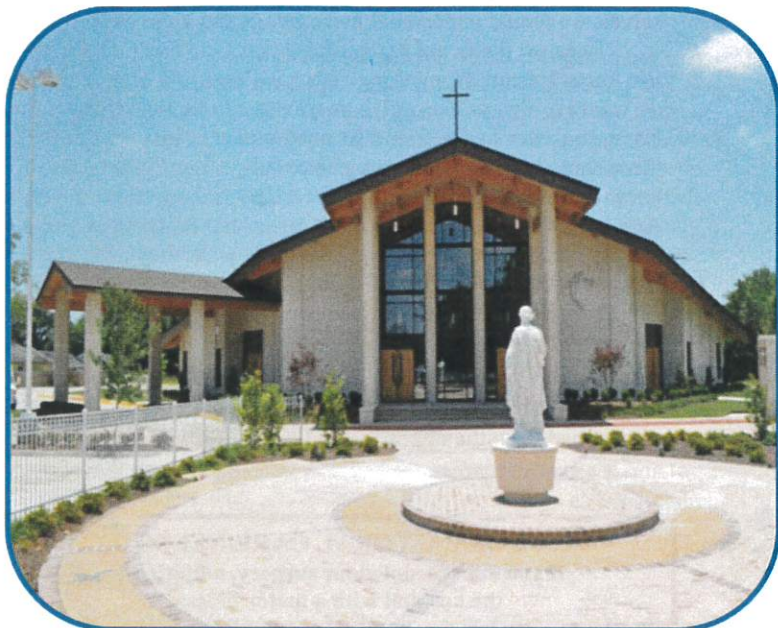


# St. Paul the Apostle Catholic Church

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## SUNDAY MASSES

7:30 A.M. & 10:30 A.M.

## WEEKDAY MASS

TUESDAY—FRIDAY—9:30 A.M.

## CONFESSION/RECONCILIATION

By Appointment

## PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday – Friday: 9:00 A.M. – 4:00 P.M.  
(Lunch Break - 12:00 noon to 1:00 p.m.)

## TO JOIN ST. PAUL'S CHURCH

Please pick up the Census Information/Update Form from the foyer of the church, complete it and return it to the parish office

## RCIA

If you want to become Catholic and ready to learn the Catholic Faith, please call Father Arockiam, SVD

## MARRIAGE

Please meet with the pastor at least six (6) months before the wedding date

## BAPTISM

Please see inside this bulletin for the specific details

## HOLY COMMUNION TO THE SICK

If you are or a family member is a registered member of our church and not able to attend Mass in church and would like to receive Holy Communion, please call the church office

## FUNERAL

Please call the pastor before making arrangements with the funeral home

## PASTOR

Rev. Arockiam Arockiam, SVD— 225-383-2537

## PERMANENT DEACON – RETIRED

Deacon Benjamin Dunbar Jr.— 225-324-5808

## PARISH SECRETARY

Mary Martin —225-383-2537

## PARISH OFFICE ASSISTANT

Christy Hall —225-383-2537

## PARISH BOOKKEEPER

Debra Dudley —225-383-2537

## DIRECTOR OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Martha Davis —225-357-4108

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## FINANCE COUNCIL CHAIRPERSON

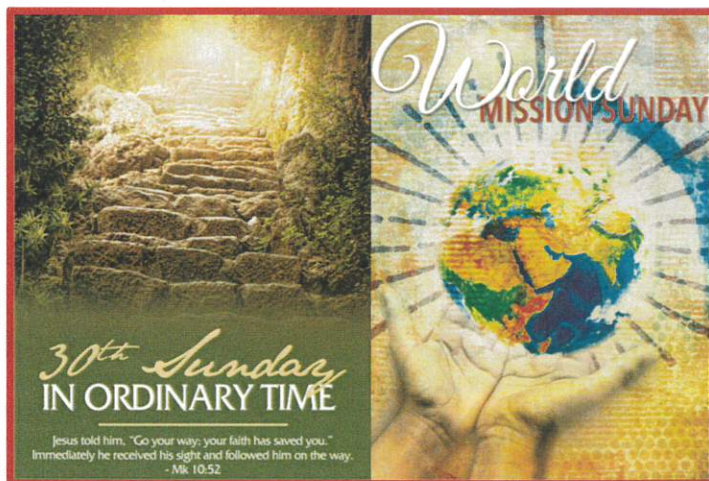
Retired Judge Luke Lavergne—225-324-5665

## PASTORAL COUNCIL CHAIRPERSON

Rudolph Richard Jr.—225-284-7476

## Our Mission Statement

Bound by our faith and guided by the Holy Spirit, We, the children of God, within the Community of St. Paul the Apostle Catholic Church in the Diocese of Baton Rouge, are called to celebrate the redeeming actions of Christ in the Holy Eucharist and to teach and bear witness to the good news of Jesus Christ.



