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

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION—8:00 A.M. TO 11:00 A.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

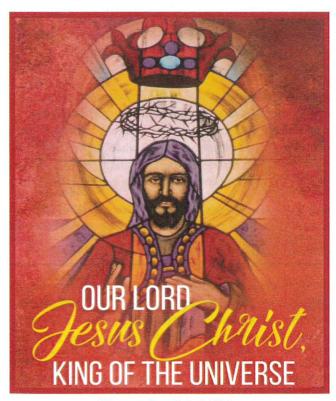
Martha Davis —225-357-4108

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



November 24, 2024

Sunday Mass Readings

NOVEMBER 24, 2024 AND DECEMBER 1, 2024

Today: Dn 7:13-14/Ps 91:1, 1-2, 5 /Rv 1:5-8/Jn 18:33-37 Next Sunday: Jer 33:14-16/Ps 25:4-5,8-10,14 /1 Thes 3:12-4:2/ Lk 21:25-28, 34-36

> "Strength Still Needs Support" **EMERGENCY CONTACT** Suicide & Crisis Lifeline

> > Call or Text: 988

Chat:https://988lifeline.org/chat/

Next Baptism Class: Thurs., Jan. 9, 2024 -7:00 P.M.



Contact: Vera Dunbar—225-324-2939 to register Parents & Godparents MUST attend the class Baptism: Sunday, Nov. 24, 2024 For exception, contact Fr. Arockiam-337-522-0624

CHILDREN/YOUTH PLAY ON CHRISTMAS EVE



St. Paul's children and youth are encouraged to sign up to participate in the Christmas Play on Christmas Eve. The sign-up forms are at both main entrances of the church. The first rehearsal is Monday, November 25, 6:15 PM to 7:30 PM, in the church. The

following rehearsal dates and time are from 6:15 PM to 7:30 PM, on Mondays, December 2, 9, and 16, 2024, and the last practice is on Monday, December 23, 2024, 6:15-7:30 PM. Please plan to attend all rehearsals.

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

FOR CHURCH ENVELOPES TO TITHE



Offering 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. No envelopes are needed if you want to give online; use osvhub.com/stpaulbr/giving/funds to give.

OFFERTORY—NOVEMBER 17, 2024

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

Collection:	\$ 3,389.00
Online Giving:	\$ 3,508.00
Building Fund:	\$ 115.00
Campaign for Human Development:	\$ 160.00
St. Vincent DePaul:	\$ 65.00
All Saints:	\$ 5.00
Christmas:	\$ 6.00
Mass Stipend:	\$ 5.00
Total Offertory	\$ 7,253.00

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

Envelopes Mailed: 269 Envelopes Returned: 61 Online Givers: 32 (Envelopes mailed to registered members) (Envelopes used for general offering/tithes)

Last Sunday Mass Attendance: 7:30A.M. - 90; 10:30A.M. - 137

NOVEMBER 24 NOVEMBER 30



John Nnadi 11/24 Zairey Patterson 11/24 Johnny Rogers Jr.11/24 Yvette Wisham 11/24

Terryl Bowman 11/26 Jada Stanley-Goss 11/26 Sylvia Thomas 11/26 Jacob Kemp 11/28 Mae Ruby Johnson 11/25 Lionette Oliver 11/28

Ivory Brown Sr. 11/29 Donna Dorsey 11/29 Samantha Griffen 11/29 Tyler Christopher 11/30 Juon Collins 11/30 Madelyn Williams 11/30



7:30 AM MASS: George Cornell, Doris Key, Earl Key, Sr., Tony Key, Currie "Rudi" Doyle

10:30 AM MASS: Larry Long, Dave Long, The Long Family, Ervis Malveau, Joseph Malveaux, & Paul Malveaux

Also, in thanksgiving for Dr. John Nnadi on the celebration of his 50th Birthday.

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



ADVENT PENANCE/RECONCILIATION SERVICE



Please mark your calendars to participate in St. ADVENT Paul's annual Advent Penance Service on Wednesday, December 11, 2024. It begins at 5:30 PM with a prayer service. There will be seven priests available for confessions.

PARISH OFFICE CLOSED



St. Paul's Parish Office and the Diocese Catholic Life Center will be closed Thursday and Friday, Nov. 28-29, in observance of the Thanksgiving Holiday. The office will reopen on Mon., Dec. 2, 2024.

MARIAN PILGRIMAGE



Those interested in a pilgrimage to the Marian Shrines of Fatima in Portugal and Lourdes in France and Spain from October 6 through 17, 2025 (12 days) with Fr. Arockiam can pick up a pamphlet from the table at either of the main entrances. Cost of trip \$3,995.00.

PECAN CANDY



The Ladies Sodality's Sweet Shop will sell homemade pecan candy after both Sunday Masses for the next couple of weeks. All proceeds will go to St. Paul. Please support this fundraiser.

CHURCH SICK & HOMEBOUND MEMBERS



Rose Crockett Carter, Audrey Christopher, Carolyn Christophe, Cheryl Crockett, Denovas Crockett, homebound 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, Gregory Harris, 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. **

MINISTERS FOR WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 27, 2024

6:00 PM MASS

ALTAR SERVERS: Gavin Camel, Gabriel Camel READERS: Randy LeDuff, Ronnice Johnson

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS: Alice Zacharie, Christy Hall

MINISTERS FOR SUNDAY, DECEMBER 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: Monique Scott-Spaulding, Evangeline Hughes EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS: Alice Zacharie, Vera Dunbar

10:30 AM MASS

ALTAR SERVERS: Xavier Knox, Austin Wiggins, Noah Wiggins, Sydney Anderson, Gerald Anderson Jr.

