

SAINT PAUL'S ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

WORD OF GOD FOR A SUNDAY:

In today's Gospel we hear about those who appear to be righteous, but who are not humble enough to hear and obey the Lord. Let us allow ourselves to be challenged by the Gospel and ask for mercy for those times when we failed to heed the Word of the Lord.

THE READINGS:

Ezekiel 18:25-28

God's way is this: Turn from evil and live.

Philippians 2:1-11

Your attitude must be Christ's.

Matthew 21:28-32

The ecclesial communion of the Eucharistic assembly is a communion with its own **bishop** and with the **Roman Pontiff**. The bishop, in effect, is the **visible** principle and the foundation of unity within his particular Church. It would therefore be a great contradiction if the sacrament **par excellence** of the Church's unity were celebrated without true communion with the bishop...Likewise, since "the Roman Pontiff, as the successor of Peter, is the perpetual and visible source and foundation of the unity of the bishops and of the multitude of the faithful," communion with him is intrinsically required for the celebration of the Eucharistic Sacrifice. (Dogmatic Constitution on the Church *Lumen Gentium* 23)

Pope John Paul II *Ecclesia de Eucharistia*, 39

Offertory Collection

September 18, 2005

\$1394.00

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

The **Sanctuary Candle** is lit from September 17th – October 1st in memory of Frances & Michael Beldyk by Jeannie & Jim Byers.

Offertory Envelopes will be available soon. If you are not currently using the envelope system and would like to receive a set, please place a note in the offertory basket with your name and address and a set will be made available to you.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday,	September 24,	5:00 PM MASS FOR THE PEOPLE (living & deceased)
Sunday,	September 25,	9:00 AM (rip) Anthony Felpo by Susan Walker
Monday,	September 26,	NO MASS OR COMMUNION SERVICE
Tuesday,	September 27,	8:00 AM (rip) Helen & Stephen Sefcik
Wednesday,	September 28,	NO MASS OR COMMUNION SERVICE
Thursday,	September 29,	8:00 AM (viv) Peter Brannon by Mary Smith
Friday,	September 30,	NO MASS OR COMMUNION SERVICE
Saturday,	October 1,	5:00 PM (viv) Helen Brannon by the Schaefer Family
Sunday,	October 2,	9:00 AM MASS FOR THE PEOPLE (living & deceased)

The next **available dates** for **Mass Intentions** are January 10, 11, 12, 2006. Stipends are **\$10**.

Birthright "Bottles for Babies" - October is "Respect Life Month". Baby bottles will be handed out after Mass on the weekend of Oct. 1st and 2nd. Birthright asks that you pray the daily prayers contained in the bottles, and fill the bottle with "pocket change" to help them aid pregnant moms and their babies. Your support is greatly appreciated.

Catholic Forum – Tune in to Catholic Forum each Sunday morning at 10:05 on 1150 AM WDEL or www.wdel.com. Next week, October 2nd, Msgr. Joseph Rebman will discuss the upcoming Diocese of Wilmington Biannual Marian Pilgrimage to the Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, D.C. Catholic Forum is a production of the Diocese of Wilmington's Office of Communications.

Vocations – In today's gospel, Jesus tells a parable about a man who sends his son to work in the vineyard. God calls many people to work in the vineyard known as the Church. Some are sent to serve as priests, others as deacons, still others as religious sisters and brothers. Is He trying to send you? If you think so, call or write Father Joe Cocucci, Diocesan Director of Priestly and Religious Vocations (302-573-3113 or jjcocucci@cdow.org).

TAKE THE TRIP – Have you been to the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, DC recently? Plant to go with Bishop Saltarelli on Saturday, October 22, by bus (adults \$20 pp and children 12 and under \$5 each). St. John the Beloved Parish Choir will provide music for Mass at 11 a.m. and Holy Hour at 3 p.m. Join Bishop Saltarelli and Diocesan priests at Mass and Fr. Angelus Shaughnessy of EWTV at the Holy Hour and Benediction. There will be opportunities for confession, communal rosary, private adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and, of course, lunch in the Shrine cafeteria or bring your own lunch. Participation in the pilgrimage is an excellent way to prepare for the Eucharistic Congress on October 29th. Deadline for registration is October 7th. Driving directions for those interested in going by themselves are also available from the parish coordinator, Susan Walker at 836-9892.

The Blue Army is sponsoring Worldwide Fatima Sanctity of Life Day on October 2nd. It will focus on praying the Rosary to protect the sanctity of life. Parishioners are invited to register their pledges to saying this prayer on www.bluearmy.com.

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish in Bear announces its **Annual Craft Fair** on Saturday, October 8th from 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. Featuring new crafters, home-based business, kid's room with face painting and craft instruction, raffles, bake table, and 50/50. Some spaces still available – contact Rose at 266-6365 for registration forms.

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