

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

O CIA
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

Amanda Skinner —225-978-7347

PARISH NURSE

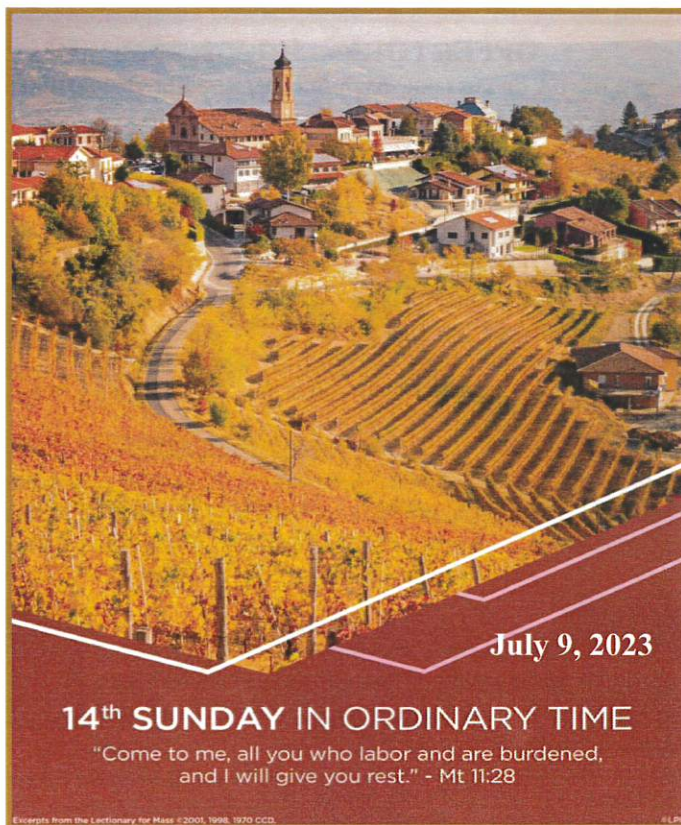
Maxine Watts —225-278-6732

FINANCE COUNCIL CHAIRPERSON

Retired Judge Luke Lavergne—225-324-5665

PASTORAL COUNCIL CHAIRPERSON

Rudolph Richard Jr.—225-284-7476



July 9, 2023

14th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened,
and I will give you rest." - Mt 11:28

Sunday Mass Readings

JULY 9 & JULY 16, 2023

Today: Zec 9:9-10/Ps 145:1-2, 8-11, 3-14/Rom 8:9,11-13/Mt 11:25-30
 Next Sunday: Is 55:10-11/Ps 65:1,11-14/Rom 8:18-23/Mt 13:1-23 or 13:1-9

Baptism

Next Baptism Class: Thurs., September 7, 2023—6:30 P.M.

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

Baptism: Sunday, September 17, 2023

(During or After 10:30 Mass)

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

ROCKER & TABLE IN ENTRANCE OF THE CHURCH

A special *thank you to Mr. James Joseph (Big Brown)* for donating the double rocking chair and table in the main entrance of the church. Our Family Day and Raffle is October 15, 2023. The rocking chair and table are for our 2nd prize drawing for our annual raffle. More information coming soon.

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#



OSVHUB.COM/STPAULBR/GIVING/FUNDS

Please use Online Link to give: osvhub.com/stpaulbr/giving/funds due the link on our website is unavailable at times.

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—JULY 2, 2023

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

Collection:	\$ 5,909.02
Children's Collection:	\$ 3.00
Online Giving:	\$ 2,390.00
Building Fund:	\$ 1,062.00
St. Vincent DePaul:	\$ 210.00
Debt Reduction Campaign:	\$ 65.00
Retirement Fund for Religious:	\$ 62.00
Peter's Pence:	\$ 272.20
Total Offertory	\$ 9,973.22

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

Envelopes Mailed: 323 Envelopes Returned: 86 Online Givers: 32
 (Envelopes mailed to registered members) (Envelopes used for general offering/tithes)

