

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

PARISH BOOKKEEPER

Debra Dudley —225-383-2537

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Martha Davis —225-357-4108

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Amanda Skinner —225-978-7347

PARISH NURSE

Maxine Watts —225-278-6732

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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.



November 21, 2021

TODAY'S READING—REFLECT & RESPOND

First Reading: The prophet Daniel has a vision of the “everlasting dominion” of the “son of man.” *Why do you think the Lord revealed this vision to Daniel?*

Second Reading: John teaches his community that Jesus “has made us (believers) into a kingdom, priests for his God and Father.” *How should knowledge of this reality affect your spiritual journey?*

Gospel: In his trial, Jesus tells Pilate that his kingdom is not of this world. *What do you think prevents the Kingdom of God from being more fully present in our world?* ©LPI

Readings  Week

November 21, 2021—November 28, 2021

- Sunday:** Dn 7:13-14/Ps 93:1, 1-2, 5 [1a]/Rv 1:5-8/
Jn 18:33b-37
- Monday:** Dn 1:1-6, 8-20/Dn 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56 [52b]/
Lk 21:1-4
- Tuesday:** Dn 2:31-45/Dn 3:57, 58, 59, 60, 61 [59b]/Lk 21:5-11
- Wednesday:** Dn 5:1-6, 13-14, 16-17, 23-28/Dn 3:62, 63, 64, 65,
66, 67 [59b]/Lk 21:12-19
- Thursday:** Dn 6:12-28/Dn 3:68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74 [59b]/
Lk 21:20-28
- Friday:** Dn 7:2-14/Dn 3:75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81/
Lk 21:29-33
- Saturday:** Dn 7:15-27/Dn 3:82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87/Lk 21:34-36
- Next Sunday:** Jer 33:14-16/1 Thes 3:12—4:2/Ps 25:4-5, 8-9, 10, 14
[1b]/Lk 21:25-28, 34-36

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#.

A THANKSGIVING PRAYER



Heavenly Father, on Thanksgiving Day, we bow our hearts to You and pray. We give You thanks for all You've done, especially for the gift of Jesus, Your Son. For beauty in nature, Your glory we see, for joy and health, friends, and family. Amen.



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) to give.

OFFERTORY—NOVEMBER 14, 2021

ONLINE GIVING LINK: OSVONLINEGIVING.COM/4266

Collection:	\$ 4,872.01
Online Giving:	\$ 1,325.00
Building Fund	\$ 205.00
St. Vincent DePaul:	\$ 300.00
Debt Reduction:	\$ 3,351.00
Total Offertory	\$ 10,053.01

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

Envelopes Mailed: 287 Envelopes Returned: 79 Online Givers: 25

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

Last Sunday Mass Attendance: 7:30A.M. - 78; 10:30A.M. - 183

NOVEMBER 21—NOVEMBER 27



BIRTHDAYS

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|--------------------------|----------------------------|------------------------|
| Audrey Christopher 11/21 | Jose Camberos 11/23 | Yvette Wisham 11/24 |
| Gregory Cornell 11/21 | Paul L. Stewart, Sr. 11/23 | Mae Ruby Johnson 11/25 |
| Doris Broussard 11/22 | Dr. John O. Nnadi 11/24 | Terryl Bowman 11/26 |
| Mark Chenevert 11/22 | Zairey Patterson 11/24 | Jada Stanley 11/26 |
| Cedrick Coates 11/22 | Johnny Rogers, Jr. 11/24 | |

RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

God is wonderfully and surprisingly creative! He turns the tables on our understanding of what it means to be a king by sending us a king who embraces poverty, insults, suffering, ridicule, rejection, and even death. This is our king. Jesus is not the king of prestige or grandeur but the king who brings light to darkness, hope to despair, sinners to mercy, and new life out of death. God dances on, around, in, and through all of the silliness and ugliness of the world, bringing all of creation to the eternal dance of new life and hope. Whether we accept it now or hope that we one day do, *Christ is king of the universe. Christ is the alpha and the omega, the beginning and the end.* Every human being, even those who scorned and rejected him and failed to see him in the least of our brothers and sisters, will look upon him. Only those who understand the truth will understand that we are on this awesome universal journey to Christ. It is a journey of surprises but also a journey of enlightenment when we will one day see and experience with the deepest joy our being in Christ. We will be restless until we are all one day together united in Christ our King. 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 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

