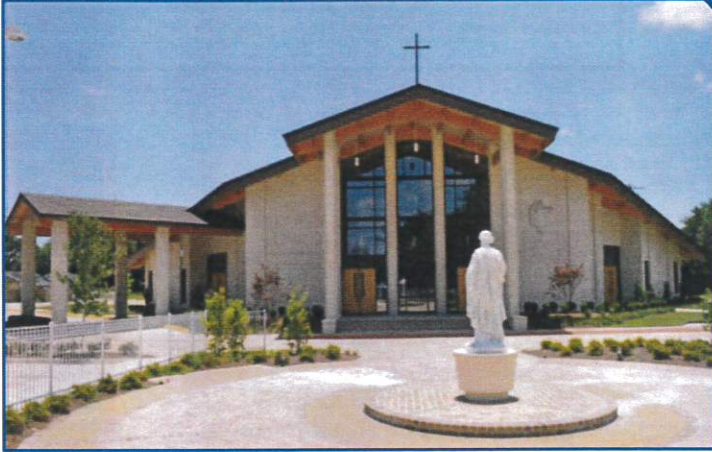


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SUNDAY MASSES

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

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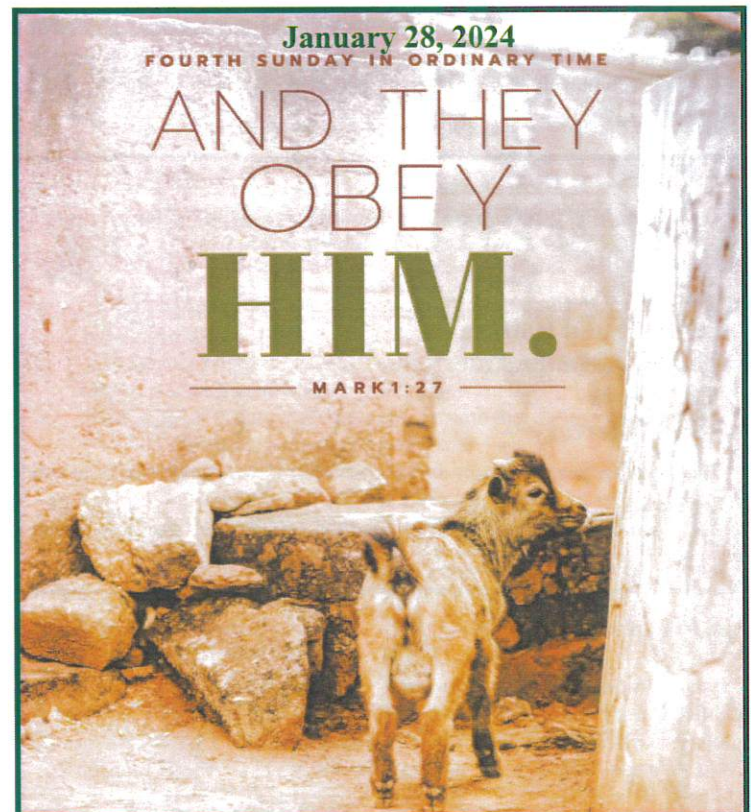
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Sunday Mass Readings

JANUARY 28, 2024—FEBRUARY 4, 2024

Today: Dt 18:15-20/Ps 95:1-2-9/1 Cor 7:32-35/Mk 1:21-28
Next Sunday: Jb 7:1-4,6-7/Ps 147:1-6/1 Cor 9:16-19,22-23/Mk 1:29-39



7:30 Mass: St. Paul's Church Community

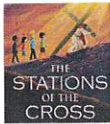
10:30 Mass: Mrs. Mary Haynes, Mrs. Betty Hammond

BRING YOUR LAST YEAR BLESSED PALM



Please bring your palms from last year so they can be burned and used during our Ash Wednesday Mass. Place your palms in the bin at the church's main entrance by Sunday, February 11. Thank you for your continued support.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS & LEADERS



Due to our Fish Fry every Friday during Lent, St. Paul's Stations of the Cross will be prayed on Tuesdays at 6:00PM, beginning Tuesday February 20, 2024. A sign-up sheet is at the main entrance of the church for anyone interested in leading the Stations of the Cross.

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 using the parish center and church by February 8, 2024. All meetings/events must be documented and approved by Father Arockiam.

