

#IGIVECATHOLIC GIVING TUESDAY ON DEC. 3, 2024

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish is participating in #iGiveCatholic on Dec. 3, 2024. Like Black Friday, Small Business Saturday and Cyber Monday, GivingTuesday has become part of the post-Thanksgiving season. It is a 24-hour online giving event for the faithful across the nation (and the world) to unite and raise as many charitable dollars as possible for participating Catholic parishes, schools and ministries.

Visit Richmond.iGiveCatholic.org this week (when advance giving begins) to donate on our SEAS page and track the progress of our parish and diocesan organizations throughout the day.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

4TH SUNDAY OF ADVENT/PRE-CHRISTMAS BREAKFAST

K of C Council 14034 will be hosting a 4th Sunday of Advent/Pre-Christmas Breakfast on **Sunday, Dec. 22, 2024** in the SEAS Social Hall.

This year we are having the breakfast served between 9:00 AM-11:00 AM. RSVP, prices and the final menu will be available in a parish bulletin insert in a few weeks.

Make plans to join the parish community and Council Knights for fraternity and good food as we prepare for the birth of Our Lord Jesus Christ.

DIOCESAN EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Please visit the Office of Human Resources page on the diocesan website at: richmonddiocese.org/office-of-human-resources if you are interested in applying for one of the many employment positions open around our diocese. A few examples are: full-time Accounting Manager for the Office of Finance, full-time Administrative Assistant to support the Office of Evangelization, Director of Development for Catholic Campus Ministry at William and Mary in Williamsburg, Principal for All Saints Catholic School (grades PreK-8) in Richmond and Director of Youth Ministry at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Richmond.

OFFICE OF VOCATIONS

"The Lord is our righteousness." Are you being called to bring the Word of God as a priest? Talk to your priest or reach out to the Office of Vocations at (804) 359-5661; email to: vocations@richmonddiocese.org.



**THANKSGIVING BASKET PROJECT
THANK YOU!**

Thank you to everyone who made the Religious Education Thanksgiving Basket service project a success, especially Liz Miller, Tina Whitehead and Elaine Charles, for grocery shopping and set up. Many thanks as well to our Rel. Ed. students and parents who put the groceries together for our local families and the Knights of Columbus volunteers for delivery. A big thank you as well to New Kent Winery and the Dombroski family for the donation of wine and Food Lion for the \$35 gift card for turkeys.

We would especially like to thank our parishioners for their financial contributions which make our parish charities ministries possible. We provided meals to fourteen families in our local community thanks to your generosity and support.



RESOURCES FOR ENGAGED AND MARRIED COUPLES

The diocesan Office of Evangelization web page has been updated with new resources for natural family planning/fertility awareness based methods including new practitioners who are accepting new clients in Virginia. Please visit evangelizerichmond.org/family/nfp/natural-family-planning for additional details.



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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.

*First Sunday of Advent
December 1, 2024*

Grant your faithful, we pray, almighty God, the resolve to run forth to meet your Christ with righteous deeds at his coming, so that, gathered at his right hand, they may be worthy to possess the heavenly Kingdom.

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 Visitation - Scrovegni (Arena) Chapel, Padua, Italy
 Giotto (detail from fresco), 1306

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 Staff

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Parish Schedule

Saturday, Nov. 30—Vigil

5:00 PM—Confessions
5:30 PM—Mass: †Kenneth Elwood Vaughn

Sunday, Dec. 1—First Sunday of Advent

8:30 AM—Mass: †Jessica Groark
9:30 AM—Rel. Ed. Classes & Parent Meeting
11:00 AM—Mass: People of the Parish

Monday, Dec. 2—Advent Weekday

Tuesday, Dec. 3—St. Francis Xavier

Wednesday, Dec. 4—St. John Damascene

11:00 AM—Mass: Special Intention
6:30 PM—Eucharistic Adoration

Thursday, Dec. 5—Advent Weekday

7:00 PM—Choir Practice (Church)
7:00 PM—K of C Mtg. (SEAS Hall)

Friday, Dec. 6—St. Nicholas

Saturday, Dec. 7—Vigil

5:00 PM—Confessions
5:30 PM—Mass: †Donna Jenkins

Sunday, Dec. 8—Second Sunday of Advent

8:30 AM—Mass: People of the Parish
9:30 AM—Rel. Ed. Classes
11:00 AM—Mass: †Ray Swatko & †Walter Richardson

***Daily Mass is on Wednesday at 11:00 AM with Eucharistic Adoration at 6:30 PM.**

SEAS Parish Prayer List



Please hold in prayer this week all the sick and homebound of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish, our local community and the Diocese of Richmond and those affected by Hurricanes Helene and Milton.

PRAYER FOR THE SICK:

“And the prayer offered in faith will make the sick person well.”
James 5:15
Lord Jesus, who went about doing good and healing all, we ask you to bless our 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 forever and ever. Amen.

And those who have died are remembered in a special way, especially: John J. Gothreau, Michael Pastore, Deborah Schiro, Connie Bowry, Gerald A. Hall, Sr., Fred Searles, Patricia Searles, Ernest Perry, Dwayne Reed, Mildred Acampora, Louise Mendez, Shirley Shumaker, Shirley Parker, Edward L. Edwards and Linwood Parker.

