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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



August 13, 2023

19th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Peter said to him in reply, "Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water." He said, "Come." Peter got out of the boat and began to walk on the water toward Jesus. - Mt 14:28-29

Sunday Mass Readings

AUGUST 13 & 20, 2023

Today: 1Kgs 19:9,11-13a/Ps 85:9-14/Rom 9:1-5/Mt 14:22-33
Next Sunday: Is 56:1, 6-7/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8 (4)/Rom 11:13-15, 29-32/
 Mt 15:21-28



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

ST. PAUL'S ANNUAL RAFFLE BOOKS

Once a year St. Paul holds a raffle as one of its major fundraisers. Fr. Arockiam is encouraging each family of St. Paul to pick up, sell or buy at least ONE raffle book. The raffle books will contain 20 tickets (\$5 per ticket) equaling \$100 per book. Prize drawings will be held Sunday, October 15, at 2:00 PM at our Parish Family Day. **We will begin issuing books today, August 13, 2023.**

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—AUGUST 6, 2023

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

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| Collection: | \$ 5,966.36 |
| Youth Collection: | \$ 12.00 |
| Online Giving: | \$ 3,585.00 |
| Building Fund: | \$ 389.00 |
| St. Vincent DePaul: | \$ 256.00 |
| Debt Reduction Campaign: | \$ 475.00 |
| Rental Income | \$ 400.00 |
| Assumption: | \$ 35.00 |
| Mission Appeal: | \$ 35.00 |
| Youth Ministry | \$ 35.00 |
| Total Offertory | \$ 11,188.36 |

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

Envelopes Mailed: 322 Envelopes Returned: 76 Online Givers: 35
 (Envelopes mailed to registered members) (Envelopes used for general offering/tithes)

Last Sunday Mass Attendance: 7:30A.M. - 82; 10:30A.M. - 152

AUGUST 13 — AUGUST 19

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| Jessica Ashford 8/13 | Gregory Price 8/14 | Ruby Patterson 8/17 |
| Malik Bell 8/13 | George Cornell 8/15 | Nina Ball-Miles 8/18 |
| Iris Davis 8/13 | Martha Spencer 8/15 | Carla Lewis 8/18 |
| Brenda Harris 8/13 | Jacques Brown 8/16 | Carolyn Paul 8/18 |
| Christopher Alexander 8/14 | Bobby Crockett Jr. 8/16 | Noah Perry 8/18 |
| Leyon Broussard 8/14 | Bria Rideaux 8/16 | Raymond Rodney Jr. 8/19 |
| Malonna Peters 8/14 | Rosie Lollis 8/17 | Betty Stalbert 8/19 |



7:30 Mass: St. Paul's Church Community
10:30 Mass: St. Paul's Youth & Young Adults

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



FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION



August 15th is the Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, a Holy Day of Obligation. All Catholics are encouraged to attend Mass on this feast day.

May he rest in peace...



Our deepest sympathy is extended to the Rodney family at the passing of Mr. Douglas Rodney, Jr, brother of Mrs. Elthea LeDuff, and uncle of Mrs. Sonja Bowers and Ms. Joanna Boyd.

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

YOUTH & YOUNG ADULTS CHOIR REHEARSAL



St. Paul's Youth & Young Adults Choir will have rehearsal on Saturday, August 26, 2023 from 12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m. If you have any questions, please contact Ms. Belinda Carney at 223-8783.

REGISTRATION FOR RELIGION CLASSES



Registration for our Parish School of Religious Education classes begins today after the 7:30 and 10:30 A.M. Masses and continues next Sunday, August 20th. Please register your children early to ensure an accurate count of materials needed.

ANNUAL FOOD TASTE FEST



The Food Taste Fest is **today, August 13, 2023, from 4 PM to 6 PM** in the Parish Center. Please buy tickets after each Sunday Mass or from any member of the Ladies Guild. Tickets are \$10 each.