MASS INTENTIONS

7:30 Mass: Parishioners of St. Paul the Apostle

10:30 Mass: Deceased Member of the Knights of Peter Claver Council & Court 351

Council Members: Bro. Lionel Bazile, Sr., Bro. John Dunn, Bro. Phillip Guillory, Bro. Thomas 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

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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 Ruther 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 - NOVEMBER 28TH

READERS: 7:30 A.M. Desiree Terrell & Barbara Cornell
10:30 A.M. Martha Davis & Mary Martin

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS: 7:30 A.M. Murray Chenevert & Joannette Dunn
10:30 A.M. Amanda Skinner & Tasha Anthony
Altar Servers: 7:30 A.M. Da'Marquis London, Gavin & Gabriel Camel
10:30 A.M. Andrea, Angelle & Jose Camberos



Dear Parishioners,

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. Six Priests will 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. I look forward to seeing you all!

Have a Very Safe and Happy Thanksgiving!
Fr. Arockiam SVD



BLACK CATHOLIC HISTORY MONTH

November is designated as Black Catholic History Month to celebrate the history and proud heritage of Black Catholics. The first celebration of Black Catholic History Month in the United States began in November of 1990. Some people forget that Christianity did not originate in Europe and even express surprise when they learn that Black Catholic History began in the Acts of the Apostles (8:26-40) with the conversion of the Ethiopian Eunuch by Philip the Deacon.

Three popes—Saints Victor I, Melchiodorus, and Gelasius I—were born in Africa and led the early church through much turmoil. There are also many Black Catholic saints: St. Monica of Hippo, St. Augustine of Hippo, St. Perpetua, St. Felicity, St. Moses The Black, St. Martin de Porres, St. Josephine Bakhita, St. Bessarion, St. Benedict the Moor, St. Antonio Vieira, and St. Anthony the Great of Thebes, and many more.



CHRISTMAS PLAY

All students participating in the Christmas play are encouraged to attend practice every Saturday until the date of the play; this includes all actors and backstage assistants. All actors must attend mandatory practices. Some Saturdays may be reserved for actors who need extra time. Please mark your calendar!



CHRISTMAS GIVING TREE

We will have our Christmas Giving Tree again this year for the 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 22nd.



DEBT REDUCTION CAMPAIGN UPDATE

Area of Focus	As of 11-14-2021
Total Amt. Pledged	\$454,036.00
Total Donations Collected	\$154,423.09
Total # of Registered Members	519
Total # of Members Pledged	218



PARISH FINANCE COUNCIL MEETING
Thursday, December 16, 2021—12:00 P.M.

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING
Wednesday, December 15, 2021—6:00 P.M.

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:

1-800-553-3321

Divine Word Missionaries and Sisters of the Holy Spirit

jjohnsondiobr.org or 225-387-0561

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

VOCATION VIEW

To testify to the truth; this is why Christ came, this is the mission of the priest and religious. Has your life testified to the truth that Christ is King?

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.



ALTAR SERVERS TRAINING

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



FUTURE MASSES & SERVICES

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.

(Bring your bread and wine to the Mass for a special blessing)

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

BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL 2021-22

The Gift of Stewardship

• *"A gift opens the way and ushers the giver into the presence of the great."*
-- Proverbs 18:16

Stewardship is a gift from God that enables us to share with others what He has entrusted to us. When we give it not only benefits those on the receiving end, but it sows something even GREATER into us. It is a cycle that was designed to never be broken.

For over 35 years, the Bishop's Annual Appeal has provided a perfect means of channeling parishioner support to essential ministries that provide care to those in need and support for our mission of evangelization in the greater capital region. Please consider giving to this year's campaign. Give online at: www.diobr.org/stewardship



CATHOLIC TRIVIA - JUST FOR FUN

- Actions we know are seriously wrong that we freely choose to do anyway are called. A. venial sins B. moral sins C. my choices
- The Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ is the last or final Sunday of the _____. A. fiscal year B. calendar year C. liturgical year

ANSWERS IN NEXT WEEK'S BULLETIN
LAST WEEK'S TRIVIA QUESTION & ANSWER

- 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

In Loving Memory

**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
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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.....	324-5808
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 - 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

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**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**

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
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Earl Key Sr.,
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**Wilbert & Sarah Ann
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