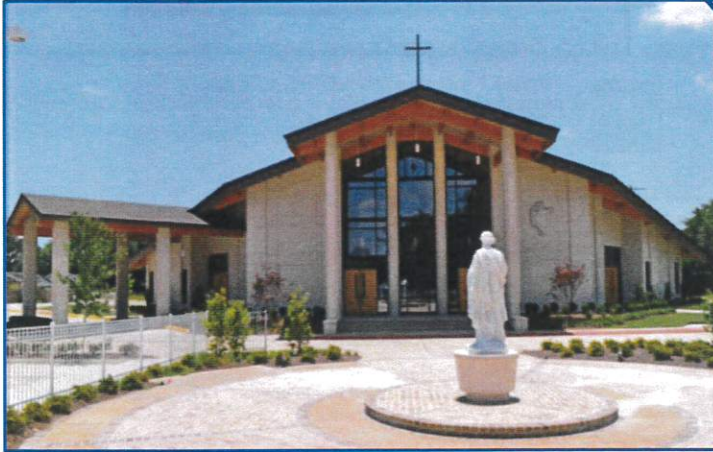


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SUNDAY MASSES

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

WEEKDAY MORNING MASS

Will Resume Wednesday, February 14, 2024

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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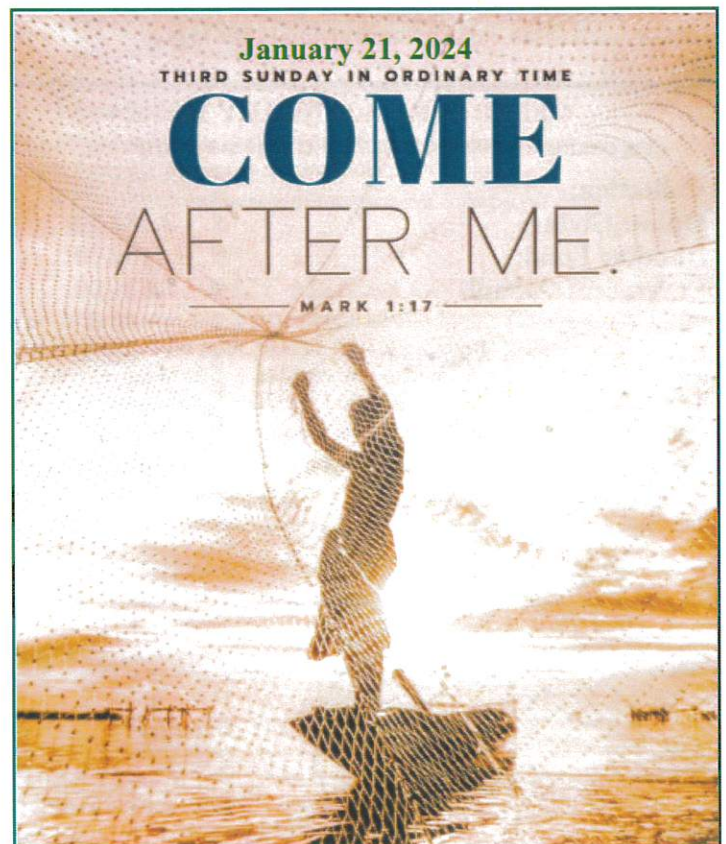
Maxine Watts —225-278-6732

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Retired Judge Luke Lavergne—225-324-5665

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Rudolph Richard Jr.—225-284-7476



Sunday Mass Readings

JANUARY 21, 2024—JANUARY 28, 2024

Today: Jon 3:1-5,10/Ps 25:4-9/1 Cor 7:29-31/Mk 1:14-20
Next Sunday: Dt 18:15-20/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 7-9 (8)/1 Cor 7:32-35/Mk 1:21-28

BIBLE ENTHRONEMENT



Today is Bible Enthronement Sunday. With the assistance of St. Paul's Bible Study Group, we will Enthroner the Bible at the Masses to show that God is present and active through his Word. The Bible Study Group will also be recognized and receive a special blessing.

ST. PAUL MEMBER'S 80 PLUS BIRTHDAY PARTY



St. Paul the Apostle will host **80 PLUS YEARS OLD PARTY** on Saturday, April 20, 2024, for members who were born in 1944 or earlier. Nurse Maxine Watts will contact the members who are 80 and older with specific details about the event and obtain the number of family members who will attend this event with you.

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#*

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

OFFERTORY—JANUARY 14, 2024

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

Collection:	\$ 2,232.90
Online Giving:	\$ 3,582.00
Building Fund:	\$ 152.00
St. Vincent DePaul:	\$ 121.00
New Years:	\$ 50.00
Church in Latin America:	\$ 20.00
Lenten Fundraiser:	\$ 135.00
Total Offertory	\$ 6,292.90

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

Envelopes Mailed: 264 Envelopes Returned: 55 Online Givers: 32
 (Envelopes mailed to registered members) (Envelopes used for general offering/tithes)

Last Sunday Mass Attendance: 7:30A.M. - 75; 10:30A.M. - 157



JANUARY 21—JANUARY 27



Sharda' Green Freeman 1/21	Angelle Camberos 1/22	Ruby Woods 1/24
Carmen Patrick 1/21	Terry Mack 1/23	Riley Thomas 1/25
Monique Scott-Spaulling 1/21	Ron Mathis 1/24	Wanda Alsobrook 1/26
Tammy Bajoie 1/22	Nahshon Rouge 1/24	Nariyah Davis 1/26
Andrea Camberos 1/22	Mia West 11/24	



7:30 Mass: St. Paul's Deceased Bible Study Members

10:30 Mass: St. Paul's Bible Study Members

*In the event of the need for immediate Pastoral Care
Please Contact*

St. Paul's Parish Office
225-383-2537/stpaulbr@aol.com



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



Next Baptism Class: Thurs., February 8, 2024 —7:00 P.M.

