



Dear sisters and brothers,

Clearly from the way this Sunday's Gospel Story is told the dinner party that Jesus was invited to by one of the leading Pharisees implies that there were many other "leaders and people of position and influence" at the dinner. The leading Pharisee had ulterior motives for throwing the party: the others who had been invited were there to observe Jesus closely! They were there to watch and listen for him to say the wrong words or do the wrong things. They were haters.

But when God is throwing a party, you never know who will be there or whom you will sit next to. The financier will be seated next to the panhandler he always passed on his way to work. The store owner will be next to the person he just fired, and the doctor will be put next to the woman who just sued him for malpractice. Rush Limbaugh may be beside Bernie Sanders. A prostitute will sit next to the Pope.

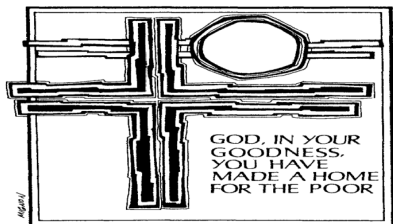
All the "right" people will be there -- that is everyone who responds to God's invitation ... and seated next to the to Jesus who is hosting the party in the places of honor are not the dignitaries, the celebrities, the distinguished people of position and prominence, but rather the poor, the hurting, the outcast -- people who have distinguished themselves only by their need."

And at that Banquet Feast, everyone will get along famously. And that at that Banquet Feast, you and I may well find ourselves seated next to, and engaging in conversation with, people we presently can't stand (or who can't stand us). But the old anger, hurt, and grudges will be gone, and reconciliation will come. At God's Table, the barriers that keep people apart -- rich/poor, upperclass/lowerclass, black/white, Republican/Democrat, gay/straight, friend/foe, the dividing walls of hostility will come smashing down. The crash will be greater than the fall of the Berlin Wall. God's Banquet Feast will be the most remarkable party ever thrown!

The greatest news yet – we're all invited! Somewhere in the mix, I hope to see you there and I hope you see me too!

In the Divine Word, I am

*Fr. Rick Andrus, SVD*



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**Altar Servers**

- 7:30 a.m. Chelsea Buckley, Garrick Camel Jr., DeMarquis London
- 10:30 a.m. Taj Anthony, Tavin Anthony, New Trainees

**Eucharistic Ministers**

- 7:30 a.m. Murray Chenevert, Monique Spaulding, Alice Zacharie, Audrene LeBlanc, Perry Chenevert, Paulette Robertson
- 10:30 a.m. Anna Perry, Darlene Richard, Tasha Anthony, Justin Kennedy, Christy Hall, Robinette Harleaux, Pamela Claiborne, Paul Stewart

**Readers**

- 7:30 a.m. Lucille Brown, Cindy Chenevert
- 10:30 a.m. Justin Kennedy, Tasha Anthony

**Mass Intentions**

- 7:30 a.m. Lionel Bazile Sr., Sheile Bazile, Darryl Bazile
- 10:30 a.m. Parishioners of St. Paul the Apostle

**Readings for the Week**

- Monday: **Labor Day**  
1 Thes 4:13-18; Ps 96:1, 3-5, 11-13; Lk 4:16-30
- Tuesday: **St. Gregory the Great**  
1 Thes 5:1-6, 9-11; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14; Lk 4:31-37
- Wednesday: Col 1:1-8; Ps 52:10-11; Lk 4:38-44
- Thursday: Col 1:9-14; Ps 98:2-6; Lk 5:1-11
- Friday: **First Friday**  
Col 1:15-20; Ps 100:1b-5; Lk 5:33-39
- Saturday: **Blessed Virgin Mary; First Saturday**  
Col 1:21-23; Ps 54:3-4, 6, 8; Lk 6:1-5
- Sunday: **Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time; Grandparents Day**  
Ex 32:7-11, 13-14; Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 17, 19; 1 Tm 1:12-17; Lk 15:1-32 [1-10]



If you or someone you know are interested in learning more about the Catholic faith or becoming Catholic, please sign up in the foyer of the church or invite them to sign up for Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) which will begin in September. This is an exciting faith growing journey. If you have any question, please contact Fr. Richard Andrus at 383-2537.

