

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

OCIA

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 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

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Mary Martin —225-383-2537

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Christy Hall —225-383-2537

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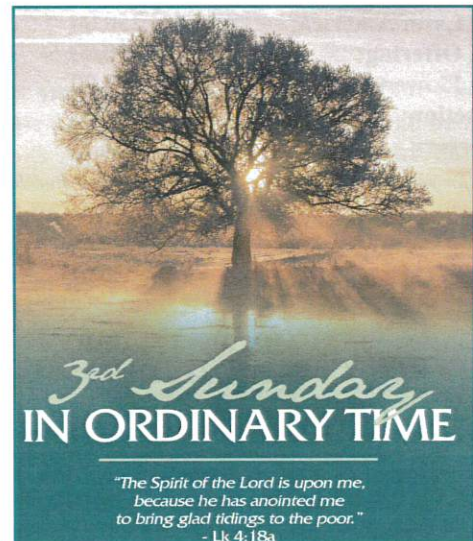
Retired Judge Luke Lavergne—225-324-5665

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.



January 23, 2022

Readings of the Week

January 23, 2022—January 30, 2022

- Today:** Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15/1 Cor 12:12-30 or Cor.12:12-14, 27/Lk 1:1-4; 4:14-21
Mon.: 2 Sm 5:1-7, 10/Ps 89:20, 21-22, 25-26/Mk 3:22-30
Tues.: Acts 22:3-16 or Acts 9:1-22/Ps 117: 1bc, 2/Mk 16:15-18
Wed.: 2 Tm 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5/Ps 89:4-5, 27-28, 29-30/Mk 4:1-20
Thurs.: 2 Sm 7:18-19, 24-29/Ps 132:1-2, 3-5, 11, 12, 13-14/ Mk 4:21-25
Fri.: 2 Sm 11:1-4a, 5-10a, 13-17/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6a, 6bcd-7, 10-11/ Mk 4:26-34
Sat.: 2 Sm 12:1-7a, 10-17/Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 16-17/Mk 4:35-41
Sun.: Jer 1:4-5, 17-19/Ps 71:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 15-17 [cf. 15ab]/ 1 Cor 12:31—13:13 or 13:4-13/Lk 4:21-30

TODAY'S READING—REFLECT & RESPOND

First Reading: Ezra and Nehemiah were Judah's religious and political leaders in the mid-5th century BC. They grounded their leadership in Scripture ("the book of the law.") *What role does Sacred Scripture have in guiding your life?*

Second Reading: Paul used the human body as an analogy for the "many parts" of the Christian community in Corinth that should unite as the "one body" of Christ. *In what ways do you find this a challenging vision for the community?*

Gospel: Today's reading contains both the opening prologue to the Gospel of Luke and the initial reaction to Jesus' return to his hometown of Nazareth. Luke is the only Evangelist to provide us with a prologue outlining his motivation to write his Gospel. *What details do you find most interesting from Luke's prologue?* ©LPi

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—JANUARY 16, 2022

ONLINE GIVING LINK: OSVONLINEGIVING.COM/4266

Collection:	\$ 3,043.00
Online Giving:	\$ 1,420.00
Building Fund	\$ 267.00
St. Vincent DePaul:	\$ 125.00
Church in Latin America:	\$ 250.00
Christmas Offering:	\$ 10.00
Christmas Flowers:	\$ 10.00
Debt Reduction:	\$ 1,231.00
Total Offertory	\$ 6,356.00

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

Envelopes Mailed: 293 Envelopes Returned: 47 Online Givers: 29
 (Envelopes mailed to registered members) (Envelopes used for general offering/tithes)

Last Sunday Mass Attendance: 7:30A.M. - 71; 10:30A.M. - 109

JANUARY 23—JANUARY 29



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| Terry Mack 1/23 | Nariyah Davis 1/26 | Alex Watson 1/28 |
| Mia West 1/24 | Sydney Anderson 1/28 | Glenda Brown 1/29 |
| Ruby Woods 1/24 | Janice Carroll 1/28 | Yvonne Buggage 1/29 |
| Riley Thomas 1/25 | Iylla Hamphill 1/28 | Ronnice' Johnson 1/29 |
| Wanda Alsobrook 1/26 | John Price 1/28 | |

RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

Plant Your Works in the Word

One of the things about Scripture is that even the smallest word and shortest phrase can be critical to the overall message. When you take a quiet moment to rest with the Word, you find how quickly the most mundane sentence can reach out and grab you, pulling you into deeper contemplation of some truth you hadn't even considered until then.

