

## SAINT PAUL'S ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Second Sunday in Lent

### WORD OF GOD FOR A SUNDAY:

All Christians are challenged to heed the divine voice and accept the good news to get up, cast off fear and conform their lives to Christ. This transformation is offered to us by God as a gift.

### THE READINGS:

Genesis 12:1-4

Upon Abram's unquestioning act of faith rests the existence and destiny of the chosen people.

2 Timothy 1:8-10

Through no merit of our own, Jesus has made immortality and life through the gospel possible for us.

Matthew 17:1-9

The transfiguration shows Jesus to be the new Moses and the perfect and definitive teacher of the law.

Offertory Collection	February 13, 2005	\$952.00
	Ash Wednesday	\$347.00

Next weekend a second collection will be taken up for the support of the Black & Indian Missions/Catholic Home Missions. Please be generous.

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

The **Sanctuary Candle** is lit from February 19<sup>th</sup> – March 3<sup>rd</sup> for the health of Charles Gondek.

**Are you new to the parish?** Please be sure to register in the parish by picking up a Parish Registration Form from the literature rack in the vestibule completing it and returning it to the church through the offertory collection basket or through the mail. **Another method is to go to our website – [www.STPAULSRCChurch.org](http://www.STPAULSRCChurch.org) and complete a form there and e-mail it to the office at [STPAULSDECITY@aol.com](mailto:STPAULSDECITY@aol.com).** Thank you to our web-master, Steve Michel, for keeping our website up to date and for reminding us that parish registration can be done this way.

## MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday,	February 19,	5:00 PM (rip) Marie Hammond by Ruth Press
Sunday,	February 20,	9:00 AM MASS FOR THE PEOPLE (living & deceased)
Monday,	February 21,	8:00 AM (viv) Mary Smith by Helen Brannon
Tuesday,	February 22,	8:00 AM (viv) David Smith by Helen Brannon
Wednesday,	February 23,	NO MASS OR COMMUNION SERVICE
Thursday,	February 24,	8:00 AM (viv) Claudia Goodwin by Helen Brannon
Friday,	February 25,	8:00 AM (viv) The Eric Orthworth Family by Helen Brannon
Saturday,	February 26,	5:00 PM MASS FOR THE PEOPLE (living & deceased)
Sunday,	February 27,	9:00 AM (viv) Fr. Siry by Helen Brannon

The next **available dates** for **Mass Intentions** are April 13, 14, and 15, 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](http://www.wdel.com). Next Sunday, February 27<sup>th</sup>, tune in to hear an interview with liturgical musician and songwriter, Paul Tate. Also, during the month of February tune in for a special Black History Month feature entitled Black Saints for Today's World. Catholic Forum is a production of the Diocese of Wilmington's Office of Communications.

**Vocations** – When Abram heard God's call, he followed, and God blessed him immensely. Is God calling you to serve the Church as a religious sister or brother, as a deacon, or as a priest? If you think so, call or write Father Joe Cocucci, Diocesan Director of Priestly and Religious Vocations (302-573-3113; [icocucci@cdow.org](mailto:icocucci@cdow.org)).

**Catholic Charities** will offer **Stepping Stones to a New Life**, a program for people who are divorced or separated. The 6-week program will begin on Tuesday, April 5<sup>th</sup>, from 6:30 – 8 p.m. All meetings will be held at the Catholic Charities office at 2601 W. 4<sup>th</sup> Street, Wilmington. The cost of the program, including materials, is \$35. The course is designed to help people rebuild their lives after divorce or separation. For more information or to register call Mary Jo McGonegal, Family Life Bureau at 655-9624.

**DIOCESAN HEALING MASS** – Friday, March 4<sup>th</sup>, 2005 at 8:00 p.m. at St. Mary of the Assumption Church, Rt. #41, (7200 Lancaster Pike), Hockessin, Delaware. The presider this month will be Rev. Michael J. Carrier, Pastor of Cathedral of St. Peter and Director, Office of Worship. Prayer teams will be available after Mass for individual, private prayer. The church is also handicap accessible. There is a reserved seating area available, close to the altar, for the aged and infirm. Prayer teams will visit the reserved seating area. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will take place in St. Mary's Chapel at 8:00 p.m. on Thursday, March 3<sup>rd</sup> and is open to all. During this service, prayers will be offered for the petitions of the people attending the Diocesan Healing Mass. For additional information, please call (302) 239-5982.



### Age is No Barrier!

Abram had already been a senior citizen for a decade when God asked him to leave the land and people he knew and strike out into what was for him unknown territory. He and his wife Sarai journeyed far and had many adventures until at the age of 99 the Lord changed his name to Abraham and gave him and his wife, now called Sarah, a son. Age is no barrier to doing the work of God. Remember that!

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February 20, 2005