lectors needed at the 8:30am Mass
Additional lectors are needed at the 8:30 AM Mass. If you are a dedicated parishioner and would like to volunteer, please contact the parish office. Training will be provided.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish is preparing to have Eucharistic Adoration between the Masses next month. Father Duarte in conjunction with our parish diaconate candidate, James Ginter, will be offering this opportunity for adoration of the Most Holy Eucharist following the 8:30 AM Mass and up to the start of the second Mass on Sundays at 11:00 AM. In preparation, Father will be speaking on the topic over the next few weeks so our parish members and visitors can attune themselves to the Holy Eucharist and the interior silence necessary to offer their reverent prayers. Details and dates to follow soon.

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

The role of an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion is to help with the distribution of Holy Communion during Mass so the celebration is not unnecessarily prolonged and to make the sacrament available to the sick and homebound.

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion must be fully initiated in the Catholic faith having received the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and First Holy Communion, regularly attending Mass each Sunday and holy day of obligation, and, if married, they are in a marriage recognized by the Catholic Church.

Registered parishioners who would like to apply for consideration by Father Duarte are asked to contact the parish office at 804-932-4125 or email the parish secretary at: secretary@seascatholicchurch.org.

K OF C SOCCER CHALLENGE

The K of C Soccer Challenge scheduled for Saturday, Sept. 23rd has been canceled.

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 on Oct. 1st.**

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS/PARISH ROSARY GUILD MONTHLY ROSARY

K of C Council 14034 in support of our pastor will have monthly Recitation of the Rosary before each Mass on the first weekend of each month except for the months of the Blessed Virgin Mary in October and May where the Recitation of the Rosary will be before each Mass each weekend.

We need volunteers from the K of C and the parish to volunteer to lead the Rosary service during Rosary weekends. The K of C will provide training and support for all volunteers. The Rosary will start 25 minutes before each Mass and should be completed 5 minutes before Mass begins.

A sign-up sheet is posted in the Commons Area.

Questions? Please contact Brother Knight J.J. Gothreau at 804-310-1262; jjgothreaujr@netscape.net.

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

Council/Parish Rosary Guild: Beginning in Sept. we will be having monthly Recitation of the Rosary the 1st weekend of each month and each weekend in October and May.

Save the Date: K of C Council 14034 will be having a parish picnic on **Sunday, Oct. 1st at 12 PM** to help kick off the Rel. Ed. program. We will serve hamburgers, hotdogs, sides, beverages and dessert. This event is FREE so mark your calendars and join us. If you have questions or wish to RSVP, please contact Brother Knight Brandon Harshbarger at 757-345-1419 or email to: bdharshbarger@icloud.com.

Membership: To learn more about the Knights of Columbus Council at Saint 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 Kneestout 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.