NUN RUN FOOD DONATIONS

The next weekend for our monthly food collection for the Poor Clare nuns and the Little Sisters of St. Francis will be on May 3/4. 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!

STATIONS OF THE CROSS—THANK YOU VOLUNTEERS

A heartfelt thank you to the following families for their time and generosity in helping with leading the Stations of the Cross and for providing meatless soups, breads and desserts for the fellowship meals: the Anderez family, Bandino family, Barlage family, Dias family, Dupuis family, Gargiulo family, Huber family, the Jarecki family, the Kulick family, the Parker family and the Severance family. A special thank you to Virginia Walsh for providing desserts. Roberta and I wish God's blessing on everyone for their help and faith during Lent. ~ Jeffrey Gargiulo

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

"The Lord is truly risen!" Are you being called to proclaim the truth of the Lord's resurrection as a priest, religious sister or brother? Talk to your priest or reach out to the Office of Vocations at (804) 359-5661 or email: vocations@richmonddiocese.org.

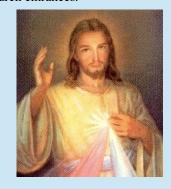


DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY (4/27/25)

Throughout the centuries Our Lord and His Blessed Mother have appeared to people of faith bringing a message of salvation and love. The message and devotion to Jesus as The Divine Mercy is based on the writings of St. Faustina Kowalska, an uneducated Polish nun, who, in obedience to her spiritual director, wrote a diary recording the revelations she received about God's mercy.

The message of mercy is that God loves us—all of us—no matter how great our sins. He wants us to recognize that His mercy is greater than our sins, so that we will call upon Him with trust, receive His mercy, and let it flow through us to others. Devotion to The Divine Mercy is a decision to trust completely in Him, to accept His mercy with thanksgiving, and to be merciful as He is merciful. By doing this you will gain great peace of mind and soul.

Pamphlets on how to pray the Chaplet of Divine Mercy and the Novena before Divine Mercy Sunday (the Second Sunday of Easter) are located by both Church entrances.



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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.

Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord April 20, 2025

O God, who on this day, through your Only Begotten Son, have conquered death and unlocked for us the path to eternity, grant, we pray, that we who keep the solemnity of the Lord's **Resurrection may** through the renewal brought by your Spirit, rise up in the light of life.

Who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.



The Resurrection (Cappella degli Scrovegni all' Arena, Padua, Italy), Giotto di Bondone, 1304-1306

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 Schedule

Saturday, April 19—Vigil

7:30 PM—Easter Vigil Mass: Special Intention

Sunday, April 20—Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

8:30 AM—Mass: Farley, Posada, Guerra and Chavez

Families

9:30 AM—Rel. Ed. NO CLASSES 11:00 AM—Mass: People of the Parish

Monday, April 21—Monday within the Octave of Easter *Office Closed

Tuesday, April 22—Tuesday within the Octave of Easter

Wed., April 23—Wednesday within the Octave of Easter

Thurs., April 24—Thursday within the Octave of Easter

Friday, April 25—Friday within the Octave of Easter 9:00 AM—Private Event (SEAS Hall Reserved)

Saturday, April 26—Vigil

11:30 AM—La Rosa-Ginter Wedding

5:00 PM—Confessions

5:30 PM—Mass: †Thomas Kapalko

Sunday, April 27—2nd Sunday of Easter (Divine Mercy Sunday)

8:30 AM—Mass: People of the Parish 9:30 AM—Rel. Ed. Classes, all grades 10:30 AM—May Crowning Rehearsal 11:00 AM—Mass: 1st Reconciliation Students 12:00 PM—Parish Picnic

*There will be NO daily Mass or Eucharistic Adoration this Wednesday.

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.

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: Catherine Tureski, Elizabeth "Betty" Pool, Joseph J. Gordineer, William Acampora, Peter Livingston, Donna Livingston, Everly Livingston and Alydia Livingston.

Parish Contributions

If you are a registered SEAS parishioner and would like contribution information, please contact the parish office at 804-932-4125.

<u>Donation options:</u> Sign-up for E-giving on the parish website at <u>seascatholicchurch.org</u>; 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!

OFFICE CLOSING

The parish office will be closed on Easter Monday and Easter Tuesday, April 18-21, 2025. If you have an urgent need that requires the presence of the priest, please call the rectory at 804-557-3962.

OPERATION RICE BOWL

As a reminder, if you are participating in Catholic Relief Services' Operation Rice Bowl, please return all Rice Bowls to the Church by next weekend so donations can be counted and submitted in a timely manner. Thank you!