CHURCH FAMILY SICK & HOMEBOUND MEMBERS



Roger Banks Sr., Rose Crockett Carter, Audrey Christopher, Carolyn Christophe, Cheryl Crockett, Denovas Crockett, Charles Davis Jr., Stafford Davis, Shirley Dawson, Dianna Franklin, Gloria Dunn, Ruther Hall, 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, Connie St. Romain, Stephanie Stewart, Calvin Thomas III, and Walker Williams



MINISTERS FOR SUNDAY, AUGUST 20, 2023

7:30 A.M. MASS

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

READERS: Gerrick Camel, Monique Spaulding

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS: Audrene LeBlanc, Renee Camberos

10:30 A.M. MASS

ALTAR SERVERS: Xavier Knox, Gerald Anderson Jr., Sydney Anderson
Elliott Thomas, Mason Sanders

READERS: Amanda Skinner, Dana Sam

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS: Anna Perry, Wanda Davis

ANNUAL MISSION APPEAL

On August 20, 2023, we will have the Annual Mission Appeal in our parish. This year the Mass will be celebrated by a priest from the Missionaries of St. Francis, otherwise known as the Fransalians. Although their congregation was founded in Annecy, France in 1837, as missionaries, their major presence is now in Asia and Africa along with new missions in South America.

They are now globally present in 29 countries with 12 provinces, one region, and four delegations with a total membership of more than 1500 confreres. Their main missionary charism is the pioneering evangelization in non-evangelized countries and the education of the less privileged youth through children's homes and orphanages. More than 3500 economically poor, semi orphan or orphan children are cared for and educated in their 93 children's homes both in India and Africa. The Fransalians are also active in the Philippines, Ecuador, Indonesia, and Brazil where they promote and train missionary vocations to prepare individuals for both pioneering evangelization and the renewal of Christian life in different countries and are actively engaged in the empowerment of women and the marginalized.

Let us welcome our missionary, Fr. John Cyriac Melukunnel MSFS, and support the annual appeal.

BACK-TO-SCHOOL BLESSING & BOOK BAG GIVEAWAY

A special thank you is extended to CareSouth, especially Mrs. Syretta Anthony for the book bags with school supplies, Fr. Stine for the special back-to-school blessing, and the Women's Club, Ms. Desiree Trahan, and Mr. Michael Spann for helping to give out the book bags after the 7:30 & 10:30 Masses.



PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING

Wednesday, August 16, 2023—6:00 P.M.

FINANCE COUNCIL MEETING

Wednesday, October 18, 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:

Take courage, it is I, do not be afraid. By keeping our eyes set on Jesus, we are able to do marvelous things. Trust that he will not allow you to stumble or fall.

jjohnson@diobr.org or 225-387-0561

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

POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTION—AUGUST

For World Youth Day

We pray the World Youth Day in Lisbon will help young people to live and witness the Gospel in their own lives.



COMMUNITY EVENTS/ACTIVITIES

PREVIOUSLY ANNOUNCED IN FULL IN OUR BULLETINS

Aug. 16: 5:00PM—7:00PM BRCC Acadian Campus Open House for NBR Industrial Training Initiative; interested complete the NBRITI Application at <https://www.mybrcc.edu/nbriti/>

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

NATIONAL IMMUNIZATION AWARENESS MONTH



Why is it so important to get regular immunizations, especially for children?

Many people think that so-called natural immunity or herd immunity will keep them safe, or that many of the diseases for which we immunize don't exist anymore. But that's not true.

First of all, diseases like polio or measles, are rare because generations of people were immunized against them. But outbreaks do occur all over the world and in today, with so many people able to travel frequently, exposure can happen.

Second, getting immunized protects you and those around you by limiting the spread of disease. The more people who are vaccinated, the less likely a major outbreak will occur. Immunization is key to creating herd immunity!

Lastly, vaccination is much safer than trying to develop natural immunity from a disease because some diseases can have lasting, damaging effects on your body—which can be completely avoided by getting vaccinated instead!

POPE FRANCIS QUOTE ABOUT YOUTH

“Let us encourage the generosity which is typical of the young and help them to work actively in building a better world. Youth do not solely need material things. Above all, they need to have those non-material values which are the spiritual heart of a people ... spirituality, generosity, solidarity, perseverance, fraternity, and joy.”
~Pope Francis

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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 of
**Hazel Brent Brown,
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 Rosa Lee Johnson**

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

Contact Information

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| 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**

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 of

Dwight LeBlanc, Sr.
 With Much Love,
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 Dwight Jr., Lloyd,
 Morris, Kelby, Quintin,
 Saniya, Malia, & Lennox

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 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**

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