

St. Paul the Apostle Catholic Church

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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

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

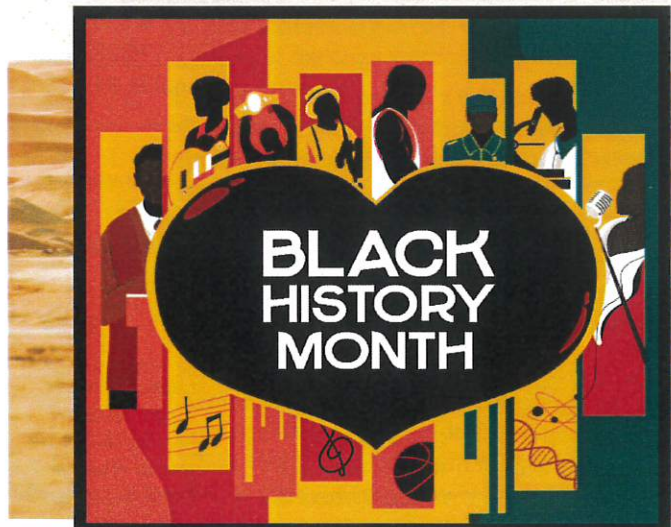
Rudolph Richard Jr.—225-284-7476

FEBRUARY 4, 2024

FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

HE LEFT AND WENT OFF.

MARK 1:35



Sunday Mass Readings

FEBRUARY 4, 2024 & FEBRUARY 11, 2024

Today: Jb 7:1-4,6-7/Ps 147:1-6/1 Cor 9:16-19,22-23/Mk 1:29-39
 Next Sunday: Lv 13:1-2,44-46/Ps 32:1-2,5,11/1 Cor 10:31-11:1/
 Mk 1:40-45



7:30 Mass: St. Paul's Church Community
10:30 Mass: St. Paul's Women's Club
 & Mrs. Denovas Crockett



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

ST. PAUL'S 80 PLUS BIRTHDAY PARTY
 Please return your informational form with photos for the "80 PLUS Souvenir Booklet" by February 14, 2024.

ST. PAUL'S MARDI GRAS DANCE
 Don't miss the Mardi Gras Dance on Friday, Feb. 9, in St. Paul Center from 8:00-12:00 Midnight. Get your tickets today! This is the last day to purchase tickets!

ST. PAUL'S MINISTRIES AND ORGANIZATION
 Has your ministry or organization submitted the dates for using the parish center and church? Father Arockiam must approve all meetings and events.

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#*

OSVHUB.COM/STPAULBR/GIVING/FUNDS
 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.

*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

STATIONS OF THE CROSS & LEADERS
 St. Paul's Stations of the Cross will be on Tuesdays because of our Lenten Fish Fry fundraiser every Friday during the Lenten Season. A sign-up sheet is at the church's main entrance for anyone interested in leading the Stations of the Cross on Tuesdays at 6:00 PM. The first Tuesday we will pray the Stations of the Cross is Feb. 20, 2024.

LARGE ROCKER FROM ST. PAUL'S FAMILY DAY
 In October, the large wooden rocker and table raffle prize was won by Ms. Monique Scott-Spaulding, who graciously donated it to St. Paul. So, beginning Sunday, February 18, we will offer these items in a mini-affle for \$3 per ticket. Tickets may be purchased after each Mass. The drawing for the rocker will be held on March 17 after the 10:30 Mass. All proceeds will be used to offset expenses for the fish fry.

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.*

OFFERTORY—JANUARY 28, 2024
NEW ONLINE GIVING LINK: osvhub.com/stpaulbr/giving/funds

Collection:	\$ 4,344.84
Online Giving:	\$ 1,770.00
Building Fund:	\$ 205.00
Church in Latin America:	\$ 224.00
St. Vincent DePaul:	\$ 40.00
Mass Stipend:	\$ 25.00
Total Offertory	\$ 6,608.84

Thank you for your generosity and sacrifice toward our church. God bless you!
Envelopes Mailed: 264 Envelopes Returned: 73 Online Givers: 32
 (Envelopes mailed to registered members) (Envelopes used for general offering/tithes)
Last Sunday Mass Attendance: 7:30A.M. - 93; 10:30A.M. - 175

HAPPY BIRTHDAY FEBRUARY 4—FEBRUARY 10

Kaelyn Dennis 2/4	Kimberly Davis 2/6	Lunden Scott Jr. 2/7
Veronica Dyson 2/4	Albert Grievous 2/6	Ziyad Allen 2/8
Lloyd Young 2/4	Isaiah Sam 2/6	Laryon James 2/8
J'Alen Grievous 2/5	Marvin Haynes 2/7	Janice Womber 2/8
Mary McCoy 2/5	Joseph Richard 2/7	Carolyn Jenkins 2/9

