

SAINT PAUL'S ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Second Sunday of Easter

WORD OF GOD FOR A SUNDAY:

Faith in the resurrection of Jesus Christ means we now live life from the inside out. What we believe shows up in who we are and what we do.

THE READINGS:

Acts 2:42-47

Here is the church equivalent of "the good old days" – a time when dedication, enthusiasm and inspiration closely bound the Christian community.

1 Peter 1:3-9

Through the death and resurrection of Jesus, we have a new birth into an imperishable inheritance and to a salvation that will be revealed in the last days. We have entered the end times.

John 20:19-31

..... There is a profound analogy between the **Fiat** which Mary said in reply to the angel, and the **Amen** which every believer says when receiving the body of the Lord. Mary was asked to believe that the One whom she conceived "through the Holy Spirit" was "the Son of God" (Lk 1:30-35). In continuity with the Virgin's faith, in the Eucharistic mystery we are asked to believe that the same Jesus Christ, Son of God and Son of Mary, becomes present in his full humanity and divinity under the signs of bread and wine.

Pope John Paul II *Ecclesia de Eucharistia*, 55

Offertory Collection	March 27, 2005	\$ 723.00
	Easter	\$3762.00
	Rice Bowls	\$ 557.00
	Holy Land Shrines	\$ 200.00

Thank you for your generous donations.

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

The **Sanctuary Candle** is lit from April 2nd – 16th in memory of Frances & Michael Beldyk by Jeannie & Jim Byers.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday,	April 2,	5:00 PM (rip) Victor Press by Ruth Press
Sunday,	April 3,	9:00 AM MASS FOR THE PEOPLE (living & deceased)
Monday,	April 4,	NO MASS OR COMMUNION SERVICE
Tuesday,	April 5,	NO MASS OR COMMUNION SERVICE
Wednesday,	April 6,	NO MASS OR COMMUNION SERVICE
Thursday,	April 7,	NO MASS OR COMMUNION SERVICE
Friday,	April 8,	NO MASS OR COMMUNION SERVICE
Saturday,	April 9,	5:00 PM MASS FOR THE PEOPLE (living & deceased)
Sunday,	April 10,	9:00 AM (rip) Rosemary Hamilton by Bill & Mindy Mannia

The next **available dates** for **Mass Intentions** are May 17, 19, and 20, 2005. **Mass stipends** are **\$10**.

CCD Re-registration is currently in progress. All families are asked to return their re-registration forms to class before April 17th. Any registered family who has a child who will be entering CCD next September for the first time is asked to pick up a **Green colored registration form** from the vestibule literature rack and return the completed form along with a copy of your child's Baptism Certificate (if your child was not baptized at St. Paul's), to the parish office by May 15, 2005.

2005 Annual Catholic Appeal – "Lighting the Paths of Life" – next weekend, our parish will conduct the 2005 Annual Catholic Appeal. It is at this time each year when Bishop Saltarelli appeals to us on behalf of the Diocese of Wilmington to support the works of the Church within the Diocese. Funds from the Appeal help provide pastoral, charitable, and educational programs and ministries to tens of thousands of people in our 12-county Diocese. As parishioners of St. Paul's, we are proud to be part of the Church of Wilmington. As members, it is important that we reach out and serve others by sharing our resources. Just as we are one in the body of Christ, we must remember that we are one with the other parishes and with our Diocese. The Annual Catholic Appeal offers us the opportunity to all work together to care for the Church by sharing the gifts God has granted us.

Our parish Appeal target is \$8900. Your financial support will assist us in reaching that goal. Once we reach our goal, a portion of the money collected above our target will be returned to the parish for our own ministerial needs.

Please look for the special Annual Catholic Appeal insert in this coming week's edition of the DIALOG. The insert provides important information about the campaign and the use of campaign funds.

Please give prayerful and thoughtful consideration to your resources and the needs of those served by the Annual Catholic Appeal. Kindly decide ahead of time the contribution that you wish to make this year, and come to Church next weekend prepared to complete your pledge card. 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, April 10th, tune in to learn about a U.S. Senate postcard campaign when Tom Jewett, Chairman of the Diocesan respect Life Committee is interviewed. Catholic Forum is a production of the Diocese of Wilmington's Office of Communications.

Vocations – Today's first reading reminds us that the early Christians "devoted themselves to the teaching of the apostles and to the communal life, to the breaking of bread and to the prayers." Christians today are called to the same tasks; some live out that calling as religious sisters and brothers, as priests or as deacons. What about you? Might God be calling you to a life of service to the Body of Christ? If you think so, call or write Father Joe Cocucci, Diocesan Director of Priestly and Religious Vocations (302-573-3113; jcocucci@cdow.org).