#### **OUR CONDOLENCES...**

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish would like to express our condolences to Cindy Pleasants and the entire Parker family on the death of her mother, fellow parishioner, Shirley Parker, who passed away peacefully on Wednesday, January 31, 2024 at home. Shirley was a longtime SEAS parishioner, who even at 92 years old, had a smile and kind word for everyone. She genuinely loved people and keeping up with things at SEAS Parish even after dealing with health issues that kept her at home a lot this past year.

The family will receive friends from 1:00-2:00 PM Tuesday, February 6, 2024, at Monaghan Funeral Home, 7300 Creighton Parkway, Mechanicsville, VA 23111 where a funeral service led by Fr. Scott will be held at 2:00 PM. Interment will follow at 3:00 PM at Mt. Calvary Cemetery, 1400 South Randolph Street, Richmond, VA 23220.

Please pray for the happy repose of Shirley's soul and for comfort and peace for all of her family and friends.

#### POLAR PLUNGE FOR VIRGINIA SPECIAL OLYMPICS

Jeffrey Gargiulo of K of C Council 14034 will once again be soliciting donations for the Polar Plunge in support of Virginia Special Olympics Athletes. To donate, go to <a href="https://polarplunge.com/">https://polarplunge.com/</a> and select support a polar plunger and then Virginia Beach and then enter "14034" to credit our council and select your donation amount and complete the form.

# OFFICE OF EVANGELIZATION: MARRIED COUPLES RETREAT Wintergreen Resort, April 19-20, 2024

Whether you've been married five months or fifty years, join us in the mountains for great meals, community, prayer and keynotes from couples all along their vocation journey. Visit <a href="https://evangelizerichmond.org/events/married-couples-retreat-2024">https://evangelizerichmond.org/events/married-couples-retreat-2024</a> for details and to register. Stay extra days at a reduced rate.

#### **OFFICE OF VOCATIONS**

"Jesus went away to a secluded place and prayed." If you are seeking greater simplicity of life and a closer following of the Lord in prayer and action, consider that He may be calling you to the priesthood or consecrated life. Talk to your priest or reach out to the Catholic Diocese of Richmond Vocations Office, 804-359-5661; <a href="mailto:vocations@richmonddiocese.org">vocations@richmonddiocese.org</a>.

#### 2024 ANNUAL APPEAL

#### Sharing His Love with Others

In early February, many of you will receive a letter from Bishop Knestout asking for your support of the 2024 Appeal. With a diocesan goal of \$4,169,230, the 2024 Appeal will provide critical funding to many diverse and impactful ministries that affect the lives of thousands of people in our Diocese. Visit <a href="https://richmondcatholicfoundation.org/">https://richmondcatholicfoundation.org/</a>

appeal-2/ to view the Bishop's letter and the case for support.

#### K OF C WINTER 50/50 DRAW-ING FUNDRAISER

The Council thanks all for the support from the parish for this fundraiser. The Council raised \$704.40 for the K of C SEAS Social Hall Repair Fund. The Grand Prize winner of \$704.40 was David Richards (parent of a SEAS parishioner) and the Runner-Up prize winner of \$25.00 was Brother Mark Dupuis. Once again, thanks to everyone who supported this fundraiser to assist the council in maintaining and repairing issues with the SEAS Social Hall.

#### VIRGINIA MARCH FOR LIFE

On Wednesday, February 21, 2024, the Virginia March for Life Rally will be held beginning at 11:00 AM on the steps of the State Capital in Richmond. The March for Life will start at 12:00 PM and marchers will march around the Capital Square. Please join our K of C Council 14034 at the Rally and March.

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#### **WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE:**

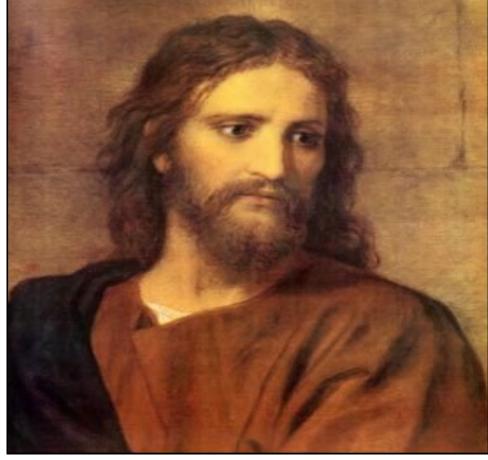
Saturday Vigil: 5:30 PM; Sunday: 8:30 AM & 11:00 AM The Sacrament of Reconciliation is offered Saturdays at 5:00 PM or by appointment.

