



# St. Paul the Apostle Catholic Church

## Staying Connected During COVID-19

Twenty-eighth Sunday in  
Ordinary Time

I can do all things in him who  
strengthens me.

— *Philippians 4:13*

**October 11, 2020**

Online Giving:  
[osvonlinegiving.com/4266](https://osvonlinegiving.com/4266)



Dear sisters and brothers,

Some years ago, a friend of mine pulled me out into the parking lot to listen to a music disc in her car. She wanted me to hear her favorite Lionel Ritchie song. There was this song about life being like a party, “all night long.” She said, “I am going to party all night long with God.” That is what being a Christian is.

Some Christian say that it is not right to have such a mood of happiness and joy. Especially when there is so much concern about Covid 19, the upcoming elections with all of the fears that are being conjured up by some politicians, so much starvation. So much destruction from a summer filled with one hurricane after another! When there is so much hunger and illness, When there is so much fear, destruction and suffering in the world, it is not right to be happy.

But that is not true. I think of the hymn, “My God is awesome, that says My God is awesome, He’s mighty, He’s holy, He’s Great. He’s awesome, he’s my deliverer, provider, my protector, My God, He can move mountains, keep you in the valley, hide me from the rain, Heals me when I’m broken, Strength when I’ve been weakened. Praise His holy name. Somebody oughta celebrate the awesome God. Oh, oh, He's awesome.

Yes, in this world there is so much suffering and so much starvation, but it is also a banquet. Joy, in the middle of suffering, is at the core of being a Christian.

I believe it would do us all well to put on the Garb of feasting, join together and party all day and all night, every day and every night with God who prepares only the best for us!

In the Divine Word, I am

*Fr. Rick Andrus SVD*



**REGISTER  
TO VOTE!**



Be ready to cast your vote on November 3<sup>rd</sup>. The last day for **online registration** is this Tuesday, **Oct. 13<sup>th</sup>**. Call the Registrar of Voters office at 225-389-3940 for additional information.

Early Voting starts October 16 and ends October 27, 2020.



**National Domestic  
Violence Awareness Month**  
Hotline: 1-800-799-7233  
TTY 1-800-787-

### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: **Columbus Day**  
Gal 4:22-24, 26-27, 31 — 5:1;  
Ps 113:1b-5a, 6-7; Lk 11:29-32

Tuesday: Gal 5:1-6; Ps 119:41, 43-45, 47-48;  
Lk 11:37-41

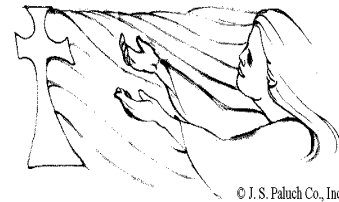
Wednesday: **Memorial of St. Callistus I**  
Gal 5:18-25; Ps 1:1-4, 6;  
Lk 11:42-46

Thursday: **Memorial of St. Teresa of Jesus**  
Eph 1:1-10; Ps 98:1-6; Lk 11:47-54

Friday: **Memorial of St. Hedwig;  
St. Margaret Mary  
Alacoque; National Boss's Day**  
Eph 1:11-14; Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 12-13;  
Lk 12:1-7

Saturday: **Memoria of St. Ignatius of  
Antioch**  
Eph 1:15-23; Ps 8:2-3ab, 4-7;  
k 12:8-12

Sunday: **Twenty-ninth Sunday in  
Ordinary Time;  
World Mission Sunday**  
Is 45:1, 4-6; Ps 96:1, 3-5, 7-10;  
1 Thes 1:1-5b; Mt 22:15-21



### TODAY'S READINGS

**First Reading** — On this mountain the LORD will make for all peoples a feast of rich food and choice wines (Isaiah 25:6-10a).

**Psalms** — I shall live in the house of the Lord all the days of my life (Psalm 23).

**Second Reading** — God will supply whatever you need (Philippians 4:12-14, 19-20).

**Gospel** — I have prepared my banquet, and everything is ready. Come to the feast! (Matthew 22:1-14 [1-10]).

### 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.



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

Our deepest sympathy is extended to the Stout and Lee families at the passing of Mr. Ricky Stout, brother of Ms. Oreather Lee.

May his soul and all the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace. Amen.

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





ST. PAUL'S 4-MONTH FUNDRAISER

As you know, the Coronavirus has prevented St. Paul from hosting its annual fish fry, jazz brunch, church fair, and raffle. So, St. Paul's Church Fair Committee, with Fr. Rick's approval, is calling for all members to join a 4-Month Fundraiser, "Celebrating 60-Years of the Family of St. Paul Thriving Because of Our Giving Through Faith, Hope, and Love."

