SAINT PAUL'S ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Palm/Passion Sunday

WORD OF GOD FOR A SUNDAY:

The Penitential Rite is omitted today, replaced with the Commemoration of Our Lord's entrance into Jerusalem and the Blessing and Procession with Palms.

THE READINGS:

Mark 11:1-10

Jesus enters Jerusalem and the people greet him waving palm branches.

Isaiah 50:4-7

The true servant of God did not protect himself from death.

Philippians 2:6-11

This is one of the earliest statements of faith in Jesus who died and was raised.

Mark 14:1-15:47

The Passion of Our Lord Jesus Christ

Offertory Collection April 2, 2006 \$1241.00

Lectors for next weekend's Masses are: Saturday, 7 p.m. (Easter Vigil) – Leslie Spinella, Alan Rogers, & Linda Michel; 9 a.m. Easter Sunday – Susan Walker.

The *Sanctuary Candle* is lit from April 1st - 15th in memory of Frances & Michael Beldyk by Jim Byers & Jeannie Beldyk-Byers.

On Good Friday at 7pm, the CCD students will be performing the "Passion Play" in the Church. All Parishioners are welcome to attend.

Medical Update – Fr. Siry went back to the surgeon this past Tuesday. He can now begin physical therapy on his arm. He continues therapy for his leg three times a week.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday,	April 8,	5:00 PM (rip) Victor Press by Ruth Press
Sunday,	April 9,	9:00 AM MASS FOR THE PEOPLE (living & deceased
Monday,	April 10,	NO MASS OR COMMUNION SERVICE
Tuesday,	April 11,	NO MASS OR COMMUNION SERVICE
Wednesday,	April 12,	NO MASS OR COMMUNION SERVICE

There will be no services here on Holy Thursday and Good Friday. Listings of local parishes' schedules for these days are on the table in the vestibule.

EASTER VIGIL

Saturday, April 15, 7:00 PM – MASS FOR THE PEOPLE (living & deceased) **EASTER SUNDAY**Sunday, April 16, 9:00 AM MASS FOR THE PEOPLE (living & deceased)

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, April 16th, tune in for the annual Easter program featuring Bishop Saltarelli's Easter message to the people of the Diocese of Wilmington. Catholic Forum is a production of the Office of Communications of the Diocese of Wilmington.

Vocations - In today's second reading, St. Paul reminds the Philippians (and us) that Christ did not "regard equality with God something to be grasped." Rather, He fulfilled the will of the Father *for Him*. Have you made that decision – to seek out and accomplish God's will *for you*? Call or write Fr. Joe Cocucci, Diocesan Director of Priestly and Religious Vocations (302-573-3113; jocucci@cdow.org).

Good Friday Life Chain – Friday, April 14th, 9-11 a.m. (rain or shine) will be held on Rt. 4 in front of DWHO clinic in Stanton. The Life Chain is an opportunity to join in a peaceful, prayerful, and legal stand against abortion. Participants hold signs (provided by Delaware Right to Life, Inc.) stating "Abortion Kills Children" or "Abortion Harms Women" as they stand approximately 10 feet apart in a human "chain" along Rt. 4. This public event on a heavily traveled Delaware highway makes a highly visible and positive pro-life statement in the community. The Good Friday Life Chain is an annual Delaware Right to Life event. We would like to gather as many participants as possible to show that Delawareans are PRO-LIFE!

Good Friday - You are invited to participate in the 11th annual Outdoor Stations of the Cross on Good Friday, April 14th at noon in the Garden of Eternal Life located in Cathedral Cemetery. Cathedral Cemetery is at 2400 Lancaster Ave. (DE Route 48) midway between Hockessin and center city Wilmington. The Garden of Eternal Life is located on the lower end of the cemetery adjacent to the cemetery office. Ample parking is available and attendants will be on duty to direct you to the proper area and to assist with parking as required. The event is held rain or shine since protection from the weather is provided.

Catholic Charities is offering Stepping Stones to a New Life, a program for people who are divorced or separated. The course is designed to help people get back on track after a divorce or separation. The 6-week program will begin on Tuesday, April 18, 2006 and end on Tuesday, May 23, 2006. All meetings will be held from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at 2601 W. 4th Street, Wilmington. The cost of the program, including materials, is \$35.00. For more information or to register, call Mary Jo McGonegal at the Family Life Bureau at (302) 655-9624, ext. 219.