SAINT PAUL'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

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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)

Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

WORD OF GOD FOR A SUNDAY: In today's reading, Isaiah proclaims that God is doing something new and Jesus heals a paralyzed man. So many are paralyzed by past events and fail to see the wonder of God's work around us. Let us pray for open minds and hearts to God's word to us this day.

READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK: Genesis 9:8-15; 1 Peter 3:18-20; Mark 1:12-15

OFFERTORY COLLECTION February 15, 2009 \$1451.00

Fuel \$ 744.00

Next weekend the annual second collection to support the Black and Native American Missions will be taken up. Please be generous.

Lectors for next weekend's Masses are: 5 p.m. – Stanley Bachmura, 9 a.m. – Linda Michel.

The **Sanctuary Candle** is lit from February 14th – 28th in memory of Joseph Lynch by the Dudlek Family.

Upcoming Events –March 1 – Spaghetti Dinner at Dragon Run from 2 – 5 p.m.; 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), Saturday, April 25th - *We will be having a White Elephant sale in the summer, as you start to "clean house" and note some things that are still good, please save them at your house for us;* Sunday, May 17th, at 7 p.m. in the Parish Hall (409 Adams St.), there will be a reading of the section about St. Paul from Pope Benedict's book on "The Apostles" with a discussion to follow; June 14, 7 p.m. – Benediction and Adoration with readings of St. Paul on the Eucharist; June 28th – parish picnic. Eternal rest grant to Frieda Felpo, mother of Linda Michel, and Fr. Francis Kenney and all the souls of the faithful departed.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday,	February 21,	5:00 PM (viv) Mary Smith by David Smith
Sunday,	February 22,	9:00 AM (viv) William & Ethel Mills on the occasion
		of their 65 th wedding anniversary
Monday,	February 23,	9:00 AM MASS FOR THE PEOPLE
Tuesday,	February 24,	9:00 AM (rip) Susan O'Neill
		ASH WEDNESDAY
Wednesday,	February 25,	8:00 AM (viv) Charlie Gondek by Mary Smith
		7:00 PM (rip) Annie Hone
Thursday,	February 26,	9:00 AM (rip) Brendan McLaughlin
Friday,	February 27,	7:00 PM - Stations of the Cross
Saturday,	February 28,	5:00 PM MASS FOR THE PEOPLE
Sunday,	March 1,	9:00 AM (rip) Anthony Felpo by Frieda Felpo (rip)

ASH WEDNESDAY/LENT - Wednesday, February 25th is Ash Wednesday, the beginning of the Lenten Season. Mass will be celebrated and ashes blessed on Ash Wednesday at the 8:0 0 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. Masses. Should someone be <u>sick</u> at your home on Ash Wednesday, you may bring an envelope to put ashes in so that you can take it home and give them ashes.

Regulations for Fast & Abstinence - Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of abstinence from meat and also days of fast. **Fast** – three meals, one major meal, two lesser meals and no eating in between. This binds those who are 18 years and who are not yet 59 years old. **Abstinence** – No meat allowed (on Ash Wednesday and the Fridays during Lent). This binds those 14 years of age and above. Abstinence is recommended for all Fridays of the year and outside of Lent if you wish to choose some other type of penance you may.

Exemption from fast and abstinence for health reasons or circumstances beyond your control is permitted. **What does the church say about the rest of the year?** The Church highly recommends we abstain from meat on Fridays; however, it gives permission for each individual to choose a different penance on that day.

The *Stations of the Cross* will be said on the Fridays during Lent at 7 p.m., <u>EXCEPT next week when Stations of the Cross will be said on Monday, March 2nd</u>, at 7 p.m. Stations will not be said on Good Friday, April 10th.

Sunday, March 1st. from 2 – 5 p.m. – we will have a **Spaghetti Dinner fundraiser** at Dragon Run Park. Tickets will be on sale after Masses this weekend only or by calling Mary June Patterson at 834-7681. No tickets will be sold at the door. Cost \$7/adult and \$4/child (under 12 years old). Meal

consists of spaghetti, meatballs, salad, roll, drink and dessert.

2008 Tax Contributions – Anyone wishing to have a complete this form and place it in the offertory basket following weekend. They will be in a box marked "Tax Mother Side.	The letters will be available for your pickup the
Name	Envelope #
(please print)	