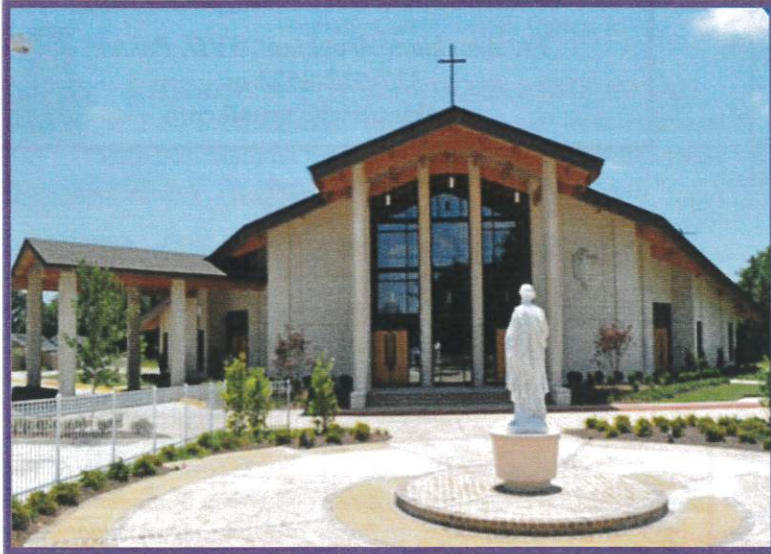


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SUNDAY MASSES

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

PARISH OFFICE ASSISTANT

Christy Hall —225-383-2537

PARISH BOOKKEEPER

Debra Dudley —225-383-2537

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Martha Davis —225-357-4108

YOUTH DIRECTOR

Amanda Skinner —225-978-7347

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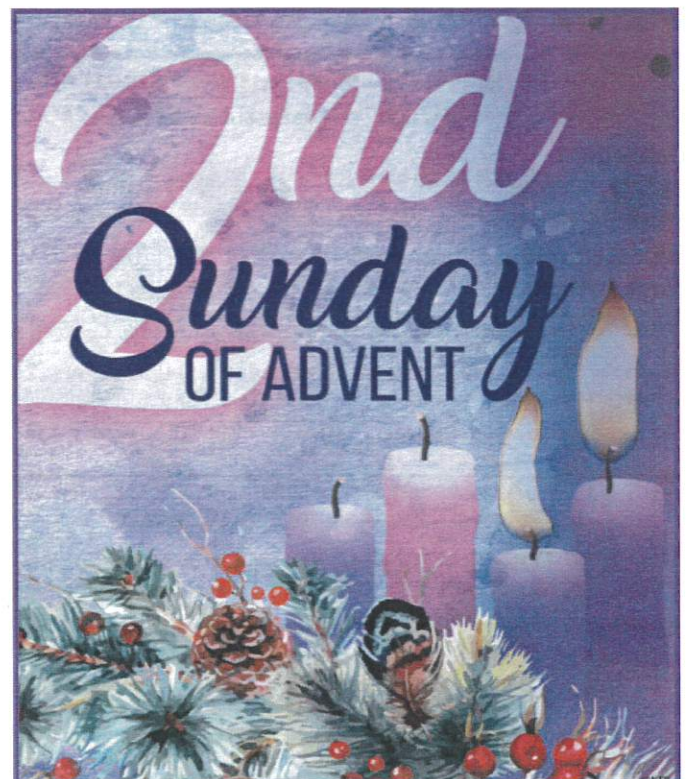
Maxine Watts —225-278-6732

FINANCE COUNCIL CHAIRPERSON

Retired Judge Luke Lavergne—225-324-5665

PASTORAL COUNCIL CHAIRPERSON

Rudolph Richard Jr.—225-284-7476



December 4, 2022

Readings *Week*

December 4, 2022—December 11, 2022

Today: Is 11:1-10/Ps 72:1-2,7-8,12-13,
17/Rom 15:4-9/
Mt 3:1-12

Monday: Is 35:1-10/Ps 85:9ab-14/Lk 5:17-26

Tuesday: Is 40:1-11/Ps 96:1-2, 3,10ac-13/Mt 18:12-14

Wednesday: Is 40:25-31/Ps 103:1-2-4, 8,10/Mt 11:28-30

Thursday: Gn 3:9-15,20/Ps 98:1-2-4/Eph 1:3-6, 11-12/
Lk 1:26-38

Friday: Is 48:17-19/Ps 1:1-4,6/Mt 11:16-19

Saturday: Sir 48:1-4,9-11/Ps 80:2ac-3b,15-16,18-19/
Mt 17:9a,10-13

Next Sunday: Is 35:1-6a, 10/Ps 146:6-10/Jas 5:7-10/
Mt 11:2-11



7:30 Mass: Mr. Dwight LeBlanc, Sr.

