

SAINT PAUL'S ROMAN 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.

Knights of Columbus – contact Ralph Body (302) 235-0688

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

Fourth Sunday of Lent

WORD OF GOD FOR A SUNDAY: Our Lenten journey is like that of the Israelites who yearned to be restored to their homeland. Our time in the desert prepares us to enter the promised land of Easter.

READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK: Jeremiah 31:31-34; Hebrews 5:7-9; John 12:20-33

OFFERTORY COLLECTION March 15, 2009 \$1575.00

This weekend the annual second collection for Catholic Relief Services will be taken up. Your donation provides emergency aid and disaster relief, funds health and education programs, supports small enterprise development, enables refugee resettlement and advocacy, and promotes human rights, global solidarity and peace.

Next weekend a second collection will be taken up for Operation Rice Bowl.

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

The **Sanctuary Candle** is lit from March 14th – 28th in memory of Blanche & John Klimasewski by Charlie Gondek.

Eternal rest grant to Ruth Klein, mother of Rev. Leonard Klein, William Kibler, father of Deacon William Kibler, and all the souls of the faithful departed.

The second part of the DVD presentation of Paul, the Apostle scheduled for March 22nd has been cancelled.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday,	March 21,	5:00 PM (rip) Roman Wrzesinski by Harry Killian
Sunday,	March 22,	9:00 AM (rip) George Rodenberg by Family
Monday,	March 23,	9:00 AM MASS FOR THE PEOPLE
Tuesday,	March 24,	9:00 AM (rip) Hugh Doyle
Wednesday,	March 25,	8:00 AM (rip) John Devine
Thursday,	March 26,	9:00 AM (rip) Helen Brannon by Mary Smith
Friday,	March 27,	7:00 PM Stations of the Cross
Saturday,	March 28,	5:00 PM MASS FOR THE PEOPLE
Sunday,	March 29,	9:00 AM (viv) Vivian Rodenberg by Pat & Norma McKenna

The next available Masses for an intention are: June 18, July 28 and July 29.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION – The Church recommends that we receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation 4 times a year, but especially during Advent and Lent. Some opportunities to receive the Sacrament are: Sunday, March 29th, 10 a.m. there will be a Penance Service with individual confessions for the Religious Education Students. Anyone wishing to go to confession may do so after the students have gone.

Sunday evening, April 5th, there will be a Deanery Penance Service with individual confessions at 7 p.m. at St. Margaret of Scotland Church, 2431 Frazier Road, Newark.

Upcoming Events - 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.

Catholic Forum - Listen to Catholic Forum every Sunday morning at 10:05 a.m. on 1150AM WDEL and www.wdel.com. Next Sunday, March 29th, Deacon Hal Jopp will discuss the Knights of the Holy Sepulcher and his recent pilgrimage to the Holy Land. Catholic Forum is a production of the Office of Communications of the Diocese of Wilmington.

Vocations - In today's second reading, St. Paul reminds the Ephesians (and us) that God is "rich in mercy." Every day women and men find that mercy through the ministry of priests in the Sacrament of Reconciliation. If you are a healthy Catholic man who thinks God might be calling you to priesthood, let's talk. Call or write Fr. Joe Cocucci, Diocesan Director of Priestly and Religious Vocations (302-573-3113; jcocucci@cdow.org).

Christ Episcopal Church, 222 Clinton Street, Delaware City presents a Lent 2009 Short Movie Discussion Series "Movie and Bible Mashup", the following Wednesday evenings March 25 & April 1 at 7:30 – 8:30 p.m. See the posters in the vestibule for more information.

Divine Mercy Novena at St. Polycarp concludes with Solemn Easter Vespers on April 19, 7 pm. Veneration of relics of the True Cross and St. Faustina. For info, call 653-8279.