SAINT PAUL'S ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

WORD OF GOD FOR A SUNDAY:

In today's Gospel, a group of people beg Jesus to heal their deaf friend. Jesus takes the deaf man away by himself and does heal him. Isn't this our wish for so many we love? Don't we want Jesus to open the ears and eyes of those who seem deaf and blind? Let us pray today that all of us open our eyes and our ears to the Gospel message.

THE READINGS:

Isaiah 35:4-7a

The blind shall see, the deaf shall hear.

James 2:1-5

Do not show favor to the rich.

Mark 7:31-37

Jesus heals a deaf person.

Offertory Collection September 3, 2006

\$1644.00

In your envelope set, there is an envelope for next weekend for a second collection for *Catholic School Tuition Assistance (Share in the Spirit)*. The collection is supposed to be taken up on the last weekend in September. You may return your envelope for this collection either next weekend or the last weekend of September. Thank you.

Queen of Peace Statue - we collected \$419.00 from the second collection and we received a donation of \$518.00 from an anonymous donor, which brings the total to \$1,000.00. Thank you for your generosity. We will have a brick put on the walk with the inscription "St. Paul's-Delaware City, people of the parish living and deceased. May our Lady intercede for us."

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

The **Sanctuary Candle** is lit from September 2nd – 16th for the good health of Fr. Siry, Fr. Klapps, and Fr. Gondek by Charlie Gondek.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday,	September 9,	5:00 PM (rip) Helen & Stephen Sefcik by Ruth Press
Sunday,	September 10,	9:00 AM MASS FOR THE PEOPLE (living & deceased)
Monday,	September 11,	NO MASS OR COMMUNION SERVICE
Tuesday,	September 12,	NO MASS OR COMMUNION SERVICE
Wednesday,	September 13,	NO MASS OR COMMUNION SERVICE
Thursday,	September 14,	NO MASS OR COMMUNION SERVICE
Friday,	September 15,	NO MASS OR COMMUNION SERVICE
Saturday,	September 16,	5:00 PM MASS FOR THE PEOPLE (living & deceased)
Sunday,	September 17,	9:00 AM (rip) James R. Rosseel by Jim & Sharon Rosseel and
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Birthright of Delaware – "Bottles for Babies" – On the weekend of September 30th/October 1st, representatives will be handing out baby bottles with information about Birthright of Delaware. Included in the handout are daily prayers that you can say for pregnant women and their babies. Please take a baby bottle home and fill it with pocket change. Please return the bottles the weekend of October 21, 22. Thank you.

Catholic Forum – Listen to Catholic Forum every Sunday morning at 10:05 a.m. on 1150AM WDEL in Wilmington or at 10:30 a.m. on 92.7 FM WGMD in Rehoboth Beach. Next Sunday, September 17th, tune in to hear an interview with Mr. Frank Rega, author of the book "Padre Pio and America." Catholic Forum is a production of the Office of Communications of the Diocese of Wilmington.

Vocations – Through Isaiah the prophet, the Lord says "Be strong, fear not! Here is your God, he comes with vindication; with divine recompense, he comes to save you!" Could God be calling you to proclaim that same message as a priest in our diocese? Call or write Fr. Joe Cocucci, Diocesan Director of Priestly and Religious Vocations (573-3113); jcocucci@cdow.org.

Upcoming High School Open House Dates are:

St. Elizabeth High School	October 22	11:30 - 2:30 P.M.
Padua Academy	October 22	1:00 - 4:00 P.M.
St. Mark's High School	November 5	12:30 - 3:30 P.M.
SS. Peter & Paul H.S.	November 5	2:00 - 4:00 P.M.
St. Thomas More Academy	November 5	1:00 - 3:00 P.M.
Ursuline Academy	November 5	1:00 - 3:00 P.M.
Salesianum	November 12	12:00 P.M.
Archmere Academy	November 19	1:00 P.M.

The Catholic High Schools will make presentations to any interested sixth, seventh, and eighth graders and their parents from Catholic, public, and private schools at:

Immaculate Heart of MaryThursday, September 287:00 P.M.St. Thomas the ApostleTuesday, October 37:00 P.M.Our Lady of FatimaThursday, October 127:00 P.M.

The eighth grade Diocesan High School Placement Test will be administered at the Diocesan High Schools on Saturday, December 2, 2006. For more information, contact the Catholic Schools Office at (302) 573-3133.