October 24, 2021



**TODAY'S READING—REFLECT & RESPOND**

**First Reading:** The prophet Jeremiah foreshadowed the joy that Israel would experience when the Lord delivers them from captivity in Babylon. *What are some upcoming events you anticipate celebrating in the name of the Lord?*

**Second Reading:** The author of Hebrews tells us that God glorified Christ by making him "high priest." *What are some gifts that you have received from God?*

**Gospel:** Jesus heard and responded to the desperate pleas of the blind man, Bartimaeus. *What worries or fears do you need to bring to the Lord?* ©LPI

**Readings**  **Week**

**October 24, 2021—October 31, 2021**

- Today:** Jer 31:7-9/Ps 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6 [3]/Heb 5:1-6/Mk 10:46-52
- Monday:** Rom 8:12-17/Ps 68:2 and 4, 6-7ab, 20-21 [21a]/Lk 13:10-17
- Tuesday:** Rom 8:18-25/Ps 126:1b-2ab, 2cd-3, 4-5, 6 [3a]/Lk 13:18-21
- Wednesday:** Rom 8:26-30/Ps 13:4-5, 6 [6a]/Lk 13:22-30
- Thursday:** Eph 2:19-22/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5 [5a]/Lk 6:12-16
- Friday:** Rom 9:1-5/Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20/Lk 14:1-6
- Saturday:** Rom 11:1-2a, 11-12, 25-29/Ps 94:12-13a, 14-15, 17-18 [14a]/Lk 14:1, 7-11
- Next Sunday:** Dt 6:2-6/Ps 18:2-3, 3-4, 47, 51 [2]/Heb 7:23-28/Mk 12:28b-34

**MASS INTENTIONS**

**7:30 Mass:** 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, Famyne Reed, Melinda Robinson, Della Rodney, Suellen Lamb, Rosa Johnson, and Hazel Brown

**10:30 Mass:** Parishioners of St. Paul the Apostle

**FOR CHURCH ENVELOPES TO TITHE**

If you are a registered member of St. Paul and not receiving envelopes in the mail to give or send offerings to our church, please call the parish office. If you want to give online, no envelopes are needed, please use our church website ([www.stpaulbr.org](http://www.stpaulbr.org)) to give.

**OFFERTORY—OCTOBER 17, 2021**

ONLINE GIVING LINK: [OSVONLINEGIVING.COM/4266](http://OSVONLINEGIVING.COM/4266)

<b>Collection:</b>	\$ 4,751.38
<b>Online Giving:</b>	\$ 1,360.00
<b>Building Fund</b>	\$ 65.00
<b>All Saints</b>	\$ 20.00
<b>Debt Reduction:</b>	\$ 2,703.25
<b>Total Offertory</b>	\$ 8,899.63

*Thank you for your generosity and sacrifice toward our church. God bless you!*

**Envelopes Mailed: 285 Envelopes Returned: 85 Online Givers: 24**

(Envelopes mailed to registered members) (Envelopes used for general offering/tithes)

**Last Sunday Mass Attendance: 7:30A.M. - 89; 10:30A.M. - 145**



**OCTOBER 24—OCTOBER 30**



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

- Dorothy Dunn 10/27
- Jaceyon James 10/27
- Ronnie Johnson 10/30
- Laura P. Kent 10/30
- Aubrey Muse 10/30

**RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS**

**Giving as God Does**

Ask yourself this question — what would you pray for if you really believed God could and would do anything for you? In my experience, we all have something. We all have that miracle we're afraid to request, afraid we will be disappointed.

Do we doubt God's readiness to give because we ourselves have such an imperfect understanding of charity and love? Maybe if we had better faith in God we would be more ready to give of ourselves — and maybe if we were more ready to give of ourselves, we would understand more clearly the ways of God.

