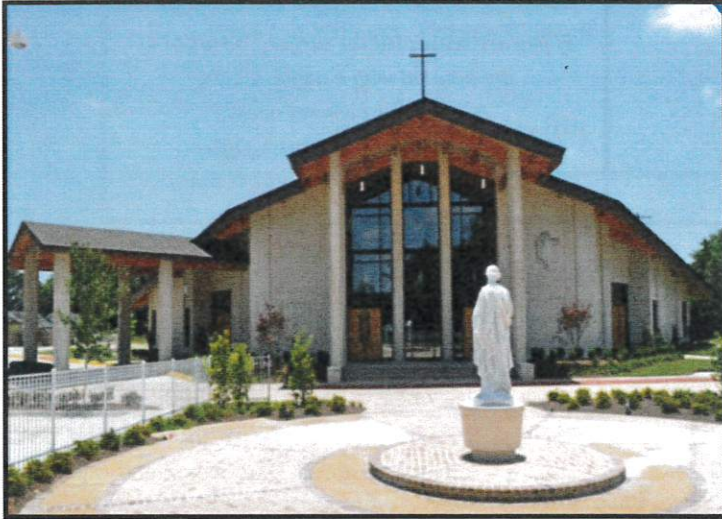


# St. Paul the Apostle Catholic Church

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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**

## 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**

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**Martha Davis—225-357-4108**

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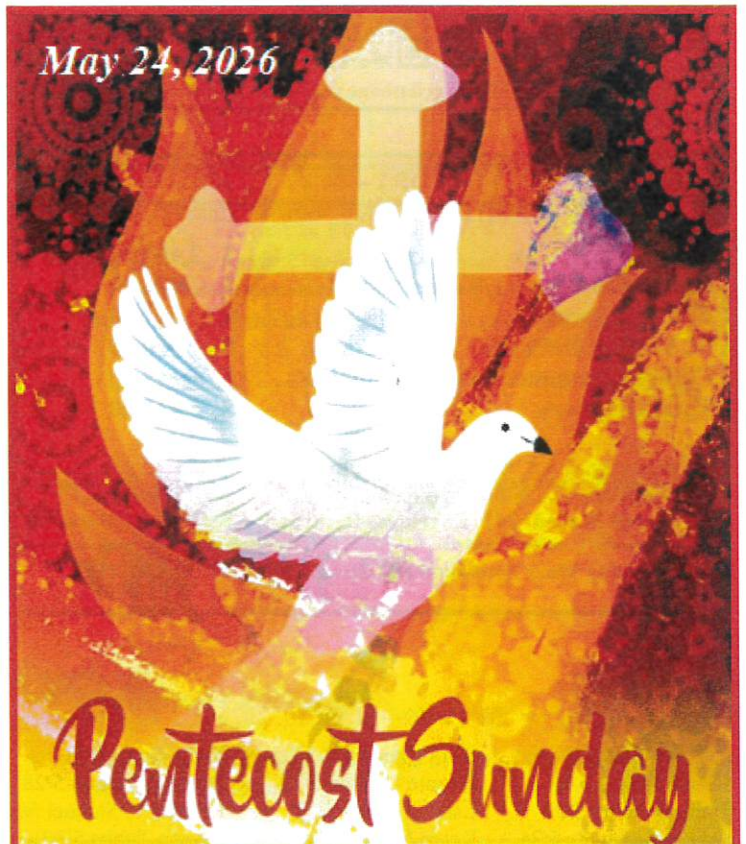
## FINANCE COUNCIL CHAIRPERSON

**Retired Judge Luke Lavergne—225-324-5665**

## PASTORAL COUNCIL CHAIRPERSON

**Randolph Le Duff—225-978-9256**

*May 24, 2026*



**READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF MAY 24, 2026**

Sun.: Day-Acts 2:1-11/Ps104:1,24,29-31,34/1Cor 12:3-7,12-13/  
Jn 20:19-23  
Mon.: Gn 3:9-15,20 or Acts 1:12-14/Ps 87:1-3,5-7/Jn 19:25-34  
Tues.: 1 Pt 1:10-16/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4/ Mk 10:28-31  
Wed.: 1 Pt 1:18-25/Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20/ Mk 10:32-45  
Thurs.: 1 Pt 2:2-5, 9-12/Ps 100:2, 3, 4, 5/ Mk 10:46-52  
Fri.: 1 Pt 4:7-13/Ps 96:10, 11-12, 13/Mk 11:11-26  
Sat.: Jude 17, 20b-25/Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6/ Mk 11:27-33  
Sun.: Ex 34:4-6,8-9/Dn 3:52-56/2 Cor 13:11-13/Jn 3:16-18



