

## SAINT PAUL'S ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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*Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

### WORD OF GOD FOR A SUNDAY:

Jesus is the one true High Priest called by God to intervene in history and save God's people. His lesson is one of service and concern, as witnessed in his healing of Bartimaeus, the blind beggar.

### THE READINGS:

Jeremiah: 31:7-9

Jeremiah offers hope that a faithful remnant of Israel will be the foundation for a renewed people.

Hebrews 5:1-6

One does not presume to take on the priesthood but God must call one to the position of high Priest.

Mark 10:46-52

Bartimaeus, the blind beggar, persists in calling Jesus until he is heard and healed.

Offertory Collection

October 19, 2003

\$953.00

Trinity Missions

\$317.00

Today, with Catholics of the world, we are called to offer, at this Eucharistic celebration, our prayers and our generous financial support, through the Propagation of the Faith, to continue the mission of our Lord.

\$25 helps support a catechist for a month

\$75 provides for the work of Religious Sisters

\$100 is a month's help for a village mission

As always, your prayers are your most treasured gift to the Missions.

Today, **WORLD MISSION SUNDAY**, through your prayers and financial help, you accompany the priests, Religious and lay people in the Missions who are Christ's witnesses to a world so in need of His healing love and peace.

**A limited number of Sanctuary Candle Memorials** for the year 2004 remain. Envelopes are on the table in the vestibule. Please complete the front of the envelope and enclose the \$10 donation for the 2-week period and drop it in to the offertory collection. A Sanctuary Candle will be lit for two weeks in honor of a living person/family or in memory of a deceased person/family.

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

## MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday,	October 25,	5:00 PM (rip) Richard & Rose Meli by Louise Meli
Sunday,	October 26,	9:00 AM MASS FOR THE PEOPLE (living & deceased)
Monday,	October 27,	8:00 AM (viv) Rev. John Conmy, OSFS by David Smith
Tuesday,	October 28,	8:00 AM (rip) William & Mary Lewis by David Smith
Wednesday,	October 29,	8:00 AM (rip) Beatrice Bobst by David Smith
Thursday,	October 30,	8:00 AM (rip) Robert Reece by David Smith
Friday,	October 31,	8:00 AM (rip) Joseph Merkel by M/M Charles Mutchka
Saturday,	November 1,	5:00 PM MASS FOR THE PEOPLE (living and deceased)
Sunday,	November 2,	9:00 AM (rip) All Souls

The next **available dates** for **Mass Intentions** are: January 29, February 1, and 15, 2004. **Mass stipends** are **\$10 per Mass** per Diocesan changes as of January 1, 2003.

The **Sanctuary Candle** is lit from October 18<sup>th</sup> –November 1st in memory of Albert & Tessie Gondek.

**The new-boxed sets of envelopes are in the back pews in church. Please pick up your set.**

**Lectors** for next weekend's Masses are: 5 p.m. – Charlie Gondek, 9 a.m. – Harry Killian.

The National Federation of Priests' Councils has designated **Sunday, October 26<sup>th</sup> as "Priesthood Sunday"**. This is designed to give Catholics an opportunity to affirm the priesthood in the Church and "to express support for the honorable and dedicated priests who baptize, marry, and care for their flock in both good and bad times". Please remember all our priests in your prayers today.

**Catholic Forum** – Tune in to Catholic Forum each Sunday morning at 10:05 on AM 1150 WDEL or [www.wdel.com](http://www.wdel.com). Next Sunday, November 2<sup>nd</sup>, learn about the Faith for Tomorrow: On Good Soil program with guests Ed Gordon and Sr. Sally Russell. Catholic Forum is a production of the Diocese of Wilmington's Office of Communications.

**Vocations** – According to the Letter to the Hebrews, a priest is able to deal patiently with the ignorant and erring, for he himself is beset by weakness. Do you know your weaknesses? Have you found your strength in the Lord? Are you willing to work with His grace to use even your weakness as a tool for His glory? If you believe God may be calling you to the priesthood, call Father Joe Cocucci, Diocesan Director of Vocations at (302) 573-3113.

**Jesus House** - Sr. Liz Sweeney, SSJ, will be offering a one-day session on "Writing as a Spiritual Practice", a practice that can become an eye-opening tool to discover an authentic way to strengthen the interior connection linking us with God. Date: Wednesday, November 12, 2003, 9 to 11 a.m. or 7 - 9 p.m. at the Jesus House, 2501 Milltown Rd. Wilmington, DE 19808. For more information or to register, call (302) 995-6859.

**St. Margaret of Scotland Church**, 230 Executive Drive, Suite 8 in Pencader Plaza, will hold their Christmas Bazaar on Sat., Nov. 8<sup>th</sup>, 9 a.m. – 7p.m. and Sun., Nov. 9<sup>th</sup>, 10 a.m. – 1 p.m.

**Ursuline Academy** will hold their Open House on Sunday, Nov. 9<sup>th</sup>, at 1 p.m. For information call 658-7158.

The **Diocesan Tribunal** will hold an information session for divorced persons who wish to seek a declaration

of nullity of marriage on Friday, November 14<sup>th</sup>, at 7 p.m. at St. Joseph's Church in Middletown.