## SAINT PAUL'S ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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**Confessions:** ½ hour before each Mass for twenty minutes or by appointment.

For the reception of the Sacraments of Baptism, Reconciliation, Eucharist, Confirmation, and Marriage, please see the parish website.

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



Third Sunday of Advent

**PASTORALLY SPEAKING** – This weekend we celebrate the Third Sunday of Advent. Our Scriptures remind us that in the person of Jesus, God has come to heal and save us. Let us be open to the grace and blessing of these final weeks of this Advent season.

Fr. Clem

READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK: Isaiah 7:10-14; Romans 1:1-7; Matthew 1:18-24

**OFFERTORY COLLECTION** December 5, 2010 \$1196.00 This weekend the annual second collection for the Retirement Fund for Religious will be taken up. Thank you for your generosity.

**Lectors** for next weekend's Masses are: 5 p.m. – John Edwards, 9 a.m. – Deborah Crabtree. **Eucharistic Ministers** for next weekend's Masses are: 5 p.m. – Susan, Charlie, and Jim; 9 a.m.

Dot, Linda, and Joe.

In the bulletin racks are copies of "Our Parish Schedule" for the final week of Advent through the Epiphany. Please take a copy.

Please return your gifts for the *Giving Tree* by December 15<sup>th</sup>. Thank you.

## MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday,	December 11,	8:00 AM MASS FOR THE PEOPLE
		5:00 PM (rip) John Beberus by Dorothy Bachmura
Sunday,	December 12,	9:00 AM (rip) Clarence TaBois by Dorothy TaBois & family
Monday,	December 13,	7:00 AM (viv) Jennifer Laske by David Smith
Tuesday,	December 14,	7:00 AM (rip) Patricia Murtha by George & SueEllen Dudlek
Wednesday,	December 15,	7:00 AM Watts & Jones Families (living & deceased) by David
•		Smith
Thursday,	December 16,	7:00 AM (rip) Ron & Betty Nost by George & SueEllen Dudlek
Friday,	December 17,	7:00 AM (rip) Willard Smith by David Smith
Saturday,	December 18,	8:00 AM (rip) Doris Mantyla by the Spinella Family
•		5:00 PM MASS FOR THE PEOPLE
Sunday,	December 19,	9:00 AM MASS FOR THE PEOPLE

The next available dates for a Mass intention are January 9 & 14. The stipend for a Mass is \$10.

The **Sanctuary Candle** is lit from December 4<sup>th</sup> – 18<sup>th</sup> for the parishioners of St. Paul's.

**Decorating our Church for Christmas -** Please join us on Wednesday, December 22<sup>nd</sup>, at 7 p.m. to decorate. Light refreshments will be served.

**Penance Services:** There will be Penance Services at the neighboring parishes on the following dates:

12/13 – St. Peter's in New Castle; 12/19 – Our Lady of Fatima in New Castle; and 12/19 – St. Margaret of Scotland in Newark. These all begin at 7 p.m.

From the Office for Family Life of the Diocese of Wilmington – "How do you feel about the way you spend Advent and the Christmas holidays? Are you comfortable with the customs and pace you've adopted? Don't be a victim. Set your own pace. Don't be so busy being Martha that you forget to be Mary to your child."

How about a Christmas Gift for the Entire Household? Spending time together and celebrating your faith may be the best gift ever! Register for *The Festival for Households of Faith* which will be held on January 29<sup>th</sup> at St. Mark's High School. The registration for the entire household is only \$25. <a href="http://www.cdow.org/reledhof.html">http://www.cdow.org/reledhof.html</a>

Catholic Charities Needs Your Help to Warm Up Winter – they are now collecting new and "gently used" coats, blankets, and other bedding at each of its office locations through Feb. 2011, as the harsh economy continues to trouble our most vulnerable neighbors. These will distributed through its food distribution programs at Bayard House, Casa San Francisco, and Seton Center, and through its voucher programs at the Seton Center and Wilmington Thrift Centers. Donors can bring their coats and blankets to any of the following locations and receive a tax deduction receipt: Main Office, 2601 W. 4<sup>th</sup> St., Wilmington, Bayard House, 300 Bayard Ave., Wilmington, Thrift Store, 1320 E. 23<sup>rd</sup> St., Wilmington, and Marydale Retirement Village, 135 Jeandell Drive, Newark. Staff will accept walk-in donations between the hours of 9 a.m. and 4 p.m., M-F.