

## 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)

Second Sunday of Advent

### WORD OF GOD FOR A SUNDAY:

My friends, in today's readings John the Baptist speaks to us. His voice is urgent, insistent, demanding that we repent and get ready for the coming of the Lord. We've heard it so many times before that it's easy not to listen. Let's change that. Let's pay attention today and ask God to speak to our hearts.

### THE READINGS:

Isaiah 11:1-10

The descendant of David will come; the Spirit of the Lord will be upon him.

Romans 15:4-9

Welcome one another as Christ welcomes you.

Matthew 3:1-12

John the Baptist cries out, "Repent!"

### OFFERTORY COLLECTION

December 2, 2007 \$1386.50  
Christmas Flowers \$ 173.00

This 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. – Stanley Bachmura, 9 a.m. – Linda Michel.

The **Sanctuary Candle** is lit from December 8<sup>th</sup> – 22<sup>nd</sup> in memory of Stan Wierzbowski by Marylou Wierzbowski.

The **9 Day Masses for Christmas** will begin December 24<sup>th</sup> at the 4 p.m. Mass continuing through December 31<sup>st</sup> at 4 p.m.



## MASS INTENTIONS

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  
Monday, December 10, 9:00 AM (rip) Helen Brannon by Theresa Wisniewski  
Tuesday, December 11, 9:00 AM (rip) George Rodenberg & Amelia Sirugo by Vivian Rodenberg  
Wednesday, December 12, **8:00 AM** (viv) Fr. Albert Gondek by Charlie Gondek  
Thursday, December 13, 9:00 AM (viv) Charles St. Marie by Toni Hebert  
Saturday, December 15, 5:00 PM (rip) David L. Gann by Ruth Press  
Sunday, December 16, 9:00 AM MASS FOR THE PEOPLE

**Please return your gifts for the residents of Governor Bacon Center by next weekend. Thank you for your generosity.**

**Father Pollard**

**Eternal rest grant** to Stephen McMahon, brother of Rev. Msgr. Kevin McMahon, and all the souls of the faithful departed.

**Vocations** - St. Paul reminds us that Christ became a minister of the circumcised to show God's truthfulness, to confirm the promises He made, so that all might glorify God for His mercy. Priests, sisters, brothers and deacons offer their lives as a witness to God's fidelity to His promises. Is God inviting you to live your life as a witness to His truth? If you think so, please call or write Father Joe Cocucci, Diocesan Director of Priestly and Religious Vocations (302-573-3113; [jcocucci@cdow.org](mailto:jcocucci@cdow.org)).

**Holy Spirit Church** presents their CHRISTMAS GALA 2007, Sunday, December 9, 2007 -2:00 p.m., 12 Winder Road, New Castle, De 19720 **Featuring: St. Marks Choir, Concert Choir, Band** - Directors: Pauline DeAscanis & Art Bookout and **Our Lady Queen of Peace Choir** - Director: Nicole Matos Pianist: Stephen Adams.

**2007 Annual Catholic Appeal** - Thank you to our parish family for their gifts that help support the many ministries and services funded through the Annual Catholic Appeal. Remember, for end of year giving, final payment should be received by early December to allow us time to process and credit your payment before the campaign closes at the end of December 2007.

**A Whole New Ball Game! Tax-Free IRA Gifts** - Did you know that federal law changed in 2006 to allow tax-free charitable distributions from your IRA? Charitable taxpayers can direct "qualified charitable distributions" from their fund administrator directly to the charities of his/her choice, including one's parish, school or favorite ministry. Anyone with an IRA who is 70 and one-half years old at the time of the distribution should explore this possibility. This provision expires on December 31, 2007. For the details, contact your legal or financial adviser--or Sister Margaret Mahoney at (302) 573-3125 or visit the diocesan website under [www.cdow.gift-planning.org](http://www.cdow.gift-planning.org).