

# 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**

**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**

## 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

**Kawayna Ridgley —225-405-7225**

## PARISH NURSE

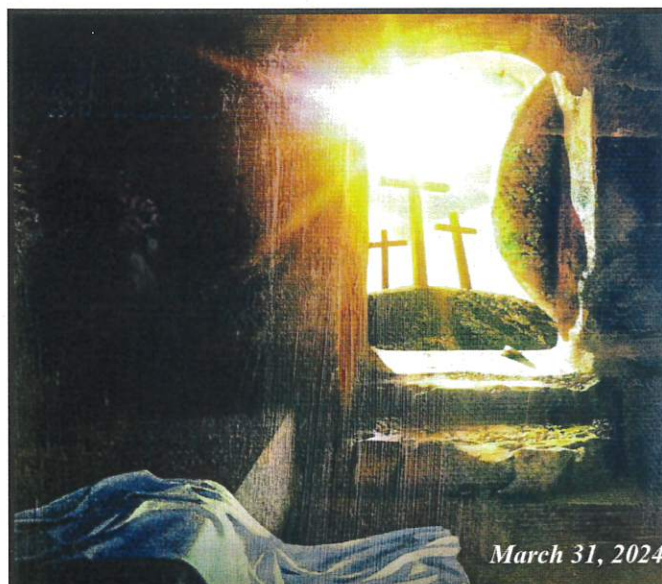
**Maxine Watts —225-278-6732**

## FINANCE COUNCIL CHAIRPERSON

**Retired Judge Luke Lavergne—225-324-5665**

## PASTORAL COUNCIL CHAIRPERSON

**Rudolph Richard Jr.—225-284-7476**



March 31, 2024

## EASTER SUNDAY

He bent down and saw the burial cloths there, but did not go in. When Simon Peter arrived after him, he went into the tomb and saw the burial cloths there, and the cloth that had covered his head, not with the burial cloths but rolled up in a separate place. - Jn 20:5-7

**Sunday Mass Readings**

**MARCH 31 & APRIL 7, 2024**

**Today:** Acts 10:34, 37-43/Ps 118:1-2,16-17, 22-24/Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8/  
Jn 20:1-9 or Mk 16:1-7

**Next Sunday:** Acts 4:32-35/Ps 118:2-4,13-15, 22-24/1 Jn 5:1-6/Jn 20:19-31

**NEW MEMBERS OF ST. PAUL THE APOSTLE**



With open arms and thankful hearts, let us welcome our new church family members, *Mr. James Stampley* and *Mr. Raul Lathan*. They received the Sacraments of Baptism, First Reconciliation, First Holy Eucharist, and Confirmation at the Vigil Mass on Saturday, March 30, 2024. "...thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ". 1 Cor. 15:57

**PARISH OFFICE'S TELEPHONES**



The staff of St. Paul is experiencing difficulty with the telephone system used in the parish office. The issue is being addressed but has not been resolved. If you call the office and cannot reach a staff member, please email [stpaulbr@aol.com](mailto:stpaulbr@aol.com) or contact Fr. Arockiam at 337-522-0624. We are sorry for any inconvenience and will resolve the issue as quickly as possible.

**EASTER EGG HUNT TODAY**



Immediately following today's Easter Sunday Mass at 9:30 AM, St. Paul's Youth Ministry will host an Easter Egg Hunt for children ages 1 - 12. We hope you are ready with your Easter Basket to find those hidden eggs and treasures. Thank you, members and leaders of the St. Paul's Youth Ministry.

**ADULT FORMATION, BIBLE STUDY, & ROSARY**

**Adult Formation Class:** Sundays 9:00 AM, in the Chapel/Cry Room

**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, use [osvhub.com/stpaulbr/giving/funds](http://osvhub.com/stpaulbr/giving/funds) to give.

**OFFERTORY—MARCH 24, 2024**

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

<b>Collection:</b>	\$ 4,400.60
<b>Online Giving:</b>	\$ 3,287.00
<b>Building Fund:</b>	\$ 1,130.00
<b>St. Vincent DePaul:</b>	\$ 125.00
<b>Lenten Fundraiser Donation:</b>	\$ 150.00
<b>Holy Thursday:</b>	\$ 6.00
<b>Good Friday:</b>	\$ 25.00
<b>Easter:</b>	\$ 130.00
<b>Rice Bowls:</b>	\$ 20.00
<b>Total Offertory</b>	<b>\$ 9,273.60</b>

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

**Envelopes Mailed: 261 Envelopes Returned: 112 Online Givers: 34**  
(Envelopes mailed to registered members) (Envelopes used for general offering/tithes)

**Last Sunday Mass Attendance:** 7:30A.M. - 111; 10:30A.M. - 197



**MARCH 31 — APRIL 6**

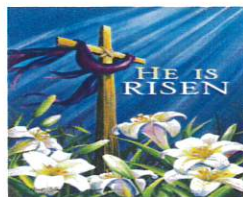


Lexington Benjamin 3/31	Gabriel Camel 4/2	Geoffrey Ball 4/5
Joseph Troy Mathis 3/31	Audrene LeBlanc 4/2	Lakeshia Reed 4/5
Udella Billups Henderson 4/1	April Givens 4/3	Shirley Weston 4/5
Tori Wilson 4/1	Willie Bell Taylor 4/4	Lyric Williams 4/6



**9:30 Mass:** Rev. Albert Williams, Sr., Mrs. Mildred T. Williams, Mr. Albert Williams, Jr., Ms. Marie Victorian Hawkins, Mrs. Margaret Hawkins Kemp, and Mrs. Theresa Victorian Hawkins.

**FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK**



Happy Easter brothers and sisters. May the risen Lord, bless you with Joy and Peace, and walk with you all the days of your life. A special thank you to everyone for their participation in making Holy Week as special as it should be, specially to parents who brought their children, and those that donated towards Easter flowers.

**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)*



**Next Baptism Class: Thurs., May 9, 2024 — 7:00 P.M.**

Contact: Vera Dunbar—225-324-2939 to register

Parents & Godparents MUST attend the class

**Baptism: Sunday, May 19, 2024**

(After 10:30 Mass)

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

**YOUTH CHOIR REHEARSAL**



St. Paul's Youth Choir will sing at the 10:30 Mass on April 7, 2024. Youth choir members will practice on Saturday, April 6, from 11:00 A.M. to 12:30 P.M. Parents, please make every effort to bring your child/children to rehearsal on Saturday and on Sunday to sing. Thank you! If you have any questions, please contact Ms. Belinda Carney at 225-223-8783.

**ST. PAUL'S PARISH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED**



In observance of Easter, St. Paul's Parish Office will be closed on Monday, April 1, 2024. The office will reopen on Tuesday, April 2, at 9:00 AM.

**CHURCH SICK & HOMEBOUND MEMBERS**



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

**SICK FAMILY MEMBERS AND FRIENDS**



Charles Bethley, Barbara Brennan, Cirsten Brown, Ernie Butitta, Dorothy Celestine, Helen Celestine, Alberta Conner, Melba Daniels, Richard Dillon, Ronnie Gauthier, Anthony Grand, Marcus Guice, 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, Wanda Winchester

**\*If any names need to be removed from the lists, please call the Parish Office.**

**MINISTERS FOR SUNDAY, APRIL 7, 2024**

**7:30 MASS**

ALTAR SERVERS: Andrea Camberos, Angelle Camberos, Jose Camberos, Gavin Camel, Gabriel Camel

READERS: Evangeline Hughes, Carla Lewis

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS: Alice Zacharie, Vera Dunbar

**10:30 MASS**

ALTAR SERVERS: Madelyn Williams, Jackson Williams, Terrell Carter Jr., Anthony Carter, Mason Sanders

READERS: Young Adults

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS: Velita Benjamin, Renee Camberos



**PLEASE, SIGN-UP TO TAKE YOUR PHOTO**

Available photo sessions for our new directory are as follows:

- Wednesday, April 3 (2pm—8pm)
- Thursday, April 4 (2pm—8pm)
- Friday, April 5 (2pm—8pm)
- Wednesday, May 1 (2pm—8pm)
- Thursday, May 2 (2pm—8pm)
- Friday, May 3 (2pm—8pm)

Please sign up for your appointment OR online Tuesday through Friday at [www.ucdir.com](http://www.ucdir.com). Church Code: LA140 Password: photos

**MINISTRIES & ORGANIZATIONS GROUP PHOTOS**



St. Paul's ministries and organizations group photos will be taken on **Monday, April 22, 2024**, from 10:00 AM until 8:30 PM and on **Thursday, April 25**, from 10:00 AM to 8:00 PM. Please sign up for a time slot on Sunday. For questions, please contact Mr. LeDuff at [rleduff@cox.net](mailto:rleduff@cox.net) or 225-978-9256.

**DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY**



Immediately following the 10:30 Mass on April 7, which is Divine Mercy Sunday, please join St. Paul Ladies Auxiliary of the Knights of Peter Claver, Court 351, as they lead the praying of the Divine Chaplet. Join Us!

**IMMACULATE CONCEPTION, ST. PAUL, AND ST. FRANCIS XAVIER'S 2024 CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES AT A CONFIRMATION RETREAT ON SATURDAY, MARCH 23, 2024, AT ST. PAUL**



**FINANCE COUNCIL MEETING**

Wednesday, April 17, 2024 —6:00 P.M.

**PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING**

Wednesday, April 10, 2024 —6:00 P.M.



**NEXT YOUTH MEETING**

April 14, 2024—After 10:30 Mass

(Grades 2nd through 12th)

**TODAY'S ACTIVITY**

♦ Today, March 31 — Easter Egg Hunt—After the 9:30 Mass

If you have any questions, please contact our Youth Ministry Director, Ms. Kawayna Ridgley at 225-405-7225.

**BULLETIN CORRECTION**

The bulletin of March 24, 2024, in the section "From the Pastor's Desk" listed one of the Fish Fry co-chair as Kim Stewart. The two co-chairs were Renee Camberos and Kim Starwood. Thank you for all your hard work. You are greatly appreciated!

**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*

[jjohnson@diobr.org](mailto:jjohnson@diobr.org) or **225-387-0561**

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

**A VOCATION VIEW:** "This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad!" This day changes everything. The power of sin and death is broken; live in the freedom that comes solely in Christ."

*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**

*In Loving Memory*  
 of  
**Hazel Brent Brown,  
 Leo Brown, Sr.,  
 and the  
 Brent, Aldolph,  
 Brown, and Harrison  
 Families**

**Chenevert  
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 &  
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 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/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  
 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—Kawayna Ridgely.....225-405-7225  
 Youth Readers—Tasha Anthony.....504-858-1902



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 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,  
 Audrenc, Kobi,  
 Dwight Jr., Lloyd,  
 Morris, Kelby, Quintin,  
 Saniya, Malia, & Lennox



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