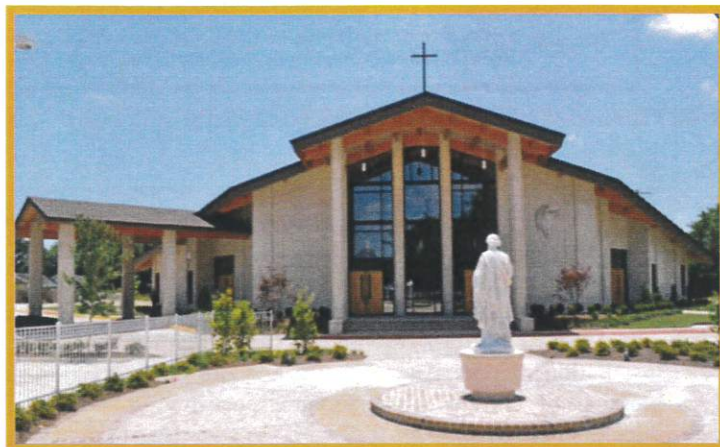


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SUNDAY MASSES

7:30 A.M. & 10:30 A.M.

WEEKDAY MORNING MASS—8:00 A.M.

TUESDAY—FRIDAY

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION—8:00 A.M. TO 12:00 P.M.

First Friday of Each Month

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

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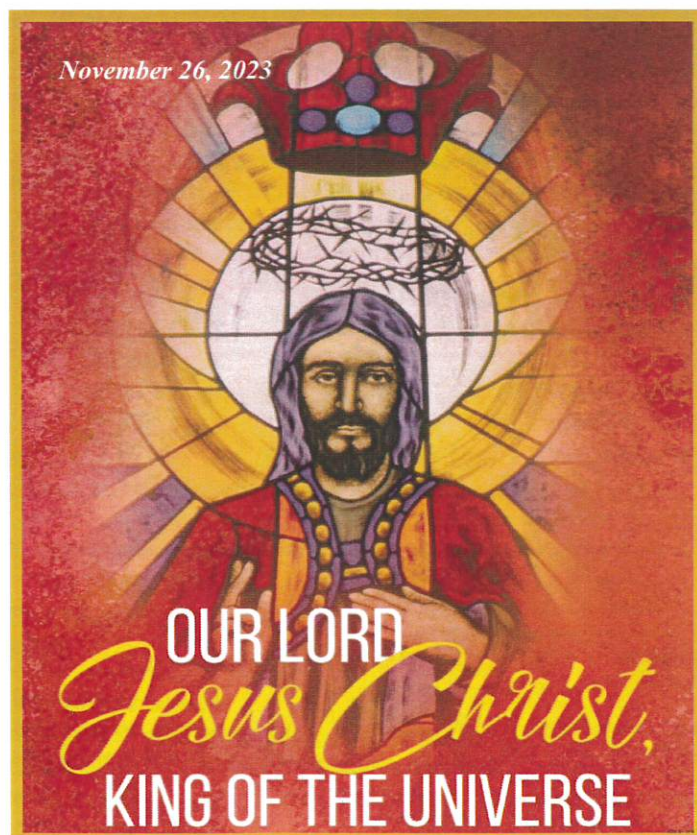
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Sunday Mass Readings

NOVEMBER 26, 2023 & DECEMBER 5, 2023

Today: Ez 34:11-12,15-17/Ps23:1-3,5-6/1 Cor 15:20-26,28/Mt 25:31-46
Next Sunday: Is 63:16b-17,19; 64:2-7/Ps 80:2-3,15-16,18-19/1 Cor 1:3-9/
 Mk 13:33-37

ST. PAUL'S COMMUNAL RECONCILIATION SERVICE



St. Paul's Communal Reconciliation Service is on Wednesday, December 13, 2023, at 5:30 P.M. Please plan to attend! Heads of St. Paul's ministries and organizations are encouraged to attend with their members.



Emotional support, suicide prevention, crisis intervention, & referral to agencies for help are available.



Next Baptism Class: Thurs., March 7, 2023 —7:00 P.M.

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

Baptism: March 17, 2023

(During or After 10:30 Mass)

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

ADULT FORMATION, BIBLE STUDY, & ROSARY

Adult Formation Class: Sundays 9:00 A.M.

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#



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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, use osvhub.com/stpaulbr/giving/funds to give.

