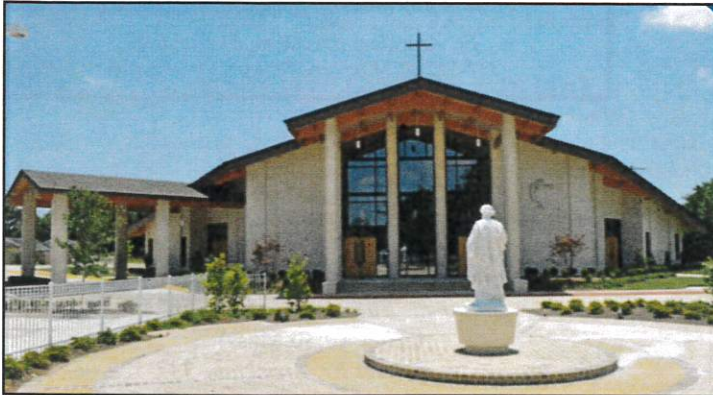


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## SUNDAY MASSES

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

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Martha Davis —225-357-4108

## YOUTH DIRECTOR

Kawayna Ridgley—225-405-7225

## PARISH NURSE

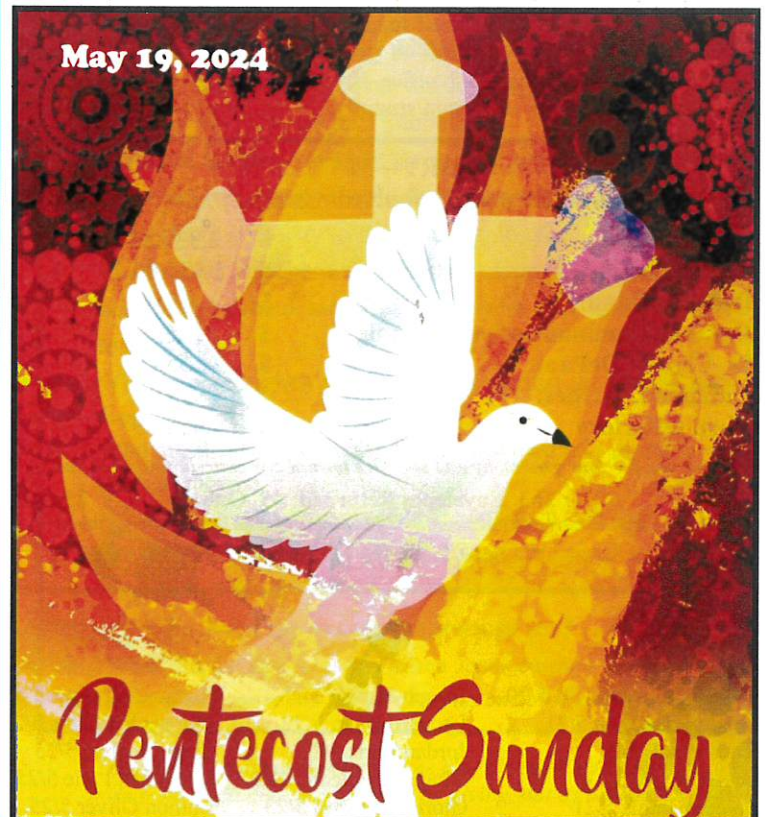
Maxine Watts —225-278-6732

## FINANCE COUNCIL CHAIRPERSON

Retired Judge Luke Lavergne—225-324-5665

## PASTORAL COUNCIL CHAIRPERSON

Rudolph Richard Jr.—225-284-7476



**MINISTERS FOR SUNDAY, MAY 26, 2024**

**7:30 MASS**

**ALTAR SERVERS:** Jaiden Parker, Saija Johnson, Jordan Clifford  
Quintin Chenevert

**READERS:** Gerrick Camel, Evangeline Hughes

**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:** Murray Chenevert, David Robertson

**10:30 MASS**

**ALTAR SERVERS:** Sydney Anderson, Gerald Anderson Jr.,  
Madelyn Williams, Jackson Williams, Aidan Sam

**READERS:** Dana Sam, Brandy Williams

**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:** Christy Hall, Pamela Claiborne

**POPE FRANCIS INTENTION FOR MAY**

*FOR THE FORMATION OF RELIGIOUS AND SEMINARIANS*

*We pray that religious women, men, and seminarians grow in their vocations through their human, pastoral, spiritual, and community formation, leading them to be credible witnesses to the Gospel.*



**FINANCE COUNCIL MEETING**

Wednesday, July 24, 2024 —6:00 P.M.

**PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING**

Wednesday, June 19, 2024 —6:00 P.M.



**YOUTH MEETING TODAY**

Today, May 19, 2024—After the 10:30 Mass

(Grades 2nd through 12th)

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

**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 or 225-387-0561**

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

**A VOCATION VIEW:** Peter and the Apostles preach with a power and conviction that can only be attributed to the Spirit dwelling among them. Is God calling you to speak for Him in our day and age?



**ST. PAUL'S 2024 VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL**

Parents, please mark your calendars to bring your children and youth (PK-10th Grade) to Vacation Bible School the week of June 24-28, 2024, from 6 pm to 8 pm in the Parish Center. Light meals provided nightly.

*Adults are welcome to join in the Bible study and fun.*

**FROM OUR PASTOR**

Dear Church Family,

I arrived safely in my native village in India. My father's funeral was held on Sunday, May 12, 2024, at 4:00 PM. We were blessed with the presence and support of the villagers, many friends, priests, and the bishop for the funeral service. Thank you so much for your prayers. Fr. Arockiam



**BIBLE QUIZ ANSWERS**

May 5, 2024 Bible Quiz was from the Book of Mark – Chapters 1 & 2

The Quiz was **NOT** from Matthew Chapter 29-30

as printed in the May 5, 2024 bulletin. We apologize for any confusion. There are only 28 Chapters in the Book of Matthew.

ANSWERS BELOW

1. "Holy Spirit"
2. "Repent and believe in the gospel"
3. "Fishers of men"
4. "The Holy One of God"
5. "If you wish, you can make me clean"
6. "Child, your sins are forgiven"
7. "Pick up your mat and go home"
8. "Follow me"
9. "Those who are well do not need a physician, but the sick do. I did not come to call the righteous but sinners."
10. "The Sabbath was made for men, not man for the sabbath."

**Mark Chapters 3 & 4—New American Bible (NAB)**

The last day to submit answers is May 28, by 6:00 pm

Email answers to:

**arockiamsvd@gmail.com or drop them in the church office mailbox**



1. Jesus cured the man with a withered hand on a Sabbath, and it angered the Pharisees. What did Jesus ask them about what could be lawful to do on a Sabbath?
2. What did the unclean spirit do and say when they saw Jesus?
3. What did Jesus name the twelve followers He called to preach and to have authority to drive out demons?
4. The Scribes blasphemed when they claimed that Jesus was possessed by the demon Beelzebul, who gave him the power to do what?
5. What happens when you blaspheme against the Holy Spirit? (2 parts answer)
6. Who are the ones whose seeds are sown among thorns? (Multiple answers)
7. Who are the ones whose seeds are sown on rich soil?
8. How was the size of the Mustard Seed compared with the Kingdom of God?
9. What did Jesus say to calm the storm at sea?
10. What did the disciples say when Jesus calmed the sea?

*(A Special thank you to Ms. Barbara Haynes and the Bible Study Group!)*

*"The Spirit, the living memory of the church, reminds us that we are born from a gift and that we grow by giving, not by holding on, but by giving of ourselves." - Pope Francis, 2020*

**Sunday Mass Readings**

**MAY 19, 2024 & MAY 26, 2024**

**Today:** Acts 2:1-11/Ps 104:1,24,29-30-31,34 /1 Cor 12:3-7,12-13/Jn 20:19-23

**Next Sunday:** Dt 4:32-34,39-40/Ps 33:4-6,9,18-20, 22 (12b)/Rom 8:14-17/ Mt 28:16-20



**PRAY WITH THE LADIES SODALITY**

St. Paul's Ladies Sodality invites all of us to join them in praying the Rosary for our sick and homebound parishioners in our prayer garden on Saturday, May 25, 2024, at 12:00 noon. This is another special devotion to Blessed Mother Mary during May, known as the Month of Mary. Please join them in prayer!

