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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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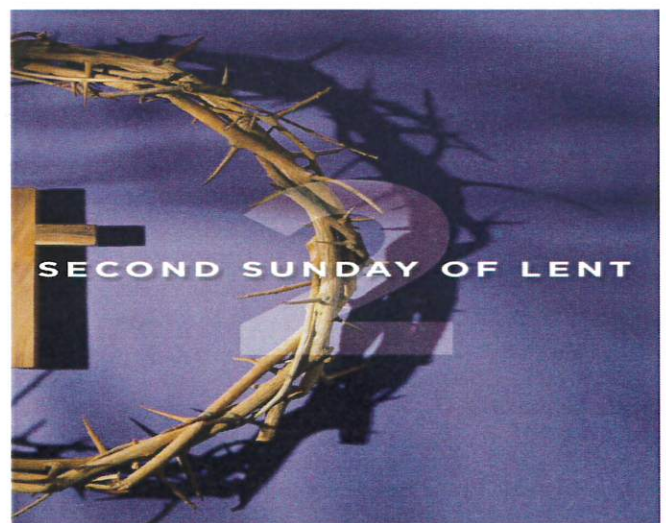
Retired Judge Luke Lavergne—225-324-5665

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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.



March 13, 2022

Readings  **Week**

March 13, 2022—March 20, 2022

- Today:** Gn 15:5-12,17-18/Ps 27:1,7-8, 8-9,13-14/
Phil 3:17- 4:1 or 3:20 - 4:1/Lk 9:28b-36
- Monday:** Dn 9:4b-10/Ps 79:8, 9,11& 13/Lk 6:36-38
- Tuesday:** Is1:10,16-20/Ps 50:8-9,16bc-17,21 & 23/Mt 23:1-12
- Wednesday:** Jer 18:18-20/Ps 31:5-6,14-16/Mt 20:17-28
- Thursday:** Jer 17:5-10/Ps 1:1-2-4 & 6/Lk 16:19-31
- Friday:** Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 7b-28a/Ps 105:16-17-21/
Mt 21:33-43, 45-46
- Saturday:** 2 Sm 7:4-5a,12-14a,6/Ps 89:2-3-5,27 & 29/Rom 4:
13,16-18,22/ Mt 1:16,18-21,24a or Lk 2:41-51a
- Next Sunday:** Ex 3:1-8a, 13-15/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8, 11 [8a]/
1 Cor 10:1-6, 10-12/Lk 13:1-9

TODAY'S READING—REFLECT & RESPOND

First Reading: In the covenant established between God and Abram (Abraham), the trust and faith of Abraham are described as “an act of righteousness.” So, as we continue the season of Lent, what do you need to trust in from the Lord?

Second Reading: Paul urges the believers in Philippi to stay focused on Jesus and our “citizenship” in heaven. How do you think Christians today can succeed in living out this task?

Gospel: Peter, John, and James witness the transfiguration that revealed Jesus’ divinity. Why do you think the three apostles “fell silent” from this encounter? ©LPi



Next Baptismal Class: **Thursday, May 12, 2022—6:30 P.M.**

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

Next Baptism: **Sunday, May 22, 2022** (During or After 10:30 Mass)
For exception, please contact Fr. Arockiam -337-522-0624



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—MARCH 6, 2022

ONLINE GIVING LINK: OSVONLINEGIVING.COM/4266

Collection:	\$ 7,845.00
Online Giving:	\$ 4,525.00
St. Vincent DePaul:	\$ 223.00
Ash Wednesday :	\$ 156.47
Easter Flowers:	\$ 211.00
Debt Reduction:	\$ 4,890.00
Total Offertory	\$ 17,850.47

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

Envelopes Mailed: 296 Envelopes Returned: 103 Online Givers: 36
(Envelopes mailed to registered members) (Envelopes used for general offering/tithes)

Last Sunday Mass Attendance: 7:30A.M. - 80; 10:30A.M. - 153



MARCH 13—MARCH 19



Brenda Bardell 3/13	Mekhi Jones 3/14	Chimene Williams 3/17
Lula Grant 3/13	Lavone Hatch 3/15	Cierra Colar 3/18
Louis Martin 3/13	Tejuana Garner 3/16	Elaine Doyle 3/19
Thelma Caldwell 3/14	Bennie Robertson 3/16	Roanna Peguera 3/19
Renee Camberos 3/14	Derrick Wells 3/16	Delores Price 3/19
Henry Harris 3/14	Christy Battley 3/17	Aniyah Raby 3/19
Ernest Hebert 3/14	Tonya Ward 3/17	Myrtis Reed 3/19

RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

The Resurrection and Spiritual “Hangriness”

I want to talk about being “hangry.” I’ll give you a quick description of “hangriness,” though I warn you, it doesn’t come from the Oxford English Dictionary. “Hangriness” is when you’re so hungry you get angry. You turn into a real piece of work. You can’t get anything done, and you’re probably not a joy to be around, at least until you grab a snack. Everybody gets this way sometimes.

