



Dear sisters and brothers

My family has been on my mind a lot this week – they always are – but this week more than usual. This past Wednesday would have been my parents 65<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary and so, many memories flooded back this week that I cherished and enjoyed remembering.

I am the oldest of 7, but for the better part of 15 years, there were just 6 of us, 3 boys and 3 girls, the first 5 of us born between 55 and 60. My youngest sister was born 15 years later. About the same time, my parents adopted my brother who was about 15 at the time.

Being the eldest of three very strong-willed boys, we had all of the fights and arguments you can imagine of rambunctious boys. Sometimes our disagreements would get so intense we would go to mother to have our righteous indignation ratified. She would often say to us, "You boys go back and resolve it, but remember you are brothers." "But Mom," we would reply, "he took my ball; he said I was a liar." "Mom, he broke the rules." But all she would say was, "You boys go back and resolve it and, remember, you are brothers." It was eventually clear that what was most important to Mother (and my Father) was that we behave, in such a way that demonstrated our bond as brothers. This was even more important to her than our resolution (which she also expected).

I think this is what God says to the church. "I know you have differences, but you must struggle to resolve them as brothers and sisters. This is what I expect of you because you are my children."

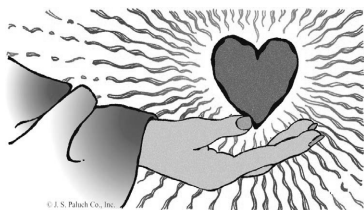
Jesus said it this way in the Gospel of John: "By this, everyone will know you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

As to how this love should be witnessed, comes from the clause, "as I have loved you." That is a broad and lofty standard indeed! The love that Jesus had for his disciples began with a willingness to ignore the limits of society. He did not content himself with a little group made up of only his "own kind" - he reached out to ALL kinds, and especially to those whom the rest of the world would shun. The love of Jesus enabled him to take on tasks that would have been thought to be beneath him - servant work like washing dusty feet, for example. The love of Jesus was able to encompass the hypocrisy of Peter, the self-serving ambition of James and John, the vicious self-righteousness of Paul. It was a love that knew no limit. He loved them so much that he was willing to die for them. That became our standard for obedience. "As I have loved you...so you must love one another."

Mom's expectations were really high for us – it was only a little later in life that I finally realized where in Heaven's name her high expectations came from!

In the Divine Word, I am

*Fr. Rick Andrus, Jr. SVD*



**Altar Servers**

- 7:30 a.m. Garrick Camel, Da' Marquis London  
Chelsea Buckley
- 10:30 a.m. Rudolph Richard III, Joseph Richard,  
Contrell Salton

**Eucharistic Ministers**

- 7:30 a.m. Audrene LeBlanc, Monique Spaulding  
Alice Zacharie, Paulette Robertson,  
Joanette Dunn,
- 10:30 a.m. Velita Benjamin, Martha Davis  
Paul Stewart, Justin Kennedy  
Christy Hall, Nancy Ball

**Mass Intentions**

- 7:30 a.m. Mr. Dwight LeBlanc
- 10:30 a.m. Parishioners of St. Paul the Apostle

**Reading for the Week**

- Monday: **Memorial of St. Bernadine of Siena**  
Acts 14:5-18; Ps 115:1-4, 15-16;  
Jn 14:21-26
- Tuesday: **Memorial of St. Christopher Magallanes and Companions**  
Acts 14:19-28; Ps 145:10-13ab, 21;  
Jn 14:27-31a
- Wednesday: **Memorial of St. Rita of Cascia**  
Acts 15:1-6; Ps 122:1-5; Jn 15:1-8
- Thursday: Acts 15:7-21; Ps 96:1-3, 10; Jn 15:9-11
- Friday: Acts 15:22-31; Ps 57:8-10, 12; Jn 15:12-17
- Saturday: **St. Bede the Venerable; St. Gregory VII; St. Mary Magdalene de' Pazzi**  
Acts 16:1-10; Ps 100:1b-3, 5; Jn 15:18-21
- Sunday: **Fifth Sunday of Easter**  
Acts 15:1-2, 22-29; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8;  
Rv 21:10-14, 22-23; Jn 14:23-29

**VBS** **Vacation Bible School:** Volunteers are needed! Please Mark your calendar for another great Vacation Bible School scheduled for June 24 through June 28. Volunteers are asked to please sign-up in the foyer if you are interested in helping out. All organizations who are interested in donating or supplying dinner for one of the nights should contact Ladira James at 413-2582 and sign up also.



