

## SAINT PAUL'S ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Fourth Sunday of Easter

### WORD OF GOD FOR A SUNDAY:

The Lord is our shepherd, the one who guards and guides our lives. His voice speaks words of love; his life gives us encouragement; his resurrection is our strength.

### THE READINGS:

Acts 2:14, 36-41

Right from the beginning, what sounded at first like bad news turned out to be good – Jesus died to save us from our sins.

1 Peter 2:20-25

The early Christian instruction teaches us the meaning of suffering in the life of Christ – and in our own lives.

John 10:1-10

Jesus is the sheep-gate, the passage through which all God's people must pass. Only those leaders who enter through Jesus have the right to lead his sheep. All others are thieves and marauders.

Offertory Collection

April 10, 2005

\$1205.00

**Lectors** for next weekend's Masses are: 5 p.m. – Jean Beldyk-Byers, 9 a.m. – Thomas Kaczmarczyk.

The **Sanctuary Candle** is lit from April 16<sup>th</sup> – 30<sup>th</sup> in memory of Wilbur Curlett by Judith Johnson.

**Eternal rest** grant to Carol Stanley, Mary Klapps Ribairo, sister of Fr. William Klapps, and all the souls of the faithful departed.

**CCD Re-registration** is currently in progress. All families are asked to return their re-registration forms to class by today, April 17<sup>th</sup>. 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.

Next weekend seven children will receive their **First Holy Communion** at the 9 a.m. Mass.

## MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday,	April 16,	5:00 PM (viv) Christine & Meridan Tapert by David Smith
Sunday,	April 17,	9:00 AM MASS FOR THE PEOPLE (living & deceased)
Monday,	April 18,	8:00 AM (rip) Willard Smith by Mary Smith
Tuesday,	April 19,	8:00 AM (rip) Kathleen Brannon by Mary Smith
Wednesday,	April 20,	NO MASS OR COMMUNION SERVICE
Thursday,	April 21,	8:00 AM (rip) Helen & Stephen Sefcik
Friday,	April 22,	8:00 AM (rip) Richard & Rose Meli by Louise Meli
Saturday,	April 23,	5:00 PM MASS FOR THE PEOPLE (living & deceased)
Sunday,	April 24,	9:00 AM (rip) Zenon Marusa, Jr. by M/M Paul Allen

The next **available dates** for **Mass Intentions** are May 26, 27, and 31, 2005. **Mass stipends** are **\$10**.

**Annual Catholic Appeal** – Last weekend, **30 families** of our parish responded to the 2005 Annual Catholic Appeal – “Lighting the Paths of Life”. **A total of \$6160.55 was pledged toward our goal of \$8900**. We are making good progress toward our goal; however, we need everyone to participate to his or her best ability to have complete success. Everyone who has yet to make their pledge is asked to prayerfully consider supporting the ministries of our Diocese. Whether or not you wish to contribute, it is important that you complete a pledge card. If you do not wish to contribute, simply indicate the words “No Gift” on the card. This will save the Diocese the time and expense of a follow-up contact. For your convenience, pledge cards have been made available in the last windowsills on both sides in the church and can be acquired immediately after Mass. Thank you.

### John Paul, II

#### His Holiness the Pope

Born in Wadowic, Diocese of Krakow May 18, 1920

Ordained Priest November 1, 1946

Appointed Titular Bishop of Ombi July 4, 1958

Promoted to Archbishop of Krakow January 13, 1964

Proclaimed and Created Cardinal June 26, 1967

Elected Pope October 16, 1978

Installed October 22, 1978

Died April 2, 2005

O God,

From whom the just receive an unending reward, grant that your servant John Paul, our Pope, whom you made vicar of Peter and shepherd of your Church, may rejoice forever in the vision of your glory, for he was a faithful steward here on earth of the mysteries of your forgiveness and grace. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### Prayer to the Holy Spirit for the Election of a Pope

Come Holy Spirit fill the hearts of your faithful and enkindle in them the fire of your love.

V. Send forth your Spirit

R. And you shall renew the face of the earth.

Let us pray,

Lord God, you are our eternal shepherd and guide. In your mercy grant your Church a shepherd who will walk in your ways and whose watchful care will bring us your blessing.

We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever.