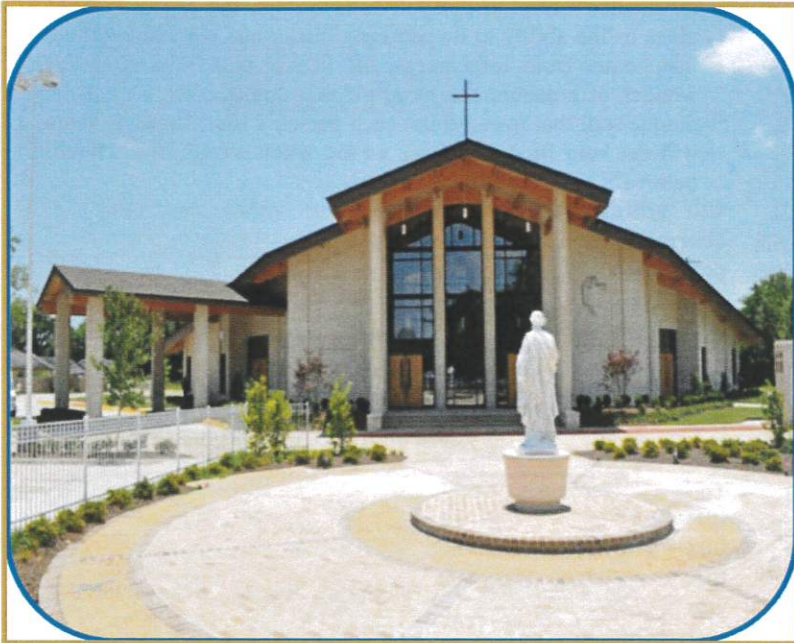


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SUNDAY MASSES
7:30 A.M. & 10:30 A.M.

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

PARISH SECRETARY

Mary Martin —225-383-2537

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Christy Hall —225-383-2537

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Debra Dudley —225-383-2537

DIRECTOR OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Martha Davis —225-357-4108

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Amanda Skinner —225-978-7347

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Maxine Watts —225-278-6732

FINANCE COUNCIL CHAIRPERSON

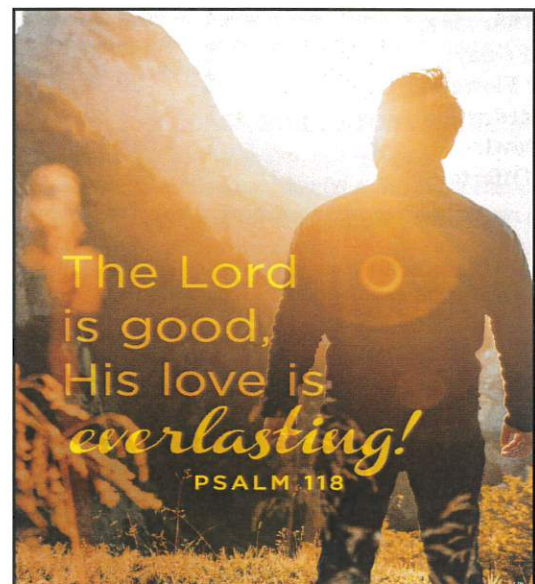
Retired Judge Luke Lavergne—225-324-5665

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.



Sunday, April 24, 2022

Readings  **Week**

April 24, 2022—May 1, 2022

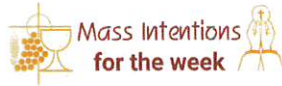
- Today:** Acts 5:12-16/Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24 [1]/
Rv 1:9-11a, 12-13, 17-19/Jn 20:19-31
- Monday:** 1 Pt 5:5b-14/Ps 89:2-3, 6-7, 16-17/
Mk 16:15-20
- Tuesday:** Acts 4:32-37/Ps 93:1ab, 1cd-2, 5/Jn 3:7b-15
- Wednesday:** Acts 5:17-26/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9/
Jn 3:16-21
- Thursday:** Acts 5:27-33/Ps 34:2 and 9, 17-18, 19-20/
Jn 3:31-36
- Friday:** Acts 5:34-42/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14/Jn 6:1-15
- Saturday:** Acts 6:1-7/Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19/Jn 6:16-21
- Next Sunday:** Acts 5:27-32, 40b-41/Ps 30:2,4,5-6,11-12,13
[2a]/Rv 5:11-14/Jn 21:1-19 or 21:1-14

CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES



Please pray for the students of St. Paul who, along with students of St. Francis Xavier will be joined by Bishop Michael Duca to celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation Wednesday, April 27, 2022 at 7 PM at St. Paul the Apostle. Please join them!

St. Paul's Students to be Confirmed: Joia Anthony, Kellen Anthony, Allura Guilbeau, Da'Marquis London, and Jasmine Oliver.



Mass Intentions
for the week

- 7:30 Mass:** Parishioners of St. Paul the Apostle
10:30 Mass: Mrs. Hazel Brown
Lond. Hear Our Prayer!

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—APRIL 17, 2022

ONLINE GIVING LINK: OSVONLINEGIVING.COM/4266

Collection:	\$ 6,925.00
Online Giving:	\$ 1,460.00
Retirement fund for Dio. Priest	\$ 924.00
St. Vincent DePaul:	\$ 545.00
Holy Thursday:	\$ 340.95
Good Friday:	\$ 557.50
Easter Flowers:	\$ 20.00
Debt Reduction:	\$ 5,918.00
Rice Bowl:	\$ 1,048.15
Total Offertory	\$ 17,738.60

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

Envelopes Mailed: 301 Envelopes Returned: 77 Online Givers: 23
(Envelopes mailed to registered members) (Envelopes used for general offering/tithes)

Easter Mass Attendance: 8:00P.M. Vigil - 148; 9:00A.M. - 141



APRIL 24 — APRIL 30

BIRTHDAYS



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|--------------------|------------------------|---------------------|
| Gigi Mathis 4/24 | Egypt Donald 4/26 | Kerry Bardell 4/28 |
| Angela Tubbs 4/24 | Lacie Mathis 4/26 | Damoni Goss 4/28 |
| Aiden Givens 4/25 | Courtin Patterson 4/26 | Marcell Meyers 4/28 |
| Odeal Harris 4/25 | Zamorah Simms 4/26 | Tasha Bergeron 4/29 |
| Nyah Johnson 4/25 | Barbara Banks 4/27 | Willard Davis 4/30 |
| Destiny Jones 4/25 | Sybil Thomas 4/27 | |

LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

Life is about to get very interesting for the disciples. Finding themselves questioning what happened to Jesus and whether he actually was raised from the dead, they are afraid and uncertain. In the midst of this fear, questioning, and uncertainty, Jesus decides to surprise them with a visit! This visit, complete with the gift of peace, fills the disciples with great excitement and joy. But their detailed testimony is not enough to convince their absent friend Thomas. He wants to see for himself. We struggle with belief as well. It is hard for some to give themselves over to the testimony of another. We want to see the resurrected Christ in person. God, through the gift of eyes of faith, gives us the ability to do precisely that: when we witness the healing that comes from forgiveness, the beauty that flows from love, the wonder of creation, the new life that comes after we fall, and the unique soul that lives behind each person's life. **Christ is risen! Life will get very interesting for us too when we stop unbelieving and believe!** ©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



Next Baptismal Class: Thursday, July 14, 2022—6:30 P.M.

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

Next Baptism: Sunday, July 24, 2022 (During or After 10:30 Mass)

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

**The Adult Christians
Received into the Church**

Thanks be to God, we extended outstretched arms and a warm welcome during our Easter Vigil celebration as two candidates received the Sacraments of Confirmation and First Holy Eucharist, **Mrs. Anceia Davis** (wife of Brad Davis, mother of Bradley and Brayden, and daughter-in-law of Stafford & Mary Davis, sister-in-law of Brandy & Marcus Williams) and **Mrs. Bernette Taylor** (wife of Michael Taylor, and mother of Jayquon and Kwani).



Mrs. Anceia Davis



Mrs. Bernette Taylor



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, Ruther Hall, and Tillie Jackson

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, 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, Melba Daniels, and Debra H. Martin

MINISTERS FOR NEXT SUNDAY—MAY 1

READERS: 7:30 A.M. Darlene St. Romain & LaKosha Chambers
10:30 A.M. Second Graders

EUCARISTIC MINISTERS: 7:30 A.M. Alice Zacharie & Vera Dunbar
10:30 A.M. Paul Stewart & Renee Camberos

ALTAR SERVERS: 7:30 A.M. Da'Marquis London, and
Gavin & Gabriel Camel
10:30 A.M. Andrea, Angelle, & Jose Camberos, Elliott
Thomas and Mason Sanders



Dear Parishioners,

I invite you today to join me in congratulating our Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion (Eucharistic Ministers) as they recommit themselves to the service of visiting our sick and homebound and bringing them communion and to help me during the Sunday Masses. We pray for them and appreciate their service.

Also, on this Wednesday, April 27 at 7.00 p.m. here at our church, 5 of our youth will be confirmed by Bishop Michael Duca, and on Sunday, May 1, 2022 during 10.30 a.m. Mass, 12 of our little children will be receiving the Sacrament of the Holy Eucharist. God has blessed our Church with these wonderful faith-filled children. We thank God and continue to pray and support our children in their faith life through our presence and exemplary lives. At this moment, I would like to thank our DRE, Mrs. Martha Davis for her selfless and voluntary service, and working with the teachers, parents and children joyfully. Also, we thank our Catechism teachers for their commitment and dedicated service. God bless you all.

We thank the St. Paul Council #351 Knights of St. Peter Claver for their generous donation of \$1,000.00 towards our debt reduction campaign. We acknowledge and appreciate their generosity.

Last week we spent \$14,040.00 to replace 2 A/C units in our church that were out for a long time. The pandemic and supply chain issues delayed us for nearly one year. Special thanks to Mr. Ernest (Paul) Hebert for getting this done. We will pay this bill from our Sunday offertory.

On May 4, 2022 I am going to India to visit my parents and family and will be back on June 3, 2022. I have arranged priests to take care of Sunday Masses and your sacramental needs. Please pray for my safe travel, good health and good time with my parents, family and friends. It will be about 100 degrees hot. I rely very much on your prayers. Thank you.

Fr. Arockiam Arockiam SVD



FINANCE COUNCIL MEETING
Wednesday, August 17, 2022 - 6:00 P.M.

PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING
Wednesday, June 29, 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 like Thomas? Do you need to see to believe?
Pray for faith and trust.

COME AND SEE... THOUGHT ABOUT THE PRIESTHOOD?

St. Joseph Seminary College Vocations Weekend Retreat is scheduled for **April 28th - May 1st**. This weekend is about how to discern God's call for your life. This weekend is free and open to all males 15 and older.

RESERVE YOUR SPOT:

225-336-8778 ♦ spayne@diobr.org

POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTION FOR APRIL

Health Care Workers

We pray for health care workers who serve the sick and the elderly, especially in the poorest countries; may they be adequately supported by governments and local communities.

HELP FILL A PRESCRIPTION FOR THE NEEDY



FILLING PRESCRIPTIONS
SAVING LIVES

St. Vincent de Paul Pharmacy is a beacon of hope for those in need of life sustaining medical prescriptions. The volunteer-driven program is improving the quality of life for many of the needy by filling life-sustaining prescriptions for illnesses such as diabetes, high blood pressure and heart disease. It serves as a pharmacy of last resort for the elderly, poor and homeless who would otherwise go without their medicines. **A canister is on the table in the church's foyer to place monetary donations in a medicine bottle. Thank you for being so supportive!**

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.

