



Dear sisters and brothers,

Some time ago, I read how poet Maya Angelou recalled the struggles of her grandmother living through the great depression. She remembered a lot of things about her grandmother: her wisdom, her stature. But it was her grandmother's faith that Maya remembered most. Claspng her hands behind her back her grandmother would look up into the distant sky and say, "I will step out on the word of God."

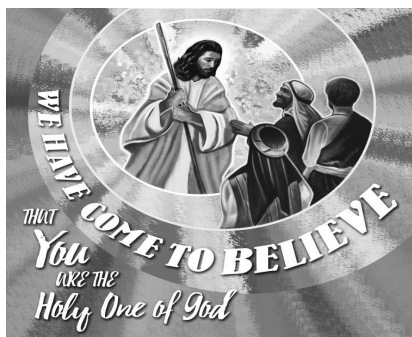
The great depression was a difficult time for everyone, but "especially so for a single black woman in the South tending her crippled son and two grandchildren." But when faced with mountainous burdens, Maya's grandmother would face the sky and say, "I will step out on the word of God."

"She would look up as if she could will herself into the heavens," Maya wrote. And because of her grandmother, Maya Angelou grew up knowing that the word of God had power. Throughout the remainder of her life, whenever she experienced the injustices of this world, Maya remembered the great faith of her grandmother. God gives us spiritual armor to protect us from the evil we face daily: God gives us truth, righteousness, the willingness to speak up for Christ, and, most importantly, faith!

"I will step out on the Word of God!" Why not? It's the most powerful way to live by!

In the Divine Word, I am

*Fr. Rick Andrus, SVD*



**Altar Servers**

- 7:30 a.m. Da'Marquis London, Jaiden Parker
- 10:30 a.m. Kellen Anthony, Demond Garner, Jermon Dunn

**Readers**

- 7:30 a.m. Joannette Dunn, Paulette Robertson
- 10:30 a.m. St. Paul's Youth

**Eucharistic Ministers**

- 7:30 a.m. Perry Chenevert, Audrene LeBlanc, Elaine Doyle, Alice Zacharie Murray Chenevert
- 10:30 a.m. Wanda Davis, Gigi Mathis, Wanda Alsobrook, Larry James, Darlene Richard, William Alsobrook, Jr.

**Mass Intentions**

- 7:30 a.m. Parishioners of St. Paul the Apostle
- 10:30 a.m. Mr. Oscar Grant

**A Vocation View:** *Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life.*  
Choose to follow and serve God with your whole life.

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**Readings for the Week**

- Monday: St. Monica  
2 Thes 1:1-5, 11-12; Ps 96:1-5; Mt 23:13-22
- Tuesday: St. Augustine  
2 Thes 2:1-3a, 14-17; Ps 96:10-13; Mt 23:23-26
- Wednesday: The Passion of St. John the Baptist  
2 Thes 3:6-10, 16-18; Ps 128:1-2, 4-5; Mk 6:17-29
- Thursday: 1 Cor 1:1-9; Ps 145:2-7; Mt 24:42-51
- Friday: 1 Cor 1:17-25; Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 10-11; Mt 25:1-13
- Saturday: Blessed Virgin Mary; First Saturday; World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation  
1 Cor 1:26-31; Ps 33:12-13, 18-21; Mt 25:14-30
- Sunday: Dt 4:1-2, 6-8; Ps 15:2-5; Jas 1:17-18, 21b-22, 27; Mk 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23



**The Rite of Christian initiation of Adults (R.C.I.A.)**

is the modern form of the ancient process used in the first centuries of Christianity for admitting new members into the Catholic Church. The process is concerned with the total formation of the person: learning about the Church community, living with the Church community, praying with the Church, and serving with the Church community. If you or someone you know are interested in learning more about the Catholic faith or joining the Catholic Church call Fr. Rick Andrus in the parish office at 383-2537. We will also be happy to answer additional questions about the class. There is never any pressure or obligation. Ideally each inquirer comes to class with a practicing Catholic who serves as their sponsor during the process. However, parishioners are happy to fulfill this role if needed. We will begin meeting in September.

**MASS SCHEDULE:** The weekend of our Church & Community Fair, St. Paul will celebrate Mass Saturday, Oct. 6th at 5:30 P.M. for fair workers and their families; on Sunday, Oct. 7th, there will be only one Mass at 9:00 A.M.