MINISTERS FOR FEBRUARY 11, 2024

7:30 A.M. MASS

ALTAR SERVERS: Gavin, Camel, Gabriel Camel, Quintin Chenevert
 READERS: Shelia Butler, Gerrick Camel
 EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS: Joanne Dunn, Monique Scott-Spaulding

10:30 A.M. MASS

ALTAR SERVERS: Jacques Parns, Aidan Sam, Kaila Anthony, Kaleigh Garner, Jiselle Anthony
 READERS: 5th Graders—St. Paul's Parish School of Religious Education
 EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS: Christy Hall, Renee Camberos



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.

POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTION—FEBRUARY FOR THE TERMINALLY ILL

We pray that those with a terminal illness, and their families, receive the necessary physical and spiritual care and accompaniment.

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
 or

jjohnson@diobr.org or 225-387-0561

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

A VOCATION VIEW: *Christ raises up, from among our midst, those called to the Consecrated Life so that they might be unique signs of the Kingdom and "to be all things to all people. (1 Cor 9:22)" We pray for those who have left everything to follow Him.*

BRING YOUR LAST YEAR BLESSED PALM



Please remember to 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.

ALTAR FLOWER ARRANGEMENT



Special thank you to St. Paul's Women's Club for today's lovely flower arrangement in front of the altar. Thank you very much, ladies!

FISH FRY MEETING WITH CAPTAINS



All the captains of the various fish fry areas are encouraged to attend a meeting Thursday, February 8, 2024, 6 PM in the parish center.

BLACK GREEK SORORITIES & FRATERNITIES

On Sunday, February 18th all members of the Divine 9 - National Panhellenic Council will turnout at both masses. Each organization will serve in their various church ministries as assigned. If you have any questions, please contact Tasha Anthony at 504-858-1902.



A Special thank you to St. Paul's Church Family & Friends!

It takes a special kind of person to care enough to take the time for others, to do whatever it takes to help somebody out. For everything you have done... for everything you have given... **THANK YOU!**

-St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry Staff

TOGETHER BATON ROUGE



Mark your calendars! The first luncheon of 2023 will be on February 28, at 12:00 p.m. St. Mark United Methodist Church will be our host.



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.

INVITATION FROM BISHOP MICHAEL DUCA



Bishop Duka is inviting all the Knights of Columbus, and their Ladies Auxiliary groups, Knights of Peter Claver and Ladies Auxiliary, and Catholic Daughters in our diocese for a **Day of Prayer, Fellowship and Reflection on Saturday, March 9, 2024, 9AM to 5PM** at Sacred Heart of Jesus Catholic Church (2250 Main St., Baton Rouge, LA). The purpose of the event is to both recognize the dedicated service of these organizations and to encourage them to reflect on their mission and how they can support their pastors, parishes, and dioceses.

Please RSVP at diobr.org/pfr

BLACK HISTORY MONTH



Every February, the U.S. honors the contributions and sacrifices of African Americans who helped shape the nation. Black History Month celebrates the rich cultural heritage, triumphs, and adversities that are an indelible part of our country's history.

This year's theme, Black Health and Wellness, pays homage to medical scholars and healthcare providers. The theme is especially timely as we enter the third year of the COVID-19 pandemic, which has disproportionately affected minority communities and placed unique burdens on Black healthcare professionals.

Carter G. Woodson, the "father of Black history," set out in 1926 to designate a time to promote and educate people about Black history and culture.

St. Paul's Black History Celebration

- February 4: Display at the main entrance of the church
- February 11: Children/Youth present a brief history of local Black pioneers who contributed and made sacrifices for communities & a display of inventions by Blacks
- February 18: "I Have a Dream" speech and St. Paul's members of Black Greek sororities and fraternities will serve as the Readers, Eucharistic Ministers, ushers, and sing in the choir
- February 25: St. Paul's families are encouraged to wear Afrocentric Attire & the Liturgical Dance group performs the routine they performed at the Black Catholic Celebration at St. Gerard

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
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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
- Youth Ministry—Kawayna Ridgely.....225-405-7225
- Youth Readers—Tasha Anthony.....504-858-1902

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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.
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Morris, Kelby, Quintin,
Saniya, Malia, & Lennox**

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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**

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**Doris Key
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