

SAINT PAUL'S ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Sixth Sunday of Easter

WORD OF GOD FOR A SUNDAY:

Jesus assures us that whoever loves him will be loved by the Father. My brothers and sisters, as we prepare our hearts to celebrate these sacred mysteries, let us turn to the Lord seeking pardon and mercy for the times we have failed to be a loving presence in the world.

THE READINGS:

Acts 8:14-17

Peter and John laid hands on the people and they received the Holy Spirit.

1 Peter 3:15-18

Christ suffered for our sins that he might lead us to God.

John 14:15-21

The Church draws her life from the Eucharist. This truth does not simply express a daily experience of faith, but recapitulates **the heart of the mystery of the Church**. In a variety of ways she joyfully experiences the constant fulfillment of the promise: "Lo, I am with you always, to the close of the age" (Mt 28:20), but in the Holy Eucharist, through the changing of bread and wine into the body and blood of the Lord, she rejoices in this presence with unique intensity.

Pope John Paul II *Ecclesia de Eucharistia*, 1

Offertory Collection

April 24, 2005

\$1111.00

Lectors for next weekend's Masses are: 5 p.m. – Charlie Gondek, 9 a.m. – Harry Killian.

The **Sanctuary Candle** is lit from April 30th – May 14th for the health of Fr. Siry, Fr. Klapps, Fr. Kaczorowski, and Fr. Gondek.

Annual Catholic Appeal – to date pledges totaling \$10,115.55 have been received from 52 families. If you have not completed a pledge card please do so even if you are not able to pledge and return it as soon as possible. Thank you to all the families who have pledged to this year's campaign.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, April 30,

5:00 PM (rip) Rosemary Hamilton by Susan Walker

Sunday, May 1,

9:00 AM MASS FOR THE PEOPLE (living & deceased)

Monday, May 2,

8:00 AM (rip) Jane Mitchell by Dr. Agatha Anstreicher

Tuesday, May 3,

8:00 AM (rip) Jennie Wisowaty by Walter & Barbara Wisowaty

Wednesday, May 4,

NO MASS OR COMMUNION SERVICE

Thursday, May 5,

8:00 AM (viv) Vivien Brannon by Helen Brannon

Friday, May 6,

8:00 AM Gondek & Kleamski Families (living & deceased)

Saturday, May 7,

5:00 PM MASS FOR THE PEOPLE (living & deceased)

Sunday, May 8,

9:00 AM For All Mothers (living & deceased)

The next **available dates** for **Mass Intentions** are June 6, 8, and 9, 2005. **Mass stipends** are **\$10**.



We are in need of volunteers to be lectors, ushers, and church cleaners. Please drop your name, phone number and the ministry you wish to volunteer for in the offertory basket and someone will contact you. Thank you for your help!

CCD Registration – we are still awaiting re-registration forms for several families. Please return them immediately. Registrations for children entering CCD in the Fall for the first time are now being accepted. Green-colored forms are in the literature rack in the vestibule. A copy of your child's Baptismal Certificate is required if your child was not baptized at St. Paul's.

Mother's Day Cards are available in the vestibule. All mothers, grandmothers, and Godmothers will be remembered at all Masses during the month of May.

Annual Mother's Day Rose Sale – Roses will be sold on Mother's Day weekend (May 7th and 8th) to aid Birthright of Delaware. The donation for one rose is \$2., 3 for \$5., or a dozen for \$18. Your support is greatly appreciated.

PROMISE TO PROTECT – PLEDGE TO HEAL

The Catholic Church is seeking to find better ways to respond to allegations of sexual abuse by persons representing the Church and to identify additional ways in which abuse can be prevented.

If you have been the victim of abuse and are interested in participating in this project by completing an anonymous, confidential web or paper based questionnaire, visit the website at www.victim-outreach.com before May 4th, 2005. You may also contact the Diocesan Victim Assistance Coordinator, Beth Krieger, at 656-0651 for additional information.

Catholic Forum –Tune in to Catholic Forum each Sunday morning at 10:05 on AM 1150 WDEL or www.wdel.com. Next Sunday, May 8th, tune in for a special Mother's day show. Catholic Forum is a production of the Diocese of Wilmington's Office of Communications.

Vocations – In today's gospel, Jesus says, "Whoever hears my commandments and observes them is the one who loves me." Can you think of a better way to show one's love for Jesus than by seeking out God's will for your life? Finding God's plan involves listening and responding. If you think God might be calling you to serve the Church as a priest, sister, brother or deacon, and if you'd like to explore steps you can take to listen better, call or write Father Joe Cocucci, Diocesan Director of Priestly and Religious Vocations (302-573-3113; jcocucci@cdow.org).