Because we're not really afraid that God can't do something. We know He can do anything. What we're afraid of is that He will do what He always does: give us what we need, not what we want. Have you ever had a friend in need and you just wanted to give them something — a meal, a phone call, a text? Not because you knew it would help, but simply because you wanted to reach out. And have they ever said to you: It wasn't so much what you gave, but the fact that you did. You gave them what they needed even if it wasn't what they specifically asked for.

When we give in this manner, we are giving as God does. Sometimes we are afraid to ask because we don't want to be disappointed. But remember, the blind man on the road got what he asked for, but he would have gotten what he needed even if his answer had been the opposite. God's generosity is always reckless, and it's always perfect. — Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS ©LPI

**FOR PASTORAL CARE/NEEDS**

If you are scheduled for surgery, admitted to the hospital with a major illness, or for any pastoral needs, please call **Fr. Arockiam Arockiam, SVD, Pastor**  
337-522-0624 or [arockiamsvd@gmail.com](mailto:arockiamsvd@gmail.com)



**BAPTISM SCHEDULE**

**Baptismal Class for Parents & Godparents: Thurs., Nov. 4, 2021**

Contact: Deacon Benjamin/Vera Dunbar—225-324-2939

**Next Baptism: Sunday, Nov. 21, 2021** (During or After 10:30 Mass)

For exception, please contact Fr. Arockiam -337-522-0624

**ALTAR SERVERS TRAINING**



Youth that would like to become an Altar Server, and current Altar Servers are asked to please mark your calendars for Altar Servers training. Training will be held on **Saturday, December 4th, 11th and 18th from 12:00pm—1:00pm**. Please feel free to contact Fr. Arockiam, Ms. Shirley Dawson or Ms. Christy Hall with any questions or concerns.



**OUR SICK & HOMEBOUND CHURCH MEMBERS:**

Roger Banks, Sr., Jasman Benjamin, Lena Batiste, Rose Crockett Carter, Audrey Christopher, Carolyn Christophe, Cheryl Crockett, Denovas Crockett, Charles Davis Jr., Dianna Franklin, Christina Haynes, James Hayward, Brenda Hickman, Annie Joseph, Jesse Leonard, Marie Myles, Willis Reed Jr., Lionel Robertson, Mona Seals, Robert Seals, Harry Sills, Louis Simms, Sadie Simms, Patrick Simms, Mary Smart, Curtell Thibodeaux, Irene Warner, and Ruth Hall

**OUR SICK FAMILY MEMBERS AND FRIENDS:**

Mona Bossier Bailey, Charles Bethley, Barbara Brennan, Ernie Butitta, Helen Celestine, Alberta Conner, Richard Dillon, Edna Dixon, Ronnie Gauthier, Anthony Grand, Marcus Guice, Betty Hammond, Carey Haynes, Kirk Haynes, Nichelle Hollins, Florence Jackson, Dorie Martin, James Pace, Allen Paschal, Martha Reinhart, Joel Rivera, Frank Ross, Jenna Scott, Dana Simoneaux, Connie St. Romain, Calvin Thomas III, and Walker Williams



**MINISTERS SCHEDULE**

**NEXT SUNDAY'S MINISTERS - OCTOBER 31ST**

READERS: 7:30 A.M. Lucille Brown & Darlene St. Romain

10:30 A.M. Linda Carter & Gigi Mathis

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS: 7:30 A.M. Monique Spaulding & Audrene LeBlanc  
10:30 A.M. Anna Perry & Darlene Richard

Altar Servers: 7:30 A.M. Da,Marquis London, Gavin & Gabriel Camel  
10:30 A.M. Andrea, Angelle, & Jose Camberos



Dear Parishioners,  
I would like to inform you of the changes to our transportation ministry. After a process of listening and discussions with concerned people involved in the transportation ministry and the finance council, we have decided to do away with the van. It has become a liability and the number of people being served is very minimal and they can be served with regular vehicles. It cost nearly \$6,000.00 per year for insurance and maintenance and only 2 people are being served. Henceforth, we will not be using the church van to transport parishioners. We will be selling it soon. At this time I would like to thank Mrs. Maxine Watts and all the members who are part of the Transportation Ministry for their dedication and service. Even though we will not have the van, rest assured that the Transportation Ministry will continue under the leadership of our Nurse Mrs. Maxine Watts. The same people who had been driving the van will continue to pick up the parishioners for church using their own vehicle. While providing this service, the church insurance will cover them. I appreciate their willingness to do this. Also, I encourage any elders who are in need of this service to call the church office for help.