**7:30 AM MASS:** In Memory of Jason Todd “Peanut” Jones, Gaynell F. Jackson, Mary Jane Bradley, and Howard Louis, and in Honor of Alice Zacharie, James Hayward, Jean Hayward, Martha Spencer, Bertha Varmal, Gertrude Tolliver, Pat Louis, and Helen D. McCarter

**10:30 AM MASS:** St. Paul’s Church Community

**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 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*

**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)

**NEXT BAPTISM CLASS: AUGUST 27, 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

**FOR CHURCH ENVELOPES TO TITHE/GIVE**



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](https://osvhub.com/stpaulbr/giving/funds) to give online.

**MEMORIAL DAY TRIBUTES**



This Memorial Day, we extend our deepest gratitude and reflect on the courageous deeds of our fallen heroes. Their sacrifice is immeasurable, and it’s our responsibility to ensure that their legacy endures. We can honor them by:

- \* Visiting memorials or cemeteries and laying flowers or flags.
- \* Holding a moment of silence at 3p.m., the National Moment of Remembrance.
- \* Sharing their stories to keep their memory alive.

As we observe this Memorial Day tribute, let’s remember and honor the brave men and women who have given their lives in service to our country. May we never forget their sacrifice. Let’s strive to uphold the values and liberties for which they so valiantly fought.

**OFFERTORY—MAY 17, 2026**

NEW ONLINE GIVING LINK: [osvhub.com/stpaulbr/giving/funds](https://osvhub.com/stpaulbr/giving/funds)

Collection:	\$ 2,460.00
Online Giving:	\$ 2706.00
Building Fund:	\$ 45.00
St. Vincent DePaul:	\$ 60.00
Catholic Communication Campaign	\$ 142.00
<b>Total Offertory</b>	<b>\$ 5,413.00</b>

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

Envelopes Mailed: 241 Envelopes Returned: 62 Online Givers: 36  
(Envelopes mailed to registered members) (Envelopes used for general offering/tithes)

Last Sunday Mass Attendance: 7:30A.M. - 80; 10:30A.M.- 127



Emotional support, suicide prevention, crisis intervention, & referral to agencies for help are available.



**CHURCH SICK & HOMEBOUND MEMBERS**

Rose Crockett Carter, Carolyn Christophe, Cheryl Crockett, Shirley Dawson, Almeasey Foster, Dianna Franklin, Marilyn Green, Ruther 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, Gertrude Tolliver, Walker Williams, Wanda Winchester

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



**MAY 24—MAY 30, 2026**



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|----------------------|-------------------------|------------------------|
| Preston Reed 5/24    | Kobi Chenevert 5/26     | Sonja Brew 5/28        |
| Elaine Joshua 5/25   | Deonte London 5/27      | Desond Thomas 5/28     |
| Damon Oliver 5/25    | Ladaya James 5/27       | Hildred V. Samuel 5/30 |
| Johanathan Lane 5/25 | Kevin Stewart, Jr. 5/27 | Bryson Tubbs 5/30      |



**MINISTERS—SUNDAY, MAY 31, 2026**

**7:30 AM MASS**

**ALTAR SERVERS:** Gavin Camel, Gabriel Camel, Jaden Goss  
**READERS:** Monique Spaulding, Lucille Brown  
**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:** Monique Spaulding, Alice Zacharie,  
 David Robertson, Audrene LeBlanc,

**10:30 AM MASS**

**ALTAR SERVERS:** Austin Wiggins, Noah Wiggins,  
 Madelyn Williams, Jackson Williams  
**READERS:** Young Adults  
**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:** Lisa Byrd, Anna Perry,  
 Tasha Anthony, Nancy Ball

