SAINT PAUL'S ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Confessions: 1/2 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 Scott Hudson at (302) 656-3323 or email at shudson@cathcemde.org

Please visit and LIKE our Facebook page https://www.facebook.com/698842276869943/

Please consider an offering online at: http://www.stpaulsrcchurch.org/stpaulsrcc donate.htm to assist In the support of our Parish. Thank you for your continued generosity.

Feast of the Baptism of the Lord

OFFERTORY COLLECTION Offertory \$ 968
Feast of Mary, Mother of God \$ 501

This Week – there will be a second collection to assist with Utilities.

Next Week - there will be a second collection Catholic Communications and University

The weekly Mass from the Cathedral of Saint Peter in Wilmington will be live-streamed on Sunday mornings at **9:30**AM at **YouTube.com/DioceseOfWilm.**

For the health and safety of our congregation and local community, it is recommended that you wear a mask if you are not vaccinated or you think you may have been exposed to Covid-19. The recommendation is for age Kindergarten and above. Let us be united in prayer for one another and for an end to the global pandemic.

Sanctuary Candle Memorials for the year **2022** are now available in the vestibule. The Sanctuary Candle will be lit for two weeks in honor of a living person/family or in memory of a deceased person/family. Please complete the front of the envelope in a clear manner to avoid any spelling errors, enclose the \$10 donation and drop it in to the collection basket at your earliest convenience.

Trustee Elections – after the 9 AM Mass **this** Sunday parishioners are invited to the sacristy to vote/affirm their approval of Trustees for the parish for 2022 John Edwards and Michelle Foraker have agreed to serve.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday	January 8	5:00 PM (RIP) Theresa DiAntonio by Mike & Joanne McLeod AND
		(RIP) Patti Sterling by the Patterson Family
Sunday	January 9	9:00 (RIP) Mario Cheppo by Valorie & Frank Amendola
Saturday	January 15	5:00 PM MASS FOR THE PEOPLE
Sunday	January 16	9:00 (RIP) Patrick C. Ryan by Lisa & Jim Rosenberger
	·	AND
		(RIP) Helen & Stephan Sefcik

The Sanctuary Candle is lit from 1/2 – 1/15 in memory of Theresa DiAntonio by Joanne & Michael McLeod

Today we celebrate the feast of the Baptism of the Lord. This feast marks the definitive end of Christmas season and the beginning of ordinary time. Today's celebration recalls the history of the Lord's own baptism. In a special way, it reminds us of the importance of the sacrament of baptism in our lives as Christians.

According to Matthew's account, Christ gives us the reason his baptism: "It is proper for us to do this, to fulfill all righteousness" (Mt 3, 15). His baptism was a sign of solidarity with us. It was a sign that he himself was ready to go through any ordeal in order to save us. Importantly, through His baptism, Christ initiated our redemptive process, which he will finally seal with his blood on the cross.

Finally, today we need to reflect on how we have kept our own baptismal vow. How faithful have we been to God in terms of keeping this vow? So, today the church offers us a new opportunity to renew our commitment to Christ in whose name we were baptized. So, let us ask God to renew his spirit in us. ~excerpted *frcanicenjoku*

Society of Saint Vincent de Paul – Homeless Project - During this holiday season, we are asking for your continued support for our homeless project. We have been providing the homeless with a small bag containing food, water, personal items, a list of shelters, and a prayer. Last year, we handed out 765 bags and we hope to do the same this coming year. Please consider making a donation.

We need the following items:

Socks, hand sanitizer, wet wipes, toothbrush/toothpaste, tissues, rain ponchos, small bags of trail mix, first-aid kits. We would also appreciate donations of new or lightly used hats, gloves, and blankets/throws. Dollar Tree is an inexpensive source for these items and many other stores carry them as well. You can leave donations under the statue of the Blessed Mother and we will pick them up. Thank you and May God bless you during this holiday season.

Monthly Income & Expense Report for December 2021

Offertory \$ 7,314 Other Income (some funds are specified for certain purposes) \$ 15,518

Income \$ 22,832 Expenses \$ 9,871

Diocese annual expense/collections/remits \$ 2,911 (included in expenses)

Monthly Mass Attendance 493

2021 Tax Contributions – Anyone wishing to have a tax letter for their contributions for 2021, please complete this form and place it in the offertory basket. The letters will be available for you to pick up the following weekend. They will be in a box marked "Tax Statements" in the last windowsill on the Blessed Mother Side. Please remember that the statement does not include Mass Stipends.

Name Envelope #