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#*



DEBT REDUCTION CAMPAIGN UPDATE

Area of Focus	As of 04-17-2022
Our Goal	\$548,234.00
Total Amt. Pledged	\$454,396.00
Total Donations Collected	\$ 231,259.59
Total # of Registered Families	451
Total # of Families Pledged	217



CATHOLIC TRIVIA – JUST FOR FUN

Answers to last week trivia



- The Sunday *before* Easter is called what?
A. Divine Sunday **B. Palm Sunday** C. Holy Sunday
- How is the Easter date determined?
A. By the Moon B. By the Bishop C. By each Parish
- Which day of Holy Week honors or recalls the Last Supper?
A. Palm Sunday B. Good Friday **C. Holy Thursday**

Income and Expenses for 3rd Quarter of the Fiscal Year Ending 06/30/2022
January 2022 thru March 2022

INCOME

Regular Offertory Collections	\$ 89,037.92
Contributions to Building Fund	3,285.00
Contributions to Debt Reduction Campaign	38,892.00
Special Donations Funerals	800.00
Interest Earned 10-01-21 thru 12-31-21	274.38
Interest Earned 01-01-22 thru 03-31-22	272.54
Center Rental	800.00
Bulletin Ads	1,110.83
Candles, Mass Intentions, Diocesan Collections Retained	247.65
Religious Education Fees	250.00
Other (Rent Billops Street, Easter & Christ. Flowers)	1,816.00
Black & Indian Grant Income	4,000.00
	<u>\$ 140,786.32</u>

EXPENSES

Salaries (Priest & Staff)	\$ 29,246.35
Household	2,779.81
Utilities/Telephones (3 buildings, residence)	6,925.96
Office (Computer,Bulletin, Contrib.Env,Supplies)	2,882.98
Contracted Services(Security, Grass Maintenance)	5,982.00
Evangelization, Altar Servers, Pastoral Services	2,511.68
Religious Education	1,882.90
Liturgy	982.16
Parish Share (Amount due Diocese)	13,725.24
Property Insurance (Property, Vehicle, Worker's Comp)	6,285.00
Maintenance & Janitorial Supplies (Supplies,Maintenance)	2,592.57
Repairs(Center Floors, Roof-Ctr & Office, Brick Pavers)	4,660.71
Principal Paid on Church Loan	55,397.91
Interest on Church Loan	3,702.09
Equipment Purchases & Leases	1,562.67
Other(Bank, On-line fees, Tbltdgs, Togeth. BR Dues)	2,628.69
	<u>\$ 143,748.72</u>

NET PROFIT OR LOSS \$ (2,962.40)

Total amount collected from 04/25/2021 thru 03/31/2022 for the Debt Reduction Campaign was \$219,724.59

Total amount paid as of 03/31/2022 for the Debt Reduction Campaign was \$219,724.59

Amount we owe on Church Loan as of 03/31/2022 \$249,158.34

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**

In Loving Memory

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

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Leonard Benjamin
225-775-2494

In Loving Memory

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

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

Contact Information

7:30 Altar Servers—Shirley Dawson.....	225-802-6128
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 & Repast—Velita Benjamin.....	225-654-6705
Child Protection Coordinator—Vera Dunbar.....	225-324-2939
Eucharistic Ministers—Nancy Ball.....	225-397-4309
Liturg 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

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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**

In Loving Memory
of

**Kevin Michael
Ferbos
&
Wilfred Ferbos**

In Loving Memory
of
Dwight LeBlanc, Sr.

**With Much Love,
Audrene, Kobi,
Dwight Jr., Lloyd,
Morris &
the Grandkids**

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J.D. & Verdell, Kirby, James "Pookie,"
Corinne, Michael, Jessie Sr. & Aaron B.
Joseph; Annette & Ellis Myles Sr.; Law-
rence Sr., Shedrick & Lawarance III Ash-
ford; Rose, Albert & Terry Hebert; Eula
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Dorothy Bazile
James Bazile
Shelia Bazile**

In Loving Memory

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

In Loving Memory

of
**Wilbert & Sarah Ann
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