

# St. Paul the Apostle Catholic Church

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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

## 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



## 21<sup>ST</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Jesus then said to the Twelve, "Do you also want to leave?" Simon Peter answered him, "Master, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. We have come to believe and are convinced that you are the Holy One of God." - Jn 6:67-69

August 25, 2024

**Sunday Mass Readings**

**AUGUST 25, 2024 & SEPTEMBER 1, 2024**

**Today:** Jos 24:1-2 15-8/Ps 34:2-3,16-23/Eph 5:21-32 or 5:2a, 25-32/  
Jn 6:60-69

**Next Sunday:** Dt 4:1-2,6-8/Ps 15:1-5/Jas 2:1-5/Jas 1:17-18,21-22,27/  
Mk 7:1-8,14-15,21-23



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

**10:30 Mass:** Thelma Hickman Stokes, Ann Bajoie St. Cyr

**REGISTER FOR RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASS**



Parents and grandparents, please register your children for St. Paul's Parish School of Religion Education (CCD) today!

*Classes for student and adult formation will begin Sunday, September 15, 2024, at 9:00 AM.*

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

**Adult Formation Class:** Will Resume September 15, 2024

**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#

*Rosary Led by Dr. Doris Hall of the Ladies Auxiliary, Ct. 351*

*In your planning, please consider a designation option of a beneficiary gift to support St. Paul the Apostle Catholic Church.*

**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](https://osvhub.com/stpaulbr/giving/funds) to give.

**OFFERTORY— AUGUST 18, 2024**

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

<b>Collection:</b>	\$ 2,673.00
<b>Online Giving:</b>	\$ 3,015.00
<b>Building Fund:</b>	\$ 625.00
<b>St. Vincent DePaul:</b>	\$ 135.00
<b>Youth Ministry:</b>	\$ 40.00
<b>Assumption:</b>	\$ 50.00
<b>Religious Education:</b>	\$ 70.00
<b>Raffle:</b>	\$ 1,200.00
<b>Mass Stipend:</b>	\$ 10.00
<b>Total Offertory</b>	<b>\$ 7,818.00</b>

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

**Envelopes Mailed: 266 Envelopes Returned: 26 Online Givers: 57**  
(Envelopes mailed to registered members) (Envelopes used for general offering/tithes)

**Last Sunday Mass Attendance:** 7:30A.M. - 90; 10:30A.M. - 143

**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., 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

**ALTAR SERVER TRAINING**



Any child or youth who has celebrated their First Communion and is interested in becoming an Altar Server **AND** all current Altar Servers are encouraged to attend the mandatory Altar Server Training sessions on Saturdays, September 7, 14, and 21, 2024, from 10:30 am to 11:45 in the church of St. Paul. If parents, children, or youth have any questions, please feel free to contact Ms. Christy Hall at 223-7851 or Fr. Arockiam at 337-522-0624.

**"Strength Still Needs Support"**

**EMERGENCY CONTACT**

Suicide & Crisis Lifeline

Call or Text: 988 Chat: <https://988lifeline.org/chat/>

**PRAYER OF DECLARATION**

Lord, in the season when faith is hard, help us to be as bold as Peter who picked you above all others saying, "To whom shall I go? You have the words of eternal life." You're our God. We're yours. There is nowhere else we would rather be.

**CHURCH SICK & HOMEBOUND MEMBERS**



Rose Crockett Carter, Audrey Christopher, Carolyn Christophe, George Cornell, Cheryl Crockett, Denovas Crockett, Charles Davis Jr., Shirley Dawson, Dianna Franklin, Gloria Dunn, Ruther Hall, 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**



Xavier Arockiam, 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, Coogan Ryan, 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.\*\**



**AUGUST 25 – AUGUST 31**



Shirley Bourgeois 8/25	Amber Hunt 8/27	Robert Seals Jr. 8/29
Kirsten Joseph 8/25	Vincent Jeanpierre 8/27	Theodis Wright 8/30
Charlotte Dillon 8/26	Mason Sanders 8/28	Alisha Herbert 8/30
Jacquez Knox 8/26	Erin Anthony 8/29	Gerald Anderson Jr. 8/31
Tonya Stelly 8/26	Perry Ferraro 8/29	Mark A. Hawkins 8/31
Ave Williams 8/26	Rita Johnson 8/29	

**MINISTERS FOR SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 1, 2024***(Ministers serving are asked to be at Mass at least 15 minutes before Mass begins.)***7:30 AM MASS****ALTAR SERVERS:** Jose' Camberos, Bradley Davis, Brayden Davis**READERS:** Carla Lewis, Shelia Butler**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:** Alice Zacharie, Vera Dunbar**10:30 AM MASS****ALTAR SERVERS:** Xavier Knox, Mason Sanders, Terrell Carter Jr.

