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Lord, hold our troops in
 your loving hands.
 Protect them.
 Bless them and their
 families. I ask this in the
 name of Jesus, our Lord
 and Savior.
 Amen



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 about who you are and what you
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Dec. 3, 2017

Pastor : Rev. Peter Eke

First Sunday of Advent

A PRAYER FOR THE First Sunday of Advent

God of light and life,
 give us hope as we wait
 for your coming again.
 When we are tempted
 to be grateful to have found you
 while others are lost,
 send us out into the darkness
 in search of those
 who need you most.
 Amen.



From the Pastor's Desk

RUMMAGE SALE: Thanks to all who made donations to the Fall Parish Rummage Sale. Thank you to the members of the Restoration Committee who volunteered time and energy to make the sale a great success. The net profit to the parish was **\$1,271.32** from the sale.

SECOND COLLECTION: The parish made **\$5,577.22** from the second collections. This is a great addition to our parish maintenance responsibilities

PARISH RAFFLE DRIVE: Our third Parish Cash Raffle is in the books! Thank you to everyone who participated with their prayers, bookkeeping, organization, sales time, and personal cash spent on tickets. Once again we learned what may work best for St. Paul Parish and things we should change. We all need to unite to continue to make it a continuous success.

Remember, all the pig roasts, Mexican dinners, hobo stews, the weekly candy bar sales, the Christmas signs, the bakeless bakesales did not generate the profit we realize from our raffle. It is so much more gratifying when a parish family pulls together to reach a goal and it is not just a few people doing the work.

We do need to acknowledge our raffle super hero, Ray Tovar! He not only sold his family tickets, and tickets for the Knights, but helped other parishioners with their tickets. Tom's Family Market allowed us to set up a sales table in their store which greatly helped to boost sales!

Thank you to the Restoration Committee, the K of C, the Altar Society Ladies, visitors and parishioners. Many hands were on deck to make this possible.

The net profit to the Parish \$6,923.40; the K of C received \$2000.00; the Altar Society received \$500.00. The FOUR raffle winners are: **First Prize \$2000.00 Darlene Hall (from Texas); Second Prize \$1000.00 Dan Willison; Third Prize \$500.00 Roger Hawley; and Fourth Prize \$400.00 Kim Smillie.** Congratulations to all the winners.

Number of families that sold all their own tickets – 59

Number of families that sold some of their tickets- 12

Number of families that did not sell any tickets – 16

WHERE DO YOU FIND YOURSELF (YOUR FAMILY) IN THE THREE GROUPS?????

2017 CSA DRIVE: Saint Paul exceeded target thanks for the generous and graciously support of many parish families. The Target was **\$23,033.00** and the total pledges were **\$25,017.72**. Thank you once again. Those who made pledges are encouraged to redeem them with time.

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION: The feast of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary is on December 8. It is a Holy Day of Obligation. The Vigil Mass on Thursday, December 7th is at 5pm. The Mass on Friday December 8 is at 6pm.

ADVENT PARISH PENANCE SERVICE: Sunday, December 10, is our penance service at 5pm. Many priests will be available to hear our confessions. In the Sacrament of Reconciliation was encounter God's mercy. God's mercy is poured out upon the repentants so that they can change and grow. When we are forgiven, we are called to learn to forgive others. Our world needs witnesses of mercy in every sphere.

PLEASE ADD THE FOLLOWING TO YOUR DAILY PRAYERS: Kevin Cooper as he journey's through our RCIA program and for Christian Tollini and Jessica Knowles as they begin their journey to Holy Matrimony.

Know you are loved,
Father Peter

Mass Intentions

Tuesday, Dec. 5th @ 9am
Theresa Parenteau
req. The Corriveau / Cryderman Families

Wednesday, Dec. 6th @ 6pm
Betty Kish

Thursday, Dec. 7th @ 9am
+Patrica Gosinski
req. The Gosinski Family
Fr. Mason Vaughn @ 6pm (Vigil Mass)

Friday, Dec. 8th @ 5pm
(Immaculate Conception Mass)
+ Lexi LaHaie

Saturday, Dec. 9th @ 5pm
+ Lawrence Veihl
req. Lois Veihl

Sunday, Dec. 10th @ 10am
Parishioners of St. Paul / St. Monica

Religious Retirement Collection will be the weekend of Dec. 9th and 10th.

