

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.

MAY IS THE MONTH OF MARY

During the month of May, join us in honoring our Blessed Mother. Take some time this month to pray the Rosary and give thanks for her intercession of our needs: <https://www.usccb.org/how-to-pray-the-rosary>.



OFFICE OF VOCATIONS

“As You sent Me into the world, I have sent them.”

If you think the Lord may be inviting you to carry on His mission as a priest or religious brother or sister, 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://usccb.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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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 Ascension of the Lord

May 12, 2024

Gladden us with holy joys, almighty God, and make us rejoice with devout thanksgiving, for the Ascension of Christ your Son is our exaltation, and, where the Head has gone before in glory, the Body is called to follow in hope.

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.



The Ascension of Christ
Benvenuto Tisio da Garofalo, 1510-1520

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, May 11—Vigil

5:00 PM—Confessions
5:30 PM—Mass: †Eileen M. Dailey

Sunday, May 12—The Ascension of the Lord

8:30 AM—Mass: People of the Parish
11:00 AM—Mass: First Communicants & Families

Monday, May 13—Easter Weekday

Tuesday, May 14—St. Matthias, Apostle

Wednesday, May 15—St. Isidore

5:30 PM—Ladies' Group
6:30 PM—Eucharistic Adoration

Thursday, May 16—Easter Weekday

*Office Closed

Friday, May 17—Easter Weekday

Saturday, May 18—Vigil

5:00 PM—Confessions
5:30 PM—Mass: †Michael Sean Birmingham
†Christina Angelique Birmingham

Sunday, May 19—Pentecost Sunday

8:30 AM—Mass: People of the Parish
11:00 AM—Mass: Confirmants & Families
2:00 PM—Confirmation (Cathedral of the Sacred Heart)

*There will be **NO DAILY MASS** this Wednesday on 5/15/24.

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:

Mildred Acampora, Louise Mendez, Rev. Msgr. Thomas F. Shreve, Michael Sean Birmingham, Christina Angelique Birmingham, 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

Interested in joining the Ladies' Group? There will be a **fellowship day on Wednesday, May 15th at 5:30 PM.** Come and meet our group at this informal gathering, and hear about our past studies, as well as learn about our upcoming study for the Book of Romans.

The Ladies Group meets weekly on Wednesdays in the SEAS Conference Room at 5:30 PM, with Adoration following at 6:30 PM in the Sanctuary. The Book of Romans study will be five weeks from May 22nd-June 19th. The Ladies' Group will break for the summer following the June 19th meeting and resume in August.

Please contact Rebecca Edicola for any questions. Email: Jamzmom1201@gmail.com. Nursing/lap babies welcome.

Scripture Readings

May 11 Saturday of the 6th Week of Easter

Acts 18:23-28/Ps 47:2-3,8-10/Jn 16:28/Jn 16:23b-28

May 12 Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord

Acts 1:1-11/Ps 47:2-3,6-9/Eph 1:17-23/Mt 28:19a,20b/Mk 16:15-20

May 13 Monday of the 7th Week of Easter

Acts 19:1-8/Ps 68:2-3ab,4-5acd,6-7ab/Col 3:1/Jn 16:29-33

May 14 Feast of St. Matthias, Apostle

Acts 1:15-17,20-26/Ps 113:1-8/Jn 15:9-17

May 15 Wednesday of the 7th Week of Easter

Acts 20:28-38/Ps 68:29-30,33-35abc,36ab/Jn 17:17b,17a/Jn 17:11b-19

May 16 Thursday of the 7th Week of Easter

Acts 22:30;23:6-11/Ps 16:1-2a&5,7-11/Jn 17:21/Jn 17:20-26

May 17 Friday of the 7th Week of Easter

Acts 25:13b-21/Ps 103:1-2,11-12,19-20ab/Jn 14:26/Jn 21:15-19

May 18 Saturday of the 7th Week of Easter

Acts 28:16-20,30-31/Ps 11:4,5&7/Jn 16:7,13/Jn 21:20-25

May 19 Pentecost Sunday

Acts 2:1-11/Ps 104:1,24,29-30,34/1 Cor 12:3b-7,12-13/Jn 20:19-23

Parish News

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.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION CONGRATULATIONS!

We would like to congratulate our seven students receiving the Sacrament of First Holy Communion this Sunday, May 12, 2024, at the 11:00 AM Mass: Peter Ginter, Sarah Hirsch, Lochlan Howington, Elijah Moore, Lucas Negrete, Selena Negrete and Violet Ozovek. May the joy and peace of Jesus, present in the Holy Eucharist be with you today and always.

OFFICE CLOSING DATES

The parish office will be closed on Thursday, **May 16** and from **May 27-June 7, 2024**. The secretary will be out on vacation. If you have an urgent need that requires the presence of the priest during this timeframe, please call the rectory. Also, volunteers will be needed to open up the church for the cleaning crew and pick up mail. If available, please contact the parish office.

NO DAILY MASS ON MAY 15

Father Scott will be attending the Funeral Mass for Rev. Msgr. Thomas F. Shreve, retired priest of the Catholic Diocese of Richmond, on Wed., May 15, 2024, at 10:30 AM at the Church of the Epiphany in North Chesterfield, Virginia. There will be no daily Mass on May 15, 2024 at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish. Please pray for the happy repose of Msgr. Shreve's soul and for comfort and peace to all his many friends and family.

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!



CONFIRMATION ANNOUNCEMENT

We would like to announce that Charles Boyer, Andrew Ginter, Gregory Ginter, Diego Green, Logan Harshbarger, Michael Howington and Shawn Mary will be receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation at the Cathedral of the Sacred Heart in Richmond, Virginia next Sunday, May 19, 2024 at 2:00 PM. The Most Reverend Barry C. Knestout, Bishop of Richmond, will be presiding.

BUILDING & GROUNDS Volunteers Needed

The parish has ordered a load of shredded hardwood mulch for the shrubbery beds around the property. Volunteers are needed to help weed and spread the mulch. While this can be done on your own schedule, please contact the parish office if you are interested in helping out so we can put together and share a volunteer list for the different buildings. Many hands make light work!

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.