SAINT PAUL'S ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

WORD OF GOD FOR A SUNDAY

My friends, today's Gospel, Jesus challenges us to make ourselves into fertile ground for the word of God. Let us call on God's mercy for those times when we harden our hearts and do not listen to God speaking to us.

READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK: Wisdom 12:13, 16-19; Romans 8:26-27; Matthew 13:24-43

OFFERTORY COLLECTION July 6, 2008 \$1314.00

This weekend a second collection will be taken up to help with the air conditioning expense.

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

The **Sanctuary Candle** is lit from July 5th – 19th in memory of Ann & Bradley Wise (rip) by Judith Johnson.

Religious Education Classes (CCD) NEWS – the parish needs YOU to teach our 8th grade class. Please contact Sister Lawrence Therese at 410-398-3699 to volunteer! Thank you.

If you have **not registered or re-registered** your children for classes for the fall, please do so now. Green-colored forms are in the literature rack in the vestibule. If your child was not baptized at St. Paul's, please attach a copy of their baptismal certificate to the registration form.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday,	July 12,	5:00 PM (rip) Francis Walter by Ruth Press
Sunday,	July 13,	9:00 AM MASS FOR THE PEOPLE
Monday,	July 14,	9:00 AM (rip) Helen Brannon by David Smith
Tuesday,	July 15,	9:00 AM (rip) Willard Smith by David Smith
Wednesday,	July 16,	8:00 AM (viv) Mary Smith by David Smith
Thursday,	July 17,	9:00 AM (viv) MaryJune Peterson by David Smith
Saturday,	July 19,	5:00 PM (rip) Stanley Lakey & Family by Thomas & Irene
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Sunday,	July 20,	9:00 AM MASS FOR THE PEOPLE

Thank you to the person who donated the banners and to the person who reset our bells.

The **Angelus** is a prayer of long-standing to remind us three times a day of the grace God gave to us when His son became man and dwelt among us. Catholic Churches and a number of Protestant Churches ring the bells three times a day. The traditional times are 6 a.m., 12 noon, and 6 p.m. The important thing is to remember the gift of the Incarnation. At the beginning of our Masses the **Angelus** will be played. We figured the neighbors would not be happy to hear the bells at 6 a.m. (nor would the person next door to the church). We will ring the bells at noon and at 6 p.m. with the exception of Saturday evening. Included is the **Angelus** prayer. Should you want to use this that is great, if you want to use your own words that is just as well. The **Angelus** is a time to make ourselves present to the God who is always present to us.

"The Angel of the Lord declared to Mary: and she conceived of the Holy Spirit. Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee; blessed art thou among women and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death. Amen. Behold the handmaid of the Lord: Be it done unto me according to Thy word. Hail Mary . . . And the Word was made Flesh: And dwelt among us. Hail Mary . . . Pray for us, O Holy Mother of God, that we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ. Let us

pray for us, O Holy Mother of God, that we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ. Let us pray: Pour forth, we beseech Thee, O Lord, Thy grace into our hearts; that we, to whom the incarnation of Christ, Thy Son, was made known by the message of an angel, may by His Passion and Cross be brought to the glory of His Resurrection, through the same Christ Our Lord. Amen."



The Knights of Columbus, Bishop Becker Council, would like to invite any practical Catholic man in communion with the Holy See and who has attained his eighteenth birthday to consider joining the Knights of Columbus. A practical Catholic is one who lives up to the Commandments of God and the Precepts of the Church. Anyone interested in joining or simply learning more about the Knights of Columbus and the charitable works that we do can contact Ralph Body at 235-0688.

Vocations - In today's Gospel reading, Jesus tells the parable of the sower whose seeds fall on different types of soil. What seeds are *you* planting? When the Master summons you, what harvest will you be able to point to? Are you nurturing the seeds He gave you? If you think you might have the seed of a religious vocation, please call or write Father Joe Cocucci, Diocesan Director of Priestly and Religious Vocations (302-573-3113 or jcocucci@cdow.org).