St. Paul the Apostle Catholic Church

Established in July 1960 . Staffed by the Society of the Divine Word (SVD - Divine Word Missionaries)

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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 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



Sunday Mass Readings

SEPTEMBER 1, 2024 & SEPTEMBER 8, 2024

Today: 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

Next Sunday: Is 35:4-7a/Ps 146:7, 8-9, 9-10 (1B)/Jas 2:1-5/Mk 7:31-37



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

"Strength Still Needs Support" **EMERGENCY CONTACT**

Suicide & Crisis Lifeline

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

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 Offering 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

OFFERTORY— AUGUST 25, 2024

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

Building Fund: \$ 1,171.00 St. Vincent DePaul: \$ 56.00 Assumption: \$ 46.00 Youth Ministry: \$ 11.00 Raffle: \$ 1,005.00 Mass Stipend: \$ 15.00 Bulletin Ads: \$ 50.00	Collection:	\$ 3,606.00
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Total Offertory \$ 8,445.00	Bulletin Ads:	\$ 50.00
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Thank you for your generosity and sacrifice toward our church. God bless you!

Envelopes Mailed: 266 Envelopes Returned: 53 Online Givers: 31 (Envelopes mailed to registered members) (Envelopes used for general offering/tithes)

Last Sunday Mass Attendance: 7:30A.M. - 81; 10:30A.M. - 135



SEPTEMBER 1 – SEPTEMBER 7



Sydney Brown 9/1 Violet Jeanpierre 9/1 Luther Lamotte 9/1 James B. Joseph 9/2 Gwendolyn Franklin 9/2

Lunden Scott 9/3 Mechell Franklin 9/4 Rudolph Richard Jr. 9/4 Carolyn Bajoie 9/5 Kelvin Crockett 9/5

Xavier Knox 9/5 Audrika Lathan 9/6 Stacy J. Pedescleaux 9/7



7:30 Mass: Mrs. Helen S. Francis, Mrs. Catherine M. LaVergne Mrs. Julia Turner Johnson

10:30 Mass: 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



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: "Be doers of the word and not hearers only." The reception of the Word of God demands a living response, for the Word is active and alive, spurring us to action.

MEET ST. PAUL'S RELIGION TEACHERS & STAFF



Please join St. Paul's Religious Education Teachers and Staff for a "Meet-and-Greet" on Sunday, September 8, 2024, at 9:45

AM in the Parish Center. This is an opportunity for parents and guardians to meet their child's teacher and learn more about the program. Students are also invited to meet their teachers. Classes begin on September 15th at 9:00 a.m.

REMEMBERING GRANDPARENTS



September 8th is Grandparents' Day! So, next Sunday, Fr. Arockiam warmly encourages grandchildren to attend Mass with their grandparents. Grandparents' Day is a day to show appreciation for the love and support grand-

parents give their families. Pope Francis chose the theme, "Do not cast me off in my old age," a line from Psalm 71 for the 2024 Grandparents' Day.

CHURCH SICK & HOMEBOUND MEMBERS

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

MINISTERS FOR SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 2024

(Ministers serving are asked to be at Mass at least 15 minutes before Mass be-

7:30 AM MASS

ALTAR SERVERS: Quintin Chenevert, Gavin Camel, Gabriel Camel

READERS: David Robertson, Ronnice Johnson

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS: Monique Spaulding, Audrene LeBlanc

10:30 AM MASS

ALTAR SERVERS: Aidan Sam, Jacques Parms, Sydney Anderson, Gerald Anderson Jr.

READERS: Youth of St. Paul the Apostle

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS: Tasha Anthony, Amanda Skinner

OFFICE CLOSED



St. Paul's Parish Office will be closed on Monday, Sept. 2, 2024, in observance of Labor Day.

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. Sign-up sheets are on the table at both entrances of the church. If parents, children, or youth have any questions, please feel free to contact Ms. Christy Hall at 225-223-7851 or Fr. Arockiam at 337-522-0624.

