

# St. Paul the Apostle Catholic Church

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## SUNDAY MASSES

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

## WEEKDAY MASS

TUESDAY—FRIDAY—8:00 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

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Debra Dudley —225-383-2537

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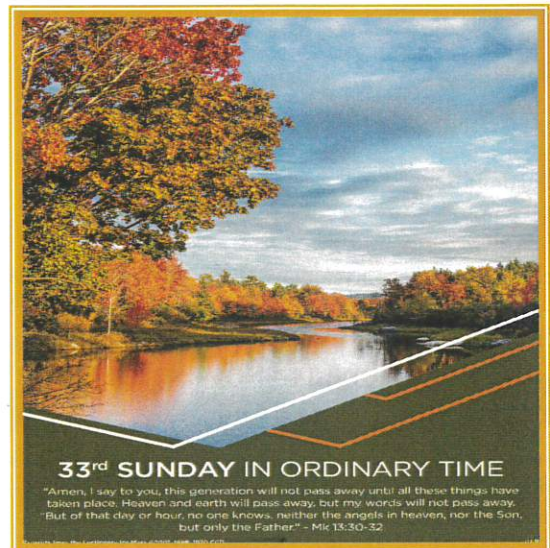
Retired Judge Luke Lavergne—225-324-5665

## 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.



## 33<sup>rd</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"Amen, I say to you, this generation will not pass away until all these things have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away. But of that day or hour, no one knows, neither the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father." — Mt 13:30-32

November 14, 2021

**TODAY'S READING—REFLECT & RESPOND**

**First Reading:** The prophet Daniel foresees a time of “unsurpassed distress” where all receive divine judgement of either everlasting life or everlasting disgrace. *Do thoughts of the end times bring you comfort or concern?*

**Second Reading:** The author of Hebrews continues to emphasize Jesus’ death as the definitive and final sacrificial offering for sins. *Why do you think this is a central theme in the Letter to the Hebrews?*

**Gospel:** Jesus speaks of his Second Coming at the end of time and warns his disciples: “Be watchful! Be alert!” *How are you preparing for judgment day?* ©LPi

**Readings  of the Week**

**November 14, 2021—November 21, 2021**

- Today:** Dn 12:1-3/Ps 16:5, 8, 9-10, 11 [1]/Heb 10:11-14, 18/ Mk 13:24-32
- Monday:** 1 Mc 1:10-15, 41-43, 54-57, 62-63/Ps 119:53, 61, 134, 150, 155, 158 [cf. 88]/Lk 18:35-43
- Tuesday:** 2 Mc 6:18-31/Ps 3:2-3, 4-5, 6-7 [6b]/Lk 19:1-10
- Wednesday:** 2 Mc 7:1, 20-31/Ps 17:1bcd, 5-6, 8b and 15 [15b]/ Lk 19:11-28
- Thursday:** 1 Mc 2:15-29/Ps 50:1b-2, 5-6, 14-15 [23b]/Lk 19:41-44; Dedication: Acts 28:11-16, 30-31/ Ps 105:2-3, 36-37, 42-43/Mt 14:22-33
- Friday:** 1 Mc 4:36-37, 52-59/1 Chron 29:10bcd, 11abc, 11d-12a, 12bcd [13b]/ Lk 19:45-48
- Saturday:** 1 Mc 6:1-13/Ps 9:2-3, 4 and 6, 16 and 19 [cf. 16a]/ Lk 20:27-40
- Next Sunday:** Dn 7:13-14/Ps 93:1, 1-2, 5 [1a]/Rv 1:5-8/Jn 18:33b-37

**RELIGION CLASSES:** There will be no Religious Education classes on Nov. 21<sup>st</sup>. Classes will resume on Sunday, November 28<sup>th</sup>.

**RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS**

**Giving Until it Hurts**

In the time of Christ, sacrifice was nothing new to the Jewish people. The Israelites were experts at sacrifice. So, after centuries of every kind of offering imaginable, what was so special about Christ’s? What made it so different from the sacrifices offered by the Levitical priests for centuries before his death?