# HAPPY LABOR DAY!

## Parish Schedule for the Week

Sunday: **7:30 a.m. Mass** - Ladies Sodality  
Turn Out  
10:30 a.m. Mass - Women's Club  
Turn Out

Monday: **Labor Day**  
**Office Closed**

Tuesday: No Mass  
6:00 p. m. St. Vincent de Paul Meeting

Wednesday: No Mass  
4:30 p.m. Rehearsal for 7:30 Choir

Thursday: 8:00 a.m. Pantry  
6:30 p.m.- 8 p.m. TGBR Civic Academy "Spirit & Justice"  
7:00 p.m. Rehearsal for 10:30 Choir

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

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

**TRANSPORTATION MINISTRY**  
**Drivers for Sunday, September 8, 2019**  
**Shirley Dawson and Augustine Kador**



## 2019 CHURCH FAIR UPDATES

**RIB PREPARATION:** Members and friends of St. Paul are needed to help clean ribs Friday, October 4, 2019, beginning at 8:30 A.M., in the Parish Center.

Persons who can help clean ribs are asked to sign up in the main entrance of the church TODAY or by September 15th. For questions or more information, contact: Lionel Bazile at 225-936-5907.

**TALENT SHOW:** If you or a group would like to showcase your talents or skills, please sign up to participate in St. Paul's 2nd Annual Talent Show on Sunday, October 6, in the main entrance of the church. Trophies and awards will be presented to first place winners by category. For questions or more information, contact: Kim Dunn at 225-810-6382.

**FAIR STEERING COMMITTEE:** If you have ideas or want to submit the name of businesses who will donate items or funds to support our Fair, please contact: Wanda & William Alsobrook 225-733-3816; Fr. Rick Andrus 225-383-2537; Lionel Bazile 225-936-5907 ; Velita Benjamin 225-963-4947, Vera Dunbar 225-325-2939; Debbie James ; Jerry & Melba Kennedy 225-405-5758; Mary Murray 22-573-0570; or Kim Starwood 225-907-4524.

**SWEETS FOR THE SWEET SHOP:** Members of St. Paul's Ladies Sodality are requesting donations of cakes, cookies, pies, cupcakes, popcorn balls, etc for their Sweet Shop for our annual Parish Fair. We thank you in advance for your generosity.



## **May she rest in peace...**

Our deepest sympathy is extended to the Major, Gauthier, and Jackson family at the passing of Mrs. Ruby Major. May her soul and all the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace. Amen.



**All Religious Education parents/guardians and students are invited to our Meet and Greet** next Sunday, September 8th at 9:30 a.m. in the Parish Center. This is an opportunity to learn more about our program and meet teachers and staff. We look forward to seeing everyone at our Meet and Greet.

**Religious Educations Classes** will begin Sunday, September 15, 2019 at 9:00 a.m.

## *Happy Birthday*

Sydney Brown 9/01	Rudolph Richard, Jr. 9/04
Luther Lamotte 9/00	Carolyn Bajoie 9/05
James B. Joseph 9/02	Krystal Brue 9/06
Gwendolyn Franklin 9/02	Audrika Johnson 9/06
Meshell Franklin 9/4	Stacy Jones 9/07



## **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, Gus-sie Trahan, Cheryl Crockett, Brenda D. Hickman, Quincy Hamilton, Charles Davis, Jr., Jessie Joseph, Rose Crockett Carter, Dianna Franklin, John Christophe, Meredith Jones, Patrick Simms, Mae Ruby Johnson, and Carolyn Bajoie.*

## **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, Ernie Butitta, Edna Dixon, Gene Decuir and Charles Bethley*




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Building Fund	\$ 415.00
St. Vincent de Paul	\$ 57.00
Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary	\$ <u>25.00</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 5,014.25</b>

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

2 Corinthians 9:6

<p><b>In Loving Memory of:</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>In Loving Memory of:</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>Space Available</b></p>	<p><b>State Farm Insurance</b></p> <p><b>Leonard Benjamin</b> <b>775-2494</b></p>
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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  
Reed, Stewart, Davis, and  
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H.P. Martin



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**In Loving Memory of:**

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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