

Dear Friends,

Her name was Rosemary. She seldom came to the church and never on Sunday. Rosemary lived in the urban center of the city. She called home a small apartment above a storefront. She would arrive on a weekday morning sometimes with bags of possessions, sometimes empty-handed. It was difficult to communicate with Rosemary. I could not follow her lines of logic. Her sentences seemed incomplete to me. Her words did not fit together in a comprehensible way. There was, however, one exception when her words did make sense to me. She told me why

she had come to church. She gave the same reason each time. Rosemary had come to church to play the piano. "The piano. I would like to play the piano," she would say.

I remember the first time that she asked me if she could play the piano. I was hesitant but led her downstairs to the piano in the fellowship hall. It was an old piano. I do not think that it had been tuned since last year's Lenten series, but I thought that it would fulfill her need. Her disappointment was obvious. She did not want to play this piano. She wanted to play the piano in the sanctuary — the one that stood silently still, except for Thursday night choir practice and Sunday morning Mass. Didn't she know that only the music director or the accompanist was supposed to play this piano? I conceded to let her play, thinking that no one from the church music committee would stop by in the few minutes that she would be playing. She entered the sanctuary, which was lit only by the diffused sunlight penetrating the stained-glass windows. She sat down on the piano bench and placed her hands on the piano keys. She began to play. Her music filled the apparent emptiness of the sanctuary and filtered through the hallways and even into my office.

Sometimes she would play for fifteen minutes; other times, for hours. She played hymns — old ones, news ones, all types of hymns. Her preference was always to play the piano in the sanctuary. And I do not think that she played that one was because it was tuned the best! She was giving back to God a portion of the gift that God had given to her. When she had finished, she would leave quietly out the side door — apparently more at peace with herself and with God than when she had arrived.

God welcomes all our gifts. God encourages us to be cheerful givers. God looks to us to give not for recognition, but as a response to God's love for us. Have you discovered the joy of giving to God? If not, today is a good day to start!

In the Divine Word, I am

Fr. Rick Andrus SVD

7 :30 10:30		Altar Servers Kelby Chenevert, Da'Marquis London Michael Knox. Jacquez Knox, KyRon Phillips
7:30 . 10:30		Readers Debra Dudley, Darlene St. Romain St. Paul's Youth
7:30 10:30	a.m.	Eucharistic Ministers Perry Chenevert, Monique Spaulding, Alice Zacharie, Paulette Robertson, Audrene LeBlanc, Murray Chenevert Christy Hall, Jean Roan,
		Sonja Bowers, Barbara Cornell, Mary Haynes, Amanda Skinner
7:30	a.m.	Mass Intentions Mary Jarreau, Buanita Voltaire, April Voltaire

May she rest in peace...

Parishioners of St. Paul the Apostle



10:30 a.m.

Our deepest sympathy is extended to the Boyd and Givens family at the passing of Ms. Carolyn Boyd-Givens. Mother of Ms. April Givens and sister of Ms. Joanna Boyd. Please pray for Ms. Given's peaceful eternal rest, and for the comfort and consolation of her family. May her soul and all the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace. Amen.

Readings for the Week Memorial of St. Josaphat Monday:

Ti 1:1-9; Ps 24:1b-4ab, 5-6; Lk 17:1-6 Tuesday: Memorial of St. Frances Xavier Cabrini

Ti 2:1-8, 11-14; Ps 37:3-4, 18, 23, 27, 29;

Lk 17:7-10

Wednesday: Ti 3:1-7; Ps 23:1b-6; Lk 17:11-19 Thursday: Memorial of St. Albert the Great

Phlm 7-20; Ps 146:7-10; Lk 17:20-25 Friday: Memorial of St. Margaret of Scotland;

St. Gertrude

2 Jn 4-9; Ps 119:1-2, 10-11, 17-18;

Lk 17:26-37

Saturday: Memorial of St. Elizabeth of Hungary

3 Jn 5-8; Ps 112:1-6; Lk 18:1-8

Sunday: Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Dn 12:1-3; Ps 16:5, 8-11; Heb 10:11-14, 18;

Mk 13:24-32



Are you interested in becoming Catholic? Do you have a family member or friend who might be interested? We are about to begin an exciting journey in faith and discovery about the Catholic Faith. As we move through the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults in preparation for the Sacraments of Baptism, Conformation and First Communion at Easter, we

will learn about Church History, traditions, prayers and scripture to understand more about where God is moving you in hopes it will lead you to professing our faith as Catholic Christians. Interested - or know someone who may be? Call Fr. Rick Andrus at the Church Office for more information!