Well, to adequately answer that question would consume whole volumes. And, of course, the first and most important reason is that Christ was the son of God and the savior of the world, not a random (if “unblemished”) lamb offering. It was only by the blood of Christ that we could be redeemed.

But another answer is this: Christ’s sacrifice cost him. In fact, it cost him everything. The offerings made by the Israelites through their priests cost them too, of course. They gave of their flocks, of their household stores, of their wealth. But Christ gave differently. He gave of himself. He gave until it was all gone.

Such is the highest form of stewardship: the gift of self to the point of discomfort. It can take a multitude of forms and I am not saying we are all called to be nailed to the cross. In fact, for most of us, our gifts will not involve physical discomfort at all. But certainly, stewardship demands discomfort. It demands that we go against our human nature of putting ourselves first, of thinking primarily of our own needs and desires. And most of all, it demands love. For that, above all else, distinguished the gift Christ gave us. *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



*Baptism*

**BAPTISM SCHEDULE**

*Baptismal Class for Parents & Godparents: Thurs., Jan. 13, 2022*  
 Contact: Deacon Benjamin/Vera Dunbar—225-324-2939  
*Next Baptism: Sunday, Jan. 23, 2022 (During or After 10:30 Mass)*  
 For exception, please contact Fr. Arockiam -337-522-0624



*In Our Thoughts and Prayers*

**MAY SHE REST IN PEACE...**

Our deepest sympathy is extended to the Varmall and Poland families at the passing of Mrs. Isabella Poland, sister-in-law of Mrs. Albertha Varmall.

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

**CHRISTMAS GIVING TREE**



We will have our Christmas Giving Tree again this year for children of St. Paul’s parish. Families that need assistance during this time should submit the names, ages and a wish list to the parish office by Monday, November 22<sup>nd</sup>.

**OFFERTORY—NOVEMBER 7, 2021**

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

Collection:	\$ 6,798.40
Online Giving:	\$ 3,577.00
Building Fund	\$ 225.00
St. Vincent DePaul:	\$ 243.00
All Saints :	\$ 60.00
Debt Reduction:	\$ 5,479.00
<b>Total Offertory</b>	<b>\$ 16,382.40</b>

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

**Envelopes Mailed: 287 Envelopes Returned: 78 Online Givers: 38**

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

**Last Sunday Mass Attendance: 7:30A.M. - 83; 10:30A.M. - 174**

**NOVEMBER 14—NOVEMBER 20**

**BIRTHDAYS**

- |                       |                       |                       |
|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| Mason Hurst 11/14     | Camaron Foster 11/16  | Kelsi Dobison 11/19   |
| Karen Stribling 11/14 | Ava Huggins 11/16     | Elie Jackson 11/19    |
| Claudia Harper 11/15  | Walter D. Lewis 11/17 | Ashley Lane 11/19     |
| Nyle Harris 11/15     | David Robertson 11/17 | Simon Reed, Jr. 11/19 |
| Kala Williams 11/15   | Madison Andrews 11/19 | Arylsse Rodney 11/19  |
|                       |                       | Cash Dudley 11/20     |

**MASS INTENTIONS**

- 7:30 Mass:** Mr. Dwight LeBlanc, Sr.
- 10:30 Mass:** Parishioners of St. Paul the Apostle

**FREE COVID VACCINE AT ST. PAUL CENTER**

Together Baton Rouge, in collaboration with the La. Dept. of Health and the National Guard, will be offering free vaccinations on Tuesday, Nov. 16 from 2:30 - 5:30 in St. Paul Center. Pfizer and Moderna, 1st and 2nd doses and boosters will be offered. \$100 gift cards are offered to all who get their 1st shot and \$50 gift cards will be offered for the first 50 who receive their 2nd shots. This is offered to everyone 12 years-old and older. Children require a parent or guardian to be present to sign release forms. *Please bring your ID.*



**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, Ruther Hall, Christina Haynes, James Hayward, Brenda Hickman, Annie Joseph, Jesse Leonard, Marie Myles, Willis Reed Jr., Lionel Robertson, John O Rodney, Mona Seals, Robert Seals, Harry Sills, Louis Simms, Sadie Simms, Patrick Simms, Mary Smart, Curtell Thibodeaux, and Irene Warner.