**TRANSPORTATION MINISTRY**  
**Drivers for Sunday, September 2, 2018**  
**10:30 a.m. Brent Hayward and Chris Banks**

**Parish Schedule for the Week**

Sunday: **7:30 am Mass** - Ladies Guild Turn Out  
**10:30 am Mass**  
Monday: **No Mass**  
Tuesday: **No Mass**  
Wednesday: **No Mass**  
4:30 pm Rehearsal for 7:30 Choir  
Thursday: 7 pm Rehearsal for 10:30 Choir  
5 pm Ladies Guild Meeting  
Friday: **No Mass**  
6 pm Liturgical Dance Practice  
Saturday: 10 am Mime Group Practice  
11 am Liturgical Dance Practice  
12 pm Youth Choir Rehearsal

**SWEET SHOP:** St. Paul's Ladies Sodality needs home-made cakes, cookies, cupcakes, and candies for their Sweet Shop on the day of our Church Fair. Please bring items Oct. 6, 8:00 A.M. until 12:00 noon to the Parish Center, or bring items Oct. 7. For questions, contact Barbara Cornell at 225-357-7017



**TALENT SHOW:** If you or a group would like to showcase your talents, such as singing, playing musical instruments, dancing, stomp routines, lip syncing, safe magic tricks, acting or reciting poetry, etc., at our Church Community Fair, please register in the main entrance of the church; it's FREE to enter, and awards will be presented. For details contact Kim Dunn 225-381-5075 or Vera Dunbar 225-324-2939.



**RAFFLE TICKET:** Please continue to support our raffle! You may still use the green envelopes to make payments until September 30; also, St. Paul's members may see their raffle captain or pay online at [stpaulbr.org](http://stpaulbr.org) using bank accounts or credit cards for at least one raffle ticket or make a \$100 donation.

**I will be away this week.** In the event of any emergencies and the need for a priest and the sacraments, please call Fr. Tom Clark, SJ from Immaculate Conception who is covering for me.

*Love one another and help others to rise to the higher levels, simply by pouring out love. Love is infectious and the greatest healing energy.* —Fr. Rick Andrus

**The Racial Harmony Commission** of the Diocese of Baton Rouge will present a panel discussion on Immigration entitled: *Encountering Christ in the Immigrant: Immigration and the Creation of a More Diverse Society* on Tuesday, August 28, 2018 at 6:30 PM at the Westerfield Room of the Catholic Life Center.

Please plan to attend what promises to be a very informative, challenging and empowering discussion.

**For the Separated and Divorced - Recovery from Divorce** is a special program addressing the concerns of separated/divorced Catholics. It offers support and addresses important issues that arise as a result of a divorce.. The strong emphasis on prayer, scripture and Church teachings leads to healing and a better relationship with Christ. Some of the topics discussed are:  
**How do I deal with my Anger? What Does the Church Say About Divorce? Based on the book Divorced. Catholic. Now What? Navigating Your Life After Divorce**  
The 13 Week Program Begins: September 9, 2018. Go to [www.aloysius.org](http://www.aloysius.org) for online Registration . For more information contact: Angela Falgoust at [afalgoust@stalloysiusparish.com](mailto:afalgoust@stalloysiusparish.com)

*Happy Birthday*

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| Charlotte Dillon 8/26   | Robert Seals, Jr. 8/29    |
| Beulah Credit 8/27      | Anthony Davis 8/30        |
| Amber Hunt 8/27         | Gerald Anderson, Jr. 8/31 |
| Vincent Jeanpierre 8/27 | Anthony Hawkins 8/31      |
| Dereck Rovaris 8/27     | Sydney Brown 9/01         |
| Mason Sanders 8/28      | Luther Lamotte 9/01       |
| Erin Anthony 8/29       |                           |



**PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK AND HOMEBOUND**

*Audrey Christopher, Edna Davis James, Mary Smart, Carolyn Christophe, Dorothy Bazile, Myrtis Coleman, Robert Seals, Mona Seals, Sylvia Collier, Steven Earl, Lena Batiste, Marie Myles, George Bell, Mary Lena Price, Irene Warner, Lois Joseph, Willis Reed, Jr., Joseph Broussard, Annie Joseph, Rosa Johnson, Harry Sills, Denovas Crockett, Gloria Williams, Jeanette Bishop, Jasman Benjamin, Earline Bell, Don Thibodeaux, James Hayward, Dorothy Andrews, Ursula Brady, Gussie Trahan, Cheryl Crockett, Brenda D. Hickman, Marie V. Hawkins, Quincy Hamilton, Amber Hunt, Charles Davis, Jr., Martha Davis, Jessie Joseph, Rose Crockett Carter, Dianna Franklin, Albertha Varmall, John Christophe, Geraldine Jones*

**PLEASE PRAY FOR SICK FAMILY MEMBERS & FRIENDS**

*Ronnie Gauthier, Helen Celestine, Florence Jackson, Geraldine Floyd, Betty Hammond, Frank Ross, Norma Fagan, Violet Holly, Eunice Royal, Mona Bossier Bailey, Walker Williams, Barbara Brennan, Richard Dillon, Calvin Thomas, III, Robert Lee Martin, Joel Rivera, Dorie Martin., Alberta Conner, Martha Reinhart, Dana Simoneaux, Nichelle Hollins, and Jessica Hughes*





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Our  
**Weekly Offering**  
August 19, 2018