Parish Schedule for the Week

Sunday: 7:30 am Mass

9:00 am Religious Ed Classes 10:30 am Mass - Youth Sunday 6:30 pm Word & Deed Gathering

Tuesday: 8 am Mass

Monday:

6 pm St. Vincent de Paul Meeting

Wednesday: 8 am Mass

4:30 pm Rehearsal for 7:30 Choir

6 pm Bible Study

Thursday: 8 am Food Pantry Open

7 pm Rehearsal for 10:30 Choir

Friday: 8 am Mass

6 pm Liturgical Dance Practice Saturday: 9 am Male Chorus Rehearsal

10 am Mime Group Practice11 am Liturgical Dance Practice12 pm Youth Choir Rehearsal

TRANSPORTATION MINISTRY

Drivers for Sunday, November 18, 2018 10:30 a.m. Judge Luke LaVergne and Alene Lockett

ADVENT PACKETS - Envelopes for St. Paul families are in the foyer of the Church that contains a letter from me, an Advent Daily Reflection Book to enrich your daily prayer during Advent and a Sacrificial Offering folder. I am asking all parishioners to use both, the best you can, booklet and the sacrificial offering folder. For using them ... not only will you be better, your spirit will also be enriched by prayer and sacrifice. I understand that not everyone can make the sacrifice of a dollar a day, but some can. From your heart, do what you are able so that St. Paul is able, in return to bless others in great need this coming Christmas Season, thus showing others the power of Jesus alive in our lives, in Church, and in our Eden Park Community! — Fr. Rick Andrus



COMMUNITY THANKSGIVING DAY DINNER - We are planning our Thanksgiving Community Dinner for anyone who would enjoy sharing this day of giving thanks around a table of fellowship and food with others. Many that will be attending are those who otherwise

would not have a meal to enjoy, or may not have anyone to share it with. We need donations of prepared food! Please sign the log and include the item or items you will prepare. Thanks for your support!

OUR VETERANS DAY CELEBRATION will

be held Sunday, November 25th. Seats will be reserved for veterans and their spouses at 10:30 Mass. A reception will immediately follow in St. Paul Center where veterans, including spouses of



deceased veterans will be recognized. If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Harry Johnson or Mr. James Rodney.

ST. PAUL'S CHRISTMAS GIVING TREE will be in the foyer again this year. This program assists St. Paul families in providing Christmas gifts for their children. Please provide the names of children who need assistance. The names and wish list should be submitted to Mrs. Maxine Watts or to the Parish Office by Monday, November 19th. The tree will be in the foyer on Sunday, November 25th so our parishioners will have the opportunity to adopt St Paul's Children for Christmas.

ST. JOSEPH SPIRITUALITY CENTER WORD & DEED gathering will be held in St. Paul center Monday, Nov. 12th from 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm. Please join us.

ATTENTION YOUTH GROUP: On Saturday, November 17th, we will leave St. Paul at 6:30 am to attend the African American Catholic Youth Congress at St. Thomas Moore High School in Lafayette. The event is from 8 am until 6 pm and will include workshops and speakers, including Fr. Joshua Johnson. If you plan to attend, today is the deadline to sign-up. Any questions should be directed to Mr. Justin Kennedy.

On Tuesday, November 20th, the youth will gather at the home of Mr. Justin Kennedy to prepare side dishes for St. Paul's Community Thanksgiving Day Dinner.

Happy Birthday

James Rodney 11/11 Mason Hurst 11/14 Joseph Anthony 11/12 Karen Stribling 11/14 Rosa Johnson 11/12 Claudia Harper 11/15 Nyle Harris 11/15 Chelsea Buckley 11/13 Collins Eugene 11/13 Kyla Williams 11/15 Alfonso Olive 11/13 Camaron Foster 11/16 Ounitha Scott 11/13 Walter Lewis 11/17 Randall Farlow 11/14 David Robertson 11/17

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, Ellis Doyle, Rauyshiera Cooks, and Dominique Seals.

PLEASE PRAY FOR SICK FAMILY MEMBERS & FRIENDS

Ronnie Gauthier, Helen Celestine, Florence Jackson, Geraldine Floyd, Betty Hammond, Frank Ross, 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, Jessica Hughes, Rev. Frank H. Young, and Ernie Butitta,



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

2 Corinthians 9:6

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Sarah Rodney Domino & Wilbert Domino, Sr. Freddie Bowers

Ora Bowers Ward Sybil Thomas Johnson Maureen Bowers Johnson

St. Paul the Apostle Quick Reference

Altar Servers - 7:30 - Shirley Dawson	802-6128
Altar Servers - 10:30 - Christy Hall	223-7851
Infant Baptism - Deacon Benjamin Dunbar, Jr	324-5808
Bible Study - Barbara Haynes	665-2630
Bookkeeper - Debra Dudley	
Center (Use of Center) - Mary Martin	383-2537
Center Rental & Repast - Velita Benjamin	654-6705
Child Protection Coordinator - Vera Dunbar	324-2939
Eucharistic Ministers - Nancy Ball	397-4309
Liturgy Committee - Martha Davis	357-4108
Nurse - Maxine Watts	278-6732
Parish Office - Secretary - Mary Martin	383-2537
Pastor - Fr. Richard Andrus	383-2537
Readers - Theresa Grevious	773-8023
Religious Education Director - Martha Davis	357-4108
RCIA Coordinator - Fr. Richard Andrus	383-2537
Ushers - Edmonia Joseph	772-2090
Youth Ministry - Justin Kennedy	754-2609

In Loving Memory of:

Famye Reed and the Reed, Stewart, Davis, and Grainger Families



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In Loving Memory of:

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