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

WEEKDAY MORNING MASS—8:00 A.M.
TUESDAY—FRIDAY— Will Resume Feb. 23, 2023

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

DIRECTOR OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Martha Davis —225-357-4108

YOUTH DIRECTOR

Amanda Skinner —225-978-7347

PARISH NURSE

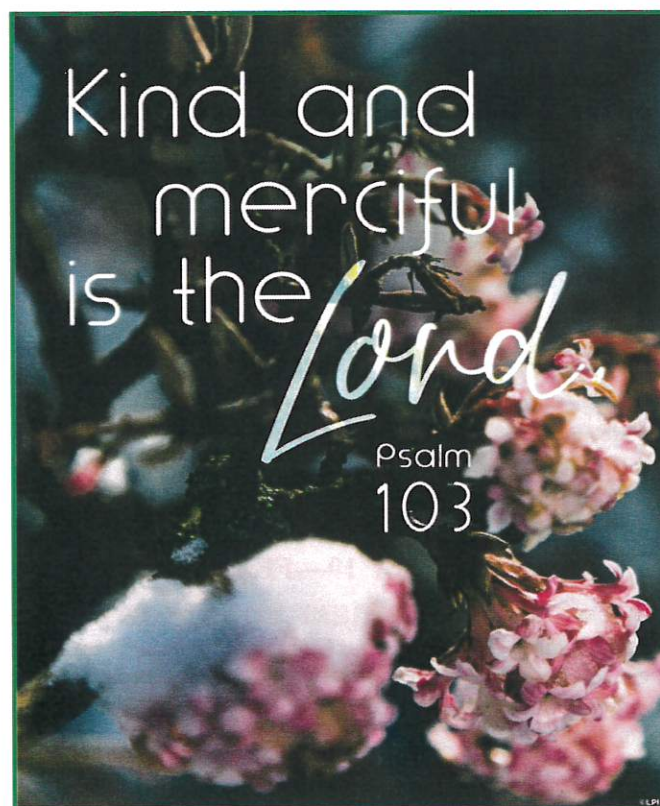
Maxine Watts —225-278-6732

FINANCE COUNCIL CHAIRPERSON

Retired Judge Luke Lavergne—225-324-5665

PASTORAL COUNCIL CHAIRPERSON

Rudolph Richard Jr.—225-284-7476



February 19, 2023

Readings *of the Week*

February 19, 2023—February 26, 2023

Today: Lv 19:1-2,17-18/Ps 103:1-4,8,10,12-13 (8a)/
1 Cor 3:16-23/Mt 5:38-48

Monday: Sir 1:1-10/Ps 93:1ab, 1cd-2, 5/Mk 9:14-29

Tuesday: Sir 2:1-11/Ps 37:3-4, 18-19, 27-28, 39-40/Mk 9:30-37

Wednesday: Jl 2:12-18/Ps 51:3-6ab,12-14,17/2 Cor 5:20-6:2/
Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

Thursday: Dt 30:15-20/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/Lk 9:22-25

Friday: Is 58:1-9a/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 18-19/Mt 9:14-15

Saturday: Is 58:9b-14/Ps 86:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/Lk 5:27-32


Next Sunday: Gn 2:7-9; 3:1-7/Ps 51:3-6,12-13, 17 (see 3a)/
Rom 5:12-19 or 5:12, 17-19/ Mt 4:1-11



7:30 Mass: St. Paul's Church Community
10:30 Mass: Deceased Members of St. Paul's 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 contact:

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




Emotional support, suicide prevention, crisis intervention, & referral to agencies for help are available.

Baptism

Next Baptism Class: Thurs., Mar. 9, 2023—6:30 P.M.
Contact: Vera Dunbar—225-324-2939 to register
Parents & Godparents MUST attend the class

Next Baptism: Sunday, March 19, 2023
(During or After 10:30 Mass)

ST. PAUL LENTEN FISH FRY FUNDRAISER



We will begin our Fish and Shrimp Fry fundraiser this Friday, February 24. Please show up Thursday, Feb. 23 to help us prep and on Friday to work and buy a dinner or two. There are fish fry flyers and order forms on the table in the main entrance of the church.

Please promote and support our fundraiser.