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!

SEASON OF THANKFULNESS AND GIVING

During this season, while remembering family, friends and those less fortunate, please consider demonstrating appreciation for your good fortune or good health by remembering SEAS Parish with a special year end gift.

This is the season we give thanks to God for all He has done for us this past year and throughout our lives. Take advantage of the charitable tax deduction for gifts made before December 31 (benefits of income tax deductions, capital gains savings, and other financial benefits) and consider the variety of gift options available to you.

Your gift to the parish can make a great difference. There are a variety of ways you can contribute a gift, including donations of cash, stock and an IRA Qualified Charitable Distribution. For more information on how you can help make a difference by contributing a year-end gift to our parish, please contact the parish office.

Scripture Readings

Nov. 30 Feast of St. Andrew

Rom 10:9-18/Ps 19:8-11/Mt 4:19/Mt 4:18-22

Dec. 1 First Sunday of Advent

Jer 33:14-16/Ps 25:4-5,8-10,14/1 Thes 3:12—4:2/Ps 85:8/Lk 21:25-28,34-36

Dec. 2 Monday of the 1st Week of Advent

Is 2:1-5/Ps 122:1-4bcd,5-9/Ps 80:4/Mt 8:5-11

Dec. 3 Memorial of St. Francis Xavier

Is 11:1-10/Ps 72:1-2,7-8,12-13,17/Lk 10:21-24

Dec. 4 Wednesday of the 1st Week of Advent

Is 25:6-10a/Ps 23:1-3a,3b-6/Mt 15:29-37

Dec. 5 Thursday of the 1st Week of Advent

Is 26:1-6/Ps 118:1&8-9,19-21,25-27a/Is 55:6/Mt 7:21,24-27

Dec. 6 Friday of the 1st Week of Advent

Is 29:17-24/Ps 27:1,4,13-14/Mt 9:27-31

Dec. 7 Memorial of St. Ambrose

Is 30:19-21,23-26/Ps 147:1-6/Is 33:22/Mt 9:35—10:1,5a,6-8

Dec. 8 Second Sunday of Advent

Bar 5:1-9/Ps 126:1-6/Phil 1:4-6,8-11/Lk 3:4,6/Lk 3:1-6

Parish News

ELECTRONIC DONATIONS

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!



SOLEMNITY OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION Transferred to Monday, Dec. 9th

The Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception has been transferred to Monday, Dec. 9th this year and therefore is a Holy Day of Obligation.

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish will be celebrating the Solemnity with two Masses: 12:00 PM Mass and 7:00 PM Mass.



NUN RUN FOOD DONATIONS

Items donated for the monthly Nun Run help support two communities of women religious: the Poor Clare Nuns in Barhamsville and the Little Sisters of St. Francis in western New Kent County.

The cloistered Poor Clares are vegetarian but eat fish twice a week. They appreciate canned foods, tuna, salmon as well as paper products. The Little Sisters of St. Francis can use disinfectant wipes for the disabled residents they care for as well as soups, puddings, detergent, etc.

Our next collection date is: Dec. 1st.

OFFICE CLOSING

The parish office will be closed for the Christmas and New Year holidays on the following dates: Dec. 24-27 and Dec. 31-Jan. 1.

CHRISTMAS MASS TIMES

Christmas Eve, December 24th:

3:00 PM and 5:30 PM

Christmas Day, December 25th:

11:00 AM



2024 CHRISTMAS ANGEL TREE

This year SEAS Parish is sponsoring fourteen children from local families and three elderly parishioners. All gifts, with Angel Tree Tag attached, **are due back to the Church by Wednesday, Dec. 11th.**

This year, the New Kent Christmas Mother program, which we partner with for some of our recipients, is asking that the gifts be unwrapped or they can be placed in gift bags (preferred).

If you should have any questions, please contact the parish office at 804-932-4125.

Thank you for your support of this year's outreach to those in need!

CHOIR PRACTICE

Choir practice has been scheduled for **Dec. 5th, Dec. 12th and Dec. 19th** at 7:00 PM. If you are interested in joining the choir or assisting with music for Advent and Christmas, please make plans to attend or speak with Debbie Grosser or Mike Horvath after Mass.

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 the first and third Thursday of the month at 7:00 PM. The in-person meetings are in the SEAS Social Hall. Please bring your membership cards. The first meeting is the Officers/Directors Meeting and the second meeting is the Membership/Business Meeting. All members are welcome to attend both meetings.

East End Pregnancy Center Collection: We will be collecting baby clothes and products for the East End Pregnancy Center, Nov. 30-Jan. 6, 2024. Please place your donations in the collection bins in the Commons Area of the Church.

4th Sunday of Advent/Christmas Breakfast: Save the Date! We will be hosting a Breakfast on Sunday, Dec. 22, 2024 in the SEAS Social Hall, between 9:00 AM-11:00 AM. Details to follow in the bulletin soon!

Prayer Requests: Please remember in prayer: the Kulick 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.

Membership: To learn more about the K of C Council at SEAS Parish and all we do, please contact GK Mark Dupuis at: 804-201-5925; mdupuis99@aol.com.

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.