Dear sisters and brothers,

This weekend we celebrate Father's Day. Yesterday, our 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Father Son Prayer Breakfast was a great blessing for all who attended and hopefully, through them, the rest of us will be blessed by what they experienced and learned!

Erma Bombeck was one of my favorite authors growing up. She wrote with humor, a critical but loving eye mostly about family life, roles and reflections in daily experiences with an uplifting perspective that came from her Catholic faith. In my files, I found her column written many years go entitled, "When God Created Fathers." I think it's appropriate to share it with you this week as we honor our fathers ... men of faith, family, love, discipline and heart.

When God Created Fathers. When the good Lord was creating fathers, He started with a tall frame. And a female angel nearby said, "What kind of father is that? If you're going to make children so close to the ground, why have you put fathers up so high? He won't be able to shoot marbles without kneeling, tuck a child in bed without bending, or even kiss a child without a lot of stooping."

And God smiled and said, "Yes, but if I make him child size, who would children have to look up to?"

And when God made a father's hands, they were large and strong.

And the angel shook her head sadly and said, "Do You know what You're doing? Large hands are clumsy. They can't manage diaper pins, small buttons, rubber bands on ponytails or even remove splinters caused by baseball bats."

God smiled and said, "I know, but they're large enough to hold everything a small boy empties from his pockets at the end of a day...yet small enough to cup a child's face."

Then God molded long, slim legs and broad shoulders.

The angel nearly had a heart attack. "Boy, this is the end of the week, all right," she clucked. "Do You realize You just made a father without a lap? How is he going to pull a child close to him without the kid falling between his legs?"

God smiled and said, "A mother needs a lap. A father needs strong shoulders to pull a sled, balance a boy on a bicycle or hold a sleepy head on the way home from the circus."

God was in the middle of creating two of the largest feet anyone had ever seen when the angel could contain herself no longer. "That's not fair. Do You honestly think those large boats are going to dig out of bed early in the morning when the baby cries? Or walk through a small birthday party without crushing at least three of the guests?"

And God smiled and said, "They'll work. You'll see. They'll support a small child who wants to "ride a horse to Banbury Cross" or scare off mice at the summer cabin, or display shoes that will be a challenge to fill."

God worked throughout the night, giving the father few words, but a firm authoritative voice; eyes that see everything, but remain calm and tolerant.

Finally, almost as an afterthought, He added tears. Then He turned to the angel and said, "Now are you satisfied that he can love as much as a mother?"

And the angel shut up!

Happy Fathers Day, brothers!

In the Divine Word, I am



7:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m.	Altar Servers Jaiden Parker, DaMarquis London Rudolph Richardd III, Joseph Richard, Contrell Salton	Monday: Tuesday:	Reading for the Week Eleventh Week in Ordinary Time 2 Cor 6:1-10; Ps 98:1, 2b, 3-4; Mt 5:38-42 2 Cor 8:1-9; Ps 146:2, 5-9a;
7:30 a.m.	Eucharistic Ministers Paulette Robertson, Monique Spaulding, Alice Zacharie, Audrene LeBlanc Joanette Dunn, Perry Chenevert	Wednesday: Thursday:	Mt 5:43-48  Memorial of St. Romuald  2 Cor 9:6-11; Ps 112:1bc-4, 9;  Mt 6:1-6, 16-18  2 Cor 11:1-11; Ps 111:1b-4, 7-8;
10:30 a.m.	Christy Hall, Martha Davis Paul Stewart, Justin Kennedy Velita Benjamin, Nancy Ball	Friday:	Mt 6:7-15 <b>Memorial of St. Aloysius Gonzaga</b> 2 Cor 11:18, 21-30; Ps 34:2-7; Mt 6:19-23
7:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m.	Readers Mary Davis & Evangeline Hughes	Saturday:	Memorial of St. Paulinus of Nola; Ss. John Fisher and Thomas More; Blessed Virgin Mary 2 Cor 12:1-10; Ps 34:8-13; Mt 6:24 -34
7:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m.	Mass Intentions Parishioners of St. Paul the Apostle Kelly Landry, Cordwell Landry, Daren Savoy, Phlbert Biagas Renard Biagas, Wendell Darbonne	Sunday:	The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ Gn 14:18-20; Ps 110:1-4; 1 Cor 11:23-26;Lk 9:11b-17



## Parish Schedule for the Week

Sunday: **7:30 a.m. Mass** 10:30 a.m. Mass

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: No Mass

8:00 a.m. Pantry

6:00 p.m. Liturgical Dance Practice 7:00 p.m. Rehearsal for 10:30 Choir

Friday: 8:00 a.m. Mass

6:00 p.m. Liturgical Dance Practice
Saturday: 11 a.m. Mime Group Practice

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

4 p.m. – 5 p.m. Altar Servers Practice

## TRANSPORTATION MINISTRY

Drivers for Sunday, June 23, 2019 10:30 a.m. Robert Martin & Pamela Claiborne



Save the Date Ladies! The Knights of Peter Claver Ladies Auxiliary & Junior Daughters of Court 351 is hosting a Tea Party in St. Paul Center Sunday, July 28th from 12:30 - 2:30

p.m. Bring your mother, daughter, sisters, and friends. We're having a tea party just for the girls!! Ladies and young ladies, come join us for an afternoon filled with fun and fellowship. Admission is FREE but registration is required. Please register in the foyer.



The Youth Ministry is having their annual Pool Party at the Kennedy's residence located at 13421 Triple B Rd., Greenwell Spring, LA on Sunday, June 30th from 2 until 6 p.m. Get ready for swimming, food, fellowship, and lot of fun. Please sign-up in the foyer of the church.

**Philippines Mission Appeal** - Fr. Orlando Mendoza Jr., a missionary priest from the Philippines will be in our parish next Sunday, June 23rd for an appeal for the Philippines.

Summer is a Beautiful Season: It is Time to Nourish New Growth In Our Marriage. The Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend is filled with fresh air and new beginnings. It is a time to rejoice in the gift of your marriage and family. It is a time to rekindle communication and enjoy a weekend just for the two of you. 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 <a href="www.LAMS-wwme.org">www.LAMS-wwme.org</a> or by calling Matt & Gail Quinn at 813-548-1655.

VERY MUCH APPRECIATED: A special, heartfelt thank you to St. Paul's church-family, Parish Office staff, friends, our ticket promoters, and donors of their time, talents, and money who created and participated in our pleasant atmosphere and afternoon last Sunday at our successful Parish Jazz Brunch. Notable recognition include Mary Murray who sold 40-Jazz Brunch tickets, Myrtis Rogers who prepared the appetizer and dessert, Audrey Stewart, Alice Zacharie, and Cathy Williams who fixed those plates, and Kimberly Davis who funded the cost of the appetizer and dessert, and others who defrayed the cost of the meal prepared by Debra Spears McGhee, beverages, tableware, centerpieces, decorations, and servers.

# Happy Birthday

Tianna Huggins 6/16
Bridgette Tuner 6/16
Ethan Davis 6/18
Hayley Howard 6/18
Avoughn Roberts 6/18
Elliott Charland 6/20
Ursula Key Brady 6/21
Quintin Chenevert 6/21
Stacy London 6/21
Darlene Richard 6/21
Paula Richard 6/21

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#### 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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2 Corinthians 9:6

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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	
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	
Nurse - Maxine Watts	278-6732
Parish Office - Secretary - Mary Martin	383-2537
Pastor - Fr. Richard Andrus	
Readers - Theresa Grevious	773-8023
Religious Education Director - Martha Davis	357-4108
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Ushers - Edmonia Joseph	772-2090
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