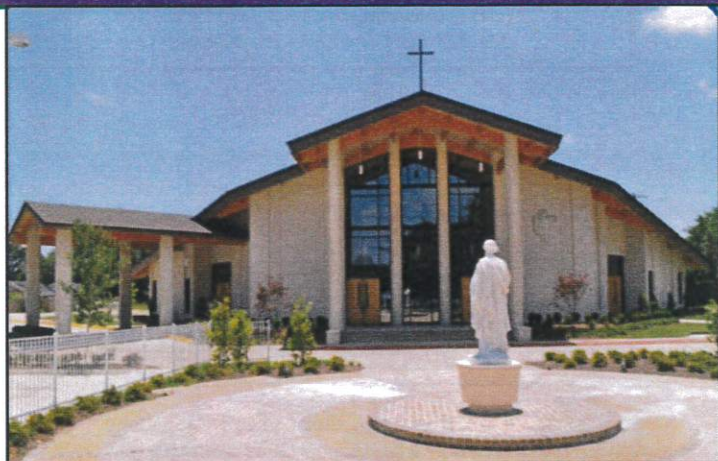


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SUNDAY MASSES

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

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Deacon Benjamin Dunbar Jr.— 225-324-5808

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Kawayna Ridgley —225-405-7225

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FINANCE COUNCIL CHAIRPERSON

Retired Judge Luke Lavergne—225-324-5665

PASTORAL COUNCIL CHAIRPERSON

Rudolph Richard Jr.—225-284-7476

CELEBRATING

**BLACK
HISTORY
MONTH**

**2nd SUNDAY
OF LENT**

Jesus took Peter, James, and John and led them up a high mountain apart by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, and his clothes became dazzling white, such as no fuller on earth could bleach them. - Mk 9:2-3

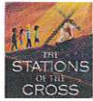
FEBRUARY 25, 2024

Sunday Mass Readings

FEBRUARY 25, 2024 & MARCH 3, 2024

Today: Gn 22:1-2,9-13,15-18/Ps 116:10, 15-19 (116:9)/Rom 8:31-34/ Mk 9:2-10

Next Sunday: Ex 20:1-17 or 20:1-3,7-8,12-17/Ps 19:8 -11 (Jn 6:68)/ 1 Cor 1:22-25/Jn 2:13-25 Scrutiny: Ex 17:3-7/ Ps 95:1-2,6-9 /Rom 5:1-2,5-8/Jn 4:5-42 or 4:5-15,19-26,39,40-42



STATIONS OF THE CROSS –FRIDAYS

St. Paul's Stations of the Cross will resume on **FRIDAYS AT 6:00 PM.**

RAFFLE FOR WOODEN ROCKER—\$3 PER TICKET

Please buy a ticket or two to win the large wooden rocker and table. The drawing is on Sunday, March 17, after the 10:30 Mass. All proceeds will be used to offset expenses for the fish fry.

BLACK HISTORY QUOTE

“Hold fast to dreams, for if dreams die, life is a broken-winged bird that cannot fly.” —Langston Hughes

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.

OFFERTORY—FEBRUARY 18, 2024

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

Collection:	\$ 3,415.57
Online Giving:	\$ 1,956.00
Building Fund:	\$ 20.00
Black & Indian Mission:	\$ 273.50
Church in Eastern Europe:	\$ 5.00
Religious Ed:	\$ 10.00
Ash Wednesday:	\$ 228.00
Total Offertory	\$ 5,908.07

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

Envelopes Mailed: 262 Envelopes Returned: 70 Online Givers: 31
(Envelopes mailed to registered members) (Envelopes used for general offering/tithes)

Last Sunday Mass Attendance: 7:30A.M. - 77; 10:30A.M. - 175



7:30 Mass: St. Paul's Church Community
10:30 Mass: Deceased Members of 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



Next Baptism Class: Thurs., February 22, 2024 —7:00 P.M.

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

Baptism: Sunday, March 10, 2024

(After 10:30 Mass)

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

DAY OF PRAYER, FELLOWSHIP AND REFLECTION



Please RSVP at diobr.org/pfr to attend the Day of Reflection with Bishop Duca and the Knights of Columbus and their Ladies Auxiliary groups, Knights and Ladies of Peter Claver, and the Catholic Daughters on **Saturday, March 9, 2024, from 9:00 AM to 5 PM- Sacred Heart of Jesus Catholic Church.**

HIKING TRIP

All are welcome to join St. Paul's Youth Ministry on a hiking trip at Tunic Hills on Saturday, March 16. A signup sheet is at the main entrance of the church for all who would like to participate. The deadline to sign up is March 3.

OUR NEW DIRECTORY PHOTO SESSIONS



The photo sessions for our new directory will begin on **Thursday, April 4 & Friday, April 5, from 2 PM to 8 PM, and Saturday, April 6, from 10 AM to 2 PM; sign up for your appointment beginning Sunday, March 3, 2024.**

SUPPORT OUR LENTEN FISH FRY



Please support this fundraiser! Buy fish or shrimp plates, promote the Fish Fry, and/or donate to offset the fish fry expenses.

