

# 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

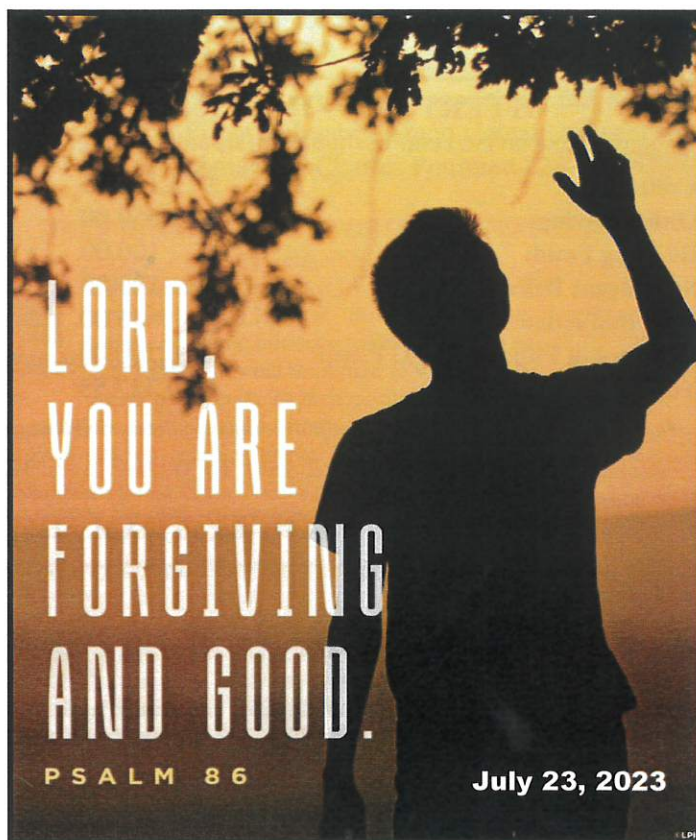
**DIRECTOR OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**  
Martha Davis —225-357-4108

**YOUTH DIRECTOR**  
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



**Sunday Mass Readings**

**JULY 23 & JULY 30, 2023**

**Today:** Wis 12:13,16-19/Ps 86:5-6,9-10,15-16/Rom 8:26-27/  
Mt 13:24-43 or 13:24-30  
**Next Sunday:** 1 Kgs 3:5,7-12/Ps 119:57,72,76-77,127-130/Rom 8:28-30/  
Mt 13:44-52 or 13:44-46



**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

**ANNUAL FOOD TASTE FEST**



**The Ladies Guild's Annual Food Taste Fest is**

**Back!** The Food Taste Fest is **Sunday, August 13, 2023, 4 PM to 6 PM** in the Parish Center. Buy your tickets after Mass or from any member of the Ladies Guild. Each ticket is \$10. Come & enjoy sampling the foods and the good company!

**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](https://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](https://osvhub.com/stpaulbr/giving/funds) to give.

**OFFERTORY—JULY 16, 2023**

**NEW ONLINE GIVING LINK:** [osvhub.com/stpaulbr/giving/funds](https://osvhub.com/stpaulbr/giving/funds)

<b>Collection:</b>	\$ 3,137.55
<b>Online Giving:</b>	\$ 1,650.00
<b>Building Fund:</b>	\$ 100.00
<b>St. Vincent DePaul:</b>	\$ 125.00
<b>Debt Reduction Campaign:</b>	\$ 65.00
<b>Retirement Fund for SVD Priest:</b>	\$ 1,250.00
<b>Total Offertory</b>	<b>\$ 6,327.55</b>

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

**Envelopes Mailed: 323 Envelopes Returned: 60 Online Givers: 31**  
(Envelopes mailed to registered members) (Envelopes used for general offering/tithes)

**Last Sunday Mass Attendance: 7:30A.M. - 86; 10:30A.M. - 139**



**JULY 23 — JULY 29**



William Bradford 7/23	Joseph Patrick 7/25	Marzette Payne 7/27
Lorena Williams 7/24	Joy Antoine 7/26	Maxwell Starwood 7/27
Felix Ezejiofo 7/25	Harry Johnson 7/26	Carroll Denman 7/29
Brandon James 7/25	Oliver Johnson 7/26	Trinell Tassing-Evans 7/29
Connie Mitchell 7/25	Carlton Jackson 7/27	Curtell Thibodeaux 7/29



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

**10:30 Mass:** Willie Belle Richard, Rudolph Richard, Sr., and Josephine Sherman

**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](mailto:arockiamsvd@gmail.com)



**May he rest in peace...**

Our deepest sympathy is extended to the Broussard family at the passing of Mr. James "Jim" Broussard, brother of Mr. John Broussard.

