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.

January 28, 2024 Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

OFFERTORY COLLECTION
Offertory
Catholic Communications & University \$ 220

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. Please notate Food Closet.

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.

Listen to Catholic Forum each week: Next Saturday, February 3rd, tune in to hear an interview with Lisa Ritchie, Program Manager of Catholic Charities Behavioral Health Services. *Catholic Forum* airs on Saturday afternoons at 1:30 on Relevant Radio 640. You can listen online anytime at cdow.org/CatholicForum, or by searching "Catholic Forum" on Apple, Spotify, iHeartRadio, or Amazon Music podcasts.

MASS INTENTIONS		
Saturday	January 27	5:00 PM MASS FOR THE PEOPLE
Sunday	January 28	9:00 AM MASS FOR THE PEOPLE
Monday	January 29	8:30 AM MASS FOR THE PEOPLE
Tuesday	January 30	8:30 AM MASS FOR THE PEOPLE
Saturday	February 3	5:00 PM (RIP) Ngoc Mai by To Hoang
Sunday	February 4	9:00 AM MASS FOR THE PEOPLE
Monday	February 5	8:30 AM (RIP) Helen Brannon
Tuesday	February 6	8:30 AM (RIP) Margaret Townsend

The Sanctuary Candle is lit from 1/28 - 2/10 in memory of Delbert & Mildred Cogdell by Katherine Skinner

Message from Fr. Dave

Back in October of last year, I asked members of our parish to complete a Deanery Survey for the Deanery Planning Process the Bishop initiated last year. At our last meeting I received the results of these surveys. I would like to share with you our parish survey results along with the results of all the parishes in our deanery.

Our parish survey indicated that we are strong with the celebration of Mass and the Sacraments. It also identified a feeling of members experiencing a strong connection with each other along with a welcoming atmosphere in our parish. The survey also indicated that we need to improve opportunities for parish activities and to offer a faith formation program.

The survey results for all the parishes in our deanery showed that most parishioners identified strengths around participation at Mass, the celebration of the Sacraments, active spiritual programs, and a strong spirit of hospitality. Concerns surfaced about doing better with parish evangelization programs and engaging the youth and young adults throughout the deanery.

Next weekend is the Feast of St Blaise who was an early Christian bishop and martyr, one of the most popular medieval saints. He is venerated as the patron saint of sufferers from throat diseases. There will be the blessing of throats after each Mass.

2023 Tax Contributions – Anyone wishing to have a tax letter for their contributions for **2023**, 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 or Candle Intentions. ~ These forms can also be emailed. EMAIL Yes (please circle)

Name

Envelope#