

SAINT PAUL'S ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

WORD OF GOD FOR A SUNDAY:

As disciples of Jesus, we are not self-righteous, but rather humble servants of the kingdom of Heaven. As we prepare ourselves to celebrate this Eucharist, let us humbly place ourselves in the presence of the Lord, our God.

THE READINGS:

Sirach 35:12-14, 16-18

The prayer of the humble will reach to the heavens.

2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18

St. Paul awaits the crown of righteousness he has won by his fidelity to the gospel and to Jesus his Lord.



Luke 18:9-14

The humble of heart will be exalted before the Lord.

Offertory Collection

October 17, 2004

\$971.00

Mission Sunday

\$303.00

Lectors for next weekend's Masses are: 5 p.m. – John Edwards, 9 a.m. – Susan Walker.

Sanctuary Candle Memorials for the year 2005 are now being accepted. A Sanctuary Candle will be lit for two weeks in honor of a living person/family or in memory of a deceased person/family. Envelopes for this purpose 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 basket.

The **Sanctuary Candle** is lit from October 16th - October 30th in memory of Albert & Tessie Gondek.

MASS INTENTIONS

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| Saturday, | October 23, | 5:00 PM MASS FOR THE PEOPLE (living & deceased) |
| Sunday, | October 24, | 9:00 AM (rip) Greg Steiner by M/M Leon Binder |
| Monday, | October 25, | NO MASS OR COMMUNION SERVICE |
| Tuesday, | October 26, | 8:00 AM (viv) Mary Smith by David Smith |
| Wednesday, | October 27, | NO MASS OR COMMUNION SERVICE |
| Thursday, | October 28, | NO MASS OR COMMUNION SERVICE |
| Friday, | October 29, | NO MASS OR COMMUNION SERVICE |
| Saturday, | October 30, | 5:00 PM (viv) Charmayne McCaffery by Michael McCaffery |
| Sunday, | October 31, | 9:00 AM MASS FOR THE PEOPLE (living & deceased) |

The next **available dates** for **Mass Intentions** are Dec. 15, 16, and 17, 2004. **Mass stipends** are \$10.



Offertory Envelopes are in the last pew. The sets are arranged alphabetically. Please pick up your set. If you are not currently using envelopes and would like to begin using them, please contact the office and a set will be made up for you. Children's envelopes are also available. Thank you for your support through the envelope system.

We are in need of people to be **lectors** at the **5 p.m. Mass on Saturdays**. Please contact Susan Walker at 836-9892 if you are able to assist. Thank you.

Catholic Forum – Tune in to Catholic Forum each Sunday morning at 10:05 on AM 1150 WDEL or www.wdel.com. Next Sunday, October 31st, Fr. Michael Carrier and Mr. Mark Christian discuss Catholic Funeral Guidelines. Catholic Forum is a production of the Diocese of Wilmington's Office of Communications.

Vocations – The tax collector in today's gospel prays, "O God, be merciful to me, a sinner." Sometimes when God calls a person to priesthood or religious life, that person's first response is "I'm not worthy; I'm a sinner!" The good news is we're all sinners, but we've been redeemed by Jesus Christ and called to live lives of holiness. If you think God is calling you to priesthood or to religious life, please call Father Joe Cocucci, Diocesan Director of Priestly and Religious Vocations, at (302) 573-3113.

Sunday, October 31st is **PRIESTHOOD SUNDAY USA**. Join the celebration! Go to www.priestsunday.org for details. (A message from the Diocese of Wilmington Serra Club.)



The Tables Are Turned

The Pharisee was a man of status in the community and was used to people deferring to him. The tax collector was an outcast because he was seen as collaborating with the Roman occupiers. Both approached God expecting to be treated the same way they always were. But this time everything was different. The humility of the tax collector was honored. The pride of the Pharisee was condemned. What is your self image in the presence of God?

Thirtieth Sunday of the Year

October 24, 2004