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)

Second Sunday of Advent

WORD OF GOD FOR A SUNDAY: The children of Jerusalem rejoiced that they were remembered by their God, who delivered them from exile. Their experience previews the fullness of God's redemption for all peoples with the coming of Jesus. Let us prepare ourselves for this coming.

READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK: Zephaniah 3:14-16; Philippians 4:4-7, 8-11; Luke 3:10-18

OFFERTORY COLLECTION November 29, 2009 \$1261.00 Christmas Flowers \$ 275.00

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

The **Sanctuary Candle** is lit from December 5th – 19th for Cecile Slutter and Joanna Pasquino.



The Giving Tree has a few names left on it. Please take a name if you have not already done so. There is a list on the ornament but only one of the gifts needs to be purchased. **If you purchase slippers, they must be full slippers – no open back styles. Please – no stuffed animals.** Please return your wrapped gift with the tag and place in front of St. Joseph's altar by December 15th. Thank you.

Crabby Dick's Fundraiser for our parish will be held on Wednesday, 12/9, from 5-9 p.m. Please support this event which helps to support our parish. Thank you.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday,	December 5,	5:00 PM (rip) John & David Gann by Ruth Press
Sunday,	December 6,	9:00 AM MASS FOR THE PEOPLE
Monday,	December 7,	9:00 AM (rip) MaryJane St. Marie by Toni Hebert
Tuesday,	December 8,	9:00 AM MASS FOR THE PEOPLE
-		7:00 PM MASS FOR THE PEOPLE
Wednesday,	December 9,	8:00 AM (rip) Tom & Jodie Schliph by David Smith
Thursday,	December 10,	9:00 AM Gondek & Kleamski Families (living & deceased)
Saturday,	December 12,	5:00 PM MASS FOR THE PEOPLE
Sunday,	December 13,	9:00 AM (rip) Clarence J. TaBois by Dorothy TaBois

The next available Masses for an intention are March 16, 30, and 31.

December 8th is the *Feast of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary*. It is a Holyday of Obligation. Masses are at 9 a.m. and 7 p.m.

Reconciliation – the church highly recommends the Sacrament of Reconciliation during Advent. We will have a penance service on Sunday, Dec. 6th shortly after Mass. Monday, Dec. 14th, the Deanery celebration of Penance at 7 p.m. at St. Peter's in New Castle; Sunday, Dec. 20th right after Mass confessions here; and Sunday, Dec. 20th at 7 p.m. at St. Joseph's Church in Middletown, Tuesday, Dec. 22nd at 7 p.m. – confessions here – last time before Christmas. It will begin at 7 p.m. and it will end when there is no one there.

Vocations – John the Baptist went through the whole region of the Jordan, proclaiming "Prepare the way of the Lord!" Is God calling *you* to help prepare His way by serving as a priest or as a religious brother or sister? If you think so, call or write Father Joe Cocucci, Diocesan Director of Priestly and Religious Vocations (302-573-3113, jcocucci@cdow.org). Be sure to visit our website: www.CalledByTheLord.com!

Monthly Income & Expense Report for December 2009				
Offertory		\$ 6,988.00		
Other Income (some of these funds are specified for o	certain purposes)	\$ 3,553.46		
	Income Expenses	\$10,541.46 \$10,404.96		

In all the hustle and bustle for Christmas the next thing that jumps out is your donation to the IRS. In looking at your taxes if you need a tax write-off for charity, be most assured that we would be most happy to oblige you. Just remember your checks have to be in before the end of the year. Thank you.