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, Mable King, Elthea LeDuff, Marie Myles, Harry Sills, Louis Simms, Sadie Simms, Martha Spencer, Paul Stewart, Mildred Trask, Irene Warner

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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, Wanda Winchester

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



FEBRUARY 25—MARCH 2



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| Shirley Dawson 2/25 | Lakia James 2/27 | Elthea LeDuff 3/1 |
| Carter Peters 2/25 | Dawson Oliver 2/27 | Murray Chenevert 3/2 |
| John Gradnigo 2/26 | Brayden Davis 2/28 | Stephen Murphy 3/2 |
| Jared Anthony Sr. 2/27 | Larbre Mathis 2/28 | Noah Wiggins 3/2 |

MINISTERS FOR SUNDAY, MARCH 3, 2024

7:30 A.M. MASS

ALTAR SERVERS: Andrea Camberos, Angelle Camberos, Jose' Camberos, Bradley Davis, Brayden Davis

READERS: Darlene St. Roamin, David Robertson

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS: Alice Zacharie, Vera Dunbar

10:30 A.M. MASS

ALTAR SERVERS: Xavier Knox, Madelyn Williams, Jackson Williams, Terrell Carter Jr., Anthony Carter

READERS: Martha Davis, Dorphelia Patterson

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS: Gigi Mathis, Wanda Davis



FINANCE COUNCIL MEETING

Wednesday, March 13, 2024 — 6:00 P.M.

PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING

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



NEXT YOUTH MEETING

March 10, 2024—After 10:30 Mass

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

- ◆ Saturday, March 16, 2024 — Hiking at Tunica Hills—Time Forthcoming
- ◆ Friday, March 29 — Live Stations of the Cross—2:30 PM
- ◆ Sunday, 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.

LENT **2024 LENTEN AND EASTER SCHEDULE**

Stations of the Cross: **FRIDAYS** — Feb. 23, Mar. 1, Mar. 8, Mar. 15, Mar. 22

Holy Thursday—The Lord's Supper: March 28—6:30 PM

Good Friday: Stations of the Cross—2:30 & Service—3:00 PM

Easter Vigil—Holy Saturday: 8:00 PM Mass

Easter Sunday: 9:30 AM Mass (One Mass ONLY)

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: *God calls Abraham to be willing to sacrifice all that is dear to him, even his own son, Isaac. In order to respond to a priestly or religious vocation, the same call to sacrifice is heard. Are you willing?*



PLEASE WELCOME OUR NEWLY BAPTIZED

Charlie Lockett, the daughter of Monica and Joseph Lockett and the granddaughter of Pamela Collins; Blaze O'Conner, the son of Shelbi White and the grandson of Marvin and Michelle Haynes; Ka'Mayla Kemp, Jacob Kemp, Ethan Kemp and Faith Williams, the children of Dawanda Kemp and the nieces and nephews of Christy Hall; Fr. Arockiam baptized them on Sat., Feb. 17.

BIBLE QUIZ ANSWERS

In February 18, 2024 Bulletin

Matthew—Chapters 17 & 18—New American Bible (NAB)

WINNER(S): Darlene Richard, Anna Perry, Paulette Robertson

ANSWERS BELOW

1. His face shone like the sun and His clothes became white as light
2. Moses and Elijah
3. "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased, listen to Him."
4. Faith
5. In the mouth of a fish
6. Whoever humbles himself like a child
7. 99
8. Prayers shall be granted by the heavenly Father
9. Jesus is in the midst of them
10. 77 times

Matthew Chapters 19 & 20—New American Bible (NAB)

The last day to submit answers is March 12 by 6:00 p.m.



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

1. What was Jesus' reply about God joining a man and woman together in marriage?
2. What was Jesus' reply when the Pharisees questioned Him about Moses allowing a bill of divorce? (Sentence with a 2 parts answer)
3. What did Jesus say when the disciples rebuked the blessing of children? (Sentence with a three parts answer)
4. What was the rich young man told to do about entering into (eternal) life?
5. What was the rich young man told to do about living a wish to be perfect? (Sentence with a 3 parts answer)
6. What life event makes it easier for a camel to pass through the eye of a needle?
7. What was the landowner's final statement to the workers in the vineyard when they complained about his payment of equal pay to all workers?
8. What did the mother of the sons of Zebedee (James and John) ask of Jesus?
9. Who did Jesus say would decide as to who would sit next to Him in His kingdom?
10. What was Jesus' purpose in coming to earth if not to be served? (Sentence with a 2 parts answer)

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



A very special thank you to Jameer Oliver for such a heartfelt rendition of Dr. MLK's Speech, "I Have A Dream," and to the members of the Greek fraternities and sororities who served at Mass and worshipped with us and shared info about the Divine Nine National Panhellenic Council.

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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