SAINT PAUL'S ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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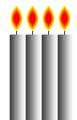
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Secretary: Mrs. Toni Hebert

Confessions: ½ hour before each Mass for twenty minutes or by appointment. The Reconciliation Room is located on St. Joseph's side in the sanctuary. If the door is closed, do not enter.

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



Fourth Sunday of Advent

WORD OF GOD FOR A SUNDAY:

Today is the beginning of the last week before Christmas. As we light the four candles on our Advent Wreath, let us ask God to prepare our hearts and our homes, our communities and our world for his coming to live with us.

READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK: Sirach 3:2-7; Colossians 3:12-21; Luke 2:22-40

OFFERTORY COLLECTIONDecember 14, 2008 \$1695.5
Religious Retirement \$436.00

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

The **Sanctuary Candle** is lit from December 20th – January 3rd in memory of Michael Burke by Claudia Burke.

The 9 Masses offered for Christmas will begin on Christmas Eve at the 7 p.m. Mass.

Ride to Church needed – a long time parishioner needs a ride to church on Sundays. He lives on Clover Street in Delaware City. If you can offer a ride to church on the weekend, please see Father for more information. Thank you.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday,	December 20,	5:00 PM (rip) Peter A. Garafola by Robert Gumula & family
Sunday,	December 21,	9:00 AM MASS FOR THE PEOPLE
Monday,	December 22,	9:00 AM MASS FOR THE PEOPLE
Tuesday,	December 23,	9:00 AM MASS FOR THE PEOPLE
Christmas Eve		
Wednesday,	December 24,	4:00 PM Special Intention
-		7:00 PM Masses for Christmas
Christmas Day		
Thursday,	December 25,	9:00 AM Masses for Christmas
Saturday,	December 27,	5:00 PM Masses for Christmas
Sunday.	December 28.	9:00 AM Masses for Christmas

March for Life - Mark your calendars! We have a bus taking parishioners to Washington, D.C. for the March for Life on Jan. 22nd. This trip is free due to the sponsorship of the Knights of Columbus. To reserve your seat, call Larry Ciskanik at 328-2279.

Vocations – The angel Gabriel greeted Mary by saying "Hail, full of grace!" Every day, priests, deacons, religious sisters and religious brothers work to help women and men recognize and respond to God's grace in their lives. Is God calling you to serve His people through a religious vocation? If you think so, please call or write Father Joe Cocucci, Diocesan Director of Priestly and Religious Vocations (302-573-3113 or icocucci@cdow.org).

Christmas Message from Father Pollard -

This is the season for most people that gifts are given and received, packages opened, some will be returned, and others will be accepted with joy.

Jesus Christ is the great gift of Christmas from God who is our Father and His. May we never lose that gift or put that gift away as it is the gift of eternal life. May we cherish it and live it.

Merry Christmas to all and let us remember to pray for one another, the people of St. Paul's.

