## Ministries and Organizations of St. Paul the Apostle Catholic Church

- ADULT GOSPEL CHOIR 7:30 The choir joins us together in spirit and song to enhance our Sunday worship.
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- **ADULT FAITH FORMATION -** The Ministry is open to parish religious education (CCD) parents/relatives and all members of St. Paul. We gather on Sunday mornings from 9:10-9:50 in the rectory for a spirit-filled and informal discussion of our faith.
- ALTAR SERVERS This group assists the celebrant during liturgical functions, especially Sunday Mass.
   Participants must be at least eight years of age or older, baptized, received the First Eucharist and Penance.
- BEREAVEMENT This group prays for and provides assistance to families who are experiencing the loss of a loved one.
- **BIBLE STUDY -** This group reads, prays and discusses the scripture to gain a greater understanding and appreciation of God's written word.
- **EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS** This group assists in the distribution of the Body and Blood of Christ during Mass and takes communion to the sick and shut-in.
- EVANGELIZATION COMMITTEE Promotes and sponsors programs throughout the year that are
  designed to reach out to all those who have been away from their faith, those who would like to know more
  about our faith and those who seek a deeper involvement in our parish community.
- **HEALTH MINISTRY -** This group works to promote good health and wellness through literature, check-ups, health fairs, home visits, etc.
- JUNIOR DAUGHTERS A national, non-profit group of female Catholic youth between the ages of 7 and 17, striving to build good character and leadership, under the Ladies Auxiliary of the Knights of St. Peter Claver.
- **JUNIOR KNIGHTS** A national, non-profit male Catholic youth organization between the age of 7-17, who strives to build good character and leadership, under the Knights of St. Peter claver.
- **KNIGHTS OF ST. PETER CLAVER -** A national, non-profit, fraternal organization of Catholics which promotes the good of the parish and the community.
- LADIES AUXILIARY This is the female counterpart of the Knights of St. Peter Claver.
- **LADIES GUILD** A group of female parishioners that assists with parish activities to promote the importance of family and helps with the upkeep of the parish.
- LADIES OF THE ROSARY A group of female parishioners dedicated to sharing love for the rosary and Mary within the community through visitation at nursing homes, hospitals, and to homebound parishioners upon request, etc.
- **LADIES SODALITY -** A group of female parishioners who show devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary and offer spiritual and financial support to the church.

- LITURGICAL DANCERS To bring together the young and young-at-heart in song and
  movement. Historically, liturgical dancing showed us how to rejoice and be thankful for what the Lord has
  done.
- MALE CHORUS The Choir joins us together in spirit and song to enhance our Sunday worship.
- MEDIA MINISTRY The ministry support and captures activities of church life during worship services, celebration, fellowship and events. Provides material for the parish website and facebook.
- **MEN OF ST. PAUL -** A group of men committed in faith to improve the spiritual quality of parish life and work to improve the quality of life in the Eden Park Community.
- **MIME MINISTRY** Mime is used in worship and provides a means for presenting the good news which involves movement and non verbal expression.
- MINISTERS OF THE WORD These individuals proclaim the Scripture during liturgical celebrations.
- PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION This program is designed to teach children and youth about the Catholic faith, sacramental preparation, learning to use scripture to develop a personal relationship with Jesus and grow in faith.
- **RCIA -** This process (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) is facilitated by Fr. Richard Andrus and members of the parish for persons interested in learning more about the Catholic Faith or becoming Catholic.
- SOUND MINISTRY Assist in maintaining proper operation of sound system during Mass.
- **ST. VINCENT DEPAUL/FOOD PANTRY -** This organization helps the needy and less fortunate within the community with food, utilities, lodging, clothing and basic household items.
- TOGETHER BATON ROUGE Works with other faith based and civic organizations around issues that impact people's lives with specific goals to improve the quality of life.
- **TRANSPORTATION MINISTRY** Transport parishioners that are in need of transportation to and from Mass by use of the Church van.
- **USHERS** This group welcomes and seats parishioners and visitors, directs the offertory procession, distributes the bulletin and other materials.
- **VOCATION COMMITTEE** Promotes vocation awareness to the religious life (Sisters, Brothers), the priesthood, permanent deaconate and lay ministries. Plan an annual vocation fair.
- WOMEN'S CLUB A group of female parishioners who work to promote the good of the parish and community. They provide assistance to the homeless and needy and fund altar flower arrangements for Sunday Mass Celebrations.
- YOUTH GOSPEL CHOIR Junior High, High School and College students joins us together in song to enhance our Sunday worship on the second Sunday of the month with youthful spirit and praise.
- YOUTH MINISTRY A group of youth parishioners who works to promote good character and leadership in the parish, community, diocese and world.