

SAINT PAUL'S ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

WORD OF GOD FOR A SUNDAY:

In today's Gospel, Jesus rebukes religious leaders who do not practice what they preach. He also admonishes the disciples to follow the command of the imperfect leader and not to imitate their actions. If we have excused ourselves from the virtuous life because others are behaving poorly, then let us ask for mercy.

THE READINGS:

Exodus 22:20-26

- God's call for justice to those in need.

1 Thessalonians 1:5c-10

- The exemplary faith of the Christians in Thessalonika.

Matthew 22:34-40

Every time the Son of God comes again to us in the "poverty" of the sacramental signs of bread and wine, the seeds of that new history wherein the mighty are "put down from their thrones" and "those of low degree are exalted" (cf. Luke 1:52), take root in the world. Mary sings of the "new heavens" and the "new earth" which finds in the Eucharist their anticipation and in some sense their program and plan. The **Magnificat** expresses Mary's spirituality, and there is nothing greater than this spirituality for helping us to experience the mystery of the Eucharist. The Eucharist has been given to us so that our life, like that of Mary, may become completely a Magnificat!

Pope John Paul II Ecclesia de Eucharistia, 58

Offertory Collection

October 23, 2005

\$1292.00

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

The **Sanctuary Candle** is lit from October 29th – November 12th in memory of Richard Meli by Louise Meli.

Tuesday is the **Feast of All Saints**, a Holyday of Obligation. Masses will be celebrated at 8 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday,	October 29,	5:00 PM (rip) Wallace Newcomb by Walter & Barbara Wisowaty
Sunday,	October 30,	9:00 AM MASS FOR THE PEOPLE (living & deceased)
Monday,	October 31,	NO MASS OR COMMUNION SERVICE
Tuesday,	November 1,	8:00 AM For All Saints
		6:30 PM For All Saints
Wednesday,	November 2,	8:00 AM For All Souls
Thursday,	November 3,	8:00 AM (rip) Helen & Stephen Sefcik
Friday,	November 4,	NO MASS OR COMMUNION SERVICE
Saturday,	November 5,	5:00 PM (rip) Richard Meli by Louise Meli
Sunday,	November 6,	9:00 AM MASS FOR THE PEOPLE (living & deceased)

The next available dates for Mass Intentions are February 5, 16, and 19, 2006. **Mass stipends** are \$10.

Sanctuary Candle Memorials for the year 2006 are now being accepted. A Sanctuary Candle will be lit for two weeks in honor of a living person/family or in memory of a deceased person/family. Envelopes for this purpose are on the table in the vestibule. Please complete the front of the envelope and enclose the \$10 donation for the 2-week period and drop it in to the offertory basket.

Attention all high school youths. A Youth Group for St. Paul's teens in Grades 9-12 is being started. The 1st meeting will be held 6:30PM to 8:30. Monday, November 7. Please call Michael & Leslie Spinella at 838-5567 for further info.

Eternal rest grant to Fr. Patrick O'Neill, Chaplain at Immaculata University, and all the souls of the faithful departed.

All Souls' Day - On November 2, All Souls Day, Please join Catholic Cemeteries of the Diocese of Wilmington as we gather to pray for our faithful departed. Masses will be celebrated at the Queen of Apostles Crypt in Cathedral Cemetery located at 2400 Lancaster Ave and the Chapel of the Risen Christ in All Saints Cemetery located at 6001 Kirkwood Highway. Both Masses will begin at 12:10 p.m. November is a fitting time to visit our cemeteries and pray for the souls of all our beloved dead.

Catholic Forum – Tune in to Catholic Forum each Sunday morning at 10:05 on 1150 AM WDEL or www.wdel.com. Next Sunday, November 6th, Bishop Saltarelli's homily presented at the Diocese of Wilmington's Eucharistic Congress will be featured. Catholic Forum is a production of the Diocese of Wilmington's Office of Communications.

Vocations – All Christians are called to love the Lord with all their hearts, souls, and minds and to love their neighbors as themselves. Some are called to express that love in lives of service to God's people as priests, deacons, religious sisters or religious brothers. Are you being called to live out your life in one of these vocations? If you think so, call or write Fr. Joe Cocucci, Diocesan Director of Priestly and Religious Vocations at 573-3112 or e-mail him at jjcocucci@cdow.org.

Mount Aviat Academy – will hold its Annual Christmas Bazaar on Saturday, November 19th, from 10 a.m. – 5 p.m. Visit the handicraft booth and take a chance on a wagon full of food and gift certificates. Also, visit with Santa & Mrs. Claus and have your picture taken and autographed. Watch the children win prizes and have fun. Sit down to some homemade stuffed cabbage, cream puffs, and baked goods. Please join us.