Anthony Carter

**READERS:** Mary Gloston, Syretta Anthony**AUGUST INTENTION OF POPE FRANCIS****FOR POLITICAL LEADERS**

Let us pray that political leaders be at the service of their own people, working for integral human development and the common good, taking care of those who have lost their jobs, and giving priority to the poor.

**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**

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[jjohnson@diobr.org](mailto:jjohnson@diobr.org) or **225-387-0561**

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

**Vocation View:** "You have the words of eternal life." Could God be calling you to be a vessel of his eternal love and wisdom that guides and inspires others? Follow Him into a life of service to others as a priest or religious brother or sister.

**2024 HURRICANE SEASON**

Please prepare in advance for the 2024 hurricane season!

**[A Prayer to Avert Storms and Hurricanes](#)**

Father, all the elements of nature obey your command.  
Calm the storms and hurricanes that threaten us  
and turn our fear of your power into praise  
of your goodness. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you in the unity  
of the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.

**FR. AROCKIAM AND A FEW OF ST. PAUL'S MEMBER  
AT THE OPENING MASS AND PROCESSION OF THE  
BLESSING OF LOUISIANA & THE MIGHTY RIVER**

**FINANCE COUNCIL MEETING**

Wednesday, October 16, 2024—6:00 PM

**PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING**

Wednesday, September 18, 2024—6:00 PM

**YOUTH MEETING**

Sunday, September 11, 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

**BIBLE QUIZ ANSWERS FOR AUGUST 11-, 2024**

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



**Winners:** Anna Perry & Riley Thomas

**Participants:** Anna Perry & Riley Thomas

[ANSWERS BELOW](#)

1. The chief priests, elders, and scribes
2. Place of the Skull
3. Nine o'clock in the morning and three o'clock in the afternoon
4. "Truly, this man was the Son of God.
5. Joseph of Arimathea, a member of the (Sanhedrin) council  
Bonus: By Jewish custom, the deceased had to be buried before the Sabbath
6. Mary Magdalene, Mary, the mother of James and Salome.  
Bonus: Spices were used to anoint the deceased to mask the stench as the body decayed
7. Mary Magdalene
8. He appeared to two disciples (Bonus: The Gospel of Luke identified Cleopas as one of the disciples. This appearance occurred on the Road to Emmaus.
9. "Go into the whole world and proclaim the gospel to every creature."
10. They will be saved."

**Luke Chapters 1 & 2—New American Bible (NAB)**

Last day to submit answers is Tues., Sept. 3, 2024, by 6:00 pm

Email answers to:

[arockiamsvd@gmail.com](mailto:arockiamsvd@gmail.com) or drop them in the church office mailbox

1. Zechariah and Elizabeth (Parents of John the Baptist) were seen as righteous in the eyes of God. What did they do to be favored by God?
2. Zechariah did not believe the angel Gabriel when he told him that he and Elizabeth would bear a child. How was he punished for his unbelief?
3. Once Elizabeth conceived, what did she say that the Lord had done?
4. The Angel Gabriel told the Virgin Mary about her cousin, Elizabeth's pregnancy in her old age. What did he pronounce as impossible for God?
5. The angel Gabriel told Zechariah to name his son John. What happened to Zechariah when he amazed everyone by naming his son John?
6. Who named Jesus before He was conceived?
7. Jesus was presented in the Temple for circumcision. What did the Holy Spirit reveal to Simeon?
8. Simeon blessed God as he held Jesus. What did he say about the Gentiles and the people of Israel?
9. The prophetess Anna was also present for Jesus' circumcision. What did she say as she gave thanks to God?
10. Every year the Holy Family went to Jerusalem for the Feast of Passover. Jesus remained in the Temple teaching and listening instead of returning home. What did He say to His parent when they found Him three days later?

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



## *Dates and Time:*

*Saturday, September 07, 2024*

*Saturday, September 14, 2024*

*Saturday, September 21, 2024*

*(10:30 a.m. - 11:45 a.m.)*

*All youth that are eligible and is interested in becoming an Altar Server are required to attend all 3 sessions.*

*Any questions please contact Fr. Arockiam, SVD, Pastor*

*Altar Servers Coordinators:*

*Ms. Christy Hall*

*Mrs. Darlene Richard*

*Ms. Tasha Anthony*



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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
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