

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.— 225-324-5808

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

Randolph Le Duff—225-978-9256

3rd Sunday of Easter

April 19, 2026

RAISED



“The Lord has truly
been raised!”

LUKE 24:34

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF APRIL 19, 2026

Sun.: Acts 2:14,22-33/Ps 16:1-2,5,7-11/1 Pt 1:17-21/Lk 24:13-35
 Mon.: Acts 6:8-15/Ps 119:23-24, 26-27,29-30/Jn 6:22-29
 Tues.: Acts 7:51-8:1/ Ps 31:3-4,6-8,17,21/Jn 6:30-35
 Wed.: Acts 8:1-8/ Ps 66:1-7/Jn 6:35-40
 Thurs.: Acts 8:26-40/ Ps 66:8-9,16-17, 20/Jn 6:44-51
 Fri.: Acts 9:1-20/ Ps 117:1-2/Jn 6:52-59
 Sat.: 1 Pt 5:5-14/ Ps 89:2-3,6-7,16-17/Mk 16:15-20
 Sun: Acts 2:14,36-41/Ps 23:1-6/1 Pt 2:20-25/Jn 10:1-10



7:30 AM MASS: In Honor of Sharon St. Romain and St. Paul's Church Community

10:30 AM MASS: In Memory of Paul Broussard, Jax Albert, and Vera Mathis, and In Honor of St. Paul's First Communion Students

ADULT FORMATION, BIBLE STUDIES, & ROSARY

Adult Formation: **Sundays at 9:00 a.m. in the chapel**

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 805-706-3350 (No Access Code)

NEXT BAPTISM CLASS: MAY 14, 2026

Parents & godparents **MUST** attend the class
 Call Vera Dunbar @ 225-324-2939

NEXT BAPTISM: May 31, 2026

For exceptions, call Fr. Arockiam @ 337-522-0624

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

FOR CHURCH ENVELOPES TO TITHE/GIVE

Offering Envelopes If you are a registered member of St. Paul and **not** receiving contribution envelopes in the mail to give or send your 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 online.



Give online via cell phone with our QR Code

OFFERTORY—APRIL 12, 2026

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

Collection:	\$ 2,777.60
Online Giving:	\$ 2,797.00
Building Fund:	\$ 2,450.00
Mass Stipend:	\$ 10.00
Easter Flowers:	\$ 25.00
St. Vincent DePaul:	\$ 140.00
Total Offertory	\$ 8,199.60

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

Envelopes Mailed: 241 Envelopes Returned: 57 Online Givers: 33
(Envelopes mailed to registered members) (Envelopes used for general offering/tithes)

Last Sunday Mass Attendance: 7:30A.M. - 74; 10:30A.M. - 181



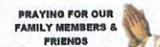
St. Paul's new Parish Pastoral Council Members were installed at 10:30 a.m. Mass on Sunday, April 12, 2026 by Fr. Arockiam. Front Row: Anthony Dyson, Shedrick Crockett, Kawayna Ridgley, TaRhonda Chube, Secretary, and Randolph Le Duff, Chairperson. Rear Row: Renee Camberos, Sonja Christophe, Henry Byrd, and Pamela Claiborne, Vice Chairperson.

CHURCH SICK & HOMEBOUND MEMBERS



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

SICK FAMILY MEMBERS AND FRIENDS



Xavier Arockiam, Claire Bahlinger, Charles Bethley, Barbara Brennan, Cirsten Brown, Ernie Butitta, Dorothy Celestine, Helen Celestine, Cynthia Chambers, 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, Jenna Scott, Dana Simoneaux, Connie St. Romain, Stephanie Stewart, Calvin Thomas III, Walker Williams, Wanda Winchester



APRIL 19—APRIL 25, 2026



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| Sharon St. Romain 4/19 | Kaleigh Garner 4/22 | Gigi Mathis 4/24 |
| Albertha Varmall 4/19 | Ethan Huggins 4/22 | Angela Tubbs 4/24 |
| Ethan Watson 4/19 | Gloria Olivarez 4/22 | Nyah Johnson 4/25 |
| Dana Guillory Sam 4/20 | Kendrick Paul 4/22 | Destiny Jones 4/25 |
| Debra McGhee 4/20 | Mia Trench 4/22 | Aiden Givens 4/25 |
| Leona Scott 4/20 | LaDonna Battiste 4/23 | |
| Almeasey Foster 4/22 | Vernal George 4/23 | |



MINISTERS—SUNDAY, APRIL 26, 2026

7:30 AM MASS

ALTAR SERVERS: Gavin Camel, Gabriel Camel
READERS: Ronnice Johnson, Monique Spaulding
EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS: Alice Zachaire, Paulette Robertson, Audrene LeBlanc, David Robertson