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| Offertory Collection           | \$ 3,921.59      |
| Online Giving                  | \$ 680.00        |
| Children's Offering            | \$ 45.14         |
| Building Fund                  | \$ 210.00        |
| Assumption of Mary             | \$ 48.00         |
| Religious Education            | \$ 40.00         |
| Catholic University of America | \$ 205.00        |
| St. Vincent de Paul            | <u>\$ 140.00</u> |
| Total                          | \$ 5,289.73      |


*Remember this: whoever sows sparingly, reap sparingly; and whoever sows generously, reap generously.*







2 Corinthians 9:6

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| <p><i>In Loving Memory of:</i></p> <p>Opston, Dorcenia, Wilbert, Philip, Opston, Jr., Albert &amp; Jerome Guillory, CB, Ruth &amp; Tia Davis, Catherine Williams, Yvonne Warren and Marcus Montigue</p>  | <p><i>In Loving Memory of:</i></p> <p>George Coleman, Jr<br/>Geneva Coleman<br/>George Coleman, Sr.<br/>Carrie Coleman<br/>M.H. Weathersby<br/>Odelia Weathersby<br/>Donald Coleman</p>  | <p><b>JANI-KING</b></p> <p>Commercial Cleaning Service</p> <p><b>Monique Scott</b><br/><b>225 273-5464</b></p> | <p><i>Space Available</i></p> | <p><b>State Farm Insurance</b></p> <p><b>Leonard Benjamin</b><br/><b>775-2492</b></p> |
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| <p><i>Space Available</i></p> | <p align="center"><u><b>St. Paul the Apostle Quick Reference</b></u></p> <p>Altar Servers - 7:30 - Shirley Dawson.....802-6128<br/>         Altar Servers - 10:30 - Christy Hall... ..223-7851<br/>         Infant Baptism - Deacon Benjamin Dunbar, Jr.....324-5808<br/>         Bible Study - Barbara Haynes.....665-2630<br/>         Bookkeeper - Debra Dudley.....383-2537<br/>         Center (Use of Center) - Mary Martin.....383-2537<br/>         Center Rental &amp; Repast - Velita Benjamin.....654-6705<br/>         Child Protection Coordinator - Vera Dunbar.....324-2939<br/>         Eucharistic Ministers - Nancy Ball.....397-4309<br/>         Liturgy Committee - Martha Davis.....357-4108<br/>         Nurse - Maxine Watts .....278-6732<br/>         Parish Office - Secretary - Mary Martin.....383-2537<br/>         Pastor - Fr. Richard Andrus.....383-2537<br/>         Readers - Theresa Grevious.....773-8023<br/>         Religious Education Director - Martha Davis.....357-4108<br/>         RCIA Coordinator - Fr. Richard Andrus.....383-2537<br/>         Ushers - Edmonia Joseph .....772-2090<br/>         Youth Ministry - Justin Kennedy.....754-2609</p> |
|                               | <p><i>In Loving Memory of Our Loved Ones:</i></p>  <p>Roosevelt Bowers<br/>Joseph "Buddy" Walker<br/>Oscar LeDuff, Jr.<br/>Elizabeth &amp; Frank P. Bowers<br/>Carrie &amp; Douglas Rodney, Sr.<br/>Clara &amp; Willis Walker<br/>Sarah Rodney Domino &amp; Wilbert Domino, Sr.<br/>Freddie Bowers<br/>Ora Bowers Ward<br/>Sybil Thomas Johnson<br/>Maureen Bowers Johnson</p>    |

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| <p><i>In Loving Memory of:</i></p> <p>Famyee Reed and the Reed, Stewart, Davis, and Grainger Families</p>  <p><i>"Rest in Peace"</i></p> | <p><i>In Loving Memory of:</i></p> <p>Geneva Battley Spooner<br/>Della Battley Rodney</p>  <p><i>"Rest in Peace"</i></p> | <p><b>John K. Pierre</b><br/><i>Attorney At Law</i></p> <p><b>2900 West Fork Dr.</b><br/><b>Baton Rouge, LA 70815</b><br/><b>225 295-5638</b></p> | <p><b>Chenevert Construction &amp; Remodeling</b><br/><b>344-0183</b></p> |
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| <p><i>In Loving Memory of:</i></p> <p>Lionel Bazile, Sr.<br/>James Bazile<br/>Sheila Bazile</p>  <p><i>"Rest in Peace"</i></p> | <p><i>In Loving Memory of:</i></p> <p>Aaron Bradley Joseph<br/>H.P. Martin</p>  <p><i>"Rest in Peace"</i></p> | <p><i>In Loving Memory of:</i></p> <p>Milton, Rachel, Lillie, Lillian, Kirby, James "Pookie" Verdell, Corinne &amp; Michael Joseph, Lawrence, Sr. &amp; Shedrick Ashford, Ellis Myles, Sr., Rose &amp; Albert Hebert, Eula White</p>  | <p><i>In Loving Memory of:</i></p>  <p>Wilfred Ferbos, Sr.</p>  <p><i>"Rest in Peace"</i></p> | <p><i>In Loving Memory of:</i></p> <p>The Joseph Family</p>  <p><i>"Rest in Peace"</i></p> |
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