The 4-Month Fundraiser calls for St. Paul's members to give at least \$100 or more to this special 4-Month Fundraising Campaign, which starts this month and ends on January 31, 2021. The fundraiser will generate at a minimum \$60,000, the funds we usually make with the raffle and church fair.

Members can make full or partial payments at [osvonlinegiving.com/4266](https://osvonlinegiving.com/4266) by selecting "St. Paul's 4-Month Fundraiser," or using the special fundraiser envelopes. Members and friends can pick up these envelopes from the baptismal font or St. Paul's Parish Office. Envelopes with full or partial payments may be dropped in the collection basket on Sundays, mailed to St. Paul, or dropped in the black mailbox near the door of the Parish Office.

**OFFERTORY**

**October 4, 2020**

Offertory Collection	\$ 3,437.00
Online Giving	\$ 2,130.00
Building Fund	\$ 230.00
St. Vincent de Paul	\$ 117.00
World Mission Sunday	\$ 25.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 5,939.00</b>



**MASS INTENTIONS**

Parishioners of St. Paul the Apostle



**Religious Education classes** will be held for all students Pre-K-11th via Google Classroom every Sunday, from 9am-10am.

**CELEBRATING OCTOBER 11th - OCTOBER 17th BIRTHDAYS**



Pamela Griffen 10/11  
 Barry Johnson 10/11  
 Trevor Byrd 10/12  
 Cecil Glasper 10/12  
 Stephanie Stewart 10/12  
 Sierra Taylor 10/12  
 Tia Peck 10/13  
 Alvin Anthony, Jr. 10/15  
 Rosalyn Christopher 10/15  
 Jermonica Earls 10/15



Lois Johnson 10/15  
 James Joseph 10/15  
 Leta Lavergne 10/15  
 Benjamin Bennett 10/16  
 Donna George 10/16  
 Debra Guidry 10/16

Toddria Hall 10/16  
 Sian Hill 10/16  
 Martin Pickney 10/16  
 Carolyn Robert 10/16  
 Larry James, Jr. 10/17  
 Verdell Johnson 10/17  
 Felicia Joseph 10/17  
 Louis Simms 10/17  
 Natalie Thurman 10/17  
 Tania Williams 10/17





**PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK AND HOMEBOUND**






*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, Barbara Rodney, Curtell Thibodeaux, Audrene LeBlanc, Judge Luke LaVergne and Irene Warner*

**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,*




<p><i>In Loving Memory of:</i></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><i>In Loving Memory of:</i></p> <p>George Coleman, Jr Geneva Coleman George Coleman, Sr. Carrie Coleman M.H. Weathersby Odelia Weathersby Donald Coleman</p> 	<p><b>Space Available</b></p>	<p><b>Space Available</b></p>	<p><b>State Farm Insurance</b></p> <p><b>Leonard Benjamin</b> 775-2494</p>
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<p><i>In Loving Memory of:</i></p> <p>Geneva Battley Spooner Della Battley Rodney</p>  <p><i>"Rest in Peace"</i></p>	<p><b><u>St. Paul the Apostle Quick Reference</u></b></p> <p>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 &amp; 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.....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.....383-2537          Ushers - Edmonia Joseph .....772-2090          Youth Ministry - Justin Kennedy.....754-2609</p>
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<p><i>In Loving Memory of Our Loved Ones:</i></p> <p>Roosevelt Bowers Joseph "Buddy" Walker Oscar LeDuff, Jr. Elizabeth &amp; Frank P. Bowers Carrie &amp; Douglas Rodney, Sr. Clara &amp; Willis Walker Sarah Rodney Domino &amp; Wilbert Domino, Sr. Freddie Bowers Ora Bowers Ward Sybil Thomas Johnson Maureen Bowers Johnson</p>  	<p><i>Chenevert Construction &amp; Remodeling</i> 344-0183</p>
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<p><i>In Loving Memory of:</i></p> <p>Famye Reed and the Reed, Stewart, Davis, and Grainger Families</p>  <p><i>"Rest in Peace"</i></p>	<p><b>Space Available</b></p>	<p><i>Chenevert Construction &amp; Remodeling</i> 344-0183</p>	<p><b>Space Available</b></p>
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<p><i>In Loving Memory of:</i></p> <p>Lionel Bazile, Sr. Dorothy Bazile James Bazile Sheila Bazile</p>  <p><i>"Rest in Peace"</i></p>	<p><i>In Loving Memory of:</i></p> <p>Jessie Joseph Aaron Bradley Joseph H.P. Martin</p>  <p><i>"Rest in Peace"</i></p>	<p><i>In Loving Memory of:</i></p> <p>Milton, Rachel, Lillie, Lillian, Kirby, James "Pookie" Verdell, Corinne &amp; Michael Joseph, Lawrence, Sr. &amp; Shedrick Ashford, Ellis Myles, Sr., Rose &amp; Albert Hebert, Eula White</p> 
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