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

Baptism: February 18, 2023

(During or After 10:30 Mass)

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



ST. PAUL'S ANNUAL FISH FRY

Please sign up to help on Thursdays and/or Fridays for St. Paul's Fish Fry Fundraiser!

WITH DEEPEST SYMPATHY



Our heartfelt sympathy is extended to the Haynes and Rodney families for the passing of Mrs. Mary Rodney Haynes, the mother of Marvin Haynes, and the close relative of the Rodney families, and Debra Dudley at the loss of her mother, Mrs. Betty Hammond, the mother-in-law of Calvin Dudley and the grandmother of Kayla Dudley. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

MARDI GRAS DANCE



Do you have your tickets for the Mardi Gras Dance on Feb. 9 from 8:00-12:00 Midnight in St. Paul Center hosted by the Knights of Peter Claver? Please see any of the members of KPC Council 351, for tickets; tickets are \$20 per person.

CHURCH 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, Dorothy Celestine, Helen Celestine, Alberta Conner, Melba Daniels, Richard Dillon, Ronnie Gauthier, Anthony Grand, Troy Green, 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 and Wanda Winchester

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

MINISTERS FOR JANUARY 28, 2024

7:30 A.M. MASS

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

READERS: Barbara Cornell, Mary Gloston

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS: Alice Zacharie, Murray Chenevert

10:30 A.M. MASS

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

READERS: Dorphelia Patterson, Amanda Skinner

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS: Paul Stewart, Larry James

POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTION—JANUARY

For the Gift of Diversity in the Church

We pray that the Holy Spirit may help us to recognize the gift of different charisms within the Christian community and to discover the richness of different traditions and rituals in the Catholic Church.

VOCATION TO PRIESTHOOD/RELIGIOUS LIFE

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

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

A VOCATION VIEW: *Just as the first apostles were called by the Lord to become fishers of men, during this Catholic School Week, we remember that the role of our schools is to challenge young men and women to follow Christ.*

ST. PAUL'S MINISTRIES AND ORGANIZATION



As we begin the new year, Father Arockiam is asking all of St. Paul's ministries and organizations to submit their dates for the use of the parish center and church by February 8, 2024. All meetings/events must be documented and approved by Father Arockiam.

DIOCESAN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS



Bishop Duca will celebrate a Mass honoring the wedding anniversary of couples who have been married 25, 50, 65, and over on Sunday, March 3, at 2 p.m. at Most Blessed Sacrament Church, 15615 Jefferson Highway in Baton Rouge. A reception for the couples will be in the parish hall following the Mass. Please complete and return the registration form by February 1. The registration Form can be downloaded at: <chrome-extension://efaidnbnmnnibpcajpcglclefindmkaj/https://files.constantcontact.com/1f8a1647101/0b4e5c02-8bea-4370-8cb4-cb850ffa8c71.pdf?rdr=true>

BRING YOUR LAST YEAR BLESSED PALMS



Please bring your palms from last year to have them burned and used for Ash Wednesday. Palms should be placed in the bin in the foyer by Sunday, February 11th.



FINANCE COUNCIL MEETING

Wednesday, March 13, 2024 — 6:00 P.M.

PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING

Wednesday, February 28, 2024 — 6:00 P.M.



YOUTH MEETING & PARTY

February 18, 2024—After 10:30 Mass

CALLING ALL YOUTH GRADES 6-12TH!

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

MASS HONORING BLACK HISTORY MONTH



The Office of Black Catholics and the Racial Harmony Commission will sponsor a Mass on Sunday, February 4, 2024, at 1:30 PM, to commemorate Black History Month at St. Joseph Cathedral. Fr. Gregory Chisholm, SJ, the Rector of the Jesuit Community at Loyola College in Baltimore, will be the homilist.

HUMAN TRAFFICKING PREVENTION MONTH



January is known as Human Trafficking Awareness Month. This is a key time for us to educate ourselves about human trafficking and be able to visually observe in our communities, workplaces, etc. some of the signs of trafficking. Those affected are unlikely to self-identify as a 'victim' and may not realize or accept they are being controlled. Let's begin this week by examining the following general signs:

- ◆ Houses or places with too many people, all picked up or dropped off at the same time
- ◆ People who seem scared, confused, have untreated injuries
- ◆ Few or no documents, or someone else in control of their documents or passport
- ◆ No control over their own post/mail, no phone or phone held by someone else
- ◆ One person speaking on behalf of many others, who may avoid eye contact or conversation
- ◆ Lights on at workplaces at strange times – are people living there?

CATHOLIC MEN'S CONFERENCE

The 2024 Men of the Immaculata Catholic Men's Conference is Saturday, February 17th at St. George Catholic Church. With the intercession of our Blessed Mother 1000 men will gather for a very unique Catholic event. speakers will include Fr. Larry Richard, Mark Hauck, and Baton Rouge's own Deacon Michael Parker. Lunch provided by Chef John Folsie. Visit Catholicmenbr.com to register.



St. Paul's Religious Education students presented a skit in honor of Martin Luther King Day Sunday, January 14, 2024

In Loving Memory

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

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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 Wats.....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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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

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