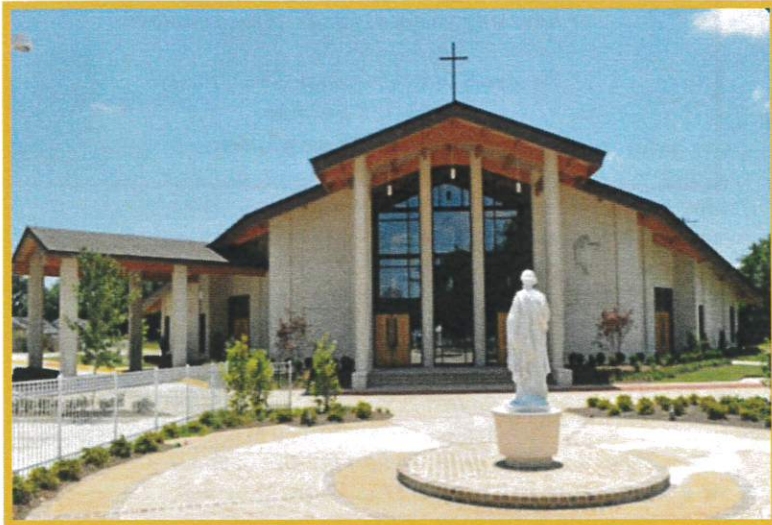


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SUNDAY MASSES
7:30 A.M. & 10:30 A.M.

WEEKDAY MORNING MASS—8:00 A.M.
TUESDAY—FRIDAY

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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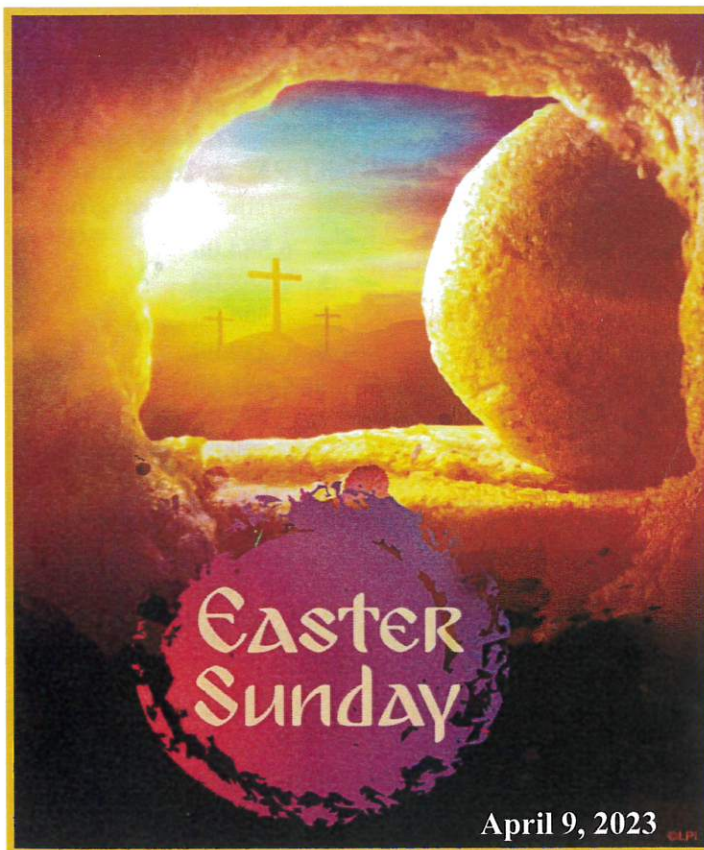
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Rudolph Richard Jr.—225-284-7476



