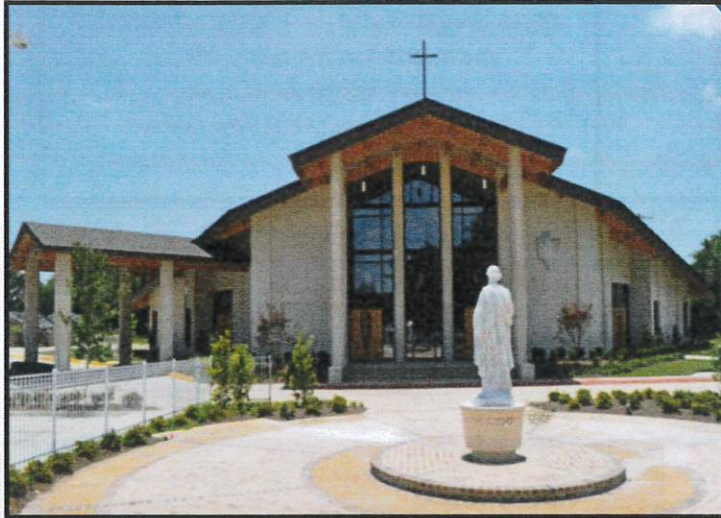


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SUNDAY MASSES
7:30 A.M. & 10:30 A.M.

WEEKDAY MORNING MASS—TO BE ANNOUNCED
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
337-522-0624

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

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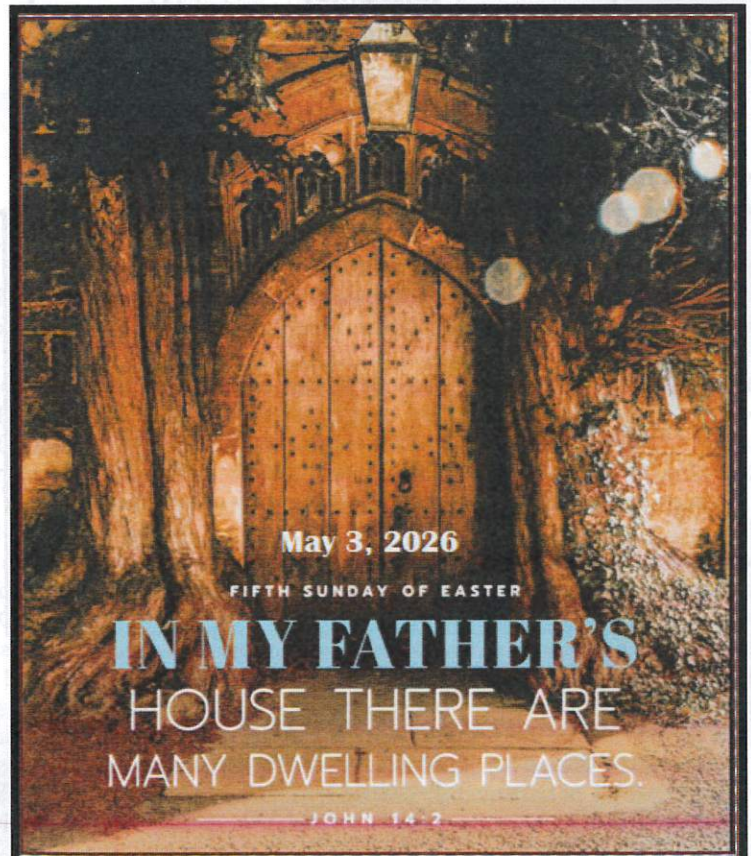
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May 3, 2026

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

IN MY FATHER'S
HOUSE THERE ARE
MANY DWELLING PLACES.

