

## 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.

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

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

**WORD OF GOD FOR A SUNDAY:** The sign of the multiplication of the loaves and fishes shows us God, the Father of All, is the source of spiritual nourishment to all. His mercy omits no one.

**READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK:** Exodus 16:2-4, 12-15; Ephesians 4:17, 20-24; John 6:24-35

**OFFERTORY COLLECTION** July 19, 2009 \$1134.00

Next weekend a special collection will be taken up for Repairs of our Church and Buildings.

**Lectors** for next weekend's Masses are: 5 p.m. – Charlie Gondek, 9 a.m. – Linda Michel.

The **Sanctuary Candle** is lit from July 18<sup>th</sup> – August 1<sup>st</sup> in memory of Alice Murtha by the Dudlek Family.

**Confirmation** – for those who are going to be confirmed, you had two forms to return – one by June 30<sup>th</sup> and the other by September 2<sup>nd</sup>, which is the parents' assurance to me that your child has gone over all the materials and understands them. I will have an interview with one of the parents and the student in September. A reminder to you and all of us that having received the Sacraments of Baptism, Eucharist, and Confirmation – this does indicate that we will live these Sacraments especially by prayer, going to Mass on a regular basis, and the reception of the other Sacraments. It is not the end of something; it is the beginning of a greater commitment on our part to live the life of Christ in the Church.

## MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday,	July 25,	5:00 PM (rip) Emma Sturgeon by Don, MaryJune, & Joe Patterson
Sunday,	July 26,	9:00 AM MASS FOR THE PEOPLE
Monday,	July 27,	9:00 AM (rip) Jack McGrena
Tuesday,	July 28,	9:00 AM (viv) Mary Smith by Charlie Gondek
Wednesday,	July 29,	8:00 AM (rip) Charles McCafferty by Rosina Rank
Thursday,	July 30,	9:00 AM (rip) Margaret Townsend
Saturday,	August 1,	5:00 PM MASS FOR THE PEOPLE
Sunday,	August 2,	9:00 AM (rip) Frieda Felpo by Claudia Burke

The next available Masses for an intention are December 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup>.

**Year of the Priest** - On Tuesday, July 28<sup>th</sup>, at 7 p.m. in the Church, there will be a **Holy Hour**, which will be done in all our parishes of our Diocese. Pope Benedict has declared this the Year of the Priest, which is a time for us to pray for priests and deacons as well vocations to the priesthood and diaconate.

Since this is the year we are to pray for vocations, we will be reinstating the program we used asking parishioners to take a chalice home with them, keeping it in a prominent place and praying with their family that week for vocations. I would ask you to seriously think about doing this because the need is great and becoming even greater finding people who will serve us as priests. I am urging everybody to take a week to sign up to take the chalice home and pray. This will be beginning in mid August.

**I will be going on vacation and on the weekend of August 8/9, a missionary priest, Fr. Saju Antony of the Vincentian Congregation – Mary Matha Province in Kerala, India will be here to speak on behalf of their missions. Fr. Antony will celebrate Masses for me that weekend. This is our semi-annual missionary Sunday when a visitor comes in to preach. Please make him feel welcome and be as generous as you can.**

**Vocations** - In today's gospel reading, Jesus makes sure that those who have come to listen to Him are fed. He continues to feed his disciples through the ministry of priests, deacons and religious. At Mass, in the classroom, through social outreach and in so many other ways, these ministers of the Church bring the Bread of Life to people who hunger and thirst for the Lord. Is God calling you to serve through one of these vocations? If you think so, please call or write Fr. Joe Cocucci, Diocesan Director of Priestly and Religious Vocations (302-573-3113; [jcocucci@cdow.org](mailto:jcocucci@cdow.org)).