

SAINT PAUL'S ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Confessions: ½ hour before each Mass or by appointment.

St. Paul's Cemetery Information: Contact Sheryl at 656-3323 (Catholic Cemeteries Office)

First Sunday of Advent

WORD OF GOD FOR A SUNDAY:

My friends, today we enter the season of Advent. Our readings call us to begin this new church year by remembering the end – that someday earth will pass away; that someday each of us will die and meet the Lord Jesus. In the Gospel we are told to be prepared and stay awake. Let us pray for the grace to make ourselves ready to meet the Lord.

THE READINGS:

Isaiah 2:1-5

The Lord will gather all nations and there will be no more war.

Romans 13:11-14

Let us throw off the works of darkness.

Matthew 24:37-44

Stay awake! Be prepared!

OFFERTORY COLLECTION

November 25, 2007

\$1190.00

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

The Christmas Flower envelope can be used anytime during the month. This will help defray the cost of flowers and decorations needed. Thank you.

Lectors for next weekend's Masses are: 5 p.m. – Charlie Gondek, 9 a.m. – Alan Rogers.

The **Sanctuary Candle** is lit from November 24th – December 8th in memory of Frances & Michael Beldyk by Jim Byers and Jean Beldyk-Byers.



MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, December 1, 5:00 PM (rip) John E. Gann by Ruth Press
 Sunday, December 2, 9:00 AM MASS FOR THE PEOPLE
 Monday, December 3, 9:00 AM Gondek & Kleamski Families (living & deceased)
 Tuesday, December 4, 9:00 AM (rip) Margaret Townsend
 Wednesday, December 5, **8:00 AM** (rip) Stephen & Helen Sefcik
 Thursday, December 6, 9:00 AM (rip) Helen Brannon by M/M Frank Borrelli
 Saturday, December 8, 9:00 AM MASS FOR THE PEOPLE (Holyday Mass)
 5:00 PM MASS FOR THE PEOPLE
 Sunday, December 9, 9:00 AM (rip) George Rodenberg by Vivian Rodenberg



Saturday, December 8th, is the Feast of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary. It is a Holyday of Obligation. On this weekend, Catholics are obliged to attend a Mass for the Holyday, as well as one for Sunday. The Holyday Mass is Saturday at 9 a.m. The Sunday Masses are anticipated at 5 p.m. and Sunday at 9 a.m.

Attached is a listing of **Confession** dates and **Christmas and New Year's Holyday Masses**. Please keep this and refer to it during the month.

Eternal rest grant to Elizabeth Amoroso and Mary Abraham, sister of Rev. Joseph Narimattam, and all the souls of the faithful departed.

We are all looking at what we can give to our family and friends for Christmas. However, there is one part of our parish, Governor Bacon Health Center for the Chronically Ill, where there are a number of people who have no one to give them a gift at Christmastime. In your kindness, would you give to the poor of Christ a garment, such as warm socks, sweatshirts, sweaters, flannel shirts, knit caps, anything warm, with the exception of pajamas? Please wrap them and put a tag for man or woman and size on it. Please bring the gifts to Church by December 16th, and place them by the Altar of St. Joseph. They will be delivered shortly after that. Christ reminded us that when we clothe the poor, we clothe Him in their name and because of His words; I thank you for your consideration and help.

Father Pollard

Monthly Income and Expense Report for November

Offertory	-	\$5798.00		
Non Offertory	-	\$2853.00		
Human Development	-	\$ 303.00		
Income	-	\$8954.00	Expenses	- \$8791.00