Last Sunday Mass Attendance: 7:30A.M. - 77; 10:30A.M. - 168



JULY 9 — JULY 15



Audrey Davis 7/9
 Karter Joseph 7/9
 Geraldine St. Amant 7/9
 Brent Hayward 7/10
 Terrell Carter 7/11
 Jeremy Johnson Sr. 7/11

Sharon C. Hayes 7/12
 August LeGeaux Jr 7/12
 Traci Perry 7/12
 Lillian Robertson 7/12
 Patrick Simms 7/12
 Dominick Marrero Jr. 7/13

Ariel Skinner 7/13
 Curt Rodney 7/14
 Alivia Landry 7/15
 Howard Rome 7/15



7:30 Mass: In Memory of 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 contact:

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



ST. PAUL THE APOSTLE 63RD ANNIVERSARY

Celebrate with us by taking a memory walk viewing last Sunday and the **NEW** historical displays of St. Paul the Apostle in the main entrance of our church.

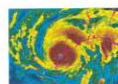


We give thanks to God for our 63rd Church Anniversary and continued faith and progress!

Did you know the property where the old church building of St. Paul (now where the bell tower stands) was previously owned by: Leander Winfield Jr. from 1941-1947, the father of W.T. Winfield; the Bologna Brothers from 1949 -1950; then on December 17, 1957, the Diocese of New Orleans purchased the original land and buildings for St. Paul the Apostle Catholic Church from Charles Cascio and Kelly J Polito for \$73,750.00. In February 1962, St. Paul became a part of the Catholic Diocese of Baton Rouge.

In the Society of the Divine Word,
 Fr. Arockiam, SVD

PRAYER FOR PROTECTION DURING HURRICANE THIS SEASON



*Our Father in Heaven,
 through the intercession of
 Our Lady of Prompt Succor,
 spare us during this hurricane season
 from all harm. Protect us and our homes
 from all disasters of nature.
 Our Lady of Prompt Succor,
 hasten to help us.
 Through Christ our Lord. 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, Patrick 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, Jenna Scott, Dana Simoneaux, Earleen Stevenson, Connie St. Romain, Calvin Thomas III, Donald Williams, and Walker Williams

MINISTERS FOR SUNDAY, JULY 16, 2023

7:30 A.M. MASS

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

READERS: Desiree Terrell, Joannette Dunn

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS: Alice Zacharie, Renee Camberos

10:30 A.M. MASS

ALTAR SERVERS: Jiselle Anthony, Kaila Anthony, Kaleigh Garner

READERS: Tasha Anthony, Paul Stewart

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS: Martha Davis, Nancy Ball

ST. AUGUSTINE SEMINARY'S 100TH ANNIVERSARY

St. Paul's parishioners are encouraged to attend St. Augustine Seminary's 100th Anniversary celebration on October 29, 2023 in Bay St. Louis, Mississippi.



If you are interested in attending the celebration, there is a sign-up sheet for transportation in the entrance of the church. The deadline to sign up for transportation is Sun., Aug. 27. Vans will leave from St. Paul at 6:15AM Sun., Oct. 29, and depart from Bay St. Louis about 2:00 PM. Light refreshments will be served

before the procession and Mass and lunch will be served after the Mass. **Cost of Transportation:** Youth & young adults under 25 will ride free; adults 26 & older will need to pay \$30 per person. Parishioners are welcome to travel in their personal vehicles.

Fr. Arockiam, SVD

RISK FACTORS AND WARNING SIGNS OF SUICIDE



Grow your awareness of risk and warning signs of suicide. Learn how to respond & connect with loved ones who may need support. Presentations offered by Fr. David Allen and Katie Zylicz on July 18—6pm to 8pm **OR** July 19—9am to 11am at the Catholic Life Center. Please register: <https://diobr.org/suicide-prevention-presentation?> *If you or loved ones need immediate help, call or text 988 24/7/365*

CALLING ALL SINGLE CATHOLICS!