Thank you,  
**Fr. Arockiam SVD**

**BLESSING OF THE GRAVES**

Mass and blessing of the graves at Roselawn Memorial Park & Mausoleum is scheduled for Monday, November 1st, 2021 at 12:00 noon. The celebrant is Father Miles Walsh of Sacred Heart of Jesus Church.



**JOIN US IN PRAYING THE ROSARY**

St. Paul the Apostle prays the Rosary on Sunday afternoon at 6:00 P.M. Please dial 701-802-5490, then enter the Access Code: 878800# and bless us with your presence.



**ANOINTING OF THE SICK MASS**

Join us here at St. Paul for our annual Anointing of the Sick Mass this Saturday, October 30th at 10:30 a.m. To-go lunches will be handed out in the parish center following the mass.



**MINISTRY SIGN-UP SUNDAY**

All parishioners are encouraged to sign up for at least one of a host of possible parish ministries next Sunday, October 31st. A list of all ministries will be available for you to consider. If you already belong to a ministry or organization, it is not necessary to sign up for the same one again.

All heads of ministries and organizations are asked to prepare their table with a sign, information, and a representative for both masses on this day. If you need assistance, please contact the parish office at 383-2537.



**DEBT REDUCTION CAMPAIGN UPDATE**

Area of Focus	As of 10-17-2021
Total Amt. Pledged	\$453,536.00
Total Donations Collected	\$141,611.09
Total # of Registered Members	549
Total # of Members Pledged	217



**PARISH FINANCE COUNCIL MEETING**  
Wednesday, October 13, 2021 - 6:00 PM

**PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING**  
Wednesday, October 20, 2021 - 6:00 PM

**VOCATION TO PRIESTHOOD/RELIGIOUS LIFE**

If you feel the call to religious life as a priest, deacon, brother or nun, please contact:

1-800-553-3321

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Rev. Joshua Johnson, Director of Vocations- Diocese of Baton Rouge

**VOCATION VIEW**

"You are a priest forever, according to the order of Melchizedek." The priesthood of Jesus Christ is not bestowed by ancestry, as the Temple priesthood was, but by selection by Christ in imitation of Melchizedek.

**POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTION FOR OCTOBER**

**Missionary Disciples**

We pray that every baptized person may be engaged in evangelization, available to the mission, by being witnesses of a life that has the flavor of the Gospel.



**CATHOLIC TRIVIA – JUST FOR FUN**



Match the following:

- \_\_\_ 4 a. Persons in the Blessed Trinity
- \_\_\_ 3 b. Decades of a Rosary
- \_\_\_ 2 c. Sundays in Advent
- \_\_\_ 5 d. Number of criminals crucified with Jesus

ANSWERS IN NEXT WEEK'S BULLETIN

**LAST WEEK'S TRIVIA QUESTIONS & ANSWERS**

- From what part of the Bible does the Old Testament or New Testament do the following readings at Mass normally come from? Use: O=Old Testament N= New Testament  
O A. First Reading    N B. Second Reading    N C. Gospel

**CHURCH PEWS & BRICKS IN ST. PAUL'S PLAZA**

If anyone wants to purchase a pew & have a plate affix to one of our church pew in memory or honor of a family or loved one, please contact the parish office at 383-2537. Additionally, if you are interested in purchasing a brick in St. Paul's Plaza, please contact the parish office or Mrs. Debra Dudley.

**BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL 2021-22**

**Caring for our Families in the Spirit of St. Joseph**

In scripture, we find a prime example of good stewardship in the earthly father of Jesus. Recognizing that God entrusted him to the care and livelihood of the Savior of the world and the Blessed Mother, Joseph chose to discern God's guidance. Like Joseph, God has called us to be good stewards over all that He entrusts to us. Family is one of the invaluable assets God has bestowed upon us.