10:30 AM MASS

ALTAR SERVERS: Mason Sanders, Rylee Sanders, Ava Huggins
READERS: Gigi Mathis, Terrell Carter
EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS: Christy Hall, Renee Camberos, Nancy Ball, Anna Perry

UPCOMING PARISH MEETINGS, EVENTS, ACTIVITIES AND CLASSES

- April 19:** 10:30 a.m. Mass - First Holy Communion
- April 20:** Laundromat/Center Renovation Begins
- April 22:** 6:00 p.m. Finance Council Meeting
- April 23:** 6:00 p.m. Parish Pastoral Council Workshop with Fr. Joshua Johnson
- May 2:** 12:00 p.m. Rosary lead by St. Paul's Ladies Sodality
- June 10:** 6:00 p.m. Parish Pastoral Council Meeting



Dear Parishioners,

I will be leaving for India on Sunday, April 26, 2026 and will return on May 29th. Please keep me in your prayers. If there are any sacramental needs, please contact the parish office at 225-383-2537 and a priest will be available. As in the past, I am confident the parish will run smoothly during my absence. Renovations will be going on in the center, and former Laundromat during my absence. Individuals have been assigned to oversee the work being conducted in the parish. If you have any concerns or issues during my absence, please contact the parish office.

Fr. Arockiam, SVD

2024 FIRST HOLY COMMUNICANTS



Fr. Arockiam

Let us join in prayer and celebrate with Fr. Arockiam as the following children receive the Sacrament of First Holy Eucharist today: *Eddie Brown, Danielle Byrd, Emani Joseph, Cooper Raby, Islyn Sam, and Alex Watson.*

JOIN US IN PRAYING THE ROSARY



St. Paul's Ladies Sodality invites you to join them on Saturday, May 2, 2026 at 12 noon in the church to pray the Rosary for our sick and homebound parishioners. This is also one of the many special devotions to Our Blessed Mother during May, which is known as "The Month of Mary". Please join us for this spirit filled event.

CAST YOUR VOTE AND LET YOUR VOICE BE HEARD



Election will be held in East Baton Rouge Parish on May, 16, 2026. Early voting is May 2-9 except for Sunday, May 3rd. *Reasons why you should vote:*

Voting impacts the future, Voting rights are threatened, Voting is important in a representative government, Voting holds politicians accountable, Voting has local impacts, Voting helps you stay informed, Voting impacts international relations, The US is in danger, Democracy is at stake, Climate change, Reproductive rights, Immigration, LGBTQ+ rights, and others.



TEEN BIBLE QUIZ ANSWERS FROM APRIL 12, 2026

Genesis—The Beginning: Way Back When it all Started
 Participants: Ethan Kemp, and Jude Troullier
 Winner: Jude Troullier

Answers Below:

1. True
2. False
3. False
4. True
5. False



Please Use Your Bible to Find The Answers

Last day to submit answers is Wednesday, April 22, 2026, by 6:00 pm

Email answers to: stpaulbr@aol.com or drop them in the office mailbox

Fill in the Blank:

1. God told Noah to build the ark out of _____ wood.
2. Noah sent out _____ to see if the water had gone down.
3. The names of Noah's sons were _____.
4. Before God intervened, everyone building the Tower of Babel spoke the same _____.
5. Because of the tower, God scattered people all over the face of the _____.



The Knights of Peter Claver Ladies Auxiliary Court 351, along with St. Paul Junior Daughters Court 351 turned out at the 10:30 a.m. Mass on April 12, 2026, Divine Mercy Sunday (Low Sunday).



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

of
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**

LOCAL PHYSICIANS & MEMBERS OF ST. PAUL

Dr. Kimberly Stewart Davis, MD—Neonatal-Perinatal Pediatrician
Dr. Gregory Garner, MD—Family Medicine
Dr. Sharnette Miles, DPM—Podiatry
Dr. John Nnadi, MD—Infectious Disease Internist
Dr. Stacy Jones-Pedescleaux, MD—Family Medicine

In Loving Memory

Roosevelt Bowers, Joseph "Buddy" Walker, Oscar LeDuff Jr., Elizabeth & Frank P. Bowers, Carrie & Douglas Rodney Sr., Clara & Willis Walker, Sarah Rodney Domino & Wilbert Domino Sr., Freddie Bowers, Ora Bowers Ward, Sybil Thomas Johnson, & Maureen Bowers Johnson

Quick Reference to a Few of St. Paul's Ministries and Services

Contact Information

Altar Servers—Christy Hall/Darlene Richard/Tasha Anthony.....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
Readers (adults)—Paulette Robertson.....225-937-2293
Ushers—Rudolph Richard Jr.....225-284-7476

Remembering

Famye Reed and the Reed, Stewart, Davis, and Granger 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
J. Whitney Rodney

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

of
Lionel Bazile Sr. Dorothy Bazile James Bazile Shelia Bazile

In Loving Memory
of

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



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