ST. PAUL'S MARDI GRAS DANCE



Plan to attend the Mardi Gras Dance on Friday, Feb. 9 in St. Paul Center from 8:00-12:00 Midnight. See Riley Thomas or any of the Knights of Peter Claver members for tickets. *Tickets will NOT be sold at the door. The last day to purchase your ticket is next Sunday, February 4.*

Tickets are \$20 per person.

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 21, 2024

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

Collection:	\$ 3,579.37
Online Giving:	\$ 1,345.00
Lenten Fund Raiser:	\$ 50.00
Church in Latin America:	\$ 10.00
New Years :	\$ 10.00
Total Offertory	\$ 4,994.37

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

Envelopes Mailed: 264 Envelopes Returned: 38 Online Givers: 29
 (Envelopes mailed to registered members) (Envelopes used for general offering/tithes)

Last Sunday Mass Attendance: 7:30A.M. - 70; 10:30A.M. - 151



JANUARY 27—FEBRUARY 3



Sydney Anderson 1/28	Ronnice' Johnson 1/29	Troylynn Balancier 2/2
Janice Carroll 1/28	Jaxon Bailey 1/30	Cindy Chenevert 2/2
John Price 1/28	Wanda Rodney 1/30	Chelsey Haynes 2/2
Alex Watson 1/28	Kellen Anthony 1/31	Virgil Johnson 2/2
Glenda Brown 1/29	Carolyn Patterson 1/31	Liyah Landry 2/2
Yvonne Buggage 1/29	Brooklyn Bailey 2/2	

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

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



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 80 PLUS BIRTHDAY PARTY



Please *expect a form via the US Postal mail* to obtain some information and photos for the "80 PLUS Souvenir Booklet." The 80 Plus Birthday Party is on Saturday, April 20, 2024 (for members born in 1944 or earlier). Please return the form by Feb. 11.

MASS HONORING BLACK HISTORY MONTH



The Racial Harmony Commission & Office of Black Catholics is hosting Mass Sun., Feb. 4, 2024, at 1:30 PM, at St. Joseph Cathedral to commemorate Black History Month. Fr. Arockiam encourages parishioners of St. Paul to attend this Mass and make it their

Sunday obligation instead of attending Mass at St. Paul. We will still have our regular scheduled Masses at 7:30 AM & 10:30 AM for those that cannot make it to the celebration. Parishioners attending the Mass at St. Joseph Cathedral can put their offertory envelopes in the collection basket at St. Joseph. Envelopes will be delivered to the various parishes as indicated on the envelopes.

Music will be provided by the Diocesan Gospel Choir, which several of our choir members are a part of. One of St. Paul's youth will also be a reader during Mass.

The guest homilist is Father Gregory C. Chisholm, SJ

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 FEBRUARY 4, 2024

7:30 A.M. MASS

ALTAR SERVERS: Andrea Camberos, Angelle Camberos, Jose' Camberos
 READERS: Ronnice Johnson, Monique Scott-Spaulding
 EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS: Alice Zacharie, Vera Dunbar

10:30 A.M. MASS

ALTAR SERVERS: Xavier Knox, Jackson Williams, Madelyn Williams,
 Bradley Davis, Brayden Davis
 READERS: Dana Sam, Gigi Collin-Mathis
 EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS: Gigi Mathis, Wanda Davis

BLACK HISTORY MASS - ST. JOSEPH CATHEDRAL—1:30 PM

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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A VOCATION VIEW: *Jesus speaks as one having authority so that even the demons must obey. As we celebrate Catholic Schools Week, we see in this same authority passed down to the Church that she might guide us closer to Christ.*



St. Paul Youth Ministry members (Jameer Oliver, Joseph "Joey" Richard, Gavin Camel, Gerrick Camel, and Xavier Knox) at St. Vincent de Paul Dining Room prepping "Bags of Hope," which are given to guests 365 days a year. The youth was accompanied by their former Ministry Director, Mrs. Amanda Skinner, and a parent, Mrs. Darlene Richard. Thank you for your commitment and service.



FINANCE COUNCIL MEETING

Wednesday, March 13, 2024 —6:00 P.M.

PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING

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

LITURGY MEETING

Thursday, February 15, 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.

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.

