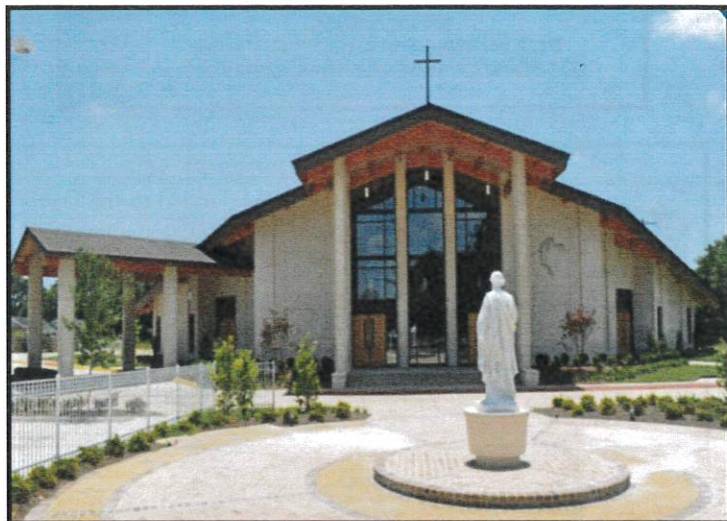


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SUNDAY MASSES

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

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Martha Davis—225-357-4108

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Kawayna Ridgley—225-405-7225

PARISH NURSE

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FINANCE COUNCIL CHAIRPERSON

Retired Judge Luke Lavergne—225-324-5665

PASTORAL COUNCIL CHAIRPERSON

Randolph Le Duff—225-978-9256

*I will sing
the goodness
of the Lord
forever.*

13th Sunday in Ordinary Time
June 28, 2026

Happy
4th of
July!

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF JUNE 28, 2026

Sun.: 2 Kgs 4:8-11,14-16/Ps 89:2-3,16-19/Rom 6:3-4,8-11/Mt 10:37-42
Mon.: Day: Acts 12:1-11/ Ps 34:2-9/2 Tm 4:6-8,17-18/Mt 16:13-19
Tues.: Am 3:1-8;4:11-12/Ps 5:4-8/Mt 8:23-27
Wed.: Am 5:14-15,21-24/Ps 50:7-13,16-17/Mt 8:28-34
Thurs.: Am 7:10-17/Ps 19:8-11/Mt 9:1-8
Fri.: Eph 2:19-22/Ps 117:1bc, 2/Jn 20:24-29
Sat.: Am 9:11-15/Ps 85:9-14/Mt 9:14-17
Sun.: Zec 9:9-10/Ps 145:1-2,8-11,13-14/Rom 8:9,11-13/Mt 11:25-30

ADULT FORMATION, BIBLE STUDIES, & ROSARY

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

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

Dial 701-302 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: September 13, 2026

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

"Strength Still Needs Support"

EMERGENCY CONTACT

Suicide & Crisis Lifeline

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

Offering Envelopes

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 to give online.



Give online via cell phone with our QR Code

OFFERTORY—JUNE 21, 2026

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

Collection:	\$ 2,014.00
Online Giving:	\$ 3,375.00
Building Fund:	\$ 755.00
St. Vincent DePaul:	\$ 45.00
Total Offertory	\$ 6,189.00

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

Envelopes Mailed: 244 Envelopes Returned: 45 Online Givers: 35
(Envelopes mailed to registered members) (Envelopes used for general offering/tithes)

Last Sunday Mass Attendance: 7:30A.M. - 85; 10:30A.M. - 125



JUNE 28—JULY 4, 2026



Mary Wilson 6/28	Tavin Anthony 7/02	Clayland Sam 7/03
Jacques Parms 6/29	Linda Carter 7/02	Brooklyn Varnado 7/03
Carl Jeanpierre 6/29	Robert Martin 7/02	Paula C. Jackson 7/04
Tyesha Collins 6/30	Christina Foulcard 7/02	Carroll Long 7/04
Bernette Taylor 6/30	Tyr Ballon 7/03	Katie Primas 7/04
Taj Anthony 7/02	Davondra Brown 7/03	



7:30 AM MASS: St. Paul's Church Community

10:30 AM MASS: Gordon Davis, Jr., Leyon Broussard

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



MAY THEY REST IN PEACE...



Our deepest sympathy is extended to the Davis family at the passing of Mr. Gordon Davis Jr., son of St. Paul's Religious Education Director, Mrs. Martha Davis. Also, to the Duncan and Thomas families at the passing of Machel Duncan, niece of Riley, Dietrich, Clarence & Charles Thomas. May their souls and all the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

SCHOOL SUPPLY GIVEAWAY



The Ultimate School Supply Giveaway will be held at *The Inspiration Center* located at 5509 Winbourne Ave. in Baton Rouge, on Saturday, July 11, 2026 from 9:00 a.m. until supplies are gone. One bag per child will be distributed. The child must be present.

PRAYER FOR PROTECTION DURING A HURRICANE



Our Father in Heaven, through the intercession of Our Lady of Prompt Succor, spare us during this hurricane season from all harm.

