

St. Paul the Apostle Catholic Church

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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 Contact Brother John Hotstream, SC
985-438-0485

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

PARISH BOOKKEEPER

Debra Dudley —225-383-2537

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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

**4th Sunday of
Easter
April 30, 2023**

**THE LORD
IS MY
SHEPHERD;**

I shall not want.

PSALM 23

Daily Mass Readings

Today: Acts 2:14a,36-41/Ps 23:1-6 (1)/1 Pt 2:20b-25/
Jn 10:1-10
Monday: Acts 11:1-18/Ps 42:2-3; 43:3, 4/Jn 10:11-18
Tuesday: Acts 11:19-26/Ps 87:1b-3, 4-5, 6-7/Jn 10:22-30
Wednesday: 1 Cor 15:1-8/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5/Jn 14:6-14
Thursday: Acts 13:13-25/Ps 89:2-3,21-22,25 & 27/Jn 13:16-20
Friday: Acts 13:26-33/Ps 2:6-7, 8-9, 10-11ab/Jn 14:1-6
Saturday: Acts 13:44-52/Ps 98:1-4/Jn 14:7-14
Next Sunday: Acts 6:1-7/Ps 33:1-2,4-5,18-19 (22)/1 Pt 2:4-9/
Jn 14:1-12



7:30 Mass: John “JP” Williams, Mildred Williams, and Rev. Albert Williams, Sr.
10:30 Mass: St. Paul’s Church Community

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#

ST. PAUL’S CONFIRMATION, WEDNESDAY, MAY 3!



Bishop Michael Duca will join Fr. Arockiam, and St. Paul’s Five (5) Confirmation Candidates, *Kadeem Allen, Gerrick Camel Jr., Tianna Huggins, Joseph Richard, Kameron Stewart*, their families, and St. Paul’s parishioners (here at St. Paul) on **Wednesday, May 3, 2023 at 7:00 P.M.**, to confer the gifts of the Holy Spirit upon these candidates. Fr. Arockiam encourages us to pray for these candidates and their families.

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



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)

CROWNING OF BLESSED MOTHER MARY



St. Paul’s Parish School of Religion students will crown and present flowers to Blessed Mother Mary on **Sunday, May 14, 2023, at 10:30 A.M. Mass.** Members and friends of St. Paul the Apostle are encouraged to **bring a flower or two to present to Blessed Mother Mary at the beginning of the Mass.**

DEBT REDUCTION CAMPAIGN SUCCESSFUL!

Area of Focus	As of 04-23-2023
Our Goal	\$548,234.00
Total Amt. Paid <small>Church Building Loan</small>	\$456,396.00
Total Donated <small>PAID IN FULL</small>	\$401,339.53
Total # of Registered Families	461
Total # of Families Pledged	218

THANKS BE TO GOD AND FOR YOUR PRAYERS AND SUPPORT!

OFFERTORY—APRIL 23, 2023

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

Collection: \$ 3,312.64
Online Giving: \$ 2,420.00
Debt Reduction Campaign: \$ 2,120.00
Holy Days: \$ 30.00
Retirement Fund for Dio. Priest: \$ 10.00
Total Offertory \$ 7,892.64

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

Envelopes Mailed: 313 Envelopes Returned: 65 Online Givers: 34
 (Envelopes mailed to registered members) (Envelopes used for general offering/tithes)

Last Sunday Mass Attendance: 7:30A.M. - 90; 10:30A.M. - 185



APRIL 30 — MAY 7



William Davis Jr. 4/30
Joseph Patrick III 5/1

Brandy Williams 5/2
Aidan Sam 5/3

DeAnna Perry 5/3
Martha George 5/5
Jaiden Parker 5/6



MEETING WITH PARISHIONERS
 Now that the church building loan has been paid in full, Fr. Arockiam would like to meet with All Parishioners to listen to suggestions and ideas and share his thoughts and ideas for St. Paul’s future. **Fr. Arockiam is encouraging ALL St. Paul’s parishioners to attend at least one of the two scheduled meetings, TUESDAY, MAY 9, 2023, AT 6:00 P.M. in the Center or WEDNESDAY, MAY 10, 2023 AT 10:00 A.M. in the church building.**

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, 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, and Walker Williams



MINISTERS FOR SUNDAY, MAY 7, 2023

7:30 A.M. MASS

ALTAR SERVERS: Andrea Camberos, Angelle Camberos, Jose' Camberos

READERS: Darlene St. Romain, LaKosha Chambers

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS: Alice Zacharie, Vera Dunbar

10:30 A.M. MASS

ALTAR SERVERS: Joseph Richard, Aidan Sam, Jackson Williams, Madelyn Williams, Mason Sanders

READERS: First Communion Children (Second Graders)

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS: Gigi Mathis, Wanda Davis

May she rest in peace...

