

Dear sisters and brothers,

I found myself thinking today about the Pritchard's as I reflected on the words of Jesus and the issue of anger. Sam and Jacqueline Pritchard started receiving mysterious phone calls to their home in the middle of the night. The person on the other end never said anything. After a long pause, he would hang up.

The Pritchard's changed their phone number to stop the harassing night calls. The stalker changed his tactic. He started sending them obscene and threatening anonymous letters in the mail. Then the problems escalated. The couple discovered their house had been daubed with paint, and their tires were slashed. The Pritchard's became prisoners in their own home and spent a small fortune on a security system. Here's what was puzzling they had no idea what they had done to deserve such cruel treatment.

After four months of unexplained terrorism, they finally met the perpetrator. Mr. Pritchard caught James McGhee, a 53year-old man, while he was damaging their car. As they looked at each other, Pritchard asked McGhee, "Why are you doing this to us?"

McGhee responded, "Oh, no I've got the wrong man!"

McGhee thought he was terrorizing a different man named Pritchard, who had been spreading rumors about him. He found the Pritchard's in the telephone directory and assumed the husband was the person responsible for slandering him. He got the wrong Pritchard.

What an absurd turn of events, but anger has a tendency to do funny things to us. It blinds us to reality. It blinds us to consequences. It blinds us to the irrational harm that may come from our rage. For your own best interest, if you are angry with someone, let it go. Act quickly before you cause yourself and them any harm.

In the Divine Word, I am

7:30 a.m.

10:30 a.m.

Fr. Pichard Pl. Andrus SVD

| 7:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m. | Altar Servers Jaiden Parker, DaMarquis London DaMarquis London Angelle Camberos, Andrea Camberos Jose Camberos | Monday: | Readings for the Week The Seven Holy Founders of the Servite Order; Presidents' Day Jas 1:1-11; Ps 119:67-68, 71-72, 75-76; Mk 8:11-13 |
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| 7:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m. | Eucharistic Ministers Audrene LeBlanc, Monique Spaulding, Alice Zacharie, Paulette Robertson, Joanette Dunn, Perry Chenevert Velita Benjamin, Justin Kennedy, Paul Stewart, Martha Davis, Christy Hall, Nancy Ball, Barbara Cornell | Tuesday: Wednesday: Thursday: Friday: Saturday: Sunday: | Jas 2:1-9; Ps 34:2-7; Mk 8:27-33 Memorial of St. Peter Damian Jas 2:14-24, 26; Ps 112:1-6; Mk 8:34 — 9:1 The Chair of St. Peter the Apostle; Washington's Birthday 1 Pt 5:1-4; Ps 23:1-3a, 4-6; Mt 16:13-19 Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time |
| 7:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m. | Readers Ronnice' Johnson and Cindy Chenevert Paul Stewart and Tasha Anthony | | Lv 19:1-2, 17-18; Ps 103:1-4, 8, 10, 12-13; 1 Cor 3:16-23; Mt 5:38-48 |

A Vocation View: "You have heard that it was said..." Jesus challenges His disciples to a deeper embrace of His teachings. Embrace His teachings with your whole heart, mind and soul.

Mass Intentions

Parishioners of St. Paul the Apostle

Mr. Brett Moton

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TRI-PARISH LENTEN REVIVAL

Join us for our Tri-Parish Lenten Revival with Immaculate Conception, and St. Francis Xavier. Our revivalist will be Mr. & Mrs. Al Carter. Revival will be at St.

Francis Xavier on Monday, March 2nd, St. Paul March 3rd, and Immaculate Conception on Wednesday, March 4th.

Parish School of Religion - There will be no religious education classes next Sunday, February 23rd. Classes will resume Sunday, March 1st at 9:00 a.m.