## The 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time February 4, 2024

Keep your family safe, O Lord, with unfailing care, that, relying solely on the hope of heavenly grace, they may be defended always by your protection.

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.



Christ at Thirty-Three, Heinrich Hofmann, 1889

#### 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, Feb. 3—Vigil

4:30 PM—Confessions 5:30 PM—Mass: †Mary Riley

Sunday, Feb. 4—5th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 AM—Mass: Michael Nash & Team 11:00 AM—Mass: People of the Parish

Mon., Feb. 5-St. Agatha

Tuesday, Feb. 6—St. Paul Miki & Companions 2:00 PM—Funeral for Shirley Parker (at Monaghan

Funeral Home in Mechanicsville, VA)

Wednesday, Feb. 7—Weekday

11:00 AM—Mass: Special Intention

5:30 PM—Ladies' Group

6:30 PM—Eucharistic Adoration

Thursday, Feb. 8—St. Jerome Emiliani; St. Josephine

Friday, Feb. 9—Weekday

12:00 PM—Funeral for Patricia Searles (SEAS Parish)

Saturday, Feb. 10—Vigil

5:00 PM—Confessions

5:30 PM—Mass: †Shirley Parker

Sunday, Feb. 11—6th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

\*Daily Mass this week is on Wednesday at 11:00 AM, with Eucharistic Adoration at 6:30 PM

## SEAS Parish Prayer List



offered in

sick person well."

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

"And the prayer | friends who are sick.

Give them the strength in body, courage in faith will make the spirit, and patience in pain.

Let them recover their health, so that, restored to the Christian community, they Tames 5:15 | 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:

Shirley Parker, Patricia Searles, Edward L. Edwards, Linwood Parker, Edward J. Gillikin, Sr., Dr. George Gray, Joseph Yates, Joseph Frank Stacklin, Natalie Pastore Johnson, Anthony Iacovone, Merle O'Donnell and Alice R. Iacovone.

### 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!

#### LADIES' GROUP ON WEDNESDAY EVENINGS

The Ladies' Group meets each Wednesday at 5:30 PM in the Rel. Ed. Building, followed by Eucharistic Adoration in the Sanctuary at 6:30 PM (when applicable). Join any time, nursing/lap babies welcome. Please contact Rebecca Edicola at jamzmom1201@gmail.com for any questions.

#### **NUN RUN FOOD DONATIONS**

**Reminder:** The first weekend of the month is our monthly food collection for both communities of women religious, the Poor Clare Nuns and the Little Sisters of St. Francis. Deliveries are made on the Tuesday after the first weekend of the month. Next Collection: Feb. 3/4.

#### SAVE THE DATE!

SEAS Parish will be having a Lenten Penance Service on Thursday, March 7, 2024 at 7:00 PM.

## Scripture Readings

Feb. 3 Saturday of the 4th Week in Ordinary Time 1 Kgs 3:4-13/Ps 119:9-14/Jn 10:27/Mk 6:30-34

Feb. 4 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jb 7:1-4,6-7/Ps 147:1-6/1 Cor 9:16-19,22-23/Mt 8:17/ Mk 1:29-39

Feb. 5 Memorial of St. Agatha

1 Kgs 8:1-7,9-13/Ps 132:6-10/Mt 4:23/Mk 6:53-56 Feb. 6 Memorial of St. Paul Miki & Companions

1 Kgs 8:22-23,27-30/Ps 84:3-5&10,11/Ps 119:36,29b/ Mk 7:1-13

Feb. 7 Wednesday of the 5th Week in Ordinary Time 1 Kgs 10:1-10/Ps 37:5-6,30-31,39-40/Jn 17:17b,17a/

Feb. 8 Thursday of the 5th Week in Ordinary Time 1 Kgs 11:4-13/Ps 106:3-4,35-36/Jas 1:21bc/Mk 7:24-30 Feb. 9 Friday of the 5th Week in Ordinary Time

1 Kgs 11:29-32: 12:19/Ps 81:10-11ab.12-15/Acts 16:14b/ Mk 7:31-37

Feb. 10 Memorial of St. Scholastica

1 Kgs 12:26—32;13:33-34/Ps 106:6-7ab,19-22/Mt 4:4b/ Mk 8:1-10

Feb. 11 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Lv 13:1-2,44-46/Ps 32:1-2,5,11/1 Cor 10:31—11:1/Lk 7:16/ Mk 1:40-45

### Parish News

#### **ASH WEDNESDAY MASSES**

SEAS Parish will be celebrating Ash Wednesday Masses (with Imposition of Ashes) on Feb. 14th at 12:00 PM and 7:00 PM. A holy hour of Eucharistic Adoration will also be held on Ash Wednesday from 6:00-7:00 PM, before the second Mass.

