SAINT PAUL'S ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Feast of the Ascension - Solemnity

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WORD OF GOD FOR A SUNDAY:

As Jesus ascended into heaven, he commanded his apostles to go out and make disciples of all nations. As followers of Jesus, we, too, are commissioned by the Holy Spirit to go out into the world and spread the Good News of Jesus Christ to all people. Let us then turn to the Lord seeking pardon for the occasions we have failed to be living witnesses to the saving deeds of Christ Jesus.

THE READINGS:

Acts 1:1-11

This Jesus who has been taken from you into heaven will return in the same way.

Ephesians 1:17-23 Jesus is seated at the right hand of the Father in heaven.

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 May 1, 2005 \$1157.00 Next Sunday a second collection will be taken up the Seminary & Priests' Continuing Education. An envelope is also enclosed for the Air Conditioning of the Church: please use that envelope any time during the month of May. Thank you

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 30th – May 14th for the health of Fr. Siry, Fr. Klapps, Fr. Kaczorowski, and Fr. Gondek.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday,	May 7,	5:00 PM MASS FOR THE PEOPLE (living & deceased)
Sunday,	May 8,	9:00 AM For All Mothers (living & deceased)
Monday,	May 9,	8:00 AM (rip) Angelo & Luisa Meli by Louise Meli
Tuesday,	May 10,	8:00 AM (rip) William Smith by David Smith
Wednesday,	May 11,	NO MASS OR COMMUNION SERVICE
Thursday,	May 12,	8:00 AM Gondek & Kleamski Families (living & deceased)
Friday,	May 13,	8:00 AM (rip) Jennie Wisowaty by the Ladies Auxiliary of the American Legion
Saturday,	May 14,	5:00 PM (rip) Richard & Rose Meli by Louise Meli
Sunday,	May 15,	9:00 AM MASS FOR THE PEOPLE (living & deceased)

The next available dates for Mass Intentions are June 10, 13, and 14, 2005. Mass stipends are \$10.

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.

Vocations - When He ascended to heaven, Jesus was taken out of the apostles' sight. He remains present to the Church, though, in so many ways: in the Eucharist, in all the baptized, in the scriptures, and in the lives and ministry of priests, deacons and religious. Is God calling you to live as an agent of Christ's presence through a Church-related vocation? If you think so, call or write Father Joe Cocucci, Diocesan Director of Priestly and Religious Vocations (302-573-3113; jcocucci@cdow.org).

An annual observance of **Pentecost by Catholic Charismatic** will take place at 1:30 PM on Sunday, May 15. in St. Polycarp Church in Smyrna. Mass will be celebrated by Fr. Tom Flowers, pastor of the parish and bishop's liaison to about two dozen parish prayer groups in Delaware and on Maryland's Eastern Shore. Permanent deacon Charlie Robinson will assist him. Providing the music ministry will be Carmen & Mary Lando of New York. Known as Spiritfire, they have been a part of the annual fall Catholic Charismatic Conference in Rehoboth Beach. They will precede celebration of the Eucharist with prayer and praise. Following the liturgy, participants will enjoy a potluck supper in Mother Drexel Hall. For directions or information, please call (302) 653-8279.

The 46th Annual Memorial Day Field Mass will be celebrated by Most Rev. Michael A. Saltarelli, Bishop of Wilmington, at 10:00 A.M. on Monday May 30th in All Saints Cemetery located at 6001 Kirkwood Highway. Immediately before Mass, there will be a brief military tribute. Protection from the weather and seating will be provided, however, those wishing to do so may bring their own folding lawn chairs. Remembering those who have died defending our freedom and praying for the safety of those now serving our country is a most appropriate way to begin the summer season.



to all Mothers, Grandmothers, and Godmothers.