April 9, 2023

Daily Mass Readings

APRIL 9, 2023—APRIL 19, 2023

Today: Acts 10:34a,37-43/Ps 118:1-2,16-17,22-23 (24)/
Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8/Jn 20:1-9 or Mt 28:1-10
Monday: Acts 2:14, 22-33/Ps 16:1-2a & 5, 7-11/Mt 28:8-15
Tuesday: Acts 2:36-41/Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20 & 22/Jn 20:11-18
Wednesday: Acts 3:1-10/Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9/Lk 24:13-35
Thursday: Acts 3:11-26/Ps 8:2ab & 5, 6-7, 8-9/Lk 24:35-48
Friday: Acts 4:1-12/Ps 118:1-2, 4, 22-25-27a/Jn 21:1-14
Saturday: Acts 4:13-21/Ps 118:1 & 14-21/Mk 16:9-15
Next Sunday: Acts 2:42-47/Ps 118:2-4,13-15, 22-24 (1)/1 Pt 1:3-9/
Jn 20:19-31

FRIENDLY REMINDER ABOUT DRC PLEDGE
Monies collected to date on our **Debt Reduction Campaign** are greatly appreciated! **Please review the amount of your pledge and make every effort to pay it in full by the deadline of April 23, 2023.** Families who think they may need more time to pay their pledges in full are asked to contact Father Arockiam immediately.

CHURCH OFFICE TEMPORARILY RELOCATED

Due to unexpected, necessary building repairs, St. Paul's Church Office has moved to the Parish Center (3920 Gus Young Ave.). **The mailing address and phone number remain the same. Please continue to use the same large mailbox to drop off envelopes.**

ONLINE GIVING—OSVHUB.COM/STPAULBR/GIVING/FUNDS

Fr. Arockiam encourages us to start using the following online link to give: **osvhub.com/stpaulbr/giving/funds** because the link on St. Paul's website is sometimes unavailable.

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 **osvhub.com/stpaulbr/giving/funds** to give.

OFFERTORY—APRIL 2, 2023

NEW ONLINE GIVING LINK: osvhub.com/stpaulbr/giving/funds

Collection:	\$ 6,584.00
Online Giving:	\$ 7,668.00
Building Fund:	\$ 500.00
St. Vincent DePaul:	\$ 230.00
Debt Reduction Campaign:	\$ 1,684.00
Christmas Flowers/Decoration:	\$ 115.00
Holy Days	\$ 110.00
Total Offertory	\$ 16,891.00

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

Envelopes Mailed: 309 Envelopes Returned: 86 Online Givers: 22
(Envelopes mailed to registered members) (Envelopes used for general offering/tithes)

Last Sunday Mass Attendance: 7:30A.M. - 104; 10:30A.M. - 203



APRIL 9 — APRIL 15



Donna Gage 4/10 Stafford Davis 4/12 Susan Gage 4/14
Larelle Benjamin 4/11 Janet St Cyr-Moore 4/12 Mykel Boyd 4/15
Angela Lamotte 4/12 Veronica Freeman 4/13 Shelia Rucker 4/15



9:00 a.m. Easter Sunday: Mr. Dwight LeBlanc, Sr.

8:00 p.m. Easter Vigil: 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 contact:

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



Baptism

Next Baptism Class: Thurs., June 8, 2023—6:30 P.M.

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

Next Baptism: Sunday, June 25, 2023

(During or After 10:30 Mass)

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

2023- LENTEN FISH FRY

The Weekly Fish Fry: Week 6 Gross: \$6,532.00.

Gross Profit for the 6-Weeks: \$47,465.21

Fish Fry Expenses: \$25,550.91

Net Profit: \$21,914.30

Average Weekly Profit: \$3,652.38



Fr. Arockiam, SVD

The Parish Office will be closed Monday, April 10 and will reopen Tuesday, April 11 at 9:00 AM.



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

OUR SICK & HOMEBOUND CHURCH MEMBERS

Rosey Antoine, 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, Martha Spencer, 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, Shelia Fowler, 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, Donald Williams, Walker Williams



MINISTERS FOR SUNDAY, APRIL 16, 2023

7:30 A.M. MASS

ALTAR SERVERS: Quintin Chenevert

READERS: Da'Marquis London, Paulette Robertson

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS: Joann Dunn, Alice Zacharie

10:30 A.M. MASS

ALTAR SERVERS: Joia Anthony, Jiselle Anthony, Kaleigh Garner, Anthony Carter, Terrell Carter Jr.

