

SAINT PAUL'S ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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First Sunday of Advent

WORD OF GOD FOR A SUNDAY:

Now is the hour for us to wake from our sleep, for salvation is close at hand. The savior is about to enter history as an innocent babe and he will come again at the end of time. Christians should always be ready for the coming of Jesus.

THE READINGS:

Isaiah 2:1-5

Isaiah's vision is one of the Holy City on the hill. Yahweh's peace will encompass the world and people will no longer need to train for battle.

Romans 13:11-14

The wake-up call has been sounded for all Christians. Every part of the Christian's life should be open to the scrutiny of the daylight.



Matthew 24:37-44

We must always stand ready because the son is coming at an hour that we do not expect. We do not want to be unprepared, like those in the time of Noah.

Offertory Collection	November 21, 2004	\$876.00
	Campaign for Human Development	\$265.00

Lectors for next weekend's Masses are: 5 p.m. – Michael Spinella, 9 a.m. – Thomas Kaczmarczyk.

The **Sanctuary Candle** is lit from November 27th – December 11th in memory of Albert Gondek.

Please pick up your **offertory envelope set**. They are in the last windowsill on the Blessed Mother side.

Eternal rest grant to Deacon Anthony Vinciguerra and all the souls of the faithful departed.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday,	November 27,	5:00 PM (rip) Charles Walter by Ruth Press
Sunday,	November 28,	9:00 AM MASS FOR THE PEOPLE (living & deceased)
Monday,	November 29,	NO MASS OR COMMUNION SERVICE
Tuesday,	November 30,	NO MASS OR COMMUNION SERVICE
Wednesday,	December 1,	NO MASS OR COMMUNION SERVICE
Thursday,	December 2,	NO MASS OR COMMUNION SERVICE
Friday,	December 3,	NO MASS OR COMMUNION SERVICE
Saturday,	December 4,	5:00 PM (viv) Fr. Siry by Louise Meli & Toni Hebert
Sunday,	December 5,	9:00 AM (rip) Edward Drozd, Jr. by M/M Vincent DiLeonardo

The next **available dates** for **Mass Intentions** are January 6, 7, and 12, 2005. **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, December 5th, Sr. Sally Russell, SSJ, will talk about making Advent and Christmas real for families. Catholic Forum is a production of the Diocese of Wilmington's Office of Communications.

Vocations – In today's second reading, St. Paul reminds us that we are called to "throw off the works of darkness and put on the armor of light." Some are called to "put on the Lord Jesus Christ" in a way that serves the rest of the Body of Christ as priests, deacons, religious sisters or religious brothers. Could God be calling you to one of these vocations? If you'd like to pursue that possibility, please call or write Father Joe Cocucci, Diocesan Director of Priestly and Religious Vocations (302-573-3113; jcocucci@cdow.org).

Manifesting Peace!

The prophet Isaiah sees the coming of the Lord as bringing peace. He says:

One nation shall not raise the sword against another, nor shall they train for war again.

What can your Eucharistic community and your family do this Advent to increase the visibility of this vision during the coming year?

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November 28, 2004