BIBLE QUIZ ANSWERS

January 14, 2023 Bulletin

Matthew—Chapters 13 & 14 New American Bible (NAB)

Participants: Anna Perry, Andrea Perry, Desiree Spann

(Remember Questions 3 & 9 required 2-part answers)

ANSWERS BELOW:

1. Fruit was produced at a hundred, or sixty or thirtyfold.
2. Jesus said, "Because knowledge of the mysteries of the Kingdom of heaven has been granted to you, but to them it has not been granted... because they look but do not see and hear but do not listen or understand."
3. The one who hears the word of the kingdom without understanding it, & the evil one comes and steals away what was sown in his heart
4. The mustard seed is the smallest of all the seeds, yet when fully grown, it is the largest of plants.
5. The Son of Man sows good seeds.
6. John the Baptist raised from the dead
7. 5 loaves & two fish were provided with leftovers of 12 full baskets.
8. 5,000 men were counted but women & children were not counted.
9. During the 4th watch of the night (footnote: between 3:00-6:00 am)
10. The strong wind frightened him, he began to sink and cried out, "Lord, save me."



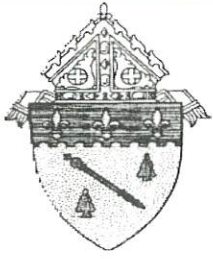
Matthew Chapters 15 & 16—New American Bible (NAB)

The last day to submit answers is Tues., Feb. 6 by 6:00 p.m.

Email answers to: arockiamsvd@gmail.com or drop them in the church office mailbox

1. Jesus accused the Pharisees & scribes of nullifying the word of God for the sake of what belief?
2. Jesus accused the Pharisees and scribes of honoring Him with their lips but not with their what?
3. Jesus said, "It is not what enters one's mouth that defiles that person." What defiles the person according to Jesus?
4. The Canaanite woman repeatedly asked Jesus to have pity on her & to heal her daughter. What was Jesus' reply?
5. 5,000 of Jesus' followers were fed with five loaves and two fish with 12 full baskets left over. In the feeding of 5000 of Jesus' followers, how many fish and loaves were used to feed them and how many fish and loaves were left over?
6. Initially, the Pharisees and Sadducees thought the word "leaven" meant bread. How did Jesus define leaven?
7. Who was Jesus according to Peter?
8. Who revealed that answer to Peter?
9. What did Jesus say to Peter when he rebuked Jesus for saying, He would be killed in three days?
10. When the Son of Man comes with His angels in His Father's glory, how will everyone be repaid?

(Special thank you to Ms. Barbara Haynes and the Bible Study group!)



**The Racial Harmony Commission
and Office of Black Catholics**

is celebrating a Black History Month Mass

February 4, 2024

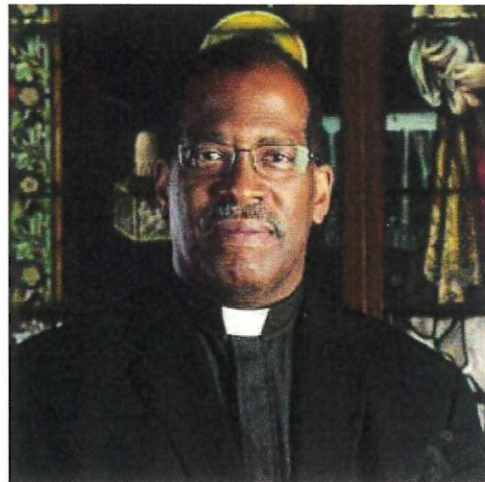
At 1:30 PM

St. Joseph Cathedral Church

**Most Rev. Michael G. Duca J.C.L., D.D.
Bishop of the Diocese of Baton Rouge
the Presider**

Homilist

**Fr. Gregory C. Chisholm, SJ
Rector Loyola Jesuit Community
Baltimore, MD**



Music will be provided by
Diocesan Gospel Choir

This is a celebration to help all realize that the Catholic Church is a homeland for people of all cultural and ethnic traditions. It is a Church of many different faces.
*Come and celebrate with us as we share our gifts and make a joyful noise to the
Lord!*

In Loving Memory

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Wilbert, Phillip,
Opston Jr., Albert &
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Yvonne Warren, &
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Contact Information

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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
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Parish Office Assistant—Christy Hall.....	225-383-2537
Parish Office Secretary—Mary Martin.....	225-383-2537
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Readers (adults)—Paulette Robertson.....	225-937-2293
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