

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

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

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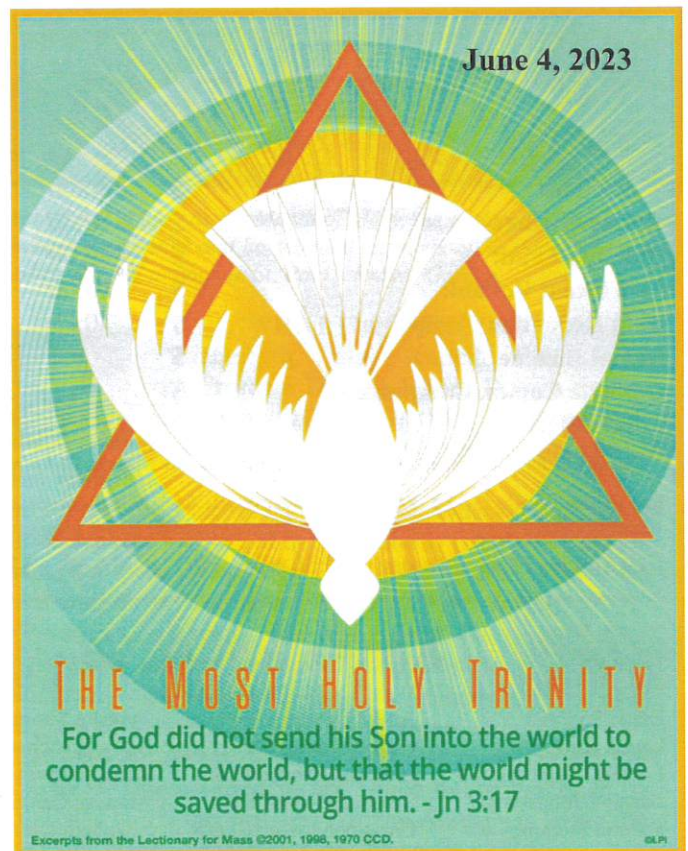
FINANCE COUNCIL CHAIRPERSON

Retired Judge Luke Lavergne—225-324-5665

PASTORAL COUNCIL CHAIRPERSON

Rudolph Richard Jr.—225-284-7476

June 4, 2023



Sunday Mass
Readings

JUNE 4—JUNE 11, 2023

Today: Ex 34:4b-6,8-9/Dn 3:52, 53-56/2 Cor 13:11-13/Jn 3:16-18
Next Sunday: Ex 19:2-6a/Ps 100:1-3,5 (3c)/Rom 5:6-11/Mt 9:36-10:8

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

CONGRATS HIGH SCHOOL & COLLEGE GRADUATES



Congratulations to all of the 2023 Graduates of St. Paul the Apostle; may God lead and guide you in the next chapter of your lives. Pray and keep God first in all your plans and endeavors.

ST. PAUL'S VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL



Join us for St. Paul's Vacation Bible School June 19 thru 23, 6:00 P.M.—8:00 P.M. in the Parish Center.

Children, youth, and adult lessons and activities will be included every night. Come and strengthen ways to follow Jesus here, there, and everywhere.

ADULT FORMATION, BIBLE STUDY, & ROSARY

Adult Formation Class: Sundays 9:00 A.M.—Resumes in September

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, then enter 878800#

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 St. Paul, 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—MAY 28, 2023

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

Collection:	\$ 3,826.00
Online Giving:	\$ 1,470.00
Building Fund:	\$ 1,496.00
St. Vincent DePaul:	\$ 116.00
Debt Reduction Campaign:	\$ 30.00
Rental Income	\$ 400.00
Catholic Comm. Campaign	\$ 6.00
Total Offertory	\$ 7,344.00

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

Envelopes Mailed: 313 Envelopes Returned: 41 Online Givers: 25
(Envelopes mailed to registered members) (Envelopes used for general offering/tithes)

Last Sunday Mass Attendance: 7:30A.M. - 80; 10:30A.M. - 115



JUNE 4 — JUNE 10

HAPPY
Birthday
TO YOU

Ethan Sam 6/4	Andre Coates 6/8	Tyresha Simms 6/8
Leona Knox 6/5	Gidget Coates 6/8	Aaliyah Johnson 6/9
Pamela Claiborne 6/6	Denovas Crockett 6/8	Kaila Anthony 6/10
Lawand Johnson 6/7	Sylvia Fontenot 6/8	Alondra Camberos 6/10
Valerie Stampley 6/7	Christopher Harrell 6/8	Elizabeth Ofor 6/10

Mass Intentions
FOR THE WEEK

7:30 Mass: St. Paul's Church Community

10:30 Mass: In Memory of Mr. Ervis Malveau

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



May she rest in peace...



Our deepest sympathy is extended to the Brown family at the passing of Mrs. Delores Brown Kemp, aunt of Mr. Leo Brown, Jr., Mrs. Connie Mitchell, Ms. Glenda Brown, Ms. Myrtis Rogers, and Ms. Eloise Foster.

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

LISTENING TO THE 18 TO 25 YEAR OLD MEMBERS



Today, right after the 10:30 A.M. Mass in the chapel, Fr. Arockiam will listen to the 18 to 25-year-old members' thoughts on how to grow their faith and church participation. The listening session will be 15 to 20 minutes, and the young adults, 18 to 25, who attend will be provided with a to-go lunch after the session.

JUNE 1ST BEGINS 2023 HURRICANE SEASON

A Prayer to Avert Storms and Hurricanes

Father, all the elements of nature obey your command.

Calm the storms and hurricanes that threaten us and turn our fear of your power into praise of your goodness.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.

