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- Click on “Link Your Shopper’s Card.”
- 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.

A GENTLE REMINDER - WINTER PREPAREDNESS

If you are using the Rel. Ed./Family Life building and need to adjust the three thermostats, please return them to the prior setting after your function has ended. All three units are usually kept at 68 degrees in order to keep the electric bill reasonable and when the building is not in use, all three units running continuously, results in a much higher electric bill such as the one we received last month.

Also, if you are responsible for securing the Church after Mass has ended or the Rel. Ed. or social hall buildings after your function has ended, please make sure the bathroom lights have been turned off (doors locked as well for the social hall) and the faucets are left dripping (low pressure) so our pipes do not freeze overnight.

In the event there is early morning freezing rain/sleet/snow prior to Mass or scheduled functions, please make use of the supplies for salting or light shoveling the sidewalks. Heavy accumulations will result in cancellations which will be updated on the parish phone line, 804-932-4125. Thank you!

OFFICE OF VOCATIONS

“Before I was born, I consecrated you.” Do you think that you may be called by the Lord to serve Him as a priest? Talk to your priest or reach out to the Vocations Office, phone 804-359-5661; or send an email to: vocations@richmonddiocese.org.

**NEW TO THE AREA?
WELCOME!**

Registration forms are located at both entrances to the Church and on our website or visit the parish office.

Are you moving?

Please don’t forget to contact us so we can update our records.

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 SEAS Parish, please contact the parish office at 804-932-4125 to be put in touch with our RCIA Coordinator.

ANNUAL SCOUT MASS

3 PM on Sunday, March 16, 2025

Each year, all youth and adults involved with Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, American Heritage Girls, or Trail Life in the Diocese of Richmond are invited to attend the annual Scout Mass, presided by Bishop Knestout. Those who have earned religious emblems in the past year will be recognized. All scouts are invited to attend this event with their families, friends, and troop leaders. RSVP at: <https://evangelizerichmond.org/events/annual-scout-mass-2/>.



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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.

*3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
January 26, 2025*

Almighty ever-living God, direct our actions according to your good pleasure, that in the name of your beloved Son we may abound in good works.

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 Teaching in the Synagogue at Nazareth
Gerbrand van den Eeckhout, 1658

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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, Jan. 25—Vigil

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

Sunday, Jan. 26—3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 AM—Mass: People of the Parish
9:30 AM—Rel. Ed. Classes
11:00 AM—Mass: †Thomas G. Wallace

Monday, Jan. 27—St. Angela Merici

Tuesday, Jan. 28—St. Thomas Aquinas

Wed., Jan. 29—Weekday

11:00 AM—Mass: Special Intention
5:30 PM—Ladies' Group (SEAS Conf. Rm.)
6:30 PM—Eucharistic Adoration

Thurs., Jan. 30—Weekday

*Office Closed

Friday, Jan. 31—St. John Bosco

*Office Closed

Saturday, Feb. 1—Vigil

11:00 AM—Sacrament of Baptism
5:00 PM—Confessions
5:30 PM—Mass: Special Intention

Sunday, Feb. 2—Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 AM—Mass: People of the Parish
9:30 AM—Rel. Ed. Classes
11:00 AM—Mass: †Thomas P. Wallace

***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, the Diocese of Richmond and those affected by the wildfires in California.

"And the prayer offered in faith will make the sick person well."
James 5:15

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: Gerald A. Taft, Sr., Cindy Butler, John J. Gothreau, Michael Pastore, Deborah Schiro, Connie Bowry, Gerald A. Hall, Sr., 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!

BAPTISM ANNOUNCEMENT

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish would like to announce that the Sacrament of Baptism has been re-scheduled for Theodore John Good, infant son of Patrick and Emily Good of our parish for Saturday, February 1, 2025 at 11:00 AM.

A GENTLE REMINDER

Please take a few moments after Mass to check that you have not left behind any belongings, especially in the pew book racks or under the pews. As we experience colder weather, we often find hats, gloves, prayer books, etc. in the church. We would hate for you to be without these necessary items this winter.

THANK YOU!

Many thanks to our SEAS Parish family for the \$2,500.00 contribution received this week in support of the work of the parish. You have our heartfelt gratitude!