Scripture Readings

April 19 Holy Saturday at the Easter Vigil

Gn 1:1-2:2/Ps 104/Gn 22:1-18/Ps 16/Ex 14:15—15:1/Ex 15:1 -6,17-18/Is 54:5-14/Ps 30/Is 55:1-11/Is 12:2-6/Rom 6:3-11/Ps 118/Lk 24:1-12

April 20 The Resurrection of the Lord

Acts 10:34a,37-43/Ps 118/Col 3:1-4/1 Cor 5:6b-8/1 Cor 5:7/ Jn 20:1-9

April 21 Monday in the Octave of Easter

Acts 2:14,22-33/Ps 16:1-2a&5,7-11/Ps 118:24/Mt 28:8-15

April 22 Tuesday in the Octave of EasterActs 2:36-41/Ps 33:4-5.18-20&22/Ps 118:24/Jn 20:11-18

April 23 Wednesday in the Octave of Easter

Acts 3:1-10/Ps 105:1-4,6-9/Ps 118:24/Lk 24:13-35

April 24 Thursday in the Octave of Easter

Acts 3:11-26/Ps 8:2ab&5-9/Ps 118:24/Lk 24:35-48

April 25 Friday in the Octave of Easter

Acts 4:1-12/Ps 118:1-2&4,22-27a/Ps 118:24/Jn 21:1-14

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April 26 Saturday in the Octave of Easter

Acts 4:13-21/Ps 118:1&14-15ab,16-21/Ps 118:24/Mk 16:9-15

April 27 2nd Second of Easter (Divine Mercy Sunday)

Acts 5:13 16/Ps 118:2 4 13 15 23 24/Ps v 1:0 118 13 13

Acts 5:12-16/Ps 118:2-4,13-15,22-24/Rev 1:9-11a,12-13, 17-19/Jn 20:29/Jn 20:19-31

Parish News

SEAS LADIES' GROUP

SEAS Ladies' Group will be beginning a new study on April 23rd, "Opening the Holy Door: Hope Filled Scripture Reflections from St. Peter's Basilica" by Joan Watson. SEAS Ladies' Group meets on Wednesdays at 5:30 PM in the conference room of the Rel. Ed. building. Contact Rebecca Edicola, CRE, for more details: reled@seascatholicchurch. Nursing/lap babies welcome!

MARRIAGE ANNOUNCEMENT

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish would like to announce the banns of matrimony for James Evans Ginter, IV and Daniella Estela La Rosa, who will be wed at our parish on Saturday, April 26, 2025.



Learn about the Church's new teenage saint, Carlos Acutis, known as the "Patron of the Internet." The documentary "I Am With You" produced by EWTN can be viewed here: https://ondemand.ewtn.com/Home/Play/en/381-373197.

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.

MAY CROWNING

SEAS Parish will hold a May Crowning Procession at the 11:00 AM Mass on Sunday, May 4th, with light refreshments afterward in the SEAS Social Hall. Crowning of the Virgin Mary statue with flowers is a traditional practice to honor Mary during the month of May. All children and teens are invited to learn Marian Hymns for the procession. Beth Ann Luther will assist with rehearsals in the SEAS Rel. Ed. building. Contact Rebecca Edicola, CRE, reled@seascatholicchurch.org, for details.

Remaining rehearsals for the hymns are scheduled for:

April 27: 10:30-10:45am Friday, May 2: 6:30-7:30pm

UNVEILED: PRE-CANA PROGRAM \$170/couple

Various Times & Locations

Unveiled is the Diocese of Richmond's marriage preparation program designed for engaged couples preparing to be married in the Catholic Church. Each session is facilitated by a married couple who will help the engaged couples attending to explore the core topics:

- Communication and Intimacy
- Theology of Marriage
- Spirituality of a Marriage

These core topics are communicated by way of engaging videos featuring married couples, priests, theologians, and physicians. This rich content serves as the springboard for deeper discussion between each couple. There are also occasions for facilitated larger group discussions and opportunities to interact with the other couples attending the session. To register, visit https://evangelizerichmond.org/marriage/marriage-preparation/unveiled/.

SAFE ENVIRONMENT

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish is committed to providing a safe environment for all. All parish volunteers in ministries involving minor children and the vulnerable are required to be Safe Environment trained. Please contact the parish office for information on training.



Schedule: K of C Council 14034 meets the first and third Thursday of the month at 7:00 PM. The inperson 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.

Spring Parish Picnic: The Knights will host a Spring Parish Picnic and Recognition luncheon on Sunday, April 27th, after the 11:00 AM Mass. The parish picnic is free for all parishioners to attend. The menu will feature the normal assortment of picnic foods.

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 at SEAS Parish and all we do, please contact GK Mark Dupuis at: 804-201-5925; dupuis99@aol.com. To learn more about the K of C in Virginia, visit our website: kofc.org/joinus.

KAIROS PRISON MINISTRY

Our next weekend is scheduled for Thursday, May 8th-Sunday, May 11th, 2025. We again are looking for volunteer cookie bakers. Each team member is responsible for 100 dozen cookies. Cookie receipts will be available this weekend by each Church entrance. Please contact Johne Bandino at 804-908-4296 for details.

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.