Join 400+ singles August 25-27, 2023 from all parts of the U.S. and beyond at the 22nd National Conference for Single Catholics at St. John's Resort, in Plymouth, MI, **OR** participate virtually with others This is your chance to connect with like-minded singles of all ages. The weekend includes talks by dynamic speakers, music, social events, Mass, adoration, fellowship and more. If joining in person, use the promo code **PARISH23** when you register to get \$50 off. Discount for the first 50 persons who sign up nationwide. To register: NationalCatholicSingles.com for more information and to register. For questions, call 512-766-5798.

SR. KATHLEEN BAHLINGER SCHOLARSHIP



Members of Court 351 of the Ladies Auxiliary of KPC and Fr. Arockiam presented the \$500 Sr. Bahlinger Scholarship Award to Jr. Daughter, Jasmine Oliver, the daughter of Yvette Oliver and brother of Jameer Oliver. *Pictured—Row 1: Lady Belinda Carney, Lady Delores Price, Jr. Daughter Jasmine Oliver, Lady Tasha Bergeron-Parms; Row 2: Grand Lady Vera Dunbar and Father Arockiam Arockiam, SVD, Pastor of St. Paul the Apostle.*



PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING
Wednesday, August 16, 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:

We are to live a life in the Spirit, putting to death the works of the flesh. Ask God to help you always live as a child of the Light.

jjohnson@diobr.org or 225-387-0561

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

POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTION—JULY 2023

FOR A EUCCHARISTIC LIFE

We pray that Catholics may place the celebration of the Eucharist at the heart of their lives, transforming human relationships in a very deep way and opening to the encounter with God and all their brothers and sisters.

COMMUNITY HEALTH FAIR



St. James Baptist Church's (1105 N. 44th St.) **FREE Community Health Fair** is Sat., July 15, 10am to 3pm.

This fair aims to raise awareness & address the health issues of men which impact the community. The Health Fair will include vaccines, health screenings, & educational sessions. For questions contact Patricia Vanner (225-620-2733) or Kedra Kirkland (kmv278@yahoo.com)

ATV SAFE RIDER COURSE



Our Lady of the Lake Children's Hospital, Safe Kids of Louisiana, ATV Institute, and LSU AgCenter will host a **FREE ATV Safety Course** on **July 24, 2023—8AM to 12 Noon** at LSU Parker Coliseum (143 E. Parker Blvd.)

The course includes a helmet, goggles, & gloves. To register call 225-374-1453 or lakeinjuryprevention@fmlhs.org.

JULY IS NATIONAL MINORITY MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS MONTH



Erasing Mental Health Stigma in the Black Community

Mental health affects us all and everyone should have the right to be heard and healed without shame or judgment. *Bebe Moore Campbell* was committed to creating safe spaces for people in communities of color to connect with others who share similar experiences and cultural backgrounds. These safe spaces served as a gateway to vital mental health resources and support networks.

This July — and beyond — we're not only honoring Bebe Moore Campbell's legacy but continuing it by empowering, uplifting, and elevating historically underrepresented communities in their mental health journeys while eradicating stigma and elevating communities.

MEN'S RETREAT



Please save the dates now on your calendar to enjoy the cool Fall air in beautiful surroundings at the Jesuit Silent Retreat in Grand Coteau, LA on Nov. 2-5, 2023; openings are available. The Retreat House offers a relaxing atmosphere with great food. To reserve your place or for any questions, contact Charles Pourciau at (225) 421-9734.

In Loving Memory
**Opston, Dorcena,
 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
 of
**Hazel Brent Brown,
 Leo Brown, Sr.,
 and the
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 Brown, and Harrison
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In Loving Memory
**Geneva Battley Spooner
 Della Battley Rodney
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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—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—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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 J.D. & Verdell, Kirby, James "Pookie,"
 Corinne, Michael, Jessie Sr. & Aaron B. Joseph;
 Annette & Ellis Myles Sr.; Lawrence
 Sr., Shedrick & Lawrance III Ashford; Rose,
 Albert & Terry Hebert; Eula White & H.P.
 Martin; Jessica D. Hughes**

In Loving Memory Of
 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,
 Earl Key Sr.,
 Emma Doyle
 Currie (Rudi) Doyle
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