But we often fail to act as the Israelites in the Book of Nehemiah, standing before the Water Gate "listening attentively." Whether it's at Mass during the Liturgy of the Word or at home poring over the Bible, time after time, we find ourselves less mindful than we could be. Our ears accept the sounds of the words, and our eyes glance over the shape of the letters. But are we mindful — truly?

The best answer is, hopefully at least sometimes. There are always tasks to be completed, problems weighing on our minds that we can't quite give over to God. We lose ourselves in these things instead of in Scripture. We "clock in" with Bible reading instead of "diving in."

We can never forget that the words of the Lord are spirit and life. They are the soil that quickens the seed of all stewardship. There is no mindfulness, prayer, graciousness, gratitude, accountability, or sense of commitment unless there is the Word.

So let us pray today for mindfulness, that our every action will be grounded in the law of God — giving it true spirit and life. —Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS ©LPi

FOR PASTORAL CARE AND NEEDS

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



Next Baptismal Class: Thursday, Mar. 10, 2022—6:30 P.M.

Contact: Vera Dunbar—225-324-2939 to register
 Parents & Godparents MUST attend the class

Next Baptism: Sunday, March 20, 2022 (During or After 10:30 Mass)
 For exception, please contact Fr. Arockiam -337-522-0624



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

10:30 Mass: Fr. Danny Roussel & Alzheimer's Patients and their Caregivers



OUR SICK & HOMEBOUND CHURCH MEMBERS:

Roger Banks, Sr., 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:

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, Walker Williams, and Peter Broussard

MINISTERS SCHEDULE

NEXT SUNDAY'S MINISTERS - JANUARY 30TH

READERS: 7:30 A.M. Desiree Terrell & Joannette Dunn

10:30 A.M. Amanda Skinner & Gigi Collin-Mathis

EUCARISTIC MINISTERS: 7:30 A.M. Alice Zacharie & Audrene LeBlanc

10:30 A.M. Christy Hall & Pamela Claiborne

Altar Servers: 7:30 A.M. Da'Marquis London, & Gavin & Gabriel Camel

10:30 A.M. Jacquez & Xavier Knox & Joseph Richard



Dear Parishioners,

The number of our young parishioners that expressed an interest in being altar servers in spite of the pandemic is heartwarming. Having 27 Altar Servers is an indication of the faith and strong religious belief of the youth of St. Paul and their parents. Our youth are the future of St. Paul. I would like to thank the parents of our Altar Servers for their encouragement and support of the children fulfilling this very important role. I am happy to have them join this ministry and look forward to working with them to encourage and enhance spiritual growth with knowledge of all aspects of the Mass and the importance of their role as Altar Servers.

May God bless you,

Fr. Arockiam Arockiam, SVD



FINANCE COUNCIL MEETING

Tuesday, February 15, 2022 — 6:00 P.M.

LECTORS & EUCARISTIC MINISTERS MEETING

Wednesday, March 29, 2022 — 6:00 P.M.

PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING

Wednesday, March 16, 2022 — 6:00 P.M.

USHERS MEETING

Wednesday, February 16, 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

jjohnson@diobr.org or 225-387-0561

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

VOCATION VIEW

Through the power of the Spirit Jesus proclaimed his mission. How are you carrying on that mission today?

POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTION FOR JANUARY

For True Human Fraternity

We pray for all those suffering from religious discrimination and persecution; may their own rights and dignity be recognized, which originate from being brothers and sisters in the human family.

ADULT FORMATION CLASS, BIBLE STUDY, & ROSARY

Please join us in study, prayer, and reflection!

Adult Formation Class: Sundays, at 9:00 A.M., in the chapel.

Tele-Conference Bible Study: Wednesdays at 6:00 P.M.

