

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 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 Fr. Arockiam Arockiam
225-383-2537

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.— 225-324-2939

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

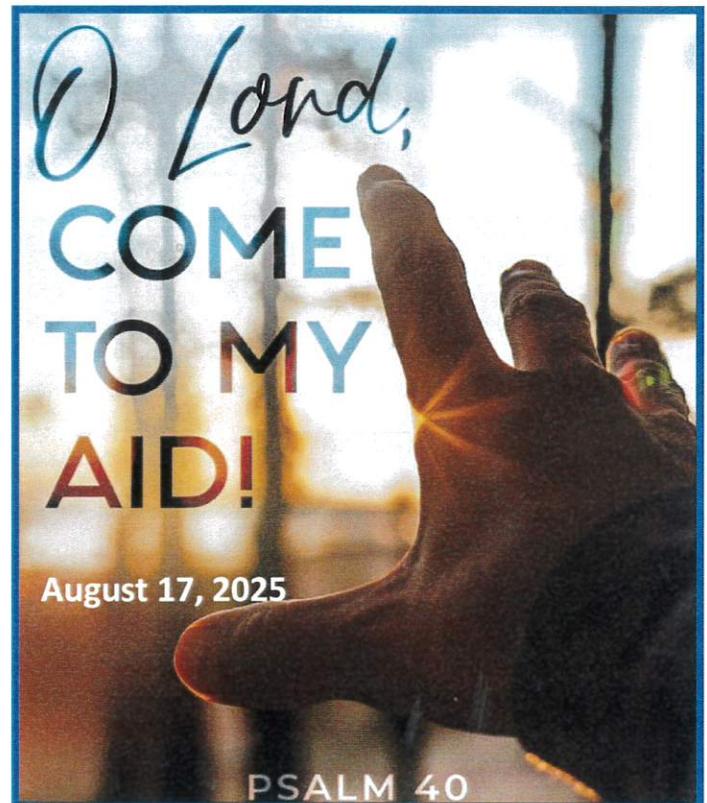
Maxine Watts —225-278-6732

FINANCE COUNCIL CHAIRPERSON

Retired Judge Luke Lavergne—225-324-5665

PASTORAL COUNCIL CHAIRPERSON

Rudolph Richard Jr.—225-284-7476



Our Sunday Readings

AUGUST 17, 2025 AND AUGUST 24, 2025

Today: Jer 38:4-6,8-10/Ps 40:2-4,18 /Heb 12:1-4/Lk 12:49-53

Next Sunday: Is 66:18-21/Ps117:1-2 (Mk 16:15)/Heb 12:5-7,11-13/Lk 13:22-30



7:30 AM MASS: Dwight LeBlanc, Sr.
St. Paul's Church Community

10:30 AM MASS: Gordon Davis



MAY THEY REST IN PEACE

Our deepest sympathy is extended to the Jackson family at the recent passing of Ms. Joyce Jackson, and Mrs. Lillie Jackson that passed in July, sisters of Ms. Betty Jackson and Mr. Carleton Jackson, and sisters-in-law of Mrs. Paula Jackson. Also, to the Clark family at the passing of Ms. Madgalene Clark.

May their souls and all the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

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




YOUTH CHOIR REHEARSAL

Parents and parishioners, please welcome and encourage our youth to participate in St. Paul's Youth Choir as they lead us in praise and worship on Sunday, August 31st at 10:30 a.m. Mass. The youth choir will have rehearsal on Saturdays, August 23 & 30, 2025, from 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. If you have questions, please contact Ms. Belinda Carney at 225-223-8783.

Next Baptism Class
Thursday, October 9, 2025 —7 p.m.
Contact: Vera Dunbar—225-324-2939
Parents & Godparents MUST attend the class

Next Baptism
Sunday, August 24, 2025 after the 10:30 Mass
For exception, contact Fr. Arockiam-337-522-0624

ADULT FORMATION, BIBLE STUDIES, & ROSARY

Adult Formation: **Will Resume in September 2025**

Rosary: **Sundays at 6:00 p.m.**

Dial 701-802 5490, then enter 878800#

SVD Bible Corner with Fr. Leon, SVD: **Mondays 6:00 p.m.**

Zoom ID: 836-4516 5259 (Pass Code: Bible)

St. Paul's Bible Study: **Wednesdays at 6:00pm**

Dial 805-706-5350 (No Access Code)

UPCOMING PARISH MEETINGS, EVENTS, ACTIVITIES AND CLASSES

- August 24** Religious Education Registration Begins
- August 29:** Bingo Night
Doors open at 6:00 p.m. & Games begin at 7:00 p.m.
- August 30:** St. Paul's Youth Ministry—Back to School Bash
- September 5:** Bingo Night
Doors open at 6:00 p.m. & Games begin at 7:00 p.m.
- September 7:** Grandparents' Day
Children and youth present flowers at Both Masses
- September 7:** Speaker at Both Masses for Prostate Awareness Month
- September 14:** Religious Education Meet & Greet 9:45 a.m.—Center
- September 16:** Liturgy Meeting at 6:00 p.m.—Parish Center
- September 19:** Bingo Night
Doors open at 6:00 p.m. & Games begin at 7:00 p.m.
- September 21:** Religious Education Classes begin—9:00 a.m.—Center
- October 3:** Bingo Night
Doors open at 6:00 p.m. & Games begin at 7:00 p.m.
- October 5:** Annual Raffle Drawings after 10:30 a.m. Mass

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

OFFERTORY— AUGUST 10, 2025

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

Collection:	\$ 3,857.00
Online Giving:	\$ 23,694.00
Building Fund:	\$ 125.00
St. Vincent DePaul:	\$ 72.00
Youth Ministry:	\$ 157.00
Bulletin Ad:	\$ 50.00
Raffle:	\$ 200.00
Total Offertory	\$ 28,155.00

