

SAINT PAUL'S ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Second Sunday of Advent



WORD OF GOD FOR A SUNDAY:

On this second Sunday of Advent we hear John the Baptist calling us to repent and to prepare a way for the Lord. As we light two candles on the Advent wreath, let us recall that our time on this earth is short and ask God to make us ready for heaven.

THE READINGS:

Isaiah 40:1-5,9-11

Comfort, says our God. Prepare the way of the Lord.

2 Peter 3:8-14

Wait for the Lord, conducting yourselves in holiness.

Mark 1:1-8

The argument is compelling: our union with Christ, which is a gift and grace for each of us, makes it possible for us, in him, to share in the unity of his body which is the Church. The Eucharist reinforces the incorporation into Christ, which took place in Baptism through the gift of the Spirit (cf. 1 Corinthians 12:13,27).
Pope John Paul II *Ecclesia de Eucharistia*, 23

Offertory Collection

November 27, 2005

\$1106.00

Next weekend a second collection will be taken up for the Retirement Fund for Religious. Please be generous.

Lectors for next weekend's Masses are: 5 p.m. – John Edwards, 9 a.m. – Michael Spinella.

The **Sanctuary Candle** is lit from November 26th – December 10th in memory of Isabelle Press by Margery Netsch.

MASS INTENTIONS

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| Saturday, | December 3, | 5:00 PM MASS FOR THE PEOPLE (living & deceased) |
| Sunday, | December 4, | 9:00 AM (viv) Fr. Siry |
| Monday, | December 5, | NO MASS OR COMMUNION SERVICE |
| Tuesday, | December 6, | 8:00 AM (rip) Peggy Sterling by George Sterling |
| Wednesday, | December 7, | NO MASS OR COMMUNION SERVICE |
| Thursday, | December 8, | 8:00 AM (rip) Peggy Sterling by Toni Hebert 6:30 PM (rip) Jennie & Walter Wisowaty by Walter & Barbara Wisowaty |
| Friday, | December 9, | NO MASS OR COMMUNION SERVICE |
| Saturday, | December 10, | 5:00 PM Gondek & Kleamski Families (living & deceased) |
| Sunday, | December 11, | 9:00 AM MASS FOR THE PEOPLE (living & deceased) |

The next available dates for Mass Intentions are March 21, 23, and 25, 2006. **Mass stipends** are \$10.

Thursday, December 8th, is the **Feast of the Immaculate Conception**. Masses will be




the Immaculate Conception. This is a celebrated at 8 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.

Youth Group Meetings for high school students are held on Monday evenings at 6:30 p.m. For more information call Michael or Leslie Spinella at 838-5567

We welcome the recently baptized: Luke Henry Sipple, son of Stephen & MarRae Sipple, and Elizabeth Rae Rosseel, daughter of James & Michelle Rosseel.

Catholic Forum – Listen to Catholic Forum every Sunday morning on 1150AM WDEL or on the Internet at www.wdel.com. Next Sunday, December 11th, tune in to learn about embryonic stem cell research. Catholic Forum is a production of the Office of Communications of the Diocese of Wilmington.

Vocations – In every generation, God calls some men and women to “prepare the way of the Lord” through lives of service as priests, deacons, religious sisters and religious brothers. Do you think He’s calling you? If you think so, please call or write Father Joe Cocucci, Diocesan Director of Priestly and Religious Vocations (302-573-3113 jjcocucci@cdow.org).



Call to Repentance

John prepared the way for Jesus by calling to repentance those who heard him. Today, the Church invites us to follow his example. We too are part of different social structures, such as our families, parishes, neighborhoods, nation. Like John, we are invited to work for change within them, so that the presence of God among us can be made manifest. In order to do that with integrity, we must first look into our own hearts and ask for the grace of repentance for ourselves. Oh God, help us change!

Second Sunday of Advent December 4, 2005