JOHN 14:2

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF MAY 3, 2026

Sun.: Acts 6:1-7/Ps 33:1-2, 4-5,18-19/1 Pt 2:4-9/Jn 14:1-12
Mon.: Acts 14:5-18/ Ps 115:1-4,15-16/Jn 14:21-26
Tues.: Acts 14:19-28/Ps 145:10-13, 21/Jn 14:27-31
Wed.: Acts 15:1-6/Ps 122:1-5/Jn 15:1-8
Thurs.: Acts 15:7-21/ Ps 96:1-3,10/Jn 15:9-11
Fri.: Acts 15:22-31/Ps 57:8-10,12/Jn 15:12-17
Sat.: Acts 16:1-10/ Ps 100:1-3,5/Jn 15:18-21
Sun.: Acts 8:5-8,14-17/Ps 66:1-7,16,20/1 Pt 3:15-18/Jn 14:15-21

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

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 805-706-5350 (No Access Code)

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 26, 2026

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

Collection:	\$ 1,829.00
Online Giving:	\$ 3,647.00
Building Fund:	\$ 1,655.00
Catholic Home Missions:	\$ 242.00
St. Vincent DePaul:	\$ 20.00
Total Offertory	\$ 7,383.00

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

Envelopes Mailed: 241 Envelopes Returned: 43 Online Givers: 33
(Envelopes mailed to registered members) (Envelopes used for general offering/tithes)

Last Sunday Mass Attendance: 7:30A.M. - 84; 10:30A.M. - 149



MAY 3—MAY 9, 2026



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| DeAnna Perry 5/3 | Shelita Woods 5/7 | Chinedu Nnadi 5/9 |
| Aidan Sam 5/3 | Patrick J. Clay 5/8 | Devin Pedescleaux 5/9 |
| Jaiden Parker 5/6 | Allura Guilbeau 5/8 | Giselle Battley 5/9 |
| Judge Luke LaVergne 5/7 | Myrtis Rogers 5/8 | |



7:30 AM MASS: In Memory of Jason Todd "Peanut" Jones, Arleta Bernard Nelson, Edgar Michael Jackson, Lillian Johnson Earl, Corey Dolliole, Sr., and Tyronne Dolliole

10:30 AM 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: The Parish Office 225-383-2537 or stpaulbr@aol.com

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. Arockian @ 337-522-0624

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 National Black Catholic Men's Conference
 Birmingham, Alabama
 October 15th - 18th 2026

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Fr. Chester P. Smith National Black Catholic Men's Conference Oct2026 - Start Your Reservation

To register, go to the Bowman-Francis Ministry website at: www.bowmanfrancis.org

CHURCH SICK & HOMEBOUND MEMBERS



For Our Sick and 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



PRAYING FOR OUR FAMILY MEMBERS & FRIENDS

Xavier Arockian, 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, Gertrude Tolliver, Walker Williams, Wanda Winchester

If any names need to be removed from the lists, please call the parish office.



MINISTERS—SUNDAY, MAY 10, 2026

7:30 AM MASS

ALTAR SERVERS: Gabriel Camel, Jaden Goss

READERS: Gavin Camel, Damoni Goss, Saija Johnson

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS: Monique Spaulding, Alice Zacharie, Audrene LeBlanc, David Robertson

10:30 AM MASS

ALTAR SERVERS: Sydney Anderson, Gerald Anderson, Austin Wiggins, Noah Wiggins

READERS: Confirmation Class

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS: Tasha Anthony, Amanda Skinner, Anna Perry, Renee Camberos

UPCOMING PARISH MEETINGS, EVENTS, ACTIVITIES AND CLASSES

- May 10:** 7:30 a.m. & 10:30 a.m. May Crowning
- June 10:** 6:00 p.m. Parish Pastoral Council Meeting
- July 22:** 6:00 p.m. Finance Council Meeting



TEEN BIBLE QUIZ ANSWERS FROM APRIL 26, 2026
Genesis—The Beginning: Way Back When it all Started
Participant: Terrell Carter, Jr.

Answers Below:

- 1. God
- 2. To make a name for themselves and reach Heaven
- 3. 600
- 4. Genesis

A PRAYER FOR LEADERS TO CHOOSE PEACE

Almighty God, I lift those in power who make decisions about war and peace. Grant them discernment and courage to reject violence and embrace dialogue. Let their hearts be filled with mercy and justice, so they may lead their nations away from destruction and towards harmony. May their decisions reflect Your will for unity and not division. Amen.