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



**ST. PAUL'S FAMILY AND RAFFLE DAY**



Mark your calendars and plan to spend some time with our church family on **Sunday, October 15, from 11:00 AM to 2:00 PM** (only ONE Mass on Sun., Oct. 15th—10:00 A.M.). We will begin issuing our Annual Raffle Tickets very soon. The raffle prizes: **1st Prize: \$1,000.00; 2nd Prize Double Rocking Chair & Small Table; 3rd Prize: 55-inch TCL Smart TV; 4th Prize: Single Rocking Chair and small table.**

**UPDATE THE NAMES ON OUR CHURCH FAMILY SICK/HOMEBOUND & FAMILY/FRIENDS LISTS**



Fr. Arockiam is asking the church family members and friends to please review the names of loved ones in this bulletin under the "Church Family Sick and Homebound Members" and "Sick Family Members and Friends" lists.

Please call/text Fr. Arockiam or call the Parish Office with names that should be added or removed from the lists by July 31, 2023. Thank you for your help.

**CHURCH FAMILY SICK & HOMEBOUND MEMBERS**



Roger Banks Sr., Linda Carter, Rose Crockett Carter, Audrey Christopher, Carolyn Christophe, Cheryl Crockett, Denovas Crockett, Charles Davis Jr., Shirley Dawson, Dianna Franklin, Gloria Dunn, Ruther Hall, Odeal Harris, Christina Haynes, James Hayward, Brenda Hickman, Annie Joseph, Elthea LeDuff, Marie Myles, Harry Sills, Louis Simms, Sadie Simms, Mary Smart, Martha Spencer, Paul Stewart, Mildred Trask, and Irene Warner

**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, Stephanie Stewart, Connie St. Romain, Calvin Thomas III, Donald Williams, and Walker Williams

**MINISTERS FOR SUNDAY, JULY 30, 2023**

**7:30 A.M. MASS**

**ALTAR SERVERS:** Gavin Camel, Gabriel Camel, Quintin Chenevert  
**READERS:** Da'Marquis London, Monique Spaulding  
**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:** Audrene LeBlanc, Alice Zacharie

**10:30 A.M. MASS**


**ALTAR SERVERS:** Gerald Anderson Jr., Sydney Anderson,  
 Terrell Carter Jr, Anthony Carter  
**READERS:** Brandy Williams, Martha Davis  
**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:** Robinette Harleaux, Paul Stewart

**ST. PAUL'S CHILDREN & YOUTH MASS**




Children and youth are warmly encouraged to participate in the choir, serve as ushers, and read during the 10:30 A.M. Mass on next Sunday, July 30, 2023. Parents, grandparents, and church family members, please encourage our children and youth to actively join in the Mass next Sunday celebration.

**MEN'S WORK DAY**




Please join other men of St. Paul this Saturday, July 29, 2023 at St. Paul Center. They will begin working at 8:00 a.m. to help beautify our parish grounds and center. Fr. Arockiam ask that all men of St. Paul, including youth and young adults to please come out on this day to volunteer a few hours and share your time and talents. Ladies are also encouraged to assist by providing water and refreshments if possible. We are looking forward to a great turn out.

**SCHOOL UNIFORMS NEEDED**




Parents and grandparents, please check your closets and drawers for gently used or outgrown school uniforms to donate to St. Paul's Food Pantry Clothing Section. They need uniforms of all colors and sizes for children and youth in the Eden Park area. Call Mrs. Rose Malveau at 225-357-4538 or the Parish Office to schedule a drop-off.

