

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.

Altar Servers

7:30 a.m. Garrick Camel, Jr., Da'Marqis London,

Chelsea Buckley

10:30 a.m. Jared Anthony, Taj Anthony,

Tavin Anthony

Readers

7:30 a.m. Cindy Chenevert, Felix Ezejiofo 10:30 a.m. Tasha Anthony & Paul Stewart

Eucharistic Ministers

7:30 a.m. Murray Chenevert, Perry Chenevert,

Alice Zacharie, Audrene LeBlanc,

Elie Jackson

10:30 a.m. Darlene Richard, Anna Perry,

Tasha Anthony, Christy Hall

Justin Kennedy, Robinette Harleaux

Mass Intentions

7:30 a.m. Mr. Dwight LeBlanc, Sr.

10:30 a.m. Parishioners of St. Paul the Apostle

MASS SCHEDULE: The weekend of our Church & Community Fair, St. Paul will celebrate Mass on 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.



Readings for the Week

Monday: Memorial of St. Gregory the Great;

Labor Day

1 Cor 2:1-5; Ps 119:97-102; Lk 4:16-30, or, for Labor Day, any readings from the Mass "For the Blessings of Human Labor,"

nos. 907-911

Tuesday: 1 Cor 2:10b-16; Ps 145:8-14; Lk 4:31-37 Wednesday: 1 Cor 3:1-9; Ps 33:12-15, 20-21; Lk 4:38-44 Thursday: 1 Cor 3:18-23; Ps 24:1bc-4ab, 5-6; Lk 5:1-11 Tor 4:1-5; Ps 37:3-6, 27-28, 39-40;

Lk 5:33-39

Saturday: The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Mi 5:1-4a or Rom 8:28-30; Ps 13:6;

Mt 1:1-16, 18-23 [18-23]

Sunday: Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time;

Grandparents' Day

Is 35:4-7a; Ps 146:7-10; Jas 2:1-5;

Mk 7:31-37

A Vocation View: You are called to be a person of integrity. Live in a way that shows that God is your center.

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RELIGIOUS EDUCATION MEET & GREET: All Religious Education volunteers, parents/guardians and students are invited to our Meet and Greet next Sunday, September 9th at 9:30 a.m. Please come and meet your child's teacher and learn more about our Religious Education program. We look forward to seeing you there. *Classes will begin Sunday, September 16th at 9:00 A.M.*

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

When an altar is dedicated, the Rite of Dedicaton directs that, if possible, the relics of a martyr be mortared into the church floor under the *mensa*, or "altar table." Up until this revised rite, the general practice was to include small relics of saints in an altar stone, a slab of marble that was normally set in the altar itself. Today's rite states a clear preference for "martyr," and for a substantial part of the body, in accord with our tradition's desire for substantial symbols. Martyr, of course, means "witness" in Greek, and was the title given early on to the people who by their death imaged the death of Christ.

From the beginning, there has never been a shortage of such people, although it took a while for the Church to develop a process to declare someone a martyr. Saint Augustine tells how it was done in the fifth century. By then, popular opinion didn't count as much as an official tribunal set up by the bishop of the place where the martyr suffered. After the inquiry established that the person did indeed die for the faith, a metropolitan bishop had to ratify the decision before a shrine could be built or an altar set up over the martyr's tomb. For the most part, the honor paid to a martyr (called a "cult") was restricted to that diocese, although the fame of some heroes spread so much that they were celebrated elsewhere. The age of the martyrs is now, and more people died for the faith in the twentieth century than ever before, witnessing to Christ to the end. Their sacrifice remains "the seed of the Church."

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Parish Schedule for the Week

Sunday: 7:30 am Mass

10:30 am Mass

Monday: Labor Day

Office Closed

Tuesday: 8 am Mass

6 pm St. Paul's Conference of St. Vincent de Paul Meeting

Wednesday: 8 am Mass

4:30 pm Rehearsal for 7:30 Choir

Thursday: 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, September 9, 2018 10:30 a.m. Shirley Dawson and Augustine Kador



SWEET SHOP: St. Paul's Ladies Sodality needs homemade cakes, cookies, cupcakes, and candies for their Sweet Shop. Please bring your donations Oct. 6, 8:00 A.M. until

12:00 noon to the Parish Center or Oct. 7. For questions, contact Barbara Cornell at 225-357-7017



TALENT SHOW: If you or a group want 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 Fair, please register in the main entrance of the church; it's FREE to enter, and awards will be presented.



RAFFLE TICKET: Please continue to support our raffle! Use the green envelopes to make payments until September 30, or

see your raffle captain or pay online at stpaulbr.org using bank accounts or credit cards.

SIXTH ANNUAL CITIZENSHIP DAY WORKSHOP:

On Saturday, September 15, Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Baton Rouge will hold its Sixth Annual Citizenship Day Workshop at the main office at 1900 S. Acadian Thruway, Baton Rouge. This is a project bringing free naturalization application assistance to qualified green card holders. Participants will receive an eligibility review with a trained immigration law professional as well as assistance completing the required forms. Please call 225-376-6849 to reserve your space today!

"Merciful God and Father of all, wake us from the slumber of indifference, open our eyes...and free us from the insensitivity born of worldly comfort and self-centeredness." Inspire us, as nations, communities, and individuals, to see that those who come to our shores are our brothers and sisters..."



—Pope Francis



Church & Community Fair

\$10,000 1st Raffle Drawing at 6:00 p.m.

St. Paul the Apostle Catholic Church 3912 Gus Young Ave., Baton Rouge, LA

Sunday, October 7, 2018 - 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.



Live Music by Kenny Neal

BECOMING THOUGHTFUL MEN & WOMEN

OF GOD: Most Blessed Sacrament Church in Baton Rouge will host Anne, the lay apostle, and Direction for Our Times for an adult faith formation program on Friday evening, Sept. 14 and Saturday, Sept. 15. Learn how to transform your thinking about your faith, your relationship with God, and what we can offer Him in a fast world. Cost \$25, lunch will be provided. Registration required by Sept. 7. For more information, call Claudia (225) 362-4508.

LIFE IS GRAND! Cherish those who make it that way by remembering Grandparent's Day next Sunday, September 9, 2018.

Happy Birthday

James Joseph 9/02 Meshell Franklin 9/04 Rudolph Richard, Jr. 9/04 Carolyn Bajoie 9/05 Krystal Brue 9/06 Dr. Stacy Jones 9/07 Jodeci Alsobrook 9/08 Terrence Lockett 9/08 Ky'ron Phillips 9/08 Da'myne Spurlock 9/08

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, Jessica Hughes, and Rodrick Simms

In Loving Memory of:

Opston, Dorcenia, Wilbert, Philip, Opston, Jr., Albert & Jerome Guillory, CB, Ruth & Tia Davis, Catherine Williams, Yvonne Warren and Marcus Montigue



In Loving Memory of:

George Coleman, Jr Geneva Coleman George Coleman, Sr. Carrie Coleman M.H. Weathersby Odelia Weathersby Donald Coleman



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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	
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:

Geneva Battley Spooner Della Battley Rodney



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In Loving Memory of:

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Milton, Rachel, Lillie, Lillian, Kirby, James

"Pookie" Verdell,

Corinne & Michael

Joseph, Lawrence, Sr. &

Shedrick Ashford, Ellis Myles, Sr., Rose & Albert Hebert, Eula

White

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In Loving Memory of:



Wilfred Ferbos, Sr.



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In Loving Memory of:

The Joseph Family



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