Scripture Readings

Jan. 25 Feast of the Conversion of St. Paul
Acts 22:3-16/Ps 117:1bc,2/Jn 15:16/Mk 16:15-18

Jan. 26 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
Neh 8:2-4a,5-6,8-10/Ps 19:8-10,15/1 Cor 12:12-30/Lk 4:18/Lk 1:1-4; 4:14-21

Jan. 27 Monday of the 3rd Week in Ordinary Time
Heb 9:15,24-28/Ps 98:1-3abcd,6/2 Ti 1:10/Mk 3:22-30

Jan. 28 Memorial of St. Thomas Aquinas
Heb 10:1-10/Ps 40:2,4ab,7-8a,10-11/Mt 11:25/Mk 3:31-35

Jan. 29 Wednesday of the 3rd Week in Ordinary Time
Heb 10:11-18/Ps 110:1-4/Mk 4:1-20

Jan. 30 Thursday of the 3rd Week in Ordinary Time
Heb 10:19-25/Ps 24:1-4ab,5-6/Ps 119:105/Mk 4:21-25

Jan. 31 Memorial of St. John Bosco
Heb 10:32-39/Ps 37:3-6,23-24,39-40/Mt 11:25/Mk 4:26-34

Feb. 1 Saturday of the 3rd Week in Ordinary Time
Heb 11:1-2,8-19/Lk 1:69-73,75/Jn 3:16/Mk 4:35-41

Feb. 2 Feast of the Presentation of the Lord
Mal 3:1-4/Ps 24:7-10/Heb 2:14-18/Lk 2:32/Lk 2:22-40

Parish News

SEAS LADIES' GROUP

SEAS Ladies' Group is resuming—the next six weeks we will be discussing "You're Worth It!" by Danielle Bean. The Ladies' Group meets Wednesday from 5:30-6:30 PM in the Rel. Ed. building, followed by Adoration in the Sanctuary. Please contact Rebecca Edicola, CRE, for any questions: reled@seascatholicchurch.org.

FEAST OF THE PRESENTATION BLESSING OF CANDLES

All are invited to bring candles from home to be blessed after each Mass the weekend of February 1st and 2nd.

Why candles? Sunday, February 2 is the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord. This feast commemorates when Mary and Joseph came to Jerusalem forty days after Jesus' birth to present Christ in the Temple and offer sacrifice. The Presentation proclaims Christ as the light who came into this world to dispel sin and darkness. For this reason, traditionally for many centuries, candles have been blessed at Mass this day that will be used throughout the year. This feast is also called "Candlemas" - the Mass of Candles.

YOUTH GROUP GATHERING Wednesday, Feb. 12th—7:30 PM

The next youth group gathering will be Wednesday, Feb. 12th after Adoration at 7:30 PM in the SEAS Social Hall. For details, please contact Rebecca Edicola, CRE, at: reled@seascatholicchurch.org.

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.

INCLEMENT WEATHER POLICY

When New Kent County public schools are closed due to poor weather conditions, the parish office and church will be closed.

On the weekend, please check the parish website and parish office voicemail for any updates or news.

2025 ANNUAL DIOCESAN APPEAL

Sharing His Love with Others

Many of you will be receiving a letter from Bishop Knestout asking for your support. For those of you who do not receive a mailing or have not had an opportunity to respond, we will be conducting our in-pew process the weekend of **March 8/9**. Additional details will be shared in the coming weeks.

To read more about this year's Appeal and the case for support, please visit: richmondcatholicfoundation.org/appeal/.

NUN RUN FOOD DONATIONS

Our next monthly food collection for the Poor Clare nuns and the Little Sisters of St. Francis is scheduled for the weekend of **February 1/2**. Please drop off all donations to the collection box in the Commons Area of the Church.

SEAS LENDING LIBRARY

SEAS Lending Library is available for use in the Commons Area of the Church. Pick up some reading material for this winter. If you would like to borrow items, there is a sign out sheet to borrow items for up to two weeks.

CHANGE TO UPCOMING OFFICE CLOSING

The parish office will be closed on Thursday and Friday this week, Jan. 30-31, 2025. **This is a change from last week's bulletin.**

The weekend bulletin will be printed on Wednesday afternoon, Jan. 29th.

If you have an urgent need on one of these dates that requires the presence of the priest, please call the rectory at 804-557-3962.



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.

Polar Plunge for the Virginia Special Olympics: Once again, Jeffrey Gargiulo will be raising funds to the Virginia Special Olympics Athletes, through the Polar Plunge. If you would like to donate, please go to my secure fundraising page: <https://impact.specialolympicsva.org/fundraiser/5998277>.

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 Knights of Columbus Council at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish and all we do, please contact GK Mark Dupuis at: 804-201-5925; mdupuis99@aol.com.

To learn more about the Knights of Columbus 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.