We can be this way in our souls, too. It’s so easy to get distracted by the hungers of this world: greed, pride, anxiety. We can become ruled by the needs of our bodies and the desires of our mind and, in doing so, neglect the needs and the desires of our souls.

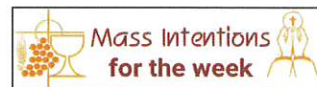
Everyday Christian stewardship calls us to a constant reflection on the truth that we are not made for this world, as Christ clearly shows us in his Transfiguration. He reveals himself in his heavenly glory, just before he is going to be deprived of all earthly needs and wants — even his very life. He shows us that this is what we were meant for. This is what we are striving for.

Lent exists to remind us that we are not made for this world. When you become spiritually “hangry” — or as Scripture more eloquently puts it this week, when your mind is “occupied with earthly things” — turn your thoughts to the Transfiguration. I promise you, it’s even better than grabbing an energy bar. — 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 have any pastoral needs, please call:

Fr. Arockiam Arockiam, SVD, Pastor
337-522-0624 or arockiamsvd@gmail.com



7:30 Mass: Parishioners of St. Paul the Apostle
10:30 Mass: Ms. Jasman Benjamin

Lord, Hear Our Prayer!



A Synod session for the African American Parishes (St. Paul, St. Francis, and Immaculate Conception) will be held this **Thursday, March 17th, 6:00—8:00 P.M.**, at Immaculate Conception Church Activity Center (1565 Curtis Street). All are invited to take part in this listening and sharing session to share their expectations, thoughts, and views on the Catholic Church. Bishop Duca and the pastors of each parish will also participate in this session.



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, Marie Myles, Willis Reed Jr., 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, Peter Broussard, Cirsten Brown, Stephanie Stewart, and Melba Daniels

MINISTERS SCHEDULE

NEXT SUNDAY'S MINISTERS - MARCH 20TH

READERS: 7:30 A.M. Carla Lewis & Ronnice Johnson
10:30 A.M. Ladira James & Tasha Anthony

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS: 7:30 A.M. Audrene LeBlanc & Alice Zacharie
10:30 A.M. Martha Davis & Nancy Ball

Altar Servers: 7:30 A.M. Kelby & Quintin Chenevert
10:30 A.M. Kellen & Kaila Anthony, Anthony & Terrell Carter



Dear Parishioners,

Peace of Christ be with you. Thank you for the zeal and enthusiasm you show during this holy season of Lent. I appreciate your regular participation in the sacramental celebrations and other activities. Let us continue to do our best to renew and strengthen our relationship with God.

Let us make every effort as a whole family to make a good confession on Wednesday March 23, at 6:00 p.m. in the church and to participate in the 3 day Lenten revival in our church on March 28, 29 & 30 at 6:00 p.m. Also I strongly urge you to make plans to attend the Holy Week services on Holy Thursday at 6:30 p.m., Good Friday at 2:30 p.m. and the Easter Vigil on Holy Saturday at 8:00 p.m.

During this lent, let us try to talk to someone in our family or friend circle about God and invite to practice their faith and to Church. Each of us are invited to be the care takers of our brothers and sister. Let us help them to find God's love and care for them in their lives. God bless you.

Thank you,
 Fr. Arockiam Arockiam SVD

St. Paul's **Parish Reconciliation/Confession:** Wed., Mar. 23 - 6:00 PM
St. Paul Parish Revival: Mon.-Wed., Mar. 28, 29, 30-6:00 PM
Palm Sunday: Apr. 10—7:30 & 10:30 A.M.
Holy Thursday: Thurs., April 14 - 6:30 P.M. (*Adoration until 9:00*)
Stations of the Cross: Every Friday, Mar. 18, 25, April 1 & 8 - 6:00 P.M.