This year's theme for the Bishop's Annual Appeal, Caring for Our Families in the Spirit of St. Joseph, reminds us of our vital role in not only attending to our family but also our church and community families. Last year, our parish answered the call to serve others through support of the BAA. A total of 14 members from St. Paul the Apostle, gave a total of \$2,570.00 to the past year's successful campaign. Thank you for your support! Prayerfully, you will consider contributing to this year's campaign. Give online at: [www.diobr.org/stewardship](http://www.diobr.org/stewardship)

Income and Expenses for 1st Quarter of the Fiscal Year Ending 06/30/2022  
July 2021 thru September 2021

**INCOME**

Regular Offertory Collections	\$ 83,877.82
Contributions to Building Fund	4,419.00
Contributions to Debt Reduction Campaign	46,284.00
Special Donations Funerals	2,800.00
Interest Earned on Savings Accounts	276.18
Candles, Mass Intentions, Bulletin Ads	727.55
Donations for Religious Education	490.53
Proceeds from Insurance- Fence	3,400.00
Black & Indian Mission Grant	5,000.00
Other ( Rent from Billops Street House, Easter Flowers)	1,365.00
	<u>\$ 148,640.08</u>

**EXPENSES**

Salaries ( Priest & Staff)	\$ 28,972.16
Household	2,049.18
Utilities/Telephones (3 buildings, residence)	9,633.61
Office (Computer,Bulletin, Contrib.Env,Supplies)	1,705.34
Contracted Services(Security, Grass Maintenance)	5,712.00
Evangelization-Family Ministry	194.66
Liturgy	1,041.45
Parish Share (Amount due Diocese)	13,725.24
Property Insurance (Property,Vehicle,Worker's Comp)	6,042.00
Repairs (Fence & Office )Maint & Janit. Supplies,Vehicle	7,623.38
Principal Paid on Church Loan	55,192.49
Interest on Church Loan	3,907.51
Equipment Purchases & Leases	2,814.95
Funeral Expenditures	485.21
Other(Bank,On-line fees,Tbldgs,Pew Plates,Togeth. BR Dues)	2,268.33
	<u>\$ 141,367.51</u>

**NET PROFIT OR LOSS** \$ 7,272.57

*Total amount collected as of 09/30/2021 for the Debt Reduction Campaign was \$131,846.84*

*Total amount paid as of 09/30/2021 for the Debt Reduction Campaign was \$131,846.84*

*Amount we owe on Church Loan as of 09/30/2021 \$379,910.30.*



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**Opston, Dordenia,  
 Wilbert, Phillip,  
 Opston Jr., Albert &  
 Jerome Guillory;  
 CB, Ruth, & Tia Davis;  
 Catherine Williams,  
 Yvonne Warren, &  
 Marcus Montigue**

*In Loving Memory*  
**George Coleman Jr.,  
 Geneva Coleman,  
 George Coleman Sr.  
 Carrie Coleman  
 M.H. Weathersby  
 Odelia Weathersby  
 Donald Coleman**

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 of  
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 Leo Brown, Sr.,  
 and the  
 Brent, Aldolph,  
 Brown, and Harrison  
 Families**

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 225-775-2494**

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**Geneva Battley Spooner  
 Della Battley Rodney  
 Rosa Lee Johnson**

**Contact Us**

Quick Reference to St. Paul's Pastor, Personnel, Ministries, and Services

Altar Servers - 7:30 - Shirley Dawson.....	802-6128
Altar Servers - 10:30 - Christy Hall.....	223-7851
Infant Baptism - Deacon Benjamin Dunbar, Jr.....	324-8808
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 Collin Mathis.....	278-0071
Nurse - Maxine Watts.....	278-6732
Office Assistant - Christy Hall.....	383-2537
Parish Office - Secretary - Mary Martin.....	383-2537
Pastor - Fr. Arockiam Arockiam.....	383-2537
Readers - Paulette F. Robertson.....	937-2293
Religious Education Director - Martha Davis.....	357-4108
RCIA Coordinator - Fr. Arockiam Arockiam.....	383-2537
Ushers - Edmonia Joseph.....	772-2090
Youth Ministry - Amanda Skinner.....	978-7347

*In Loving Memory*

**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,**

*Remembering*

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

*In Loving Memory*

**Gussie A. Trahan  
 Edna Mae & Gussie B. Trahan  
 Orelia Rodney & Anthony Rodney Sr.  
 Annie Mae & Anthony Rodney Jr.  
 Barbara & James Wallace Rodney  
 Keith Rodney, Joseph D. Rodney  
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 Corinne, Michael, Jessie Sr. & Aaron B.  
 Joseph; Annette & Ellis Myles Sr.; Law-  
 rence Sr., Shedrick & Lawarance III Ash-  
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 Shelia Bazile**

*In Loving Memory*

*of*  
**Doris Key,  
 Earl Key Sr.,  
 Emma Doyle  
 Currie (Rudi) Doyle**

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**Wilbert & Sarah Ann  
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