

SAINT PAUL'S ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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

Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

WORD OF GOD FOR A SUNDAY:

In today's Gospel we hear about those who appear to be righteous, but who are not humble enough to hear and obey the Lord. Let us allow ourselves to be challenged by the Gospel and ask for mercy for those times when we failed to heed the Word of the Lord.

READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK: Isaiah 5:1-7; Philippians 4: 6-9; Matthew 21: 33-43

OFFERTORY COLLECTION September 21, 2008 \$1070.00

At all Masses this weekend, we will be taking up the fourth annual Share in the Spirit collection for tuition assistance. If you are not prepared to contribute this weekend, you may drop your contribution off or mail it to the parish office this week. This very important collection helps deserving families ease the burden of Catholic school tuition. For further information, please visit the Catholic Diocese of Wilmington web site at www.cdown.org/sharespirit.html.

Lectors for next weekend's Masses are: 5 p.m. – Jean Beldyk-Byers, 9 a.m. – Harry Killian.

The **Sanctuary Candle** is lit from September 27th – October 11th for the intentions of all parishioners.

Eternal rest grant to Sister Jane Stanislaus Riederer, OSFS, and all the souls of the faithful departed.

The new boxed envelope sets are ready to be picked up from the last pew by the organ. They are sorted alphabetically. Please pick up your set today. If you are not currently using envelopes and would like a set, please drop a note in the collection basket or leave a message and a set will be made up for you.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, September 27, 5:00 PM for the Intentions of Bishop Michael Saltarelli
Sunday, September 28, 9:00 AM (rip) Clarence TaBois by Dorothy TaBois
Monday, September 29, 9:00 AM (rip) William Anderson & family by Flora English
Tuesday, September 30, 9:00 AM Schaefer & Mulligan Families (living & deceased)
Wednesday, October 1, 8:00 AM (rip) Helen Brannon
Thursday, October 2, 9:00 AM MASS FOR THE PEOPLE
Saturday, October 4, 5:00 PM (rip) Margaret Rose Taylor by Ruth Press
Sunday, October 5, 9:00 AM MASS FOR THE PEOPLE

Starting this Sunday at the 9 a.m. Mass we will begin the program, "**Breaking of the Word for Children**", which has been approved by Rome and the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops. The young children (age 5 up to the reception of First Communion) are invited to be a part of this. They would be dismissed after the first prayer of Mass and returned back to their parents after the Creed. They will have the readings, etc. brought down to their level. There are 4 volunteers who will be working with the children, 2 catechists and 2 aides, alternating every other week. This does not exempt the 1st and 2nd graders from attending Religious Education Classes. The upcoming dates are: 9/28, 10/5, 10/12, 10/19, 10/26, 11/2, 11/9, 11/16, 11/23. Jesus said "Let the children come to me" and we are trying to live those words.

Thank you to the parishioner who installed a new furnace in the parish hall and to his helper, also a parishioner. Thank you to the person(s) who removed the old furnace and the antiquated heating system that was in the hall. Thank you to the parishioner who painted the outside doors and trim at the parish hall and installed a new kick plate on the door.

Blessing of the Animals – On Sunday, October 5th at 1 p.m. we will join with Christ Episcopal Church for a Blessing of the Animals. This blessing will take place at Christ Episcopal Church on the corner of Clinton and Third Streets. Water dishes and treats will be provided. Please bring animals of any sort – dogs on leashes and caged (gerbils).

Roast Beef Dinner at Mount Aviat Academy – 399 Childs Rd., Childs, MD – on Sunday, September 28th from 3 – 6 p.m. Roast Beef with au jus, mashed potatoes, green beans, beets, applesauce, gravy, rolls, coffee, hot & iced tea, lemonade, cake, pie, and/or cookies for dessert. Adults \$12, seniors \$9, children \$7. All food homemade. Take out available. For more information call MAA at 410-398-2206.

The Delaware Right to Life Association is holding a prayer service led by Rev. Msgr. Joseph F. Rebman, VG on Sunday October 12th at 3 p.m. at the memorial to unborn located in Cathedral Cemetery, 2400 Lancaster Ave. in Wilmington. Attendants will be at the entrance to direct you to the proper location within the cemetery and to assist with parking. During this service we will remember the victims of abortion and ask that the Holy Spirit give our society a renewed respect for human life from conception through natural death.

Vocations – In today's gospel, Jesus tells a parable about a man who sends his son to work in the vineyard. God calls many people to work in the vineyard known as the Church. Some are sent to serve as priests, others as deacons, still others as religious sisters and brothers. Is He trying to send you? If you think so, call or write Father Joe Cocucci, Diocesan Director of Priestly and Religious Vocations (302-573-3113 or jjcocucci@cdow.org).