SAINT PAUL'S ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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St. Paul's Religious Education:

Feast – Exaltation of the Cross

WORD OF GOD FOR A SUNDAY:

The cross of Jesus Christ marks our lives in this world. It is the sign of our faith, the instrument of our salvation, the portent of our triumph over death.

THE READINGS:

Numbers 21:4-9

A people in distress descend to disloyalty but find their healing in a sacramental sign.

Philippians 2:6-11

Early on, Christians gathered to sing this hymn, which describes poetically Christ's fall to death and his rising to glory.

John 3:13-17

According to Jesus, what goes around comes around: Once again, a healing sign will be raised – this time, for the world's salvation.

Offertory Collection	September 7, 2003	\$1093.00
-	Needy Children in Diocesan Care	\$ 591.00

The *Sanctuary Candle* is lit from September 6th – September 20th in memory of Frances & Michael Beldyk by Jeannie Beldyk-Byers and Jim Byers.

Votive Candle offerings are \$2.00 for the large candles, and 50 cents for the small candles.

Lectors for next weekend's Masses are: 5 p.m. – Jean Beldyk-Byers, 9 a.m. – Michael Spinella.

On Saturday, September 28th, at the 5 p.m. Mass, 3 of our young people will receive the **Sacrament of Confirmation** from Bishop Saltarelli.

Feast days that are celebrated this week are: 9/14 – Exaltation of the Cross, 9/15 – Our Lady of Sorrows, 9/16 – St. Cornelius, pope, and St. Cyprian, bishop, martyrs, 9/17 – St. Robert Bellarmine, 9/19 – St. Januarius, martyr, 9/20 – St. Andrew Kim Taegon and St. Paul Chong Hasang, companions and martyrs.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, Sunday, Monday,	September 14,	5:00 PM Gondek & Kleamski Families (living and deceased) 9:00 AM MASS FOR THE PEOPLE (living and deceased) 8:00 AM (rip) Vera Burger by David Smith
Tuesday,		8:00 AM Schroeder Family (living & deceased) by Martha
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Wednesday,	September 17,	8:00 AM (rip) Carl & Ella Jorgensen by David Smith
Thursday,	September 18,	8:00 AM (rip) Marion Walter by Leo & Hilary McNulty
Friday,	September 19,	8:00 AM (viv) Rev. John Conmy, OSFS, by David Smith
Saturday,	September 20,	5:00 PM (rip) Harry & Ann Jameson by Louise Meli
Sunday,	September 21,	9:00 AM MASS FOR THE PEOPLE (living and deceased)

The next available dates for Mass Intentions are: January 22, 23, and 24, 2004. Stipends are \$10.

"The 2003 Biannual Marian Pilgrimage to the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, DC is scheduled for Saturday, October 11, 2003. Cost of the pilgrimage for those who wish to go by bus is \$15 by Gregg Bus Company from the New Castle Parishes. Registration can be made with Susan Walker at 832-1497, our parish representative who has all the details. Departure from designated pickup points will be at 7 or 8 a.m.; return to the pickup point by 7pm. Monsignor Rebman, assisted by Monsignor Barres and Fr. Piekarski, are Pilgrimage Directors. Bishop Saltarelli will be celebrant and homilist of the 3pm Mass." Reservations for bus transportation are due in the Chancery Office by September 26th.

Catholic Forum – Tune in to Catholic Forum each Sunday morning at 10:05 on AM 1150 WDEL or <u>www.wdel.com</u>. Next Sunday, September 21st, Fr. Thomas Flowers, Diocesan Liaison and Chaplain to the Catholic Charismatic Renewal and Pastor of St. Polycarp Parish in Smyrna, will discuss the upcoming charismatic conference. Catholic Forum is a production of the Diocese of Wilmington's Office of Communications.

Vocations Through Isaiah the prophet, the Lord says "Be strong, fear not! Here is your God, he comes with vindication; with divine recompense he comes to save you!" Could God be calling you to proclaim that same message as a priest in our diocese? Call Fr. Joe Cocucci, Diocesan Director of Vocations at (302) 573-3113.



God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through him ... JN 3:13-17

September 14, 2003 Exaltation of the Holy Cross