Our deepest sympathy is extended to the Credit family at the passing of Ms. Beulah Credit, mother of Mrs. Jean Credit Lewis.

May her soul and all the souls of the faithful departed through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen



ST. PAUL'S FIRST COMMUNION CELEBRATION

St. Paul will celebrate the Sacrament of First Communion Sunday, May 7, 2023, at 10:30 A.M. Mass for the following students: *Isllyn Brown, Jordan Clifford, Brayden Davis, Ava Huggins, King Joseph, Dominic Marrero, Davin Oliver, Dawson Oliver, Farah Peters, Rylee Sanders, and Austin Wiggins.* Please join these children as they receive the Holy Eucharist for the first time and pray for them and their families.



Photo by Makisha Anderson—St. Paul's Altar Servers Outing at the Bowling Alley on May 22, 2023



Photo by Makisha Anderson—Fr. Arockiam, St. Paul's Altar Servers and Coordinators saying Grace before Meal on May 22, 2023 before enjoying pizza.

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**

Divine Word Missionaries and Sisters of the Holy Spirit

A VOCATION VIEW:

Repent and Be Baptized!

Our life as Christian disciples is a constant conversion to the Lord, we must constantly live out the commitments made at our own Baptism.

jjohnson@diobr.org or 225-387-0561

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

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.



Photo by Makisha Anderson—taken Sunday, April 23, 2023, at the 10:30 A.M. Mass during the commissioning and recommitment of St. Paul's Altar Servers

Current St. Paul's Altar Servers are as follows: **Boys:** Gerald Anderson Jr., Kellen Anthony, Jose' Camberos, Gabriel Camel, Garrick Camel, Gavin Camel, Anthony Carter, Terrell Carter Jr., Quintin Chenevert, Xavier Knox, Da'Marquis London, Jaiden Parker, Joseph Richard, Aidan Sam, Mason Sanders, Elliot Thomas, and Jackson Williams; **Girls:** Sydney Anderson, Jiselle Anthony, Joia Anthony, Kaila Anthony, Andrea Camberos, Angelle Camberos, Kaleigh Garner, Saija Johnson, and Madelyn Williams; **Altar Server Coordinators**—Christy Hall and Darlene Richard, and **Assistant Altar Server Coordinator**—Tasha Anthony.

I would like to give a special thanks to the Altar Servers, parents, and guardians for their continued service and wonderful turn out last week. We had a great time bowling on Saturday, and a wonderful turnout at 10:30 Mass for commissioning and recommitment to service in the Ministry. Altar Servers that went off to college are always welcome to come back and serve with us. I will be more than happy to have them.

I would like to extend a great big thank you to Ms. Shirley Dawson as she retires from this ministry after many years of dedicated service. Thank you to Da'Marquis London for his service as he is retiring from this ministry and has moved on to become a Lector.

Thank you to our Altar Server Coordinators; Ms. Christy Hall Mrs. Darlene Richard, and Assistant Coordinator Ms. Tasha Anthony. Your time and effort in working with our Altar Servers are greatly appreciated. —Fr. Arockiam, SVD



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

Contact Information

- Altar Servers—Christy Hall/Darlene Richard.....225-223-7851/225-383-2537
- 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 Warts.....225-278-6732
- O.C.I.A. Coordinator—Brother John Hotstream.....985-438-0485
- 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 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

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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In Loving Memory of

Rev. Albert Williams, Sr. & Jr., Mildred & John Williams; Lucy, Robert, Gertrude, J. Robert, Mary & Martha Theodore; Lillian & Forrest Oliver; Tobb, Ida, Johnny Sr. & Jr., Willie, Charles, &

In Remembrance

of
Lionel Bazile Sr. Dorothy Bazile James Bazile Shelia Bazile

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