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—FEBRUARY 12, 2023

ONLINE GIVING LINK: OSVONLINEGIVING.COM/4266

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| Collection: | \$ 4,485.00 |
| Online Giving: | \$ 1,562.00 |
| Building Fund: | \$ 205.00 |
| St. Vincent DePaul: | \$ 75.00 |
| Debt Reduction Campaign: | \$ 910.00 |
| Church in Latin America: | \$ 34.00 |
| Black & Indian Mission: | \$ 39.00 |
| Total Offertory | \$ 7,310.00 |

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

Envelopes Mailed: 309 Envelopes Returned: 77 Online Givers: 29
(Envelopes mailed to registered members) (Envelopes used for general offering/tithes)

Last Sunday Mass Attendance: 7:30A.M. - 75; 10:30A.M. - 153

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO YOU! FEBRUARY 19—FEBRUARY 25

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| Velita Benjamin 2/19 | Precious Franklin 2/21 | Clarence Thomas 2/22 |
| Reginald Green 2/19 | Loveis Jackson 2/21 | Stephanie Allen 2/23 |
| Alexis Jackson 2/19 | Trishten Ashford 2/22 | Mary Leona Smart 2/23 |
| Kevin Anthony 2/20 | Alex Green 2/22 | Raven Williams 2/24 |
| Tracie Jackson 2/20 | Amber Hall 2/22 | Shirley Dawson 2/25 |
| Bobbie Reed 2/20 | Christy Hall 2/22 | Carter Peters 2/25 |
| Delwin Rodney 2/20 | Deonna London 2/22 | |

2023 TRI-PARISH REVIVAL



Mark your calendar and join us for our Lenten Tri-Parish Revival (St. Paul, St. Francis, and Immaculate Conception) March 6, 7, and 8. The revivalist is Father John Judie. Praise and Worship begin at 6:00 P.M. and the Revival starts at 6:30.

- ♦ **March 6:** St. Paul the Apostle (3912 Gus Young Avenue)
- ♦ **March 7:** St. Francis Xavier (1150 South 12th Street)
- ♦ **March 8:** Immaculate Conception (1565 Curtis Street)

STATION OF THE CROSS PRAYER LEADERS NEEDED



A sign-up sheet is in the foyer of the church for anyone who is interested in leading us in the Stations of the Cross for one of the six Fridays during Lent. Station of the Cross will be at 6:00 p.m. beginning Friday, February 24, 2023.

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., Shirley Dawson, Dianna Franklin, Kaleigh Garner, Gloria Dunn, 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, Irene Warner, and Gloria Williams

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, Florence Jackson, James Pace, Allen Paschal, Martha Reinhart, Joel Rivera, Frank Ross, Winnie Sands, Jenna Scott, Dana Simoneaux, Earleen Stevenson, Stephanie Stewart, Connie St. Romain, Calvin Thomas III,



MINISTERS FOR SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 26, 2023

READERS: 7:30 A.M.: Barbara Cornell, David Robertson
10:30 A.M.: Sydney Brown, Dana Sam
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS: 7:30 A.M.: Elie Jackson, Murray Chenevert
10:30 A.M.: Paul Stewart, Robinette Harleaux
Altar Servers: 7:30 A.M.: Andrea, Angelle, & Jose' Camberos
10:30 A.M.: Aidan Sam, Gerald, Jr. & Sydney Anderson, Terrell Jr. & Anthony Carter

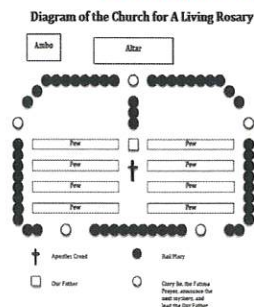
MINISTERS FOR ASH WEDNESDAY, FEB. 22, 2023

READERS: 8:00 A.M.: Martha Davis, Debbie James
6:00 P.M.: Monique Spaulding, Gigi Mathis
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS: 6:00 P.M.: Nancy Ball, Vera Dunbar
Altar Servers: 6:00 P.M.: Elliott Thomas, Aidan Sam, Xavier Knox

LENTEN, TRIDUUM, AND EASTER SCHEDULE

Ash Wednesday: Wed., Feb. 22—8:00 A.M. & 6:00 P.M. Masses
Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion: April 2—7:30 & 10:30 A.M.
Mass of the Lord's Supper: Thurs., April 6—6:30 P.M.
 (Adoration after Mass)
Stations of the Cross: Fridays, Feb. 24, Mar. 3, 10, 17, 24, 31—6:00 P.M.
Stations of the Cross & The Lord's Passion: Fri., April 7—2:30 & 3:00
 (2:30 P.M. Stations of the Cross led by the youth & 3:00 P.M. Lord's Passion)
Easter Vigil in the Holy Night of Easter: Sat., April 8—8:00 P.M.
Easter Sunday Mass: Sun., April 9—9:00 A.M. ONLY

SPECIAL PARISH LENTEN ACTIVITY



During the 2023 Lenten Season, let's seek the Lord more deeply in prayer and reflection! **Help us form a "living rosary" at 10:00 A.M. on Sunday, Feb. 26th.** Please come early and serve as one of the rosary beads. We will form a circle in the church as shown using 55 children, youth, young adults, or adults. Representing a bead, each person will be given the words of the prayer he or she will need to pray when it is his/her turn to introduce the decade or lead the prayer.