PROSTATE AWARENESS MONTH



On September 8, 2024, Dr. Franklin Harris will speak after each Mass on the importance of annual prostate cancer checkups. Prostate cancer is the most common type of cancer (other than nonmelanoma skin cancer) diagnosed in men in the United States. Furthermore, it's the second leading

cause of cancer deaths in men, after lung cancer, in the United States. There usually are early warning signs for prostate cancer. The growing tumor does not push against anything to cause pain, so for many years, the disease may be silent. That's why screening for prostate cancer is such an important topic for all men and their families.

ATTENTION ST. PAUL YOUTH CHOIR MEMBERS



OMING

Get ready to sing and serve for Jesus on Sunday, September 29, 2024 at 10:30 a.m. Mass. The youth choir will lead us in worship through songs. All youth are asked to join us. Choir rehearsal will be Needed on Saturday, September 14, and September 28, 2024 from 12:00 Noon to 12:45 P.M.

PREPARATION FOR ST. PAUL'S COMMUNITY THANKSGIVING DINNER

Prior to the Covid-19 pandemic in 2020, St. Paul's parishioners came together as a family and

prepared and served meals to parishioners and individuals in the Eden Park Community on Thanksgiving Day. We would like to sponsor the Thanksgiving dinner again this year. Volunteers are needed to chair the event beginning with the planning phase. Anyone interested in chairing or being a member of the committee should contact the parish office at 225-383-2537. Please consider being a part of this very special event. This will brighten Thanksgiving for many that would otherwise spend Thanksgiving day alone.



FINANCE COUNCIL MEETING

Wednesday, October 16, 2024-6:00 PM

PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING

Wednesday, September 18, 2024-6:00 PM



YOUTH MEETING

Sunday, September 8, 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

SEPTEMBER INTENTION OF POPE FRANCIS

For the cry of the Earth

We pray that each one of us will hear and take to heart the cry of the Earth and of victims of natural disasters and climactic change, and that all will undertake to personally care for the world in which we live.

PRAYER FOR LABOR DAY

Dear Lord,

Bless and protect the men and women whose hard work provides food and shelter to them and their families, services to our communities, and care for our world. Be with them as they work, but also as they rest and recreate in Your care. Amen.

INTERESTED IN BECOMING CATHOLIC



If you, a loved one, or someone you know is interested in becoming Catholic, please feel free to reach out to Brother John Hotstream,

Fr. Arockiam, or call the parish office to join the process of the Order of Christian Initiation of Adults.

ADORATION—FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, 2024



Please join us for Eucharistic Adoration on Friday in the chapel. Spend some time in the presence of the Lord! "Every Holy Hour we make so please the Heart of Jesus that it will be recorded in Heaven and retold for all eternity." St. Mother Teresa

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.

22ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

IT'S HUMAN TRADITION TO WIPE YOUR FEET BEFORE GOING INTO YOUR OTHER'S HOUSE.





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,
George Coleman Sr.
Carrie Coleman
M.H. Weathersby
Odelia Weathersby
Donald Coleman

Myrtis Coleman

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

Chenevert
Construction
&
Remodeling

& State Farm

INSURANCE

Leonard Benjamin 225-775-2494

In Loving Memory

Geneva Battley Spooner

Della Battley Rodney

Rosa Lee Johnson



Quick Reference to St. Paul's Pastor, Personnel, Ministries, and Services

225-344-0183

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 (Userby 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.	
Parish Office Secretary-Mary Martin	
Pastor-Fr. Arockiam Arockiam	
Readers (adults)-Paulette Robertson	225-937-2293
Religious Education Director (DRE) - Martha Davis	
Ushers-Edmonia Joseph.	225-772-2090
Youth Ministry-Kawayna Ridgely	225-405-7225
Youth Readers-Tasha Anthony.	504-858-1902
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Remembering

Famye Reed and the Reed, Stewart, Davis, and Grainger Families

In Loving Memory

Gussie A. Trahan

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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In Loving Memory

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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