SAINT PAUL'S ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Third Sunday of Lent

WORD OF GOD FOR A SUNDAY:

In today's Gospel we witness Jesus' anger at those who were buying and selling in front of the temple. Some scholars think Jesus was so angry because the moneychangers were cheating the poor and that their love of money defied the first commandment, "You shall not have other gods besides me." Remembering those false gods we put before the one true God, let us ask for mercy and forgiveness. I confess to almighty God ...

THE READINGS:

Exodus 20:1-17 The Ten Commandments

1 Corinthians 1:22-25 We proclaim Christ crucified.

John 2:13-25 Jesus expels the moneychangers.

\$1000.00 Offertory Collection March 12, 2006 Next weekend a second collection will be taken up for Catholic Relief Services. The Easter Flower envelope has March 26th as the day of the collection but it may be used next weekend or any time during the Easter season.

Lectors for next weekend's Masses are: 5 p.m. – Jean Beldyk-Byers, 9 a.m. – Linda Michel.

The **Sanctuary Candle** is lit from March 18th – April 1st in memory of Anna & Jacob Gondek by Charlie Gondek.

Eternal rest grant to Rev. Paul laia and all the souls of the faithful departed.

Medical Updates – Father Siry continues with rehab twice weekly. Fr. Klapps had surgery on Wednesday at St. Francis Hospital and is recuperating. Please keep Father Siry and Father Klapps in your prayers.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday,	March 18,	5:00 PM MASS FOR THE PEOPLE (living & deceased)
Sunday,	March 19,	9:00 AM (rip) Katherine Matarese by Paul & Janice Matarese
Monday,	March 20,	NO MASS OR COMMUNION SERVICE
Tuesday,	March 21,	NO MASS OR COMMUNION SERVICE
Wednesday,	March 22,	NO MASS OR COMMUNION SERVICE
Thursday,	March 23,	NO MASS OR COMMUNION SERVICE
Friday,	March 24,	NO MASS OR COMMUNION SERVICE
Saturday,	March 25,	5:00 PM (rip) Richard & Rose Meli by Louise Meli
Sunday,	March 26,	9:00 AM MASS FOR THE PEOPLE (living & deceased)

The next available dates for Mass Intentions are May 28, 30, and June 1, 2006. Mass stipends are \$10.

Catholic Forum - Listen to Catholic Forum every Sunday morning at 10:05 a.m. on 1150AM WDEL and on the Internet at www.wdel.com. Next Sunday, March 26th, hear a special Lenten Radio Retreat featuring reflections from Cardinal William Keeler of Baltimore. Catholic Forum is a production of the Office of Communications of the Diocese of Wilmington.

Vocations - In today's gospel reading, Jesus shows passion for His Father's house. Each of us is called to show similar passion for the Church. God calls some to do this through lives of priesthood, diaconate, or religious consecration. Is He calling you? If you think so, let's talk. Call or write Fr. Joe Cocucci, Diocesan Director of Priestly and Religious Vocations (302-573-3113; jcocucci@cdow.org).

The Delaware Pro-Life Coalition, Inc. will be holding its annual Convention on Saturday, April 1, 2006 at the Holiday Inn Select Hotel, Claymont, DE. This Day-long event includes outstanding speakers in the defense of human life: Dr. Paul Schenck, Austin, Ruse, Dr. Steve Mosher, Dr. Donald DeMarco, Dorothy Ireton, and Rep. Chris Smith of NJ. For information call Joanne Laird at 479-5613. Go to www.delawareprolife.org or call 479-5613.

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul of St. Margaret of Scotland Parish - the Spring 2006 Parish Drive for the Poor and Needy will be held Sat. & Sun. April 22 & 23, 2006 at St. Margaret of Scotland Church, 230 Executive Drive, Newark. Items accepted include gently used clothing, furniture, housewares, small appliances, toys, blankets, sheets, etc. which are donated to Catholic Charities and the Catholic Thrift Shops. In addition, non-perishable food and personal care items such as toothbrushes, soap, shampoo, razors, etc. are accepted for our Emergency Food Closet. Donations will be accepted Saturday, 4/22, from 5-7 p.m., and Sunday, 4/23, from 8 a.m. - 12 noon. Volunteers will be available to help load the items onto the truck. Tax receipts will be available. Form more information, please call 369-8100, ext.16, and we will return vour call.

2005 Tax Contributions – Anyone wishing to have a tax letter for their contributions for 2005 please complete this form and place it in the offertory basket. The letters will be available for your pickup the following weekend. They will be in a box marked "Tax Statements" in the last windowsill on the Blessed Mother Side.

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