

2024 CHRISTMAS ANGEL TREE

Our parish Christmas Angel Tree is available in the Commons Area of the Church. This year SEAS Parish is sponsoring twelve 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!

A FREE RESOURCE FOR ESTATE PLANNING

As a reminder, there is a free Will-writing tool available through our diocese to help steward your family, finances and faith! In case you are not familiar with FreeWill, it essentially allows people to create a legal Will at no cost. Estate planning is an act of faithfulness that empowers you to thoughtfully honor the blessings you've received from God. It can even be used to support SEAS Parish and our ministries with an optional legacy gift.

To get started, visit <https://www.freewill.com/> to make a will at no cost and engage in thoughtful stewardship this year.

FROM THE OFFICE OF EVANGELIZATION...

MARRIED COUPLES RETREAT

May 2-3, 2025—Wintergreen Mountain Resort

Give your spouse and your relationship a gift this Christmas season. Register for our Married Couples Retreat at the beautiful Wintergreen Mountain Resort. With Catholic authors and speakers, Ennie and Cana Hickman, this retreat is going to be fun, powerful and beautiful for you and your spouse. For married couples of all ages/lengths of marriage. For additional details and registration information, visit <https://evangelizerichmond.org/events/married-couples-retreat-2/>.

OFFICE OF VOCATIONS—NATIONAL VOCATION AWARENESS WEEK

"You shall love your neighbor as yourself." Are you being called to love the Lord with an undivided heart as a priest or religious brother or sister? Talk to your priest or reach out to the Office of Vocations at (804) 359-5661; email to: vocations@richmonddiocese.org.

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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.

KEEPING CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS

Keeping Christ in Christmas (KCIC): K of C Council 14034 is selling their remaining supply of KCIC Christmas cards and magnets at a discount the weekend of Nov. 2/3, 2024 before and after each Mass. Sales will continue while supplies last and will only take place that weekend. Cash and Checks acceptable, sorry no credit cards.

BUILDING & GROUNDS

Volunteers Needed

With the cooler temperatures and the volume of leaves blanketing the parish buildings, volunteers with leaf blowers are needed to clear the sidewalks, carport area of the SEAS Social Hall and gutters throughout November and December. This can be done on your schedule. Please contact the parish office at 804-932-4125 if you are able to help out.



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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.

Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time November 3, 2024

Almighty and merciful God, by whose gift your faithful offer you right and praiseworthy service, grant, we pray, that we may hasten without stumbling to receive the things you have promised.

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 as 'The Light of the World' (The National Gallery, London, UK)
Paris Bardone, 1550

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, Nov. 2 —Vigil
12:00 PM—Mass: †The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed (All Souls)
5:00 PM—Confessions
5:30 PM—Mass: †All Souls

Sunday, Nov. 3—31st Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:30 AM—Mass: †All Souls
11:00 AM—Mass: People of the Parish

Monday, Nov. 4—St. Charles Borromeo

Tuesday, Nov. 5—Weekday

Wednesday, Nov. 6—Weekday
11:00 AM—Mass: †All Souls
5:30 PM—Ladies' Group (SEAS Conf. Rm.)
6:30 PM—Eucharistic Adoration

Thursday, Nov. 7—Weekday
7:00 PM—K of C Mtg.

Friday, Nov. 8—Weekday

Saturday, Nov. 9—Vigil
5:00 PM—Confessions
5:30 PM—Mass: †All Souls

Sunday, Nov. 10—32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:30 AM—Mass: †Edward L. Edwards
11:00 AM—Mass: People of the Parish

***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:
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: 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, Linwood Parker and Edward J. Gillikin, Sr.

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!

BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE

Did someone you love pass away this past year? Would you like for them to be remembered during Mass? Place the person's name in the Book of Remembrance, which is located on the altar throughout the month of November.

PARISH CHARITIES SPECIAL COLLECTION

We will be having our fall parish charities special collection next weekend, **Nov. 9/10**. This is the collection which along with the fuel and hunger grant from the diocese, funds our Rel. Ed. Program Thanksgiving Food Baskets, extra gift cards for our Christmas Angel Tree program and provides emergency assistance for those in our local community in need with utility bills, rental assistance and food and fuel. Please place your donation in an envelope marked "Parish Charities" in the second collection basket. Checks should be made out to SEAS Parish. Thank you!!