Readings for Week of Dec. 4th

Mon: Is 2:1-5 / Mt 8:5-11
Tues: Is 11:1-10 / Lk 10:21-24
Wed: Is 25:6-10a / Mt 15:29-37
Thurs: Is 26:1-6 / Mt 7:21, 24-27
Fri: Gn 3:9-15, 20 / Ps 98 / Eph 1:3-6, 11-12 / Lk 1:26-38
Sat: Is 30:19-21, 23-26 / Mt 9:35-10:1, 5a, 6-8
Sun: Is 40:1-5, 9-11 / Ps 85 / 2Pt 3:8-14 / Mk 1:1-8

Week at a Glance

Tuesday, December 5th
Ladies Study Group 4:30pm
AA 8 pm, Hall (Rm. 1 & 2)

Wednesday, December 6th
Soup Kitchen 2:30– 5:30pm
Karate 6pm
Knights Meeting 7:30pm

Thursday, December 7th
Immaculate Vigil Mass 6pm

Friday, December 8th
AA 8 pm, Hall (Rm. 1 & 2)
Immaculate Mass 5pm

Sunday, December 10th
Knights Breakfast 9am—12pm
Faith Formation 11:15am
Parish Penance Service 5pm



K—12 Faith Formation
Dec. 3rd Parish Christmas Party,
Dec. 10th, 17th

Parish Penance Service

Sun. Dec. 10th at 5pm



If you would like to purchase a poinsettia in memory of a loved one and help adorn the altar for Christmas, envelopes can be found in the vestibule or you can contact the parish office. They can be purchased for \$10.00.

Don't give up – God is always near!
Live in hope and preparation.

Bless you for your Stewardship

St. Paul: 11/26/17
Reg. \$1,646.00 + Loose \$388.00
+ Fuel \$10.00 = \$2,044.00

2nd Collection \$385.50

St. Monica: 11/26/17
Reg. \$30.00
Fuel \$0.00 = \$30.00

Financial Position as of 10/31/17

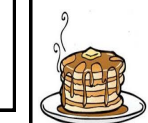
St. Paul
Income \$61,390.73
Expense \$48,802.71
Net Income \$12,588.02

St. Monica
Income \$4,182.45
Expense \$5,400.97
Net Loss (\$1,218.52)



This Sunday is our Parish Christmas party following Mass. Come Join Our Parish Family in Celebration!

The Knights of Columbus have Religious Christmas Cards for sale. They can be found after Mass in the vestibule or in the hall during the office hours. Please stop by and see what they have.



Knights of Columbus Breakfast
Sunday, Dec. 10th
9am—12pm
Stop by & have a great Breakfast.

Those in need of our prayers...

Ann Bandish	Dorothy Conners	Vicki Giessinger	Nancy Madison	Ann Osantowski	Walter Szymoniak
Deb Bandish	Evelyn Connors	Vicki Gosinski	Mike Marx	Anya Pecova	Dave Tesmer
Colleen Berry	Theresa Czajka	Catherine Green	Brittany Maynard	David Riley	Sue Tesmer
Mary Bower	Donna Diller	Chuck Hart	Dennis McGuire	Roger Rivard	Shirley Traflet
Bill Breed	Louise Dorton	Pat Harman	Sid Merchant	Diana Rogers	Bob Turney
Sandra Bunk	Elvin Eagleson	Jim Hayes	Bob Merrick	Norma Schoolcraft	Lois Veihl
Abel Canales	William Ellenberger	Harry Hopkins	Kathy Merrick	Frank Sobieralski	Randy Veihl
Gary J. Castonia	Martha Frost	Marlene Hopkins	Carolyn Mousseau	Karen Sobieralski	Randy Weber
Bob Carter	Donna Giessinger	Starr Ittu	Patrick Mousseau	Ray Stiles	