READERS: Gigi Mathis, Brandy Williams

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS: Velita Benjamin, Renee Camberos

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

Vocation View: To testify to the truth, this is why Christ came; this is the mission of the priest and religious. Has your life testified to the truth that Christ is King?

FINANCE COUNCIL MEETING

Wednesday, January 15, 2025-6:00 PM

PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING

Wednesday, January 8, 2025-6:00 PM



Sunday, January 12, 2025—After the 10:30 Mass

(Grades 2nd through 12th)

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

ADULT FORMATION CLASS, BIBLE STUDY, & SUNDAY ROSARY

Adult Formation: Sundays at 9:00am (in the Chapel/Cry Room) Bible Study: Wednesdays at 6:00pm Dial 516-387-8633 (No Access Code) Rosary: Sundays at 6:00 pm Dial 701-802 5490, then enter 878800#

THANKSGIVING MASS



Thankging St. Paul will give thanks and celebrate Mass for Thanks-Mass giving on Wednesday, November 27, 2024, at 6:00 PM.

THIS MONTH'S SEASONED AND BLESSED—MR. AND MRS. ELIE AND TILLIE JACKSON



Mr. and Mrs. Elie and Tillie Jackson give God the glory for the great things he has done in their lives. Both were born of humble beginnings, Mrs. Jackson from Brooks, Louisiana, and Mr. Jackson from Ventress, Louisiana, towns near New Roads, Louisiana. Mr. Jackson's parents were primarily farmers, and Mrs. Jackson's mother was a seamstress. They both grew up in commune with the Catholic Church, receiving the Sacraments of Initiation: Baptism, First Communion, and Confirmation.

They moved from the New Roads area to Baton Rouge, attended Sacred Heart Catholic Church, and joined St. Paul when it was established in 1960. Before recent years, they were very active members of St. Paul; both served as Eucharistic Ministers and members of the St. Vincent DePaul Conference at St. Paul. Mr. Jackson over-

saw all the deliveries to St. Paul's Food Pantry for over ten years; he and she were prominent members of St. Paul's Parish Council for years, worked diligently at all the church bazaars/fairs, and even secured a refrigerated truck for a few years to store perishable items during St. Paul's three-day bazaars. Mrs. Jackson served as one of St. Paul's religious teachers when classes were twice a week, Tuesdays and Thursdays. Eventually, Mrs. Jackson was asked to oversee the in-take applications and process for St. Paul's Food Pantry, where she worked for many years. Mrs. Jackson is also a member of the St. Paul Women's Club.

Mrs. Jackson, a retired math teacher, attended St. Peter AME in grades kindergarten through second grade, St. Augustine School in grades three through eight, and moved on to New Roads High School (now known as Rosenwald High School) for her ninth through twelfth-grade schooling. She later enrolled at Southern University in Baton Rouge to pursue a teaching career; she earned her undergraduate degree and continued to obtain her Master's Plus Thirty Graduate Hours and pursued further studies offered by East Baton Rouge teachers for merit pay. She began her teaching career at Greenville Elementary School. Later, she was transferred to Howell Park, a predominantly Caucasian school, because of a court mandate order for East Baton Rouge Parish teachers to desegregate. Mrs. Jackson was among the first Black teachers to teach math at the first Magnet School, Mckinley Middle, in East Baton Rouge School.

Mr. Jackson, a retired Associated Grocer, Inc. employee, attended primary grades in Ventress, Louisiana, and ninth through 12th grades at New Roads High School. After which, he joined the military. After his military discharge, he worked for the telephone company Louis Levy and finally retired from Associated Grocery as a truck driver.

Mr. and Mrs. Jackson knew of each other but had not formally met or shown interest in each other. However, one day, Mrs. Jackson was walking to school when, from the window of the passing train, she caught a glimpse of Mr. Jackson aboard the train returning home from the military. Mrs. Jackson recalled that all she could see from the window was Mr. Jackson's big smile, showing all his teeth as he waved at her. Mr. Jackson sought out a cousin to give Mrs. Jackson the message that he wanted to see her. They met, went on their first date, and married on June 6, 1954.

They had two children, Darlene Jackson St. Romain and John Jackson. Their children blessed them with twin grandsons, Darnell and Darrell St. Romain, accomplished musicians and vocalists for Catholic Churches, and two rising stars as granddaughters, Godis and Loveis Jackson. Recently, Darnell, one of the twins, and his wife Hannah blessed the Jacksons with a daughter, Zadie Clar St. Romain.

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 Donald Coleman Myrtis Coleman**

In Loving Memory Hazel Brent Brown. Leo Brown, Sr., and the Brent, Aldolph, Brown, and Harrison **Families**

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In Loving Memory

Geneva Battley Spooner **Della Battley Rodney** Rosa Lee Johnson



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	
Eucharistic Ministers-Nancy Ball	225-397-4309
Liturgy Committee-Gigi Mathis	225-278-0071
Nurse-Maxine Watts.	
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	
Ushers-Edmonia Joseph.	
Youth Ministry-Kawayna Ridgely	
Youth Readers-Tasha Anthony	
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In Loving Memory

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Edna Mae & Gussie B. Trahan 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.

With Much Love, Audrene, Kobi, Dwight Jr., Lloyd, Morris, Kelby, Quintin, Saniya, Malia, & Lennox

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Milton, Rachel, Lillie, Lillian, J.D. & Verdell, Kirby, James "Pookie" 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 Theodore; Lillian & Forrest Oliver; Tobb, Ida, Johnny Sr. & Jr., Willie, Charles, and Lillian Brown

In Remembrance

Lionel Bazile Sr. **Dorothy Bazile** James Bazile Shelia Bazile

In Loving Memory

Doris Key Earl Key Sr. **Emma Doyle** Currie (Rudi) Doyle Ellis Doyle Sr. **Tony Key**



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