OFFERTORY—NOVEMBER 19, 2023

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

Collection:	\$ 3,126.00
Children/Youth Collection:	\$ 33.05
Building Fund:	\$ 3,305.00
Campaign for Human Development	\$ 199.82
St. Vincent DePaul:	\$ 45.00
Raffle:	\$ 100.00
#iGiveCatholic	\$ 125.00
Online Giving	\$ 1,845.00
Total Offertory	\$ 8,778.87

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

Envelopes Mailed: 322 Envelopes Returned: 90 Online Givers: 32
 (Envelopes mailed to registered members) (Envelopes used for general offering/tithes)

Last Sunday Mass Attendance: 7:30A.M. - 66; 10:30A.M. - 143



NOVEMBER 26—DECEMBER 2



Terryl Brown 11/26
 Jada Stanley-Goss 11/26
 Sylvia Thomas 11/26
 Odelia Course 11/28
 Lionette Oliver 11/28

Ivory Brown Sr. 11/29
 Donna Dorsey 11/29
 Samantha Griffen 11/29
 Tyler Christopher 11/30
 Juon Collins 11/30

Madelyn Williams 11/30
 Sylvia S. Battley 12/01
 Christina Haynes 12/01
 Tyeisha Reed 12/1
 Karen Anthony 12/2
 Zaliegh Patterson 12/02



7:30 Mass: 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



ALTAR SERVER TRAINING



Any youth who would like to become an Altar Server **AND** all current Altar Servers are asked to attend **mandatory training sessions on Saturdays, December 2, 9, and 16 at 10:30 A.M.** After the December 16 training, a luncheon will be held in the parish center.

Additionally, Fr. Arockiam is asking that **ALL** Altar Servers attend the 10:30 Mass on Sunday, December 17, 2023, for the installation of new Altar Servers and the recommitment and blessing of current Altar Servers. Feel free to contact Fr. Arockiam or Ms. Christy Hall with any questions or concerns.

CHRISTMAS PLAY



ALL youth participating in this year's Christmas play, including backstage assistants and actors, are encouraged to attend **all** scheduled practices **at 6:00 P.M. on Mon., Nov. 27, Mon., Dec. 4, and Mon., Dec. 11.**

Any questions or concerns, please contact Tasha Anthony.

CLOTHING, LINENS, TOYS NEEDED



The Clothing Section of St. Paul's Food Pantry **NEEDS: infant & toddler clothes, coats, blankets, quilts, and gently used toys.** Please call Mrs. Rose Malveau at 225-357-4538 or the parish office to schedule a drop-off. All donations are appreciated!

BLACK CATHOLIC HISTORY MONTH

Celebrating Black Catholic History Month reminds the Church just what it is that we are responsible for remembering, and that the act of remembering is a moral and spiritual task, part of the Church's call to combat the sin of racism and seek new forms of reconciliation with sins of the past.

CHURCH FAMILY SICK & HOMEBOUND MEMBERS



Roger Banks Sr., Rose Crockett Carter, Audrey Christopher, Carolyn Christophe, Cheryl Crockett, Odelia Course, Denovas Crockett, Charles Davis Jr., Shirley Dawson, Dianna Franklin, Gloria Dunn, Ruther Hall, Christina Haynes, James Hayward, Brenda Hickman, Carolyn Jenkins, Annie Joseph, Elthea LeDuff, Marie Myles, Harry Sills, Louis Simms, Sadie Simms, 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, Walker Williams

MINISTERS FOR SUNDAY, DECEMBER 3, 2023

7:30 A.M. MASS

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

READERS: Gerrick Camel, Stephanie Allen

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS: Alice Zacharie, Vera Dunbar

10:30 A.M. MASS

ALTAR SERVERS: Xavier Knox, Mason Sanders, Jackson Williams, Madelyn Williams

READERS: Dorphelia Patterson, Amanda Skinner

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS: Velita Benjamin, Renee Camberos

IGIVE CATHOLIC: SUPPORT OUR YOUTH MINISTRY

Celebrate being Catholic! Give to **St. Paul's Youth Ministry on Tuesday, November 28, 2023**. Give back to and give thanks for St. Paul's youth ministry. Donations are accepted in advance through Nov. 27. **Donate online at www.igivecatholic.org** by looking for the "give back" tab, then scroll to locate "St. Paul the Apostle Baton Rouge." You may also donate at stpaulbr.org and by using the **#iGiveCatholic envelope in the church**. Drop envelopes in the collection basket or in the parish office mailbox. Thank you!