Protect us and our homes from all disasters of nature. Our Lady of Prompt Succor, hasten to help us.

Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

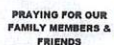
CHURCH SICK & HOMEBOUND MEMBERS



For Our Sick and 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

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



MINISTERS—SUNDAY, JULY 5, 2026

7:30 AM MASS

ALTAR SERVERS: Gavin Camel, Gabriel Camel, Jaden Goss
READERS: Monique Spaulding, Darlene St. Romain

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS: Alice Zacharie, Vera Dunbar,
 Audrene LeBlanc, David Robertson

10:30 AM MASS

Altar Servers: Austin Wiggins, Noah Wiggins,
 Sydney Anderson, Gerald Anderson Jr.

READERS: Gigi Mathis, Paulette Robertson

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS: Gigi Mathis, Wanda Davis,
 Anna Perry, Darlene Richard



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

- July 5:** St. Paul's 66th Church Anniversary
 Wear St. Paul's Blue T-shirts
- July 8:** 6:00 p.m. Parish Pastoral Council Meeting
- July 22:** 6:00 p.m. Parish Finance Council Meeting

PARISH OFFICE CLOSED

St. Paul's Parish Office will be closed Friday, July 3, in celebration of Independence Day! Join our staff in celebrating America and the freedoms that we enjoy as citizens of this great nation. The office will reopen on Monday, July 6, 2026 at 12 noon.



ST. PAUL'S 2026 CHURCH ANNIVERSARY

Sixty-Six Years of God's Faithfulness

On Sunday, July 5, 2026,

**Please wear St. Paul's Blue T-Shirts to
 Commemorate St. Paul's**

66th Church Anniversary

ST. PAUL'S SCHOOL SUPPLY DRIVE

Items needed:

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| Kleenex | Marble Composition notebooks |
| Paper Towels | Pocket folders, paper |
| Glue | Binders |
| Markers | Pencils, pens, crayons |
| Disinfecting wipes | |



(Monetary donation also accepted)

INDEPENDENCE DAY PRAYER

Lord, we stand today as our forefathers have
 stood before You in times gone by,

Celebrating our history and reveling in all the great things
 that our country has achieved.

On this day we rejoice in the favor You have graciously given us.

We thank You for the blessings of liberty, for this generation
 and for the generations to come.

We thank You for our independence, peace and for all those who have
 bravely given their lives in the defense of freedom and justice.

We thank You that Your gracious and provident
 hand has given us so much.

Yet as a nation and people we have not always chosen the right way.

We ask You to forgive us for these times.

On this day we commit ourselves to wholeheartedly
 honoring and serving You.

With everything that we are, we lay our lives before You.

Make us a generous people, a holy nation,

A people set aside to love You forever,

For the sake of the land of the brave and free,

And the peoples and nations of this world.

Today, we do not presume Your grace for our country.

Our land is in need of You,

Our people are in need of You,

Our industry and business is in need of You.

May we look only to You

This Independence Day, dependent on You.

Please come now by Your glorious Holy Spirit,

Breathe new life into the sinews of this nation.

May justice flow like rivers,

And righteousness like a never failing stream,

Until the whole of our country is covered with Your glory,

As the waters cover the sea.

We ask all this in the wonderful name of Jesus,

Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit.

One God, now and for all eternity.

Amen.

ACTS MEN'S RETREAT

St. George Catholic Church extends an invitation to men 21 years and older to join them at an ACTS retreat scheduled for **October 1-4, 2026** at Our Lady of Hope Catholic Retreat Center in Chattawa, MS. The retreat is to provide an opportunity for a personal encounter with Jesus Christ, and to promote international Christ-centered discipleship and build parish community. The cost is \$325 to help defer overall retreat expenses. Financial aid is also available and can be requested on the registration form. For information about the retreat, do not contact St. George, please contact the Retreat Leader Team. There is a link on the application page to contact the team with any questions. Registration deadline is Friday, August 14, 2026. Scan the QR code for additional information and to register for the retreat.



BACK TO SCHOOL SOCKS AND UNDERWEAR DRIVE



St. Paul Women's Club is sponsoring a "Back to School Socks & Underwear Drive" to assist children living in the **Eden Park Community and the St. Vincent de Paul Homeless Shelter** in preparing to return to school. There are many challenges the youth are facing without having to worry about basic clothing necessities. We are

asking parishioners and friends to contribute to this very worthy cause by donating a pack or two of boys or girls' underwear and socks. A bin is located in the foyer of the church for donated items, or contact Mary Martin if you would like to make a monetary donation to purchase items. Thank you in advance. Your support is needed and greatly appreciated.

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
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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

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

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Barbara & James Wallace Rodney
Keith Rodney, Joseph D. Rodney
Dorothy Bazile & Georgia Smith
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of

**Kevin Michael
Ferbos
&
Wilfred Ferbos**

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Corinne, Michael, Jessie Sr. & Aaron B. Jo-
seph; 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 Theo-
dore; Lillian & Forrest
Oliver; Tobb, Ida,
Johnny Sr. & Jr., Willie,
Charles, and
Lillian Brown

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

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