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)

Ascension of the Lord

WORD OF GOD FOR A SUNDAY:

My friends, today we remember the Ascension of Our Lord into Heaven. Jesus left the disciples, promising what must have seemed very strange – the Holy Spirit as guide and comforter. The disciples were understandably confused, anxious, even grieving. We know the end of the story – and yet we, too, are often confused, anxious and grieving. Let us renew our faith again in the promises of Jesus and remember that we are not left alone in this world, that we are baptized into a community of faith with Jesus as the head and the Holy Spirit as our Guide.

READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK: Acts 2:1-11, 1 Corinthians 12:3b-7, 12-13, John 20: 19-23

OFFERTORY COLLECTION April 27, 2008 \$1470.50 Next weekend the annual collection for the Seminary and Continuing Education of Priests will be taken up. Please be generous.

The Nine Day Mass Remembrance for Mother's Day will begin on May 10, 2008.

Mother's Day Spiritual Bouquet Cards are available in the vestibule.

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

The *Sanctuary Candle* is lit from April 26th – May 10th in memory of Dorthy Cressman by the Dudlek Family.

Reminder – you are asked to wear something red to Mass next weekend for Pentecost.

Flea Market – we made \$551.65 from last weekend's sale. Thanks again to all our volunteers and to all who donated items for the sale.

Saturday,	May 3,	5:00 PM (rip) Georgina Binder by Leon Binder
Sunday,	May 4,	9:00 AM MASS FOR THE PEOPLE
Monday,	May 5,	9:00 AM (rip) Helen & Stephen Sefcik
Tuesday,	May 6,	9:00 AM (rip) Margaret Townsend
Wednesday,	May 7,	8:00 AM (viv) MaryJune Peterson by David Smith
Thursday,	May 8,	9:00 AM MASS FOR THE PEOPLE
Saturday,	May 10,	5:00 PM Nine Masses for all Mothers
Sunday,	May 11,	9:00 AM Nine Masses for all Mothers

Upcoming Parish Events –

May 13th, which is the Feast of Our Lady of Fatima, in honor of the Blessed Mother, we will have a Marian Devotion at 7 p.m.

May 21st, the 42nd Anniversary of Father Pollard's Ordination

May 25th, the Feast of the Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ, we will have a time of adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. Deacon Patrick Johnston will preach on St. Paul and the Eucharist. *June 29th*, Parish Potluck Picnic – you are asked to bring your specialty food item enough for your family plus two persons. The food will be set up on a common table for all to share. Also please bring your lawn chairs, blanket, and card table.

Birthright of Delaware will hold its *Annual Rose Sale* at our parish. Please support Birthright pregnancy services by purchasing roses after Mass on Mother's Day weekend. You help will truly make a difference!

Bishop Becker Council, Knights of Columbus, would like to thank all who contributed to our *Tootsie Roll drive*. Through your generous contributions we were able to raise \$562. This money will be used to assist individuals with intellectual disabilities. Thank you for your support.

Dear Animal Lovers – On Saturday, May 10th, I will be having a bake table to benefit the Delaware Humane Association downtown after the Pet Parade. If you would like to bake something to help make money for the animals, please call Megan Titus at 293-7926 or 834-8065 or drop off your item on Saturday morning at Pampered Pets. The animals thank you.

Megan Titus, Pampered Pets

Monthly Income & Expense Report for April 2008				
Offertory	\$ 5,533.50			
Other Income	\$ 4,563.55			
Holy Land, Holy Childhood, Annual Catholic Appeal	\$ 1,780.00 **			
Income	\$11,877.05			
Expenses	\$25.549.84			
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The expenses were exceptionally high this month. Beside the regular monthly bills, we had to pay the balance on the Diocesan Assessment and insurances, Federal Income Quarterly Taxes for employees, and a large heating bill for the parish hall. To meet these expenses we had to draw from our savings.

** These funds come through the parish for designated programs and are sent to those agencies.