**NBR INDUSTRIAL TRAINING INITIATIVE**



BRCC Acadian Campus offers **FREE** the North Baton Rouge Industrial Training Initiative Program. The Program is committed to one goal: to provide a sustainable process to recruit, train, and develop North Baton Rouge residents for successful careers with local industrial employers. The program will train Millwrights, Welders, Pipe fitters, and Electricians. Open House is August 16, 5 PM - 7 PM. Anyone interested should complete the NBRITI Application at <https://www.mybrcc.edu/nbriti/>

**BACK 2 SCHOOL EXPRESS**



CARESOUTH Medical & Dental Clinic will host a **drive-thru Back 2 School supply and produce giveaway** on **Saturday, July 29, 2023 at CARESOUTH Main Clinic Parking Lot, 3140 Florida Street. Drive-thru ONLY—ONE backpack per child (child MUST be in the vehicle) and ONE box of produce per vehicle.**

**13th NATIONAL BLACK CATHOLIC CONGRESS  
 NATIONAL HARBOR, MD. JULY 20-23, 2023**



**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:**

*The Lord is a God of mercy and graciousness, abounding in kindness and fidelity. Our response is one of gratitude for calling us to be his disciples.*

**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 EUCHARISTIC 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 EVENTS/ACTIVITIES**

PREVIOUSLY ANNOUNCED IN FULL IN OUR BULLETINS

**July 24:**

FREE ATV Safety Course 8AM—12 Noon at LSU Parker Coliseum—143 E. Parker Blvd. Register at 225-374-1454 or lakeinjuryprevention@fmlhs.org.

**July 26:**

Lunch & Learn, a free lunch to learn about how chronic diseases affect your health 11:30AM at LSU Health Baton Rouge-5439 Airline Hwy. Register by 12 noon the day before the event at 225-765-7617 or Monique.marino@fmlhs.org


**Aug. 25-27:**

22nd National Conference for Single Catholics at St. John's Resort in Plymouth, MI; to register or questions contact NationalCatholicSingles.com or 512-766-5798

**Nov. 2-5:**

Men's Retreat openings for the fall Jesuit Silent Retreat in Grand Coteau; register by contacting Charles Pourciau 225-421-9734

**JULY IS NATIONAL MINORITY MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS MONTH**



It is estimated that only 14 percent of the U.S. population has proficient health literacy. It is estimated that over 60 percent of racial and ethnic minority patients over the age of 18 believe it is at least somewhat important to visit a healthcare provider who shares or understands their culture.

**Learn More and Educate Others.** Visit your local library to check out books or articles regarding mental health illness and/or browse these websites: National Alliance on Mental Illness or U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Office of Minority Health.

**HOWEVER FAR YOU MAY WONDER, HE IS ALWAYS THERE**

"He is in you, he is with you and he never abandons you. However far you may wander, he is always there, the Risen One. He calls you and he waits for you to return to him and start over again. When you feel you are growing old out of sorrow, resentment or fear, doubt or failure, he will always be there to restore your strength and your hope." *Pope Francis, Christ Is Alive, 2019*

**LAST WEEK'S CATHOLIC TRIVIA ANSWERS**

1. Judith, Esther, Ruth
2. Miter or Mitre
3. Chalice

*In Loving Memory*

**Opston, Dorcenia,  
Wilbert, Phillip,  
Opston Jr., Albert &  
Jerome Guillory;  
CB, Ruth, & Tia Davis;  
Catherine Williams,  
Yvonne Warren, &**

*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  
Brent, Aldolph,  
Brown, and Harrison  
Families**

**Chenevert  
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&  
Remodeling  
225-344-0183**



**INSURANCE**

**Leonard Benjamin  
225-775-2494**

*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

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—Lebra 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 Walks.....	225-278-6732
O.C.I.A. Coordinator—Brother John Holstream.....	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*

**Milton, Rachel, Lillie, Lillian,  
J.D. & Verdell, Kirby, James "Pookie,"  
Corinne, Michael, Jessie Sr. & Aaron B.  
Joseph; Annette & Ellis Myles Sr.; Law**

**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  
Ellis Doyle Sr.**

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