

# St. Paul the Apostle Catholic Church Staying Connected During COVID-19

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November 15, 2020

Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time
Blessed are you who fear the LORD.

— Psalm 128:1a



My friends,

Each year, as we come closer to its end, Scripture focuses our attention on end times. But we must be careful because the "end times" that we are called to focus on are not so much those of the end of all time, but of our own time and how well we have used the gift of life - the gift of time that God has given us to fulfill what God

has asked of each of us.

An anonymous writer has said, "My small son and I were taking a walk. In the far corner of the field we found a small patch of beautiful and fragrant flowers. They were in the middle of weeds, almost completely hidden and unnoticed, yet these flowers were blooming in full beauty and we sensed their fresh fragrance. All of us have met persons unnoticed by many, but who in the middle of struggle and unlikely surroundings far from the center of attention live lives of beauty and fragrance. And living lives which seemed obscure they faithfully fulfilled God's calling for them. God's question on the last day will not be, 'How much were you noticed?' or even 'How much did you do?' Rather, his question will be, 'Were you faithful in fulfilling your calling where I placed you?'

By God's grace, we pray that we have – but also by God's mercy if we haven't there's still time! WE are never too old – and it's never too late!

Have you been faithful in fulfilling your calling? Only you can answer! Use time to the fullest, making the best out of it!

In the Divine Word, I am

Fr. Rick Andrus SVD

### PRAYER CALL - SUNDAYS at 6 PM

Join us in praying the Rosary and asking the Blessed Mother to intercede for us during this COVID-19 Global Pandemic. Please join us by calling **701-802-5490**. Access Code **878800**#



# BIBLE STUDY CONFERENCE CALL

Wednesdays at 6:00 P.M. Join us by calling 978-990-5317. Access Code 1966852#

#### TODAY'S READINGS

**First Reading** — The woman who fears the LORD is to be praised (Proverbs 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31).

**Psalm** — Blessed are those who fear the Lord (Psalm 128).

**Second Reading** — Brothers and sisters, you are children of the light (1 Thessalonians 5:1-6).

**Gospel** — Since you were faithful in small matters, I will give you great responsibilities (Matthew 25:14-30 [14-15, 19-21]).

#### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Memorial of St. Margaret of

Scotland; St. Gertrude

Rv 1:1-4; 2:1-5; Ps 1:1-4, 6;

Lk 18:35-43

Tuesday: Memorial of St. Elizabeth

of Hungary

Rv 3:1-6, 14-22; Ps 15:2-5;

Lk 19:1-10

Wednesday: Dedication of the Basilicas of

Ss. Peter and Paul; St. Rose

Philippine Duchesne

Rv 4:1-11; Ps 150:1b-6;

Lk 19:11-28, or

(for the memorial of the

**Dedication**)

Acts 28:11-16, 30-31; Ps 98:1-6;

Mt 14:22-33

#### PRAYER FOR RACIAL HARMONY

God our Father, You call us to love one another as You have loved us. We pray for the conversion of hearts in our Diocese of Baton Rouge to bring about racial harmony rooted in Your Son Jesus Christ. Through the power of the Holy Spirit, strip us of our pride, mistrust, and prejudices, so that we may be able to dialogue with one another to build communities where justice, peace and love flourish. We ask these blessings trusting in the infinite mercy of Jesus and the intercession of Mary our Mother. Amen.

Thursday: Rv 5:1-10; Ps 149:1b-6a, 9b;

Lk 19:41-44

Friday: Rv 10:8-11; Ps 119:14, 24, 7

2, 103, 111, 131; Lk 19:45-48

Saturday: The Presentation of the

Blessed Virgin Mary Rv 11:4-12: Ps 144:1b. 2.

9-10; Lk 20:27-40

Sunday: Our Lord Jesus Christ,

King of the Universe Ez 34:11-12, 15-17;

Ps 23:1-3, 5-6;



#### MASS INTENTIONS

Deceased Members of the Knights of Peter Claver Council & Court 351; Council Members:

Bro. Lionel Bazile, Sr., Bro. John Dunn, Phillip Guillory, Bro. Hebert, Bro. Dwight LeBlanc, Bro. Nolan Lockett, Bro. Raymond Lockett, Bro. Oliver Paige, Bro. Clarence Patin, Bro. Clifford Rodney, Bro. James Rodney, Bro. Albert Simpson, Bro. Erroll Taylor, and Bro. Donald Thomas; Court Members: Lady Gladys Brown, Lady Laura Brown, Lady April Dunn, Lady Irma Fleming, Lady Hazel P. Jackson, Lady Julia Johnson, Lady Jean Roan, Lady Gaynell Narcisse Sigue, Lady Edna Stewart, Lady Jerri Trahan, and Lady Annie Varrette.