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, Gloria Dunn, Ruther Hall, Odeal Harris, Christina Haynes, James Hayward, Brenda Hickman, Tillie Jackson, Annie Joseph, Elthea LeDuff, Marie Myles, Harry Sills, Louis Simms, Sadie Simms, Mary Smart, Martha Spencer, 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, 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, Jenna Scott, Dana Simoneaux, Earleen Stevenson, Stephanie Stewart, Connie St. Romain, Calvin Thomas III, Donald Williams, and Walker Williams

MINISTERS FOR SUNDAY, JUNE 11, 2023

7:30 A.M. MASS

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

READERS: Stephanie Allen, Ronnice Johnson

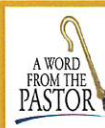
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS: Joannette Dunn, Monique Spaulding

10:30 A.M. MASS

ALTAR SERVERS: Aidan Sam, Anthony Carter, Terrell Carter, Jr., Mason Sanders

READERS: Mary Martin, Carla Lewis

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS: Tasha Anthony, Amanda Skinner

 Dear Parishioners,

Since 1962, the Divine Word Missionaries, (Societatis Verbi Divini – SVD) have been serving St. Paul the Apostle Church community. It is an international religious order founded by St. Arnold Janssen in 1875 at Style, Holland and now serving in nearly 78 countries. Our international headquarters is in Rome. The Southern Province of the United States headquarters is in Bay St. Louis, MS. The Divine Word Missionaries were the first Religious Order in the United States to admit, educate and ordain African American Men to Priesthood. St. Augustine Seminary, located in Bay St. Louis, MS will celebrate its 100th anniversary of its founding in 1923. This is part of our Black Catholic history. We are invited to celebrate it.

The centennial celebration is on the weekend of October 28 & 29, 2023 in Bay St. Louis, MS. Our church parish is arranging for three vans (15 passengers) to transport parishioners to the event at a cost of approximately \$30.00 More vans will be rented if needed. The vans will depart from St. Paul on Sunday Oct.29, 2023 at 6.15 a.m. and arrive in Bay St. Louis, MS around 8.15 a.m. After light refreshments, we will participate in the 9:00 a.m. Solemn Procession from St. Rose of Lima Church to St. Augustine Seminary. Centennial Eucharist is at 10:00 a.m., concelebrated by numerous bishops and priests. Lunch consisting of Fish Fry will be served at Noon. We will depart around 2.00 p.m.

Individuals that would like to attend on their own, book the rooms in the hotels and participate in all the events are welcome to do so.

I highly encourage our parishioners to participate, especially the youth. There will be no charge for those under the age of 25; the church will pay your way. This is history in the making, and I encourage our youth to be a part of it.

Those who would like to attend are asked to please sign up in the main entrance of the church by Sunday, August 27, 2023.

Fr.Arockiam, SVD



PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING

Wednesday, June 14, 2023—6:00 P.M.

FINANCE COUNCIL MEETING

Wednesday, August 9, 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:

God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten Son. God's love is powerful and all consuming, responding to this love leads to a life-changing encounter.

jjohnson@diobr.org or 225-387-0561

POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTION—JUNE 2023

For the abolition of torture

We pray that the international community may commit in a concrete way to ensuring the abolition of torture and guarantee support to victims and their families.

JUNE IS NATIONAL MEN'S HEALTH MONTH!



This month is all about encouraging the men in your life to take care of their bodies by eating right, exercising, and working to prevent disease. The official symbol of the month is a blue ribbon and the purpose of Men's Health Month is to heighten the awareness of preventable health problems and encourage early detection and treatment of diseases including cancer, heart disease, and depression.

LADIES SODALITY PRAYED THE ROSARY



In observance of May as the Month of Mary, the Ladies Sodality prayed the Rosary for the sick and homebound members of St. Paul the Apostle Saturday, May 27 at noon in St. Paul's Prayer Garden.

WHAT IS JUNETEENTH?



Juneteenth, also called Emancipation Day, Freedom Day, or Jubilee Day, is the commemoration of June 19, 1865, the day enslaved African Americans in Galveston, TX, learned that they were free.

While President Lincoln had issued the Emancipation Proclamation on January 1, 1863, it only applied to people in Confederate states, not those enslaved in Union-held territories (they were not freed until the proclamation of the 13th Amendment).

In Texas, a Confederate state where there was no large Union Army presence, slavery continued years after the Emancipation Proclamation — and even after the 13th Amendment was passed by Congress on January 31, 1865 — as many enslaved people in the state were not aware of the news. Finally, in June of 1865, Major General Gordon Granger and Union troops landed in Galveston, Texas to tell the enslaved African-Americans living there that the Civil War had ended and that they were now free.

THANK YOU FOR THE MAINTENANCE WORK



A very special thank you to Mr. Johnny Rogers and Judge Luke LaVergne for the maintenance work they completed in the men's restroom in St. Paul's Parish Center on Friday, May 26, 2023. Great job!

Judge LaVergne also worked at the rectory four days repairing and replacing light fixtures and working on other things that needed attention.

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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Hazel Brent Brown,
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and the
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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 Watts.....	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
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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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Corinne, Michael, Jessie Sr. & Aaron B. Jo-
seph; Annette & Ellis Myles Sr.; Lawrence
Sr., Shedrick & Lawrance III Ashford;
Rose, Albert & Terry Hebert; Eula White &
H.P. Martin; Jessica D. Hughes**

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

In Remembrance

of
**Lionel Bazile Sr.
Dorothy Bazile
James Bazile
Shelia Bazile**

*In Loving Memory
of*

**Doris Key,
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