PARISH OFFICE CLOSED

CLOSED St. Paul's Parish Office will be closed Monday and Tuesday, February 20 & 21 to celebrate a Catholic and Louisiana tradition - Mardi Gras! Our staff wishes you an enjoyable celebration in these last days before Lent begins!

FORWARD in FAITH DEBT REDUCTION CAMPAIGN UPDATE

| Area of Focus | As of 02-12-2023 |
|---------------------------------------|---------------------|
| Our Goal | \$548,234.00 |
| Total Amt. Pledged | \$456,396.00 |
| Total Donations Collected | \$362,977.59 |
| Total # of Registered Families | 457 |
| Total # of Families Pledged | 218 |

Thank You for Your Continued Commitment & Support!

FINANCE COUNCIL MEETING

Wednesday, March 1, 2023—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

A VOCATION VIEW:

Be Holy, for I, the LORD your God, am holy!
 Embrace the call to holiness, and everyday will bring new adventures of following where Christ leads.

jjohnson@diobr.org or 225-387-0561

POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTION—FEBRUARY 2023

For parishes

We pray that parishes, placing communion at the center, may increasingly become communities of faith, fraternity and welcome towards those most in need.

ARE YOU OR A LOVED ONE DEALING WITH HEART FAILURE?

The heart failure team at Our Lady of the Lake Heart & Vascular Institute is offering a support group for patients and loved ones who assist with managing heart failure. Specialty trained providers, nurses, and dietitians will lead an educational discussion about living with heart failure. Managing blood pressure, diet, and activity are fundamental to living a healthy lifestyle. The support group provides an opportunity for people who have heart failure to share their experiences with each other.

HEART FAILURE SUPPORT GROUP

Third Tuesday of Every Month at 12:30 p.m.

(2/21, 3/21, 4/18, 5/16, 6/20, 7/18, 8/22, 9/19, 10/17, 11/21, 12/19/2023)

Our Lady of the Lake Regional Medical Center
 H&VI Lecture Hall - First Floor near Subway
 5000 Hennessy Blvd.
 Baton Rouge, LA 70808



Is your marriage going down the right road... or is it a little off track? Life can be difficult, and so can the challenges you face in marriage.

Does the distance between you seem wide? Are you already separated? Looking for a better way? Retrouvaille can help and offers hope for a better relationship. Retrouvaille is Christian-based, and Catholic in origin, but welcomes couples of all faiths as well as non-religious couples. Retrouvaille can help get your relationship back on track. For more information about the upcoming local Retrouvaille Weekend program for couples, (March 10-12) contact: Randall and Robin Bellard @ 225-271-4092 or visit our website: HelpOurMarriage.org

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#*

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WE ARE BACK

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MENU

Delightful Fried Fish or Shrimp
St. Paul's Signature Potato Salad
Green Peas
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\$12.00

Beginning
Friday, February 24, 2023



**DINE IN
OR
TAKE OUT!**

CALL-IN OR FAX YOUR ORDERS!

Delivery Orders MUST have a minimum of 5 orders!

Please pre-collect the exact amount due before the delivery time. The Delivery Driver will NOT have change!

Call-in Orders on Fridays between 8:00 A.M.- 11:00 A.M. to 387-9506

OR

Faxed Orders accepted to 383-3702 on Thursdays or Fridays

Faxed in orders accepted up to 9:00A.M. on Friday

PICK UP: 8:00 A.M. TO 1:00 P.M.

DATES FISH & SHRIMP LUNCHES ARE AVAILABLE:

Friday, February 24, 2023

Friday, March 3, 10, 17, 24, & 31, 2023

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

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

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| 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-Yelita 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 |

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 Thoma 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

*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, Kelby, Quintin,
Saniya, Malia, & Lennox

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Milton, Rachel, Lillie, Lillian,
J.D. & Verdell, Kirby, James "Pookie,"
Corinne, Michael, Jessie Sr. & Aaron B.
Joseph; Annette & Ellis Myles Sr.; Law-
rence Sr., Shedrick & Lawrance III Ash-
ford; Rose, Albert & Terry Hebert; Eura
White & H.P. Martin; Jessica D. Hughes

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of
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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
Domino

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