TOGETHER BATON ROUGE LAST 2023 LUNCHEON

What an amazing year for the members of Together Baton Rouge! Please join us for our final 2023 luncheon at University Presbyterian Church on December 06, 2023 at 12:00 pm - 1:15 pm. Donation is \$15. Headcount is determined by R.S.V.P., so please make sure to do so at <https://www.togetherbr.org/tbr2023lunch1206> (Final day to confirm your meal is Tues., Nov. 28.)



LENTEN FISH FRY PLANNING MEETING

St. Paul will have its second Fish Fry planning meeting on **Tuesday, December 19, 2023, at 6:00 P.M.**, in our parish center. Please mark your calendar and attend the meeting; join us and help with the planning of our Lenten Fish Fry. The first Friday Lenten Fish Fry is February 16, 2024.

How to Go to Confession: A Step-by-Step Guide

1. *Enter the confessional and greet the priest.*
2. *Begin by making the sign of the cross and say, "Bless me, Father, for I have sinned."*
3. *List your sins.*
Mention everyday sins and mortal sins, which are more serious. Try to be thorough; it's okay if you cannot remember all your sins, the priest may ask questions or comment. It doesn't have to be a non-stop laundry list of sins. When you're done, conclude by saying, "I'm sorry for these and all my sins."
4. *Listen to the priest.*
5. *When you're done confessing your sins, the priest may offer some guidance and suggest ways to avoid sins in the future. He'll then give you a penance, which could be a form of prayer, a service, or some work of mercy. Often, you'll be able to complete your penance while still at church.*
6. *Pray the Act of Contrition.*
My God, I am sorry for my sins with all my heart. In choosing to do wrong and failing to do good, I have sinned against You whom I should love above all things. I firmly intend, with Your help, to do penance, to sin no more, and to avoid whatever leads me to sin. Our Savior Jesus Christ suffered and died for us. In his name, my God, have mercy.
7. *Receive absolution from God, via the priest.*
8. *Depart and fulfill your act of penance.*



FINANCE COUNCIL MEETING
Wednesday, December 20, 2023—12:00 NOON

PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING
Thursday, December 14, 2023 —6:00 P.M.

POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTION—NOVEMBER

For the Pope
We pray for the Holy Father; as he fulfills his mission, may he continue to accompany the flock entrusted to him, with the help of the Holy Spirit.

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If you feel the call to religious life as a priest, deacon, brother or nun, please contact:

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

CHURCH PICTORIAL/PHONE DIRECTORY

Fr. Arockiam along with the Pictorial and Telephone Directory Committee are exploring the idea of creating a **NEW** church pictorial and phone directory program. The purpose of a new church directory is to provide a tool for the pastor and members to contact and recognize one another.

If at least three-fourths of the parishioners agree to pursue a **NEW church pictorial and phone directory**, it would require each family to make one trip to the parish center during the week at night or on Saturday morning. Once, at the center, the process would take 45 minutes to one hour. Each family photographed would receive one complimentary 8x10 family photo to be mailed to each family's home at no charge. Also, families would have the privilege of selecting and buying family and individual photos; however, the purchase of additional photos is not a requirement. Plus, each family would receive one complimentary directory. If your family is interested and willing to participate in the photo sessions, please complete the form below, cut or tear it off & drop it in the collection basket, parish mailbox, or at the parish office by Sunday, January 7, 2023.

NEW CHURCH DIRECTORY

*As a family, we are interested in St. Paul's pursuing a **NEW** church pictorial/phone directory.*

Family Last Name: _____

First Name(s): Mr./Mrs./Ms. _____

Best Telephone #: _____

Directions: *Please complete this form. Cut out or tear it off the form and drop it in the collection basket, in the parish mailbox, or bring it to the parish office by **Wednesday, December 20, 2023.***

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**Opston, Dorcenia,
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Catherine Williams,
Yvonne Warren, &
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Quick Reference to St. Paul's Pastor, Personnel, Ministries, and Services

Contact Information

Altar Servers—Christy Hall/Darlene Richard/Tasha Anthony.....	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
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Readers (adults)—Paulette Robertson.....	225-937-2293
Religious Education Director (DRE) - Martha Davis.....	225-357-4108
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