Parish Schedule for the Week

Sunday: 7:30 a.m. Mass

9:00 a.m. Religious Education Classes

10:30 a.m. Mass

12:30 p.m. Black History Program

Monday: No Mass

Tuesday: 8:00 a.m. Mass

6:00 p.m. RCIA

6:00 p.m. Liturgical Dance Practice

Wednesday: 8:00 a.m. Mass

4:30 p.m. Rehearsal for 7:30 Choir

6:00 p.m. Bible Study

Thursday: 8:00 a.m. Food Pantry Open

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

Friday: No Mass

Saturday: 12:00 p.m. Youth Choir Rehearsal



Our first fish fry is Friday, February 28th and we need to be ready to roll with all our volunteers in place:

Thursdays- Preparation

Volunteers Needed on Thursday, February 27, Thursdays March 5, 12, 19, 26, & Thursday, April 2 (8:00 A.M.—12:00 Noon)

To help set-up, separate fish & shrimp, wash potatoes, remove potato eyes, make potato salad, & fill cups with cocktail sauce.

\$9.00 Fridays – Fish and Shrimp Fry \$9.00 Volunteers Needed on Friday, February 28 Fridays, March 6, 13, 20, 27, & Friday, April 3 (8:00 A.M.—1:00 P.M.)

To help deliver lunches, prepare plates, and cleanup the kitchen and center.

<u>Dine in, Pick up, or Request Delivery</u> To Place Orders, Call 225-387-9506 or Fax Orders to 225-383-3702.

St. Paul Lending Library - A new lending library has been set up in the coffee room t-building of the Learning Center. The library is open after Sunday masses when coffee is served. For access on other days, contact the church office to schedule a visit. All are welcome to borrow books. Some of the topics include: God the Father, Jesus Christ, the Holy Spirit, Mary, Scripture, the Church, spirituality and retreats, as well as fictional novels. This library has been made possible by a donation from the Sisters of the Congregation of St. Joseph.



Wear Red - February is designated as American Heart Month to bring attention and awareness to the prevalence and severity of heart disease in the United States. Parishioners are

asked to Wear Red next Sunday, February 23rd. Free blood pressure, glucose, and cholesterol screenings will be conducted in the Parish center from 9 am until 1pm.

TRANSPORTATION MINISTRY

Drivers for Sunday, February 23, 2020 Judge Luke LaVergne & Lorena Williams

Happy Birthday

Bobbie Reed 2/20 Martha Davis 2/16 Rudolph Richard, III 2/17 Lionel Robertson 2/20 Delwin Rodney 2/20 Kelvin D. Glasper 2/18 Harriett Jordan 2/18 Loveis Jackson 2/21 Edmonia Joseph 2/18 Trishten Ashford 2/22 Dorothy Kemp 2/18 Amber Hall 2/22 Velita Benjamin 2/19 Christy Hall 2/22 TaRhonda Bazille 2/19 Deonna London 2/22 Clarence Thomas 2/22 Kevin Anthony 2/20 Tracie Jackson 2/20

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., 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, Meredith Jones, Gregory Cornell, Joseph Broussard, Mr. George Cornell, and Mable King

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, Charles Bethley, Janet Bossier, and Jenna Scott



Website for Online Giving: www.osvonlinegiving.com/4266

February 9, 2020

| Offertory Collection | \$ 4,565.78 |
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| Online Giving | \$ 2,950.00 |
| Children's Offering | \$ 18.00 |
| Building Fund | \$ 558.00 |
| St. Vincent de Paul | \$ 251.00 |
| Latin America | \$ 30.00 |
| Eastern Europe | \$ 15.00 |
| Total | \$ 8,387.78 |

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

2 Corinthians 9:6

In Loving Memory of:

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



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Ora Bowers Ward Sybil Thomas Johnson Maureen Bowers Johnson

St. Paul the Apostle Quick Reference

| Altar Servers - 7:30 - Shirley Dawson | 802-6128 |
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| Altar Servers - 10:30 - Christy Hall | |
| 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 - Gigi Matthis | 278-0071 |
| Nurse - Maxine Watts | 278-6732 |
| Parish Office - Secretary - Mary Martin | 383-2537 |
| Pastor - Fr. Richard Andrus | 383-2537 |
| Readers - Fr. Richard Andrus | 383-2537 |
| Religious Education Director - Martha Davis | 357-4108 |
| RCIA Coordinator - Fr. Richard Andrus | |
| Ushers - Edmonia Joseph | 772-2090 |
| Youth Ministry - Justin Kennedy | |
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In Loving Memory of:

Famye Reed and the Reed, Stewart, Davis, and Grainger Families



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In Loving Memory of:

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