**Sisters of the Holy Family** invite you to join them for **Crowning of the Blessed Virgin Mary and Rosary** at Sister of the Holy Motherhouse located at 6901 Chef Menteur Blvd, New Orleans, LA 70126. It will be held Saturday, May 25, 2019 at 2:00 p.m.

**The Knights of Peter Claver Junior Daughters Court 351** invite Catholic young ladies age 7 through 17 that have made their First Communion to join their Noble Order. Please contact Lady Mary Martin at 936-1090 or Lady Amanda Skinner at 978-7347 for an application.

**Parish Schedule for the Week**

Sunday: **7:30 a.m. Mass – KPC**  
**Junior Daughters Breakfast**  
 10:30 a.m. Mass– New Eucharistic  
 Ministers Installation  
**KPC Junior Daughters Breakfast**

Monday: **No Mass**

Tuesday: **8:00 a.m. Mass**  
 6:00 p.m. St. Vincent de Paul Meeting

Wednesday: **8:00 a.m. Mass**  
 4:30 p.m. Rehearsal for 7:30 Choir  
 6:00 p.m. Bible Study

Thursday: 7:00 p.m. Rehearsal for 10:30 Choir

Friday: **8:00 a.m. No Mass**  
 6:00 p.m. Liturgical Dance Practice

Saturday: 11:00 a.m. Mime Group Practice  
 12 p.m. Youth Choir Rehearsal Practice

**May he rest in peace...**



Our deepest sympathy is extended to the Hertzock and Thomas family at the passing of Mr. Michael Hertzock, brother of Mrs. Dietrich Thomas. Please pray for his peaceful eternal rest, and for the comfort and consolation of his family. May his soul and all the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace. Amen.

**JAZZ BRUNCH:** It's time for our annual Jazz Brunch! The brunch is Sunday, June 9th at 12:30 P.M., in the Parish Center of St. Paul. Tickets are \$25. Don't miss a fun-filled afternoon! Seating is limited so get your tickets early from the Parish Office or purchase them after Mass in the main entrance of the church.



**St. Paul's 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Father and Son Prayer Breakfast** will be on Saturday, June 15 from 7:30 until noon. Judge Luke LaVergne (retired) will be one of our speakers. He served as District Judge of the Family Court, Parish of East Baton Rouge, Division "B".

He was first elected in October 1992, and was unopposed for re-election to six-year terms in 1996 and 2002. He served as Chief judge of the Family Court during the year of 2007. Our featured guest speaker is Mr. Dwayne Bryant. Dwayne is an internationally renowned expert and author of 21 educational resources. Through his mentoring and motivational speaking series, he has reached over 15,000 youth. Topics of discussion include Bullying Prevention, Social Media Responsibility, Building Healthy Relationships and Conflict Resolution. Bryant uses his motivational platform to train high school, college and university students on developing effective mentoring programs, along with inspiring large groups and hosting charity events. He has transformed the trajectory of Urban Communities, Law Enforcement, youth and Academia with a positive impact. This is one of those events you sure don't want to miss for Fathers and sons ... sons without sons and sons without fathers ... Find someone and come together for Breakfast and an prayerful, spirited and inspiring morning of fellowship! Admission is free - however - free will offerings are joyfully accepted. Please call St. Paul's Office 383-2537 to register before June 11th.

**Have a Good Marriage? Want to have a Great, Exciting & Romantic One?** Why settle for merely good when you can have the exciting and romantic relationship you both dreamed about just a few years ago? Now is the time to reach out for more and attend a Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend. The next weekend in Louisiana is scheduled on June 21–23 at the Bishop Robert E Tracy Center in Baton Rouge, LA. You can register online today at [www.LAMS-wwme.org](http://www.LAMS-wwme.org) or by calling Matt & Gail Quinn at 813-548-1655.