READERS: Kevin Stewart, Ladira James Richardson

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS: Lisa Byrd, Christy Hall



Dear Parishioners,

Happy Easter to you all. May the risen Lord, bless you with Joy and Peace in your lives. I assure you and your family members my continued prayers and blessings. Thank you for your great love for our church and for all that you do to help with liturgical celebrations, fundraisers and various other activities. God bless you. A special thank you to everyone for your participation in making Holy Week as special as it should be. Particularly, the Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers, Ushers, Altar Servers, candidates who came for the washing of the feet and their parents who brought them for practice, and staff. Your participation in practices and parish events is greatly appreciated.

As we planned in April 2021, by the end of this month we will be proud to say that our church is paid off. I appreciate your generosity and great sacrifice. As we go forward, we are faced with another major task. Thank you for your prayers and your suggestions through your phone calls and texts. I appreciate that. With the help of your prayers, suggestions and with the help of days of meetings and hours of discussions with our Finance Council members, I am able to make the decision. In our past week meetings, we weighed the various options and possibilities. There is no one decision that can satisfy all of us but this decision is a practical one and is unanimously agreed by all of our F.C. members and our Deacon Benjamin Dunbar Jr. To demolish our old office building it will cost about \$100,000.00. To remove the asbestos in the building which was built in the 1960s would cost from \$70,000 or more and to demolish the building after the abatement of the asbestos, would cost about \$30,000.00.

Therefore, we have decided to do a total renovation of the office building which might cost more than \$100,000.00 (we can't give an exact amount as we are going to touch an old building) and use it as an administrative office. As we come up with this decision, as your Pastor I humbly request you to cooperate with me in promoting and supporting this decision with your prayers and increased offerings and donations to the Building fund, which will help us to have a decent office building.

Thank You,

Fr. Arockiam, Svd



DEBT REDUCTION CAMPAIGN UPDATE



Area of Focus	As of 04-2-2023
Our Goal	\$548,234.00
Total Amt. Pledged	\$456,396.00
Total Donations Collected	\$383,112.53
Total # of Registered Families	459
Total # of Families Pledged	218

Thank You for Your Continued Commitment & Support!

PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING

Wednesday, June 14, 2023—6:00 P.M.

FINANCE COUNCIL MEETING

Wednesday, May 24, 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

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POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTION—APRIL 2023

FOR A CULTURE OF PEACE AND NON VIOLENCE

We pray for the spread of peace and non violence, by decreasing the use of weapons by States and citizens

~SAVE THE DATE~

ALTAR SERVERS LUNCHEON & INSTALLATION:



On Saturday April 22, 2023, at 11:30 a.m., we will have a luncheon in the Center for new and active Altar Servers.

On Sunday April 23, 2023 we will have Altar Servers turnout during the 10:30 a.m. Mass. During the mass they all will be installed as Altar Servers and will recommit themselves to serve during the mass.

BEAUTIFUL WORDS

Written by Sophia Loren (Italian Actress)

When I got enough confidence, the stage was gone...

When I was sure of Losing, I won...

When I needed People the most, they Left me...

When I learnt to dry my Tears, I found a shoulder to Cry on...

When I mastered the Skill of Hating, Someone started Loving me from the core of the Heart...

And, while waiting for Light for Hours when I fell asleep, the Sun came out....

That's LIFE!! No matter what you Plan, you never know what Life has Planned for you...

Success introduces you to the World, But Failure introduces the World to you...

Always be Happy!!

Often when we lose Hope and think this is the end, God smiles from above and says,

"Relax Sweetheart; It's just a Bend, not the End..!"

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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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
Odelia Weathersby
Donald Coleman
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Quick Reference to St. Paul's Pastor, Personnel, Ministries, and Services

Contact Information

Altar Servers—Christy Hall.....	225-223-7851
Altar Servers—Darlene Richard.....	225-284-7472
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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