Dial 516-387-8633 (no access code needed)

Rosary: Sundays at 6:00 P.M. Dial 701-802 5490, & enter the Access Code: 878800#



COLLECTION FOR THE SVD COMMUNITY

On behalf of the Society of the Divine Word, Bay Saint Louis, I would like to thank you for your generous donation of \$1,772.39 for the SVD Missionary Collection. Your thoughtfulness and kindness for the religious community is greatly appreciated, and you will all be remembered in their daily prayer and Mass. - Fr. Arockiam, SVD



FLOOR PROJECT— PARISH CENTER

We have contracted with a company to strip and wax the floors in our Parish Center. The work will begin Monday, Jan. 24th. The work will take a week-long process which includes the drying time. Items in the Center will need to be returned to the Center on either Friday or Saturday, Jan. 28th or 29th. The more hands we have to move items, the sooner we finish. Please contact Lionel Bazile Jr. (225-936-5907) or Robert Martin (225-400-3925) to help with this project. **NO** meetings, members of the parish, ministries, or organizations are allowed in the Parish Center during this time.

ENTHrone THE BIBLE IN YOUR HOME



The Bible enthroned in Catholic homes is a reminder that God's word speaks to us in the joys and struggles of our everyday life. As disciples of Jesus we are encouraged to read and study it as a regular part of our day.

Guidelines for you to do the Enthronement of the Bible and to create a Bible Corner at your home can be found on the table in the foyer of the church.

CHURCH PEWS & BRICKS IN ST. PAUL'S PLAZA

If you want to purchase a pew in our church or a brick paver in St. Paul's Plaza in memory or honor of a loved one, please contact the parish office at 225-383-2537, please ask for Debra Dudley.



CATHOLIC TRIVIA – JUST FOR FUN

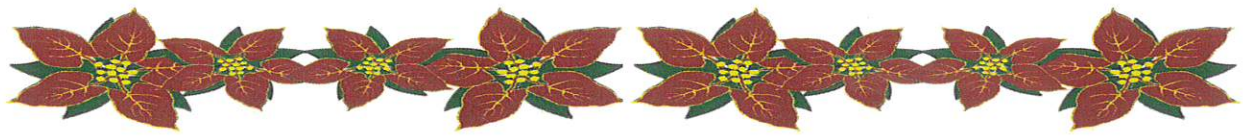


Answers in Next Week's Bulletin

- The finest prayer service that Catholics have is the Mass. So, what does the Liturgy of the Eucharist, the holiest part of the Mass, commemorate?
 - the Birth of Jesus
 - the Old Testament Feast
 - the Resurrection of Jesus
 - the Last Supper of Jesus
- In the Catholic prayer, "Hail Mary," where do the opening words of this prayer originate?
 - Michael the Archangel
 - the Angel Gabriel

FORWARD in FAITH DEBT REDUCTION CAMPAIGN UPDATE

Area of Focus	As of 01-16-2022
Total Amt. Pledged	\$454,036.00
Total Donations Collected	\$ 195,832.59
Total # of Registered Members	523
Total # of Members Pledged	218



CHRISTMAS FLOWER DONATIONS

Thanks you for your generous donations!

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In Memory/Honor of...

Jeff, Darron, & Wayne Betts

Roosevelt Bowers, Joseph "Buddy" Walker, Oscar LeDuff, Jr., Sarah R. Domino, & Wilbert Domino, Sr.
Thelma Polk, Charles Perry, Jr., Dianne Lewis, and Everyone that died from Covid-19
Mary P. Chenevert, Matthew Chenevert, Ella M. Chenevert, Mary Ann Johnson, and Matthew Chenevert, Jr.
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Mary Jarreau, April & Buanita Voltaire, Dorothy Voltaire, Da'Marquis London, Marissa, Javonte, & Martin, and the Jarreau Family
Rev. Albert Williams Sr., Albert Williams, Jr., Mildred Williams, John "JP" Williams, Robert, Lucy, Gertrude, Mary & Robert Theodore, and King and Lillian Oliver

Mark Zacharie



In Loving Memory

Opston, Dorcena,
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.
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M.H. Weathersby
Odelia Weathersby
Donald Coleman

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of
Hazel Brent Brown,
Leo Brown, Sr.,
and the
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In Loving Memory

**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.....324-5808
- 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

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Edna Mae & Gussie B. Trahan
Orelia Rodney & Anthony Rodney Sr.
Annie Mae & Anthony Rodney Jr.
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Emma Doyle
Currie (Rudi) Doyle
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of
**Wilbert & Sarah Ann
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