10:30 Mass: St. Paul's Church Community

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



Baptism

Next Baptism Class: Thurs., Feb. 9, 2023—6:30 P.M.

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

Next Baptism: Sunday, February 19, 2022
(During or After 10:30 Mass)



Dial **9-8-8** for emotional support, crisis intervention, suicide prevention, & referral to behavioral agencies, if needed.

RECONCILIATION SERVICE



St. Paul's Communal Reconciliation Service is **Wednesday, December 14, 2022, at 6:00 P.M.** Please plan to attend! Ministries and organizations heads of St. Paul are encouraged to attend along with their members.



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 27, 2022

ONLINE GIVING LINK: OSVONLINEGIVING.COM/4266

Collection:	\$ 3,678.00
Online Giving:	\$ 2,186.67
Building Fund	\$ 40.00
Debt Reduction Campaign:	\$ <u>1,709.50</u>
Total Offertory	\$ 7,681.17

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

Envelopes Mailed: 306 Envelopes Returned: 61 Online Givers: 23
(Envelopes mailed to registered members) (Envelopes used for general offering/tithes)

Last Sunday Mass Attendance: 7:30A.M. - 80; 10:30A.M. - 111

FOOD DRIVE



The Junior Daughters, Court 351, of Knights of Peter Claver, is sponsoring a Food Drive. Some items needed are *small bags or boxes of flour, sugar, sugar substitutes, cornbread mix, cereal, grits, baking soda, etc.*; the smaller bags will allow more families to be helped. **All items will be donated to St. Paul's Food Pantry. A barrel is in the foyer for donations.** Any monetary donations will be used to buy needed items. Please make checks payable to: *KPCLA Ct. 351*. See Lady Mary Martin or Lady Amanda Skinner to make a monetary donation or for questions. We appreciate your support!

ADOPT A CHILD FOR CHRISTMAS

There are a few families of St. Paul that are in need of assistance in providing gifts for their children for Christmas. If you are interested in adopting a child or two and help brighten their Christmas, please contact the parish office at 383-2537 or Mrs. Maxine Watts at 278-6732.

OUR SICK & HOMEBOUND CHURCH MEMBERS:



Roger Banks Sr., Linda Carter, Rose Crockett Carter, Audrey Christopher, Carolyn Christophe, Gregory Cornell, Cheryl Crockett, Denovas Crockett, Charles Davis Jr., Gloria Dunn, Dianna Franklin, Kaleigh Garner, Ruther Hall, Odeal Harris, Christina Haynes, James Hayward, Brenda Hickman, Tillie Jackson, Annie Joseph, Elthea LeDuff, Marie Myles, John Nnadi, Delores Price, Mona Seals, Robert Seals, Harry Sills, Louis Simms, Sadie Simms, Patrick Simms, Mary Smart, Curtell Thibodeaux, Mildred Trask, and Irene Warner

OUR SICK FAMILY MEMBERS AND FRIENDS:

Charles Bethley, Barbara Brennan, Cirsten Brown, Ernie Butitta, Helen Celestine, Alberta Conner, Melba Daniels, Richard Dillon, Ronnie Gauthier, Anthony Grand, John Guice, Marcus Guice, Ophelia Guice, Betty Hammond, Lionel Hayes, Nichelle Hollins, Florence Jackson, Dorie Martin, James Pace, Allen Paschal, Martha Reinhart, Joel Rivera, Frank Ross, Jenna Scott, Dana Simoneaux, Earleen Stevenson, Stephanie Stewart, Connie St. Romain, Calvin Thomas III, Donald Williams, and Walker Williams



DECEMBER 4—DECEMBER 10



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| Breanna Dillon 12/4 | Wanda Ward 12/6 | Richard Johnson, Jr. 12/8 |
| Shelia Harrell 12/4 | Ali Albert 12/7 | Jude Route 12/8 |
| Michel Knox Sr. 12/4 | Jourdan Alsobrook 12/7 | Donald Dorsey 12/9 |
| Mildred Trask 12/4 | Perry Chenevert 12/7 | Anna Perry 12/9 |
| Janecka Dennis 12/5 | Carolyn Christophe 12/7 | Gerald Anderson 12/10 |
| Nicholas Hawkins 12/5 | Khari Diggs 12/7 | Deatra Joseph 12/10 |
| Raphew Reed, Sr. 12/5 | Janice Hamilton 12/7 | Terrilyn Brady Odum 12/10 |
| Robert Scott 12/5 | Jeremy Johnson, Jr. 12/7 | Sherri Williams 12/10 |

MINISTERS FOR NEXT SUNDAY—DECEMBER 11

READERS: 7:30 A.M. Evangeline Hughes & Barbara Cornell
10:30 A.M. 6th Graders

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS: 7:30 A.M. Joannette Dunn
 Monique Spaulding
10:30 A.M. Tasha Anthony
 Amanda Skinner

Altar Servers: 7:30 A.M. Da'Marquis London, Garrick Camel Jr.
10:30 A.M.: Joia Anthony, Jiselle Anthony
 Anthony Carter, Terrell Carter, Jr.