#### **UPCOMING FUNERAL SERVICES** FOR PAT SEARLES

A Mass of Christian Burial has been scheduled at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish on Friday, February 9, 2024 at 12:00 PM for Patricia (Pat) Searles, who passed away on Sunday, December 24, 2023. A reception will follow the funeral in the SEAS Social Hall. Please continue to offer prayers for Pat's soul and of consolation to all her family and friends.

#### STATIONS OF THE CROSS & SOUP SUPPERS DURING LENT

During Lent we will be having Stations of the Cross on Fridays at 6:30 PM. Lay Leaders are still needed:

2/16—Roberta & Jeffrey Gargiulo

2/23—Volunteers Needed 3/01—Volunteers Needed

3/08—Volunteers Needed

3/15—Volunteers Needed

3/22—Volunteers Needed

A meatless soup supper will follow Stations in the SEAS Social Hall. The current list of volunteers is:

2/16—Roberta & Jeffrey Gargiulo

2/23—Volunteers Needed

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3/08—Volunteers Needed

3/15—Volunteers Needed

3/22—Volunteers Needed

If you would like to help out, please contact Roberta & Jeffrey Gargiulo who have volunteered to coordinate, at jrgarg55@yahoo.com.

There is also a sign-up sheet posted in the Commons Area for volunteers.

#### REQUEST **FOR** RECTORY HOUSEKEEPING

SEAS Parish is seeking references to hire housekeeping services at the Rectory. If you know of anyone to recommend, please contact the parish office.

### SHROVE TUESDAY PANCAKE AND SAUSAGE DINNER

Please join our K of C Council and take a break from cooking by supporting the Shrove Tuesday Pancake and Sausage Fundraising Dinner on Tuesday, Feb. 13, 2024 from 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM in the SEAS Social Hall. The Council will sell sign-ups after all three Masses the weekends of Feb. 3/4 and Feb. 10/11. The price is \$7.50 per person or four or more immediate family members. max of \$30.00 for the family. Please contact Kevin Almeida at alexandre2018@yahoo.com or see the flyer in the Commons Area for details.

#### **2024 GRASS-CUTTING TEAMS**

Come one and all for a service opportunity with plenty of fresh air and sunshine.

Team members and substitutes are needed for the upcoming 2024 spring/summer grass-cutting schedule. As of right now, we are a team short so will need at least two new volunteers.

If you were on the schedule previously 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. Training will be provided.

#### **BLESSING OF THROATS**

In honor of St. Blaise, whose feast day falls this Saturday, Feb. 3rd, we will be having the Blessing of Throats after each Mass this weekend. St. Blaise's protection of those with throat trouble comes from a legend that a boy was brought to him who had a fishbone stuck in his throat. The boy was about to die when St. Blaise healed him.

### 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 inperson 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.

Praver Request: Please remember in prayer: Ed Gillikin, Sr., and the Gillikin family, the Harshbarger family and for the soul of Brandon Harshbarger's father who passed away recently, the Kulick family, the Deis 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.

Save the Dates: Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper, Feb. 13.

Recitation of the Rosary: We will be having monthly Recitation of the Rosary the 1st weekend of each month and each weekend in May.

Membership: To learn more about the Knights of Columbus Council at SEAS 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 K of C in Virginia, visit our website: kofc.org/joinus.

### **DIOCESE OF RICHMOND OFFICE OF THE BISHOP**

The Diocese of Richmond encourages anyone aware of sexual abuse of minors on the part of clergy or staff of the Richmond Diocese to notify civil authorities, including Child Protective Services (CPS) at 1-800-552-7096 and reach out to the confidential Victim Assistance Reporting 24-Hour Number at 1-877-887-9603, or by email at: vac@richmonddiocese.org.