**Youth of St Paul are invited to join our Altar Servers Ministry.** New Altar Servers practice will be held on Saturdays during the month of June from 4 – 5 p.m., beginning Saturday, June 1st. The last session will be held June 29, 2019. It is important that all sessions are attended. If you have any question, please contact Ms. Shirley Dawson at 802-6128 or Ms. Christy Hall at 223-7851.



**St. Paul's annual Graduation Ceremony** will be held on Sunday, June 2, 2019 at 10:30 Mass. The ceremony is for high school and college graduates. If you wish to be recognized, please sign up in the foyer of the church. Please submit a brief paragraph of your accomplishments and future goals to Justin Kennedy, Amanda Skinner, or Sydney Brown. If you have any question please call Justin Kennedy at 225-754-2609.

**Happy Birthday**

David Thompson, III 5/20      Roosevelt Leonard 5/23  
 Ruther Hall 5/21              Marcus Williams 5/23  
 Jaycee Mathis 5/21.            Elaine Joshua 5/25  
 Joseph Mathis 5/21            Johnathan Lane 5/25  
 Gloria Hayward 5/23



**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, Lena Batiste, Marie Myles, George Bell, Mary Lena Price, Willis Reed, Jr., Joseph Broussard, Annie Joseph, Rosa Johnson, Harry Sills, Denovas Crockett, Jasman Benjamin, James Hayward, Gussie Trahan, Cheryl Crockett, Brenda D. Hickman, Quincy Hamilton, Charles Davis, Jr., Jessie Joseph, Rose Crockett Carter, Dianna Franklin, John Christophe, Geraldine Jones, Ruby Major, Meredith Jones, and Patrick Simms.*

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

*Ronnie Gauthier, Helen Celestine, Florence Jackson, Geraldine Floyd, Betty Hammond, Frank Ross, Mona Bossier Bailey, Walker Williams, Barbara Brennan, Richard Dillon, Calvin Thomas, III, Joel Rivera, Dorie Martin, Alberta Conner, Martha Reinhart, Dana Simoneaux, Nichelle Hollins, Jessica Hughes, Rev. Frank H. Young, Ernie Butitta, Edna Dixon, and Gene Decuir.*





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May 12, 2019

Offertory Collection	\$ 3,808.85
Youth Offering	\$ 10.00
Online Giving	\$ 2,080.00
Building Fund	\$ 244.00
St. Vincent de Paul	\$ 25.00
Catholic Commentator	\$ 454.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 6,621.85</b>

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

2 Corinthians 9:6

<p><b><i>In Loving Memory of:</i></b></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><b><i>In Loving Memory of:</i></b></p> <p>George Coleman, Jr Geneva Coleman George Coleman, Sr. Carrie Coleman M.H. Weathersby Odelia Weathersby Donald Coleman</p> 	<p><b>JANI-KING</b></p> <p>Commercial Cleaning Service</p> <p><b>Monique Scott</b> <b>225 273-5464</b></p>	<p><b><i>Space Available</i></b></p>	<p><b>State Farm Insurance</b></p> <p><b>Leonard Benjamin</b> <b>775-2494</b></p>
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***In Loving Memory of:***

Geneva Battley Spooner  
Della Battley Rodney





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**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.....	383-2537
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 Our Loved Ones:***

Roosevelt Bowers  
Joseph "Buddy" Walker  
Oscar LeDuff, Jr.  
Elizabeth & Frank P. Bowers  
Carrie & Douglas Rodney, Sr.  
Clara & Willis Walker  
Sarah Rodney Domino & Wilbert Domino, Sr.  
Freddie Bowers  
Ora Bowers Ward  
Sybil Thomas Johnson  
Maureen Bowers Johnson

***In Loving Memory of:***

Famye Reed  
and the  
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Aaron Bradley Joseph  
H.P. Martin



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Lillian, Kirby, James  
"Pookie" Verdell,  
Corinne & Michael  
Joseph, Lawrence, Sr. &  
Shedrick Ashford,  
Ellis Myles, Sr., Rose &  
Albert Hebert, Eula  
White



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