

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 17, 2023 – Third Sunday in Advent

OFFERTORY COLLECTION

Offertory \$ 1,445

Holy Day \$ 472

This week – there will be a second collection for the St Vincent de Paul Society.

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.

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

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 **Monday Dec. 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.

Volunteers are needed to decorate the church on Sunday the 17th after the Korean Mass.

MASS INTENTIONS

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
Saturday	December 23	5:00 PM (RIP) Michael (Trinh) Dao & Maria (Cham) Dao by Kim Du Thein Du
Sunday	December 24	9:00 AM (RIP) Mark Maguire by the Gleeson Family
	Sunday December 24	4:00 PM Christmas Eve Mass
Monday	December 25	9:00 AM (RIP) Warren Rice by the Gleeson Family
Tuesday	December 26	8:30 AM MASS FOR THE PEOPLE

The Sanctuary Candle is lit from 12/17-12/30 in memory of Loretta Aveyard, Anna Blair, & Theresa Skinner by Katherine Skinner

Message from Fr. Dave

Please remember that this 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.

Next Sunday is the Fourth Sunday of Advent and Christmas Eve. We will have the regularly Mass for Sunday at 9am and then the Christmas Vigil Mass at 4pm. Christmas Mass on Monday will be at 9am.

Please note that since January 1st falls on a Monday, The Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God, is not a Holy Day of Obligation. *We will still celebrate the Holy Day on January 1st with Mass at 9am.*

The Society of Saint Vincent de Paul homeless project provides small bags of food and personal items to homeless people located throughout the diocese. Around Thanksgiving, we requested donations of hats, gloves, snack bars, protein shakes, and small packages of tissues or wet wipes – thank you to the many parishioners who have already responded. We are still accepting donations through the end of the year and you can place a donation under the statue of Saint Joseph. Thank you and May God Bless You during this holiday season.

BAZAAR APPRECIATION PARTY- A dinner will be held on **January 6, 2024 at 6:00 PM in the Parish Hall** for all the crafters, workers and anyone who helped to make our Bazaar such a tremendous success. Please call Rosina (302-328-0364) or Joann (302-420-1291) **before December 28, 2023**, to make your reservation. This is for ADULTS only.