Good Friday, Stations of the Cross & The Lord's Passion: Fri., April 15
 (2:30 P.M. Stations of the Cross & 3:00 P.M. Lord's Passion)

Easter Vigil in the Holy Night of Easter: Sat., April 16—8:00 P.M.

Easter Sunday Mass: Sun., April 17—9:00 A.M. **ONLY**



PICK-UP A RICE BOWL: Our almsgiving has the power to transform the world. Almsgiving is central to how we practice Lent. Almsgiving flows from prayer and fasting. For more than 45 years, Lenten almsgiving through Catholic Relief Services (CRS) Rice Bowl has supported programs that prevent hunger and poverty worldwide. So, join our faith community in a Lenten journey with CRS Rice Bowl. When you donate to CRS Rice Bowl, you share your life and abundance with our global family in need.

FORWARD IN FAITH DEBT REDUCTION CAMPAIGN UPDATE

Area of Focus	As of 03-06-2022
Our Goal	\$548,234.00
Total Amt. Pledged	\$454,336.00
Total Donations Collected	\$ 215,561.59
Total # of Registered Members	444
Total # of Members Pledged	216



FINANCE COUNCIL MEETING
April 19, 2022—6:00 P.M.

LECTORS & EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS MEETING
Tuesday, March 29, 2022—5:00 P.M.

PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING
Wednesday, March 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

Are you listening to Jesus, the Chosen One?

Be open to what he reveals to you. Let his message dwell in your heart.

POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTION FOR MARCH

A Christian Response to Bioethical Challenges

(Bioethics is the study of the ethical issues of emerging from advances in biology)

We pray for Christians facing new bioethical challenges; may they continue to defend the dignity of all human life with prayer and action.

May he rest in peace...



Our deepest sympathy is extended to the Martin family at the passing of Retired Master Sergeant Herman Martin, brother of Mr. Robert Martin

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



St. Joseph Feast Day is Saturday, March 19, celebrating the life of the husband of Mary and earthly father of Jesus. Novena booklets are available in the foyer. Please pick up one booklet per 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#*

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.



CATHOLIC TRIVIA – JUST FOR FUN

Answers in red to last week's Trivia Questions

- What do Catholics abstain from eating on Fridays during Lent?
 A. candy **B. meat** C. fish D. bread
- How many Stations of the Cross are there?
 A. 5 **B. 14** C. 21 D. 7
- What word is never said or sung during Lent?
A. Alleluia B. Jesus C. Praise D. God
- On what Sunday during Lent does the priest bless palms?
 A. 2nd Sunday B. 3rd Sunday **C. Palm Sunday** D. 6th Sunday

In Loving Memory

Opston, Dorcenia, 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 Myrtis Coleman

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Hazel Brent Brown, Leo Brown, Sr., and the Brent, Aldolph, Brown, and Harrison Families

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

Contact Information

7:30 Altar Servers-Shirley Dawson.....	225-892-6128
10:30 Altar Servers-Christy Hall.....	225-223-7851
Baptism Class-Deacon Benjamin/Vera Dunbar.....	225-324-2939
Bible Study-Barbara Haynes.....	225-665-2630
Bookkeeper-Debra Dudley.....	225-383-2537
Center (Use by Parish Ministries/Organizations)-Mary Martin.....	225-383-2537
Center Rental & Rest-Verita Benjamin.....	225-654-6705
Child Protection Coordinator-Vera Dunbar.....	225-324-2939
Eucharistic Ministers-Nancy Ball.....	225-397-4309
Liturgy Committee-Gigi Mathis.....	225-278-0071
Nurse-Maxine Watts.....	225-278-6732
O.C.I.A. Coordinator-Vera Dunbar.....	225-324-2939
Parish Office Assistant-Christy Hall.....	225-383-2537
Parish Office Secretary-Mary Martin.....	225-383-2537
Pastor-Fr. Arockiam Arockiam.....	225-383-2537
Readers (adults)-Paulette Robertson.....	225-937-2293
Religious Education Director (DRE).....	225-357-4108
Ushers-Edmonia Joseph.....	225-772-2090
Youth Ministry-Amanda Skinner.....	225-978-7347
Youth Readers-Tasha Anthony.....	504-858-1902

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, 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 Dorothy Bazile & Georgia Smith

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Wilbert & Sarah Ann Domino

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