SAINT PAUL'S ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Confessions: $\frac{1}{2}$ 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)

Epiphany of the Lord



WORD OF GOD FOR A SUNDAY:

My friends, today we proclaim that God is God of the whole world. On this day of Epiphany let us turn away from darkness and welcome God's light in the dark places of our world, in the dark places of our lives.

READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK: Isaiah 55: 1-11; 1 John 5:1-9; Mark 1:7-11

OFFERTORY COLLECTION	December 28, 2008	\$1252.00
	Christmas Offering	\$2647.00

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

The **Sanctuary Candle** is lit from January $3^{rd} - 17^{th}$ in memory of William & Willard Smith by David Smith.

Election of Parish Trustees – According to the Laws of the State of Delaware, election of two parish trustees must be held at the beginning of the year. Elections will take place this Sunday, 1/4, after the 9 a.m. Mass in the Sacristy. For those who attend Mass on Saturday, who wish to vote, you may do so by coming back on Sunday.

Vocations – As scripture reminds us Jesus called both the Jewish and the Gentiles to salvation. We are his instrument in this continual call. Pray for vocations and pray that we all will live our vocation. The Director of Vocations for the Diocese will be on Catholic Forum on 1/11 on 1150 AM at 10:05 a.m.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday,	January 3,	5:00 PM MASS FOR THE PEOPLE
Sunday,	January 4,	9:00 AM MASS FOR THE PEOPLE
Monday,	January 5,	9:00 AM Gondek & Kleamski Families (living & deceased)
Tuesday,	January 6,	9:00 AM (rip) Agnes Weicher by Ruth Press
Wednesday,	January 7,	8:00 AM (rip) Helen Brannon
Thursday,	January 8,	9:00 AM (rip) Helen & Stephen Sefcik
Saturday,	January 10,	5:00 PM (rip) Margaret Walter by Ruth Press
Sunday,	January 11,	9:00 AM MASS FOR THE PEOPLE

Upcoming Events – January 11th take Christmas decorations down at 10:30 a.m.; January 11th, 7 p.m. – a DVD presentation of the Life of the Apostle, Paul in the Parish hall (it shows the places they went and the story of their lives; January 25th, 9 a.m. Mass – Bishop Malooly's parish visit & light reception; March 1 – Spaghetti Dinner at Dragon Run (details to follow); March 15 & 22nd – DVD presentation of Paul, the Apostle, 7 p.m. – Parish hall; April 22nd – Fundraiser Dinner at Crabby Dick's (we receive a portion of the sales).

National Migration Week 2009 will be observed January 4 through 10. This year's theme— *Renewing Hope, Seeking Justice*—reminds us of our obligation to bring hope to the hopeless and to seek justice for those who are easily exploited. As Catholics, we are called to create a sense of hope and justice acknowledging the vital contributions of migrants, refugees, and other newcomers to the United States.

Catholic Charities has an Immigration Program in Wilmington. The program assists individuals and families with immigration and citizenship issues related to their legal status in the United States. Catholic Charities offices are located at: 2601 W.4th Street, Wilmington DE 19805, phone 302-654-6460.

National Migration Week was created over 25 years ago by the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops to be a moment for Catholics to take stock of the wide diversity of the Church and the ministries serving them.

Monthly Income & Expense Report for December 2008			
Offertory Other Income (some of these funds are specified for certain purposes)	\$ 5,299.50 \$ 5,589.90		
Income	\$10,889.40 \$11,630,52		
Expenses	\$10,889.40 \$11,630.52		

A Thank You from Governor Bacon Health Center – "On behalf of the resident's at Governor Bacon Health Center, thank you for the donation of Christmas gifts for each resident in our facility... We will always think of you as a kind friend who took a real interest in GBHC residents. We value this generous donation and appreciate St. Paul's Catholic Church for providing gifts for our residents during this holiday season. Kindest regards and best wishes for the next year." John Schmitt, Director, GBHC