

NUN RUN FOOD DONATIONS

The next weekend of our monthly Nun Run food collections for the Poor Clare nuns and the Little Sisters of St. Francis will be on *May 4/5*. Please drop off food and non-perishable donations to the collection box in the Commons Area of the Church. When donating, please make sure the food containers/packages are sealed by the manufacturer as we are unable to accept partially opened goods or goods that are way past the expiration date. Thank you for your generosity. It is most appreciated!

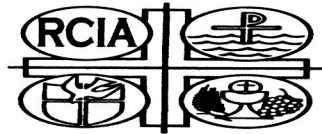
2024 GRASS-CUTTING TEAMS

Come one and all for a service opportunity with plenty of fresh air and sunshine. Team members and substitutes are still needed for the upcoming 2024 spring/summer grass-cutting schedule. *As of right now, we are one team short for the first weekend of the month.*

Please contact the parish office at 932-4125. Training will be provided.

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.



OFFICE OF VOCATIONS—WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

“There is no salvation through anyone else.” Let us pray for those who are called to follow the Lord as a priest or religious brother or sister that they may generously say YES. Talk to your priest or reach out to the Office of Vocations at (804) 359-5661 or email: vocations@richmonddiocese.org.



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CIVILIZE IT

**Unifying a Divided Church...
A Virtual Event Streaming Live
May 14, 3 PM (Eastern Time)**

Join Cardinal Robert McElroy, Bishop Robert Barron and Bishop Daniel Flores as they dialogue with one another on the challenge of polarization in the Church today and the path forward.

The conversation will include reflections on their roles as shepherds and leaders in their dioceses and the U.S. Church and on important topics such as the Synod of Synodality, encounter, and where to find hope amid the polarization.

Gloria Purvis, renowned Catholic speaker and host of The Gloria Purvis Podcast from America Magazine will moderate the conversation. This virtual event is co-sponsored by the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, Catholic Charities USA, Glenmary Home Missioners and the Jesuit Conference.

To register, visit: https://uscgb.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_4m7X_gmOT7qv2DVTXiLP3A#/registration.

SEAS GRADUATES

If your special student is graduating this year from high school or college, please send an email to the parish office with any details you wish to share so they can be recognized in our annual list of graduates in early June.



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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 or by appointment.

4th Sunday of Easter

April 21, 2024

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*

Parish Schedule

Saturday, April 20—Vigil

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

Sunday, April 21—Fourth Sunday of Easter

8:30 AM—Mass: Special Intention
11:00 AM—Mass: People of the Parish
12:00 PM—K of C Sponsored Parish Picnic

Monday, April 22—Easter Weekday

Tuesday, April 23—St. George; St. Adalbert

Wednesday, April 24—St. Fidelis of Sigmaringen

11:00 AM—Mass: Special Intention
5:30 PM—Women's Group
6:30 PM—Eucharistic Adoration

Thursday, April 25—St. Mark, Evangelist

Friday, April 26—Easter Weekday

Saturday, April 27—Vigil

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

Sunday, April 28—Fifth Sunday of Easter

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

***Daily Mass is on Wednesday at 11 AM, with Eucharistic Adoration at 6:30 PM.**

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:

Rev. Russell E. Smith, Shirley Shumaker, Shirley Parker, Patricia Searles, Edward L. Edwards, Linwood Parker, Edward J. Gillikin, Sr., Joseph Yates, 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 UPDATE

There will be NO Ladies Group on May 8th.

ASCENSION OF THE LORD

In the Province of Baltimore, which includes the Diocese of Richmond, the Ascension of the Lord is transferred to the Seventh Sunday of Easter, May 12, 2024.

PARISH CHARITIES UPDATE

Since Easter the parish has assisted four local families referred to us through church members with \$525.00 in emergency rental assistance and \$698.87 in emergency food and fuel assistance. These funds are made available through the diocesan fuel and hunger grant and our own parish charities donations. We rely on your support and collaboration with these efforts and you have our heartfelt thanks.

Scripture Readings

April 20 Saturday of the 3rd Week of Easter

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

April 21 4th Sunday of Easter

Acts 4:8-12/Ps 118:1,8-9,21-23/1 Jn 3:1-2/Jn 10:14/Jn 10:11-18

April 22 Monday of the 4th Week of Easter

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

April 23 Tuesday of the 4th Week of Easter

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

April 24 Wednesday of the 4th Week of Easter

Acts 12:24—13:5a/Ps 67:2-3,5,6&8/Jn 8:12/Jn 12:44-50

April 25 Feast of St. Mark, evangelist

1 Pt 5:5b-14/Ps 89:2-3,6-7,16-17/1 Cor 1:23a-24b/Mk 16:15-20

April 26 Friday of the 4th Week of Easter

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

April 27 Saturday of the 4th Week of Easter

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

April 28 5th Sunday of Easter

Acts 9:26-31/Ps 22:26-28,30-32/1 Jn 3:18-24/Jn 15:4a,5b/Jn 15:1-8

Parish News

PARISH-WIDE PICNIC Sunday, April 21st, 12:00 PM

Please join your parish K of C Council as we celebrate the arrival of spring and seek to recognize those who have done a lot for the council throughout the fraternal year. We will have free food and drinks around 12 noon this Sunday, April 21st, in the SEAS Social Hall. See posted flyers for more information or contact Kevin Almeida at alexandre2018@yahoo.com.

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.

EUCCHARISTIC REVIVAL IS COMING TO EMMITSBURG—SETON SHRINE

Eucharistic Revival is happening now across the country and on June 6th, it's coming to Emmitsburg. Join hundreds of Catholics and walk where Mother Seton walked in this powerful Eucharistic Procession. For details, visit <https://setonshrine.org/revival/>.

NEW TO THE AREA? WELCOME!

Registration forms are located at both entrances to the Church or visit the parish office and we will be happy to assist you.

MOVING?

Please notify the office so we can update our records.

ELECTRONIC DONATIONS

As a reminder, SEAS Parish offers electronic giving as a way to automate your regular weekly offering.

Scan the QR code to go directly to our online donation page.

Thank you for your continued support and generosity!



BUILDING & GROUNDS Volunteers Needed...

SEAS Parish is in need of volunteers to help with landscaping this summer: weeding, pruning, cleaning gutters and blowing leaves and small branches 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.

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

A Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend is like Spring-time. It's a weekend away with your spouse, the rebirth of romance for the two of you, and a chance at new beginnings. If you'd like to make your marriage even more special than it already is—come check it out. Weekends are limited to 25 couples so register early.

For more information or to register, go to WWME.org, click "Apply" and search for Virginia or your desired location.

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: Ed Gillikin, Sr., and the Gillikin family, the Harshbarger family and for the soul of Brandon Harshbarger's father who passed away, 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.

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.