CHILDREN/YOUTH CHOIR REHEARSAL

St. Paul's Children & Youth Choir will have rehearsal with Ms. Belinda Carney immediately following 10:30 Mass next Sunday, December 11th. Please plan to attend.



HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION

Thursday, December 8, is the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary; it is a holy day of obligation. **Please plan to attend St. Paul's 8:00 A.M. Mass.**

CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday, December 24: Christmas Vigil Mass

Caroling 7:00 P.M.
Pageant/Play 7:30 P.M.
Mass immediately following the Pageant/Play

Sunday, December 25: Christmas Day

Mass 9:30 A.M.

Saturday, December 31: Thanksgiving Prayer Services
 at 5:00 P.M. (No Mass)



FINANCE COUNCIL MEETING

Thursday, December 15, 2022—11:30 A.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**

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A VOCATION VIEW:

A vocation grows in silence, as a shoot sprouts from the ground. Make sure to keep the seed of faith alive in your heart and soul.

jjohnson@diobr.org or 225-387-0561

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

POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTION—DECEMBER

Volunteer Not-for-Profit Organizations

We pray that volunteer non-profit organizations committed to human development find people dedicated to the common good and ceaselessly seek out new paths to international cooperation.

BLACK CATHOLIC CONGRESS



The next National Black Catholic Congress is July 20-23, 2023, in National Harbor, Maryland.

Lodging: Gaylord National Resort & Convention Center. Single & Double Rooms available-

\$247.94 per night per room

Adult Registration: (19 Years +): Now until Feb. 28, \$395.00; beginning March 1- July 15, \$450.00

Approximate Cost: double occupancy & early registration, excluding flight & meals - \$1,220.00

Youth Registration: (13-18Years): Now until Feb. 28, \$350.00; beginning March 1-July 15, \$395.00

Approximate Cost: double occupancy & early registration, excluding flight & meals \$1,175.00

Anyone interested in attending as a delegate of St. Paul's, please contact the parish office at 225-383-2537 by December 15, 2022.

CELEBRATING MARRIED COUPLES

On Sunday January 1, 2023, we will celebrate married couples that celebrated their 25th, 50th, 60th, 65th and above anniversaries during 2022. They would have married in 1997, 1972, 1962, 1957 or earlier. The couples will be recognized at the 10:30 Mass. To be included in the celebration, please contact the parish office at 383-2537.

ON A LIGHTER SIDE

Question: Who was the greatest comedian in the Bible?
Answer: Samson. He brought the House Down.

ADULT FORMATION, BIBLE STUDY, & ROSARY

Adult Formation Class: Sundays at 9:00 A.M., beginning in the Parish Center

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#*

Enjoy Good Company & Dance the Night Away!

Christmas Dance

Free Setups & Chips Provided
 Bring your favorite Appetizers, Beverages, etc.
Friday, December 16, 2022 ~ 9 PM to 1 AM
St. Paul the Apostle Catholic Church
 Parish Center - 3920 Gus Young Ave. Baton Rouge, LA

Tickets - \$20 per Person
Please support St. Paul's Fundraiser!
 Tickets are sold after each Sunday Mass or
 Call Riley Thomas at 225-252-6319

FORWARD IN FAITH DEBT REDUCTION CAMPAIGN UPDATE

Area of Focus	As of 11-27-2022
Our Goal	\$548,234.00
Total Amt. Pledged	\$456,396.00
Total Donations Collected	\$334,984.59
Total # of Registered Families	454
Total # of Families Pledged	218

Thank You for Your Continued Commitment & Support!

In Loving Memory

Opston, Dorcenia,
Wilbert, Phillip,
Opston Jr., Albert &
Jerome Guillory;
CB, Ruth, & Tia Davis;
Catherine Williams,
Yvonne Warren, &
Marcus Montigue

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Geneva Coleman,
George Coleman Sr.
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M.H. Weathersby
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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
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) - Martha Davis.....	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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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

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and the
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Davis, and Grainger
Families**

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Barbara & James Wallace Rodney
Keith Rodney, Joseph D. Rodney
Dorothy Bazile & Georgia Smith

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