**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 - NOVEMBER 21ST**

**READERS:** 7:30 A.M. Joannette Dunn & Paulette Robertson  
 10:30 A.M. Lucille Brown and Kevin Stewart

**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:** 7:30 A.M. Alice Zacharie & Elie Jackson  
 10:30 A.M. Martha Davis & Nancy Ball

**Altar Servers:** 7:30 A.M. Kelby & Quintin Chenevert  
 10:30 A.M. Jacques & Xavier Knox and Joseph Richard



Dear Parishioners,  
 Our center is ready for rental again. We will continue to follow the state and local regulations and the CDC guidelines during this pandemic.

At our finance council meeting on October 13, 2021, we decided that the fee to use the center for 4 hours is \$500.00. This fee is for the registered and tithing church members. For registered but financially non-supporting members and for non-members, the fee is \$ 700.00 00. For both, this would include the security and insurance. 2 to 3 hours will be given to decorate. No cooking, warming only. All events must end by 1:00 A.M. Mrs. Velita Benjamin will continue to serve as the person in charge for Center rental and repast.

**CONFESSION:** During advent we are planning to celebrate the sacrament of reconciliation (Confession) in our church on Wednesday December 1, 2021 from 6:00 P.M. to 7:00 P.M. We have 6 priests coming from outside and they will be here in our church to hear confessions. I request that you mark your calendar and come to church on that day around 5:30 P.M. and spend some time in silence and then make your confessions, and after confession, again spend some time in silence, then we all can leave at 7:00 P.M. Please bring your bible, rosary or prayer cards and spend some time with the Lord. This is my desire for our church community to grow in close relationship with the Lord. Please cooperate with me. I request you all come to confession and pray that all of us can make use of this opportunity and enjoy Christmas preparation.

Thank you,  
 Fr. Arockiam SVD

**OUR NEWLY BAPTIZED CHILDREN OF GOD**

"See what love the Father has bestowed on us that [they] may be called the children of God." 1 John 3:1  
 We rejoice with the following parents and grandparents at the baptism of these children on Sunday, November 7, 2021, here at St. Paul by Fr. Arockiam Arockiam, SVD:  
**Child:** Jordan Clifford, son of Ronnice' Johnson and grandson of Ronnie and Isabella Johnson  
**Children:** Jude Troullier, Jaxson and Jonah Williams, sons of Julien and Morley Troullier & grandsons of Troy and Gigi Mathis

Also, we celebrate with the parents and grandparents of Antonette Reed II, baptized on Friday, November 5, 2021, at St. Paul by Fr. Richard Andrus, SVD; she's the daughter of Raphew and Antonette Reed Jr. and the granddaughter of Raphew and Bobbie Reed Sr.

**BRICKS FOR ST. PAUL'S PLAZA**

Parishioners have recently purchased an additional ten bricks; therefore, we will place an order in the next few weeks. If you would like to purchase a brick to be ordered with this set, please notify the office at 383-2537 or Mrs. Debra Dudley at 324-8995 by Sunday, Nov. 21, 2021. After this order, the next order will not be placed until an additional ten bricks have been purchased, which could take another six months or longer.



**DEBT REDUCTION CAMPAIGN UPDATE**

Area of Focus	As of 11-7-2021
Total Amt. Pledged	\$454,036.00
Total Donations Collected	\$151,072.09
Total # of Registered Members	519
Total # of Members Pledged	218



**PARISH FINANCE COUNCIL MEETING**

Thursday, December 16, 2021 —6:00 P.M.

**PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING**

Wednesday, November 17, 2021—12:00 noon

**LITURGY COMMITTEE MEETING**

Tuesday, January 11, 2022—6:00 P.M.

**VOCATION TO PRIESTHOOD/RELIGIOUS LIFE**

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

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

**VOCATION VIEW**

As Christians, our sole inheritance is Christ; everything else is temporal and fleeting. Let us rejoice in His calling, that we might have His strength in order to respond to the invitation to "Come! Follow me."

**POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTION FOR NOVEMBER**

**People Who Suffer from Depression**

We pray that people who suffer from depression or burn-out will find support and a light that opens them up to life.

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

"as we have opportunity, let us do good to all people, especially to those who belong to the family of believers." (Gal. 6:10)

We are part of a family of faith, but even broader than that we are part of a communal family. Ideally, a family shares an unbreakable bond—bound not only by blood, but commitment. When the Apostle Paul spoke to the church of Galatia, he stressed to them the importance of caring for all people whenever the opportunity arose. We are to imitate Christ in how we treat others. The mission of the Bishop's Annual Appeal is to care for those in need, which is inclusive of those in our family of faith, as well as those in our communal family. As you reflect upon your stewardship goals for this year's campaign, we urge you to consider your gift in light of St. Joseph as a way of us caring for our family of faith. Give online at: [www.diobr.org/stewardship](http://www.diobr.org/stewardship)

**FUTURE MASSES & SERVICES**



**Nov. 14:** 10:30 Mass of Remembrance of Deceased Loved Ones (Deceased loved ones from Nov. 1, 2019 to Oct. 31, 2021)

**Nov. 14:** Veterans Day Celebration—10:30 Mass at St. Paul

**Nov. 16:** Free Covid Vaccinations in St. Paul Center—2:30-5:30 P.M.

**Nov. 21:** Christ the King Sunday—7:30 A.M. & 10:30 Mass  
 (10:30 Special Mass participation by the 2022 First Communion Students)

**Nov. 24:** Thanksgiving Eve Mass - 6:30 P.M.  
 (Special blessing of the bread and wine that parishioners bring to Mass)

**Nov. 28:** First Sunday of Advent Mass – Blessing of the Advent Wreath

**Dec. 1:** Parish Advent Reconciliation Service—6:00 P.M. at St. Paul  
 (Heads of ministries & organizations & their members are encouraged to attend)

**Dec 19:** Last Sunday of Advent Mass Celebration



**CATHOLIC TRIVIA – JUST FOR FUN**



- Who forgives our sins in confession?  
 A. Jesus      B. priest      C. ourselves
- Less serious sins that still lead a person further away from God and others are called.  
 A. mortal sins      B. venial sins      C. capital sins

ANSWERS IN NEXT WEEK'S BULLETIN

**LAST WEEK'S TRIVIA QUESTION & ANSWER**

- Which of these is NOT one of the three actions required by the person confessing or penitent?  
 A. Repentance      B. Confession of Sin to the Priest      C. The intention to atone & work to atone  
 ✓D. Memorization of the Act of Contrition
- Who has the power to forgive sins?  
 A. God, Priests, Deacons, and Religious Education Directors      ✓C. God  
 B. My sin is forgiven through a simple prayer of repentance      D. All baptized Catholics

# A COVID-19 VACCINATION SITE IS COMING TO OUR NEIGHBORHOOD

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### TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 16

2:30 PM – 5:30 PM

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Wilbert, Phillip,  
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CB, Ruth, & Tia Davis;  
Catherine Williams,  
Yvonne Warren, &  
Marcus Montigue**

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**George Coleman Jr.,  
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Freddie Bowers, Ora Bowers Ward,  
Sybil Thomas Johnson, &  
Maureen Bowers 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.....	324-5808
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 - Vega 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
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*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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of*

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