## 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 <a href="mailto:shudson@cathcemde.org">shudson@cathcemde.org</a>

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Please consider an offering online at: <a href="http://www.stpaulsrcchurch.org/donate.php">http://www.stpaulsrcchurch.org/donate.php</a> to assist In the support of our Parish. Thank you for your continued generosity.

## December 3, 2023 - First Sunday in Advent

OFFERTORY COLLECTION Offertory \$ 1,950

This week - there will be a second collection for the Retirement Fund for Religious.

**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.

Please remember to pick up your envelopes from the back pews. If you wish to receive or discontinue receiving envelopes please contact the office via email STPAULSDECITY@verizon.net or by calling 302-834-4321 during office hours. Thank you.

<u>Envelope Users</u> – 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.

MASS INTENTIONS		
Saturday	December 2	5:00 PM (RIP) Helen & Stephen Sefcik
		AND
		(RIP) Fr. Philip Siry by the MacKenzie Family
Sunday	December 3	9:00 AM MASS FOR THE PEOPLE
Monday	December 4	8:30 AM MASS FOR THE PEOPLE
Tuesday	December 5	8:30 AM MASS FOR THE PEOPLE
Thursday	December 7	7:00 PM MASS FOR THE PEOPLE
Friday	December 8	9:00 AM MASS FOR THE PEOPLE
Saturday	December 9	5:00 PM (RIP) Thoi Dinh by To Hoang
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		(RIP) Hoa Nguyen by To Hoang
Sunday	December 10	9:00 AM MASS FOR THE PEOPLE
Monday	December 11	8:30 AM MASS FOR THE PEOPLE
Tuesday	December 12	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.

## Message from Fr. Dave

This weekend we begin the Season of Advent at we celebrate the First Sunday of Advent. Since Christmas falls on a Monday this year, our Advent Season will only be three weeks and one day, the shortest Advent that we can ever celebrate.

We will also celebrate this week the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Masses for the Holy Day will be celebrated on Thursday (Dec.  $7^{th}$ ) at 7pm and Friday (Dec.  $8^{th}$ ) at 9am.

I will be away from the parish next weekend. Several months ago, before I was assigned to St. Paul Parish, I had agreed to fill in at St. Mary Star of the Sea Parish in Ocean City, MD for the pastor who will be on a pilgrimage. Priests from the Priory will celebrate the Masses for the Holy Day, the weekend and on Monday and Tuesday.

