

SAINT PAUL'S ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Second Sunday of Easter

WORD OF GOD FOR A SUNDAY:

Thomas fails to believe on faith alone in the resurrection of Jesus. It is only when the Lord appears to the apostles a second time that Thomas believes because he sees the risen Christ. Our faith in the resurrection of Jesus affirms what we cannot see. As we gather in this holy season of Easter, let us seek the Lord's pardon for the times we have not placed our complete faith in the Lord.

THE READINGS:

Acts 5:12-16

Peter and the apostles work many signs and wonders in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ.

Revelation 1:9-11, 12-13, 17-19

The Book of Revelation recalls the glory of the Lord and his victory over death.

John 20:19-31

Thomas believes in the resurrection only after he sees the risen Jesus. Our Lord tells Thomas that blessed are they who believe and have not seen.

Offertory Collection

April 11, 2004

\$1209.00

Easter Sunday

\$3414.00

Rice Bowl

\$ 569.00

Holy Land Shrines

\$ 437.00

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

The **Sanctuary Candle** is lit from April 17th – May 1st in memory of Frances & Michael Beldyk by Jeannie & Jim Byers.

Feast days for the saints for this week are: St. Anselm – 4/21, St. George – 4/23, St. Fidelis – 4/24.

Mother Françoise Isabelle, O.S.F.S., Superior General of the Oblate Sisters died Monday, April 12th at their Motherhouse in France. Eternal rest grant to her soul, and to Isabelle Greigg, sister of Monsignor Joseph Rebman, and all the souls of the faithful departed.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday,	April 17,	5:00 PM (rip) Dorothy Cressman by the Dudlek Family
Sunday,	April 18,	9:00 AM MASS FOR THE PEOPLE (living & deceased)
Monday,	April 19,	8:00 AM (rip) Arthur & Elizabeth Lilley by Donald Lilley
Tuesday,	April 20,	8:00 AM (rip) Delcia Hebert by Paul & Toni Hebert
Wednesday,	April 21,	8:00 AM (rip) John Henry by Donald Lilley
Thursday,	April 22,	8:00 AM (viv) Richard & Anita Smith by Helen Brannon
Friday,	April 23,	8:00 AM (rip) Florence Tessier by M/M Vincent DiLeonardo
Saturday,	April 24,	5:30 PM MASS FOR THE PEOPLE (living & deceased)
Sunday,	April 25,	9:00 AM (rip) Robert Vitone by M/M Paul Allen

The next **available dates** for **Mass Intentions** are April 26, 28, and 29, 2004. **Mass stipends** are \$10.

Catholic Forum – Tune in to Catholic Forum each Sunday morning at 10:05 on AM 1150 WDEL or www.wdel.com. Next Sunday, April 25th, Dr. Thomas Hon will discuss the Church in Korea. Catholic Forum is a production of the Diocese of Wilmington's Office of Communications.

Vocations - Jesus gave the Twelve the authority to forgive sins in His name, and He continues to give that authority to the Church through the ministry of the priesthood. Is He calling you to serve this ministry of reconciliation as a priest? If you are a man between the ages of 18 and 49 and believe that God might be calling you in this way, please call Fr. Joe Cocucci, Diocesan Director of Vocations, at (302) 573-3113.

Blessed Gianna expert to give presentation at St. Peter the Apostle - The President of the society of Blessed Gianna, Mr. Joseph Cunningham, will give a presentation on the life and sanctification of Blessed Gianna Molla, on Thursday, April 22, 2004 at 7:00 p.m. in the Social Hall of St. Peter the Apostle Church, Fifth and Harmony Streets in historic New Castle, Delaware. Pope John Paul II will canonize blessed Gianna, wife, mother and medical doctor, as one of the newest saints of the Catholic Church in May. Blessed Gianna Molla died in 1962 as a martyr of maternal love. In September of 1961, at the age of 39, Blessed Gianna was pregnant with her fourth child when physicians diagnosed a large uterine tumor, which required surgery. The surgeon suggested that Gianna undergo an abortion in order to save her own life. Gianna's decision was prompt and decisive: "I shall accept whatever they will do to me provided they save the child." She underwent the surgery but her fate was sealed. The following year, on Good Friday, Gianna was admitted to Monza Maternity Hospital. Her daughter, Gianna Emanuela, was born the next day but Blessed Gianna expired seven days later, on April 28, 1962.

Mr. Cunningham's presentation will include a short video containing footage of the daughter for which Blessed Gianna gave her life and interviews with her husband and other children. Relics of Blessed Gianna will also be on hand for viewing and reflection. The presentation is free and open to the public. More information is available by calling Mary DiMenco at 302-328-0771. Information about Blessed Gianna Molla can be found at www.gianna.org.

The **Delaware Knights of Columbus** invite you to the **First Annual Delaware Chili Cook-off** to benefit **Birthday of Delaware**, Saturday, April 24th from 1-5 p.m. at St. Anthony in the Hills, 6742 Limestone Road in Avondale, PA (near Hockessin). Featuring live music, prizes, great fun and all the chili you can taste. Hot dogs and beverages will also be available. Cost is \$7 per adult; \$15 per family, children under 12 are free.

Birthday of Delaware, Inc., a non-profit organization, has been offering practical emergency pregnancy services to women since 1972 and offers free pregnancy tests, information and referral services, maternity and infant clothing, baby supplies and support and encouragement to women in need, from its

offices in Wilmington and Newark.