**UPCOMING PARISH MEETINGS, EVENTS,  
 ACTIVITIES AND CLASSES**

- June 10:** 6:00 p.m. Parish Pastoral Council Meeting
- June 14:** 10:30 a.m. Mass - 2026 Graduates Recognition
- July 22:** 6:00 p.m. Finance Council Meeting

**2026 GRADUATE CELEBRATION**

All 2026 High School and College Graduates will be recognized on *Sunday, June 14, at the 10:30 Mass*. Any graduate wishing to participate in the celebration must complete and submit the Graduation Form from either church entrance. Please drop the form in the collection basket or return it to the parish office by Sunday, June 7, 2026. For assistance, contact Mrs. Amanda Skinner at 225-978-7347.



**May they rest in peace...**

Our heartfelt sympathy is extended to the Taylor and Bruce families at the passing of Ms. Joanne Bruce, grandmother of Mrs. Bernette Taylor. Also, to Robert Martin at the passing of his nephew Leonard Earl Martin. May their souls and all the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

**SCHOOL UNIFORMS NEEDED**



St. Paul's Clothes Closet is accepting donations of gently used or new uniforms of all colors and sizes. Uniforms will help the children in the Eden Park Community. To schedule drop-offs, please call Mrs. Rose Malveau at 225-357-4538 or the parish office at 225-383-2537.

**A PRAYER FOR AN END TO WAR AND VIOLENCE**

Dear Heavenly Father, in a world torn by wars and violence, we seek Your powerful hand to bring an end to bloodshed. We pray for ceasefires, peace treaties, and healing among conflicting parties. Comfort the victims of violence and restore hope to the brokenhearted. Grant wisdom to world leaders to choose peace over conflict, dialogue over destruction. We plead for the disarmament of nations and the dismantling of weapons that bring harm. May your peace flood battlefields and transform hearts that hunger for vengeance into hearts seeking forgiveness and reconciliation. Protect innocent lives and bring justice to the oppressed. Lord, You are our refuge and strength, and in You alone we find true peace. Amen.

**Answers Bible Quiz**  
**TEEN BIBLE QUIZ ANSWERS FROM May 17, 2026**  
**Genesis—The Beginning: Way Back When it all Started**

**No participants  
 Answers Below:**

1. Circumcision
2. Ur
3. God
4. Dreams
5. Egypt

**SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITY**



The Knights of Peter Claver Council 351 is offering a \$500.00 scholarship to a 2026 male High School graduate that will be enrolling in college during the year of 2026. The applicant must be an active member of St. Paul the Apostle Church. Please contact Grand Knight Robert Martin at 225-400-3925 to apply for the scholarship. The deadline to apply is June 28, 2026.

**Please Use Your Bible to Find The Answers**



Last day to submit answers is Wednesday, May 27, 2026, by 6:00 pm  
 Email answers to: [stpaulbr@aol.com](mailto:stpaulbr@aol.com) or drop them in the office mailbox

1. "Here I am," Abraham replied. Who was he talking to?  
 a) Isaac  
 b) Sarah  
 c) God
2. "Look, it's still broad daylight; it's not time for the animals to be Gathered. Water the sheep and take them back to pasture."  
 Who said this?  
 a) Jacob  
 b) Leah  
 c) Laban  
 d) Isaac
3. The Medianites sold Joseph to \_\_\_\_\_ in Egypt.
4. Joseph told the chief cupbearer his dream of the vine with the Three branches meant \_\_\_\_\_.



Emani Joseph crowned the Blessed Mother during the May Crowning on Mother's Day, May 10, 2026 at the 7:30 a.m. Mass.

Danielle Byrd crowned the Blessed Mother during the 10:30 a.m. Mass. (picture not available)

*In Loving Memory*

Opston, Dorcencia,  
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,  
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**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

**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

*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

*Remembering*

**Famye Reed,  
F. L. Stewart,  
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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J.D. & Verdell, Kirby, James "Pookie,"  
Corinne, Michael, Jessie Sr. & Aaron B. Jo-  
seph; Annette & Ellis Myles Sr.;  
Lawrence Sr., Shedrick & Lawrence III Ash-  
ford; 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 Theo-  
dore; 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.  
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