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

# October 25, 2020

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

"You shall love the Lord, your God, with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind."

*— Matthew 22:37* 



#### Dear friends,

The story is told about a man who once observed a young boy out in a field flying a kite. He noticed that there was something odd about the way the boy was standing and holding on to the string. He walked up to the boy and then learned that the boy was blind. He said, "Do you like flying kites?"

The boy said, "I sure do."

This piqued the man's curiosity and he asked, "How is that when you cannot see it?"

The boy answered, "I may not be able to see it but I can feel it tugging'!"

We may not always be able to identify or see the love of God in this world, but like the little boy, God's love has a tug that lets us know God is there!

Feeling the "tug," I am in the Divine Word

Fr. Rick Andrus SVD

# EARLY VOTING ENDS TUESDAY, OCTOBER 27, 2020 AT 7 P.M.



#### SUPPORT KEEPING OUR PASTOR

Fr. Rick Andrus is being transferred to another parish in January. A letter in support of Fr. Rick remaining at St. Paul has been drafted and is being circulated and can be found on our Facebook page and website. When on our website, stpaulbr.org, go to the home page, scroll down and you will find a link to read the letter and a link to sign online. If you would like to sign but not online, you can also contact the parish office to have your name included with the letter.

#### TODAY'S READINGS

**First Reading** — You shall not oppress an alien, for you yourselves were once aliens in Egypt (Exodus 22:20-26).

**Psalm**—I love you, Lord, my strength (Psalm 18).

**Second Reading** — You became imitators of the Lord, so that you became a model for all believers (1 Thessalonians 1:5c-10).

**Gospel** — You shall love the Lord, your God, with all your heart, and you shall love your neighbor as yourself (Matthew 22:34-40).

# READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday:	Eph 4:32 — 5:8; Ps 1:1-4, 6;	Saturday:	Blessed Virgin Mary;
	Lk 13:10-17		Halloween
Tuesday:	Eph 5:21-33; Ps 128:1-5;		Phil 1:18b-26; Ps 42:2, 3,
	Lk 13:18-21		5cdef; Lk 14:1, 7-11
Wednesday	Ss. Simon and Jude	Sunday:	All Saints Day; Daylight
	Eph 2:19-22; Ps 19:2-5;		Saving Time ends;
	Lk 6:12-16		National Vocation
Thursday:	Eph 6:10-20; Ps 144:1b, 2, 9-10;		Awareness Week
	Lk 13:31-35		Rv 7:2-4, 9-14; Ps 24:1-6;
			1 Jn 3:1-3; Mt 5:1-12a



# BIBLE STUDY CONFERENCE CALL

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

## 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.

# PRAYER CALL - SUNDAYS at 6:00

P.M. - 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#** 

## MASS INTENTIONS

#### Deceased Members of St. Paul's Ladies Guild:

Inez Betz, Lureatha Boyd, Geneva Hurst, Geraldine Demery, Beulah Pollar, Julia T. Johnson, Racheal Joseph, Verdell Joseph, Famye Reed, Melinda Robinson, Della Rodney, Suellen Lamb, Quincy Hamilton, and Dorothy Bazile



#### PLEASE WEAR A MASK AND CAST YOUR VOTE!

**SAFETY MEASURE** 

DISTANCE

KEEP SAFE







In this challenging COVID-19 economy, St. Paul needs our support more than ever! Together, we have an opportunity to boost the strength of our church parish and foster a richer future for everyone, especially our children and youth. Right now, we can demonstrate our support by participating in our 4-Month Fundraiser and praying for its

success. Let's support this fundraiser to the fullest! Give online ST. PAUL'S 4-MONTH FUNDRAISER at osvonlinegiving.com/4266, select: "St. Paul's 4-Month Fund-

raiser, or use the special fundraising envelopes.



Daylight Saving Time ends Sunday, November 1, 2020, so remember on Saturday night to set your clocks back one

We're gaining one hour, "fall hour. back!"

# OFFERTORY October 18, 2020

Offertory Collection	\$ 3,308.00
Online Giving	1,985.00
Building Fund	\$ 1,300.00
St. Vincent de Paul	\$ 220.00
World Mission Sunday	\$ 301.00
Religious Ed. Registration	\$ 60.00
4-Month Fundraiser	<u>\$ 4,461.00</u>
Total	\$11,635.00

I will be out of the office for at least the next two weeks. Please keep me in prayer as I undergo and recover from Total Shoulder Replacement. Fr. Thomas Clark of Immaculate Conception will cover any hospital and emergency calls. Please contact the parish office at 383-2537 if you need assistance. Fr. Robert Stine will celebrate Mass during my absence.

-Fr. Rick Andrus



RELIGIOUS Religious Education classes are held for all students Pre-K -11th via Google Classroom every Sunday from 9am-10am.

BORN TO LOVE We were born to love, we live to love, and we will die to love still more. -Joseph Cafasso



CELEBRATING OCTOBER 25th - OCTOBER 30th BIRTHDAYS

Kathy Eames 10/25 Isaac Betts, Sr. 10/25 Charlotte Demoulin 10/25 Peggy Guillory 10/25 Annie Joseph 10/25



Ruby Pope 10/25 Dorothy Dunn 10/27 Ashley Weston 10/27 Ronnie Johnson 10/30 Laura Kent 10/30





#### 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, Chervl 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, Anthony Grand, Allen Paschal , James Pace and Yvonne Joseph