EARLY VOTE THROUGH MAY 9, 2026



Remember to cast your vote in the upcoming election. Election will be held in East Baton Rouge Parish on **Saturday, May 16, 2026 from 7:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m.** If you choose to vote early, you can cast your vote through Friday, May 9, 2026.

In the Catholic tradition, responsible citizenship is a virtue, and participation in public life is an important duty. The Church does not tell Catholics for whom to vote. Rather, the Church helps us form our consciences in light of the Gospel and Catholic social teaching. A well-formed conscience is shaped by prayer, scripture, the teachings of the Church, and careful attention to the realities affecting our neighbors and communities.

“Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you.” - Ephesians 4:32



Please Use Your Bible to Find The Answers

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

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

1. God made an incredible promise to Abraham (original name Abram), saying his family would grow to be as many as what?
 - a) The number of trees in the forest
 - b) The grains of sand on a beach
 - c) The stars in the sky
2. What was the seemingly impossible thing that God promised Abraham and Sarah when they were already old?
 - a) They would become king and queen.
 - b) They would travel to every corner of the world.
 - c) They would have a child.
3. What was the name of the son born to Abraham and Sarah in their old age?
 - a) Ishmael
 - b) Isaac
 - c) Jacob
 - d) Joseph
4. God tested Abraham’s faith with a really tough request. What was he asked to do with Isaac?
 - a) Send him away.
 - b) Offer him as a sacrifice.
 - c) Make him work on the family farm.
5. Jacob had a famous dream about a stairway (or ladder) reaching up to heaven. What was happening on it?
 - a) Angels were sliding down it.
 - b) People were climbing up.
 - c) Angels were going up and down it.

ST. PAUL SALUTES MS. DELORES PRICE



Rooted in faith, family, and service, Delores Betts Price has spent her life devoted to her church communities and the people around her. A proud native of Scotlandville, Louisiana and the ninth of twelve children, she grew up in an environment rich in strong values, deep faith, and a commitment to helping others, these principles have guided her throughout her life.

Delores spiritual journey in several church homes have shaped and strengthened her walk with God. She began at Little Zion Baptist Church and Greater Mount Carmel Baptist Church and later converting to Catholicism at Immaculate Conception Catholic Church and later has been a faithful member of St. Paul the Apostle Catholic Church for over fifty years. Across these religious communities, she has served with dedication and joy, always finding ways to support others and strengthen parish life.

Delores’ St. Paul involvement spans a wide range of ministries and organizations. She is currently a devoted member of the 10:30 Choir and serves with the Knights of Peter Claver, Ladies Auxiliary Court #351 (Third Degree), as well as the Fourth Degree Ladies of Grace, Constance Butler Chapter 9. Over the years, she has also shared her time and leadership to Adult Faith Formation, the Women’s Club, Youth Ministry, St. Vincent de Paul, the Bereavement Ministry, and as a Junior Daughters Counselor.

Education has always been a cornerstone of Delores’ life. A graduate of Scotlandville High School, she went on to earn both a Bachelor of Science in Elementary Education and a Master of Science degree from Southern University and A&M College, along with an additional 30 hours of graduate-level coursework. Her passion for learning and mentoring others was reflected in her thirty years as an educator in the East Baton Rouge Parish School System and continued service as an external accessor of educators as well as charter school support staff.

Delores treasures her family. She is the mother of Joseph Christopher and John Price and the grandmother of Nigel and Sajada Williams; cherishing moments spent with them. She also enjoys watching and traveling with Southern University Football, participating in St. Peter Claver activities, staying active at the YMCA, and meaningful time with her friends.

In Loving Memory
**Opston, Dorcenia,
 Wilbert, Phillip,
 Opston Jr., Albert &
 Jerome Guillory;
 CB, Ruth, & Tia Davis;
 Catherine Williams,
 Yvonne Warren, &
 Marcus Montigue**

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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

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

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

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 F.L. Stewart
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 Reed, Stewart,
 Davis, and Granger
 Families**

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