Scripture Readings

Nov. 2 All Souls' Day
Wis 3:1-9/Ps 23:1-3a,3b-6/Rom 6:3-9/Mt 25:34/Jn 6:37-60
Nov. 3 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time
Dt 6:2-6/Ps 18:2-4,47,51/Heb 7:23-28/Jn 14:23/Mk 12:28b-34
Nov. 4 Memorial of St. Charles Borromeo
Phil 2:1-4/Ps 131:1bcde,2,3/Jn 8:31b-32/Lk 14:12-14
Nov. 5 Tuesday of the 31st Week in Ordinary Time
Phil 2:5-11/Ps 22:26b-30ab,30e,31-32/Mt 11:28/Lk 14:15-24
Nov. 6 Wednesday of the 31st Week in Ordinary Time
Phil 2:12-18/Ps 27:1,4,13-14/1 Pt 4:14/Lk 14:25-33
Nov. 7 Thursday of the 31st Week in Ordinary Time
Phil 3:3-8a/Ps 105:2-7/Mt 11:28/Lk 15:1-10
Nov. 8 Friday of the 31st Week in Ordinary Time
Phil 3:17—4:1/Ps 122:1-4ab,4cd-5/1 Jn 2:5/Lk 16:1-8
Nov. 9 Feast of the Dedication of the Lateran Basilica in Rome
Ez 47:1-2,8-9,12/Ps 46:2-3,5-6,8-9/1 Cor 3:9c-11,16-17/2 Chr 7:16/Jn 2:13-22
Nov. 10 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
1 Kgs 17:10-16/Ps 146:7-10/Heb 9:24-28/Mt 5:3/Mk 12:38-44

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!



PART-TIME REL. ED. COORDINATOR POSITION

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish is greatly appreciative of all the hard work of our volunteers, but due to the growth so far this year in returning families and youth, the parish has decided to hire a part-time Rel. Ed. Coordinator.

In addition to on-site coordination of instruction during Rel. Ed. classes on Sunday, availability for preparation of classes and sacraments during the week should be expected. This position will report directly to the pastor and oversee all aspects of faith formation at the parish.

Must be a Catholic in good standing and *Virtus*-trained or eligible for *Virtus* training. Must possess excellent interpersonal skills and proficiency in Microsoft Office and capable of learning new computer programs as needed. Salary is commensurate with experience and education, in accord with diocesan scale.

If interested, please contact the parish office at 804-932-4125 for a full job description and/or to submit an application.

An application for employment can be found on the Human Resources page of the diocesan website at: <https://richmonddiocese.org/office/office-of-human-resources/>.

If you would like to receive an application by email, please contact the parish office at: secretary@seascatholicchurch.org.

COMMUNAL ROSARY Monday, Nov. 4th at 6:00 PM

There will be a Communal Rosary on Monday, Nov. 4th at 6:00 PM in the Sanctuary. This is the final recitation day of the 54 Day Novena in advance of the Presidential election. All are welcome!

SPECIAL REQUEST

A local family in Charles City County (2 adults, 2 boys) has reached out that they are in need of a place to rent, budgeted for \$1200.00 per month or lower. They have had financial difficulty but the father recently started a new job. If you know of a local rental available, please contact the parish office at 932-4125 with details. Thank you!

THANKSGIVING BASKETS UPDATE

Many thanks to Liz Miller who has volunteered again this year to coordinate our Thanksgiving Basket Committee in cooperation with the Rel. Ed. program. Also, a BIG thank you to Elaine Charles, a new parishioner who has volunteered, Tina Whitehead, the Dombroski family who has donated wine from New Kent Winery to all our sponsored families and the Knights of Columbus who have volunteered to do deliveries. The food baskets will be put together during Rel. Ed. on Sunday, Nov. 24th and delivered after class. We have fourteen families we are providing with turkeys, groceries and a Food Lion gift card so that they too may enjoy a delicious Thanksgiving meal and holiday!

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.

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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.

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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.