**ST. PAUL'S HIGH SCHOOL AND COLLEGE GRADUATES**



St. Paul will honor all 2024 High School and College Graduates at the 10:30 AM Mass on Sunday, June 2, 2024. If you would like to be recognized and participate in the ceremony, please complete the Graduation Recognition Form on the table in the main entrance of the church and return it by Friday, May 24, 2024, by email to [stpaulbr@aol.com](mailto:stpaulbr@aol.com) or a paper copy to St. Paul's Parish Office. For questions, please contact Ms. Kawayna Ridgley at 225-405-7225.

**NEXT PHOTO SESSIONS FOR THE DIRECTORY**



Friday, June 21—2pm to 8:30pm

Saturday, June 22—10am to 4pm

Please sign up online at [www.ucdir.com](http://www.ucdir.com)

(Church Code-LA140, Password-photos) **or** on Sundays at the table.

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

Adult Formation Class: *Will Resume in September 2024*

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—MAY 12, 2024**

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

Collection:	\$ 2,337.35
Online Giving:	\$ 1,935.00
Building Fund:	\$ 65.00
Catholic Communication Campaign:	\$ 256.00
St. Vincent DePaul:	\$ 55.00
Catholic Charities:	\$ 30.00
<b>Total Offertory</b>	<b>\$ 4,678.35</b>

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

**Envelopes Mailed: 263 Envelopes Returned: 49 Online Givers: 25**  
(Envelopes mailed to registered members) (Envelopes used for general offering/tithes)

**Last Sunday Mass Attendance: 7:30A.M. - 75; 10:30A.M. - 230**



**MAY 19 — MAY 25**



David Thompson, III 5/20	Joseph Mathis 5/21	Roosevelt Leonard 5/23
Gregory Dawson 5/21	Leo Brown Jr. 5/22	Marcus Williams 5/23
Ruther Hall 5/21	Jordan Earls 5/22	Elaine Joshua 5/25
Oreather Lee 5/21	Vincent Foulcard 5/22	Johnathan Lane 5/25
Jaycee Mathis 5/21	Gloria Hayward 5/23	Damon Oliver 5/25



**7:30 Mass:** Mrs. Marie Victorian Hawkins

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



**Next Baptism Class: Thurs., Sept. 12, 2024 —7:00 P.M.**

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

Parents & Godparents **MUST** attend the class

**Baptism: Sunday, Sept. 29, 2024**

(After 10:30 Mass)

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

**APPRECIATION GATHERING**

**FOR OUR ST. PAUL 2024 FISH FRY VOLUNTEERS**



This year's St. Paul's Lenten Fish Fry volunteers are invited to an appreciation gathering on Thursday, May 23, 2024, at 6:00 P.M. in the parish center. Please join us for an evening of relaxation and good company to thank you for your work and time.

**ST PAUL'S LADIES GUILD—LOCK IN RETURNS!**

**Don't Delay! Register Today!**

June 29, 2024, at 2 PM

All Women are Invited! RSVP by June 23, 2024



<https://forms.office.com/r/CGTdkB0Ubd>

**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, 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.**

*In Loving Memory*  
**Opston, Dorcenia,  
 Wilbert, Phillip,  
 Opston Jr., Albert &  
 Jerome Guillory;  
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 Catherine Williams,  
 Yvonne Warren, &  
 Marcus Montigue**

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 Myrtis Coleman**

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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  
 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  
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 of  
**Kevin Michael  
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 Wilfred Ferbos**

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 Charles, and  
 Lillian Brown

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 James Bazile  
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