

SAINT PAUL'S ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

WORD OF GOD FOR A SUNDAY:

Today we are confronted with the mystery – and the very hard work – of forgiveness. Jesus says we are to forgive over and over and without exception. Let us pray for the grace to forgive those who have wronged us and those we have wronged.

THE READINGS:

Sirach 27:30-28:9

Forgive and then your own sins will be forgiven.

Romans 14:7-9

Whether we live or die, we are the Lord's.



Matthew 18:21-35

(We must forgive seventy times seven.)

The Eucharist's particular effectiveness in promoting communion is one of the reasons for the importance of Sunday Mass. I have already dwelt on this and on the other reasons which make Sunday Mass fundamental for the life of the Church and of the individual believers in my Apostolic Letter on the sanctification of Sunday **Dies Domini**. There I recalled that the faithful have the obligation to attend Mass, unless they are seriously impeded, and that

pastors have the corresponding duty to see that it is practical and possible for all to fulfill this precept.... Precisely through sharing in the Eucharist, **the Lord's Day** also becomes **the Day of the Church**, when she can effectively exercise her role as the sacrament of unity.

Pope John Paul II *Ecclesia de Eucharistia*, 41

Offertory Collection	August 28, 2005	\$1020.00
	September 4, 2005	\$1047.00
	Hurricane Relief	\$ 713.00

Donations for Hurricane Relief are still being accepted. Place your donation in an envelope marked Hurricane Relief and place in the regular collection.

The Needy Children Collection is being replaced with *Share in the Spirit* and will be taken up at all Masses the weekend of September 24 - 25. Envelopes for this new tuition assistance collection will be made available in the pew.

Congratulations to Pasqualino and Darla (Morris) Procope who were married at St. Paul's last Sunday. May the Lord richly bless your life together.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday,	September 10,	5:00 PM MASS FOR THE PEOPLE (living & deceased)
Sunday,	September 11,	9:00 AM In Remembrance of our National Tragedy
Monday,	September 12,	NO MASS OR COMMUNION SERVICE
Tuesday,	September 13,	8:00 AM (rip) Jennie & Walter Wisowaty by Walter & Barbara Wisowaty
Wednesday,	September 14,	NO MASS OR COMMUNION SERVICE
Thursday,	September 15,	8:00 AM Gondek & Kleamski Families (living & deceased)
Friday,	September 16,	NO MASS OR COMMUNION SERVICE
Saturday,	September 17,	5:00 PM (rip) Charles & Leonard Woerner by family
Sunday,	September 18,	9:00 AM (rip) James R. Rosseel by Jim & Sharon Rosseel & family

The next **available dates** for **Mass Intentions** are January 3, 4, and 5, 2006. **Mass stipends** are **\$10**.

The **Sanctuary Candle** is lit from September 3rd - 17th for the Dudlek family (living & deceased) by Helen & Gus Dudlek.

Catholic Forum – Tune in to Catholic Forum each Sunday morning at 10:05 on 1150 AM WDEL or www.wdel.com. Next Sunday, September 18th, learn about the upcoming Charismatic Conference when Fr. Tom Flowers is interviewed. Catholic Forum is a production of the Diocese of Wilmington's Office of Communications.

Vocations – In today's second reading, St. Paul reminds the Romans (and us) "None of us lives for oneself, and no one dies for oneself. For if we live, we live for the Lord." While that is true for all of the baptized, some are called to live lives consecrated for the service of the Church as priests, deacons or religious. If you think God might be inviting you to some form of consecrated life, please call or write Father Joe Cocucci, Diocesan Director of Priestly and Religious Vocations (302-573-3113 or jcocucci@cdow.org).

"The 2005 Biennial Marian Pilgrimage to the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, DC is scheduled for Saturday, October 22, 2005. Cost of the pilgrimage for those who wish to go by bus is \$20 by Gregg Bus Company from New Castle County parishes. Registration can be made with Susan Walker at 836-9892, our parish representative, who has all the details. Departure from designated pickup points will be at 7:00 or 8:00 a.m., return to parish by 7:00 p.m. Msgr. Rebman, assisted by Msgr. Barres and Fr. Piekarski, are Pilgrimage Directors. Bishop Michael A. Saltarelli will be celebrant and homilist of the 11 :00 a.m. Mass - Solemn Eucharist Exposition at 3 p.m. Reservations for bus transportation are due in the Chancery Office by **October 7, 2005**.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS – 10-WEEK FOOTBALL POOL - The Knights of Columbus have 10-week Football Pools available for a donation of \$10 per ticket. **Proceeds from this pool will help fund the Past State Deputies Scholarships given to Catholic Elementary students in need, the Delaware Special Olympics, and many other worthy charities.** Each ticket lists 3 different teams per week for 10 weeks from October 30, 2005 thru January 1, 2006. Ten to one hundred dollar prizes are awarded each week to the ticket holders with the teams that score the 7 highest and 2 lowest number of points. \$400 in prizes is awarded each week. Each ticket has 90 chances to win a prize during the football season. Tickets may be purchased from any member of the Knights of Columbus, and **will be available after the Masses on the weekend of September 17th and 18th**. Buy a ticket and bring more excitement to this football season while helping Catholic Education and the Special Olympians.