

SAINT PAUL PARISH

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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 Parish 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/donate.php> to assist in the support of our Parish. Thank you for your continued generosity.

December 10, 2023 – Second Sunday in Advent

OFFERTORY COLLECTION

Offertory \$ 2,292

Religious Retirement \$ 670

This week – there will be NO second collection.

Food Closet – Any monetary donations to assist with the purchasing of Bread/Milk/Eggs vouchers from the Sunset Market downtown will be deposited and remitted through our parish. Please make checks payable to: St Paul Parish. There are Special Offering Envelopes on the windowsills.

Sanctuary Candle Memorials for the year **2024** are now being accepted. The Sanctuary Candle will be lit for two weeks in honor of a living person/family or in memory of a deceased person/family. Envelopes for this purpose are on the table in the vestibule. Please complete the front of the envelope in a clear manner to avoid any spelling errors and enclose the \$10 donation for the 2-week period and drop it in to the collection basket at your earliest convenience.

Envelope Users – please remember to add the amount enclosed to your envelope, your name is not required. Also, whether it is cash or a check. Thank you.

Volunteer or Volunteers requested – Steve Beaston, who carries out the Homeless Ministry for us through St Vincent de Paul Society, will be unavailable to perform this Ministry during the month of January. If you have an interest and some time to fill in for him, please contact Steve for more information at 302-463-8747 or sembent@verizon.net

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday	December 9	5:00 PM (RIP) Thoi Dinh by To Hoang AND (RIP) Hoa Nguyen by To Hoang
Sunday	December 10	9:00 AM (RIP) Gail Rawlings by Deacon & Joann
Monday	December 11	8:30 AM MASS FOR THE PEOPLE
Tuesday	December 12	8:30 AM MASS FOR THE PEOPLE
Saturday	December 16	5:00 PM (RIP) Margaret Brennon & Margaret Townsend AND (RIP) Lewis J. Campagnari by Linda & Steve Michel
Sunday	December 17	9:00 AM MASS FOR THE PEOPLE
Monday	December 18	8:30 AM MASS FOR THE PEOPLE
	Monday December 18	7:00 PM Advent Penance Service
Tuesday	December 19	8:30 AM MASS FOR THE PEOPLE

The Sanctuary Candle is lit from 12/3-12/16 in memory of Louise Meli, Frank Neeff, Harry Moore, Leo McNulty, & Delaware City Fire Fighters Living & Deceased.

Not only is Jesus calling you in the Eucharist, He's calling you to join us for a two part series on "Discovering the Depths of Jesus in the Eucharist". It will be held on 2 Mondays Dec. 11th & 18th in the Parish Hall at 6:30pm. Come find out why Vatican II affirms the real presence of Christ in the holy Eucharist and why it's the source and summit of the Church's liturgical life.

Message from Fr. Dave

I'm happy to announce that at our Pastoral Council meeting last week it was decided to replace the outside Mary Statue at the entrance of the church.

The old statue that was recently removed was found not to be in good condition and it was not recommended to try to restore it since it was not meant to be an outside statue. The new statue will be a very close replica of the former statue and will be one that is meant to be outside.

On Monday, December 18th at 7pm, we will have an Advent Penance service in our church. The Sacrament of Penance (Confessions) will be available after a brief penitential liturgy. Advent is an ideal time to celebrate this sacrament in preparation for Christmas.