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

Envelopes Mailed: 240 Envelopes Returned: 52 Online Givers: 35
(Envelopes mailed to registered members) (Envelopes used for general offering/tithes)

Last Sunday Mass Attendance: 7:30A.M. - 86; 10:30A.M. - 124

CHURCH SICK & HOMEBOUND MEMBERS



Lionel Bazile Jr., Rose Crockett Carter, Carolyn Christophe, Cheryl Crockett, Shirley Dawson, Almeasey Foster, Dianna Franklin, Ruth Hall, Barbara Haynes, James Hayward, Brenda Hickman, Carolyn Jenkins, Augustine Kador, Mable King, Elthea LeDuff, Marie Myles, Dorphelia Guillory-Patterson, Harry Sills, Sadie Simms, Martha Spencer, F.L. Stewart, Paul Stewart, Curtell Thibodeaux, Mildred Trask, Irene Warner

SICK FAMILY MEMBERS AND FRIENDS



Xavier Arockiam, Charles Bethley, Barbara Brennan, Cirsten Brown, Ernie Butitta, Dorothy Celestine, Helen Celestine, Ardell Christophe, Alberta Conner, Melba Daniels, Richard Dillon, Ronnie Gauthier, Anthony Grand, Marcus Guice, Sonya E. Hall, Gregory Harris, Lionel Hayes, Florence Jackson, James Pace, Allen Paschal, Martha Reinhart, Joel Rivera, Coogan Ryan, Willie Salton Sr., 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.***



Rosie Lollis 8/17	Betty Stalbert 8/19	Taneisha Montegut 8/21
Ruby Patterson 8/17	Tina Baudy 8/20	Kingslee Vinson 8/21
Nina Ball Miles 8/18	Roshaun Boutie 8/20	Gerrick Camel Jr. 8/22
Carla Lewis 8/18	Jayce James 8/21	Cary Champagne 8/22
Carolyn Paul 8/18	Amare Jones 8/21	M. Nancy Rogers 8/23
Noah Perry 8/18	Angela Jones 8/21	
Raymond Rodney Jr. 8/19	Lille Joseph 8/21	

MINISTERS—SUNDAY, AUGUST 24, 2025

(Ministers serving are asked to be in church at least 15 minutes before Mass begins.)

7:30 AM MASS

ALTAR SERVERS: Bradley Davis, Brayden Davis

READERS: Mary Gloston, Barbara Cornell

EUCARISTIC MINISTERS: Alice Zacharie, Paulette Robertson,
Audrene LeBlanc, David Robertson

10:30 AM MASS

ALTAR SERVERS: Terrell Carter Jr., Anthony Carter,
Jacques Parns, Aidan Sam

READERS: Syretta Anthony, Joanna Boyd

EUCARISTIC MINISTERS: Christy Hall, Renee Camberos,
Nancy Ball, Anna Perry



FINANCE COUNCIL MEETING

Wednesday, October 22, 2025—6:00 PM

PASTORAL COUNCIL

Wednesday, September 17, 2025—6:00 PM



YOUTH MEETING

September 14, 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

A MESSAGE FROM OUR PASTOR



Dear Members and Friends,

I want to take this opportunity to thank you for your support of St. Paul the Apostle and to remind you of the ongoing need for your prayers and contributions of your time, talent, and treasure. Your continued support is vital as we work to renovate our parish center and fulfill our mission of spreading God's love and grace.

We began distributing our annual raffle books on July 27, which serve as our largest fall fundraiser. The raffle books can be picked up after Sunday Masses or from the parish office. Along with St. Paul's Raffle Team, I encourage each family to participate in our annual raffle fundraiser by picking up, selling, or buying a raffle book worth \$100, or donating \$100.00. Additionally, I invite you to support our Friday Bingo Game Nights in the center, where we gather for fun and fellowship, as well as our upcoming bus trip outing.

Although it may seem like many fundraising efforts are happening simultaneously, I want to emphasize the importance of our renovation goal and the need to continue giving your tithes and offerings. As it says in Proverbs 11:25, "Whoever brings blessing will be enriched, and one who waters will himself be watered." This reflects the commitment and sacrifices made by our founding members, ancestors, and current members who have contributed to the continued growth of St. Paul the Apostle over the last 65 years.

Thank you for being a part of and involved in our church community and for your support.

Fr. Arockiam Arockiam, SVD

NEXT BINGO NIGHT AT ST. PAUL

Friday, August 29, 2025

St. Paul's Center

Doors will open at 6:00 p.m.

Games will start at 7:00 p.m.



ST. PAUL'S YOUTH MINISTRY



Saturday, August 30, 2025—2:00 P.M. to 6:00 P.M.

ATTENDANCE/PARTICIPATION REQUIREMENT:

*Active Participation at the 7:30 or 10:30 Masses on
Sunday, August 31, 2025*

ST. PAUL'S YOUTH ONLY

Dudley's Residence
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*Devotion, Reflection, Games, Pool, Lifeguards
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A GREAT TASTE FEST—THANK YOU!

The St. Paul Ladies Guild's Annual Taste Fest was well attended and enjoyed by all. The afternoon was filled with smiles, featuring nice door prizes, good music, and great food. The members of the Ladies Guild wish to thank all of St. Paul's parishioners and their many friends for their support and presence.



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

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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—Rev. Arockiam Arockiam.....	225-383-2537
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.
With Much Love,
Audrene, Kobi,
Dwight Jr., Lloyd,
Morris, Kelby, Quintin,
Saniya, Malia, & Lennox

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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

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

In Loving Memory

of
**Doris Key
Earl Key Sr.
Emma Doyle
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