#### PLEASE WEAR A MASK TO PROTECT YOURSELF AND OTHERS!











Please support our 4-Month Fundraiser and pray for its success. Give online at <u>osvonlinegiving.com/4266</u>, select: "St. Paul's 4-Month Fundraiser or use the special fundraising envelopes located in the church and Parish Office. Let's support this fundraiser to the fullest!



St. Paul's Thanksgiving Mass will be celebrated on Wednesday, November 25th at 6:00 PM. You are invited to bring your Thanksgiving Dinner Bread & Wine and other items for a blessing. Mass will also be live on Facebook.

There will be no Religious Education classes

next Sunday, November 22nd, so our students can enjoy the Thanksgiving holidays with their families. Classes will resume on Sunday, November 29th.



A Vocation View: "Since you have been faithful in small matters, you will be given greater responsibility." To follow the Lord is to slowly grow in the love of the Lord, practicing small steps of virtue in order to grow to a vibrant faith in Christ.

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The 2021 Lector books for the next liturgical year are available for pickup. Readers are asked to see Mrs. Edmonia Joseph at Mass or contact the parish office to pick up lector books. All lectors that are available

to proclaim the word are asked to contact the parish office to be added to the schedule.

#### **OFFERTORY**

#### November 8, 2020

\$ 4,578.00
\$ 2,382.00
\$ 645.00
\$ 205.00
\$ 175.00
\$ 35.00
\$ 30.00
\$ 4,175.00
\$ 8,147.00

### CELEBRATING NOVEMBER 15th - NOVEMBER 21st BIRTHDAYS



Claudia Harper 11/15 Nyle Harris 11/15 Kyla Williams 11/15 Camaron Foster 11/16 Ava Huggins 11/16 Walter Lewis 11/17 David Robertson 11/17



Kelsi Dobison 11/19 Elie Jackson 11/19 Ashley Lane 11/19 Simon Reed, Jr. 11/19 Arlysse Rodney 11/19 Gregory Cornell 11/21



Audrey Christopher, Mary Smart, Carolyn Christophe, Myrtis Coleman, Robert Seals, Mona Seals, Sylvia Collier, Lena Batiste, Marie Myles, Mary Lena Price, Willis Reed, Jr., Annie Joseph, Rosa Johnson, Harry Sills, Denovas Crockett, Jasman Benjamin, James Hayward, Cheryl Crockett, Brenda D. Hickman, Charles Davis, Jr., Rose Crockett Carter, Dianna Franklin, Meredith Jones, Gregory Cornell, George Cornell, Mable King, Curtell Thibodeaux, Judge Luke LaVergne, Irene Warner, Louis Simms, Sadie Simms, Patrick Simms, and Fr. Richard Andrus

#### PLEASE PRAY FOR SICK FAMILY MEMBERS AND FRIENDS

Ronnie Gauthier, Helen Celestine, Florence Jackson, 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, Charles Bethley, Janet Bossier, Jenna Scott, Anthony Grand, Allen Paschal, James Pace, and Yvonne Joseph

#### In Loving Memory of:

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



#### In Loving Memory of:

George Coleman, Jr Geneva Coleman George Coleman, Sr. Carrie Coleman M.H. Weathersby Odelia Weathersby Donald Coleman



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#### In Loving Memory of:

Geneva Battley Spooner Della Battley Rodney



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#### 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

# 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	
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 - Gigi Mathis	278-0071
Nurse - Maxine Watts	278-6732
Parish Office - Secretary - Mary Martin	
Pastor - Fr. Richard Andrus	383-2537
Readers - Fr. Richard Andrus	383-2537
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:

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



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#### In Loving Memory of:

Jessie Joseph Aaron Bradley Joseph 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 Space Available