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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 about the Catholic Faith, contact Mr. Reginald Green, the OCIA Coordinator, at 225-603-2493

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

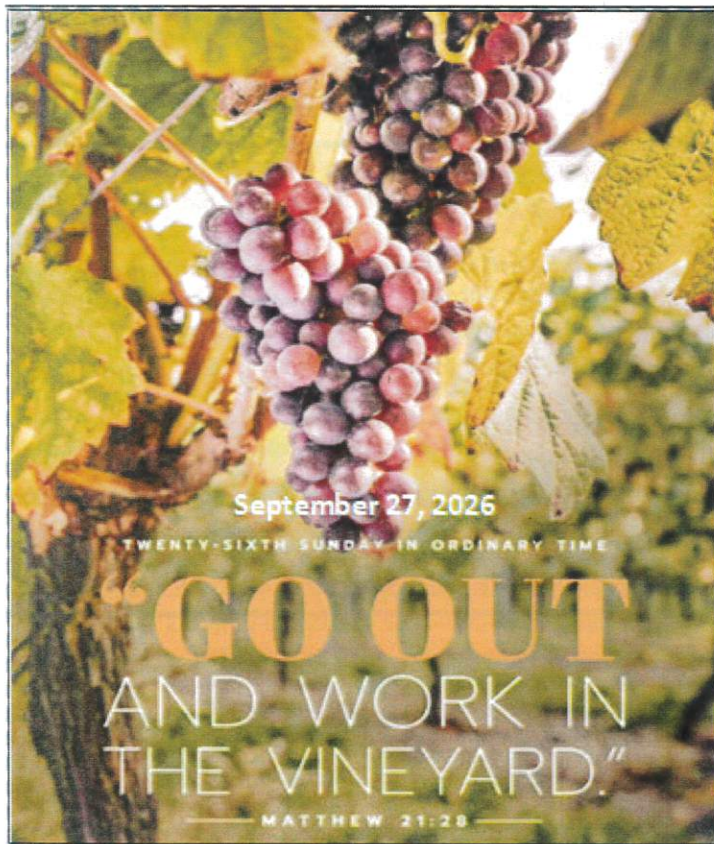
Maxine Watts—225-278-6732

FINANCE COUNCIL CHAIRPERSON

Retired Judge Luke Lavergne—225-324-5665

PASTORAL COUNCIL CHAIRPERSON

Randolph Le Duff—225-978-9256





READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 27, 2026

Sun.: Ez 18:25-28/Ps 25:4-9/Phil 2:1-11 or 2:1-5/Mt 21:28-32
Mon.: Jb 1:6-22/Ps 17:1-3, 6-7/Lk 9:46-50
Tues.: Dn 7:9-10,13-14 or Rv 12:7-12/Ps 138:1-5/Jn 1:47-51
Wed.: Jb 9:1-12, 14-16/Ps 88:10-15/Lk 9:57-62
Thurs.: Jb 19:21-27/Ps 27:7-8-913-14/Lk 10:1-12
Fri.: Jb 38:1, 2-21; 40:3-5/Ps 139:1-3,7-10, 13-14/Mt 18:1-5, 10
Sat.: Jb 42:1-3,5-6,12-17/Ps 119:66,71,75,91;125,130/Lk 10:17-24
Sun.: Is 5:1-7/Ps 80:9,12, 13-16, 19-20/Phil 4:6-9/Mt 21:33-43

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 805-706-3350 (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—SEPTEMBER 20, 2026

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

Collection:	\$ 2,017.00
Online Giving:	\$ 2,119.00
Building Fund:	\$ 1,480.00
Western Dance:	\$ 625.00
Religious Ed. Registration:	\$ 120.00
Religious Ed:	\$ 139.00
St. Vincent DePaul:	\$ 35.00
Total Offertory	\$ 6,535.00

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

Envelopes Mailed: 203 Envelopes Returned: 51 Online Givers: 33
 (Envelopes mailed to registered members) (Envelopes used for general offering/tithes)

Last Sunday Mass Attendance: 7:30A.M. - 78 ; 10:30A.M. - 134

BIRTHDAYS SEPTEMBER 27, 2026—OCTOBER 3, 2026

Jaxson Williams 9/27	Cheryl Crockett 9/30	Robin Christmas 10/01
Jonah Williams 9/27	Taylor Franklin 9/30	Dawanda Kemp 10/02
Leslie Bardford 9/27	Xavier Miller 9/30	Rochelle Mathis 10/03
Tess Johnson 9/29	Robin Rodney 10/01	Contrell Salton 10/03
Anthony Coleman 9/29	Rylee Sanders 10/01	

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

10:30 AM MASS: Gordon Davis, Jr. Willie Mae Stanley, James "Pookie" Joseph, John "Danny Boy" Joseph, Jr., Dorothy Troullier, Norman Troullier

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



NEXT BAPTISM CLASS: NOVEMBER 19, 2026

Parents & Godparents MUST Attend the Class
 Call: Vera Dunbar at 225-324-2939

NEXT BAPTISM: SEPTEMBER 27, 2026

For Exceptions, Call Fr. Arockiam at 337-522-0624

"Strength Still Needs Support"

EMERGENCY CONTACT

Suicide & Crisis Lifeline

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

MASS SCHEDULE FOR OUR 3-DAY BAZAAR WEEKEND

Saturday Mass, October 17—5:00 P.M.
 Sunday Mass, October 18—9:30 A.M. **ONLY ONE MASS**

OUR RAFFLE IS OCT. 18, 2026

We appreciate everyone who has picked up raffle books!

Please remember, the deadline to return raffle stubs and money is before or by October 11, 2026.

*Let's pray, stay focused, and do our best to return **ONLY Raffle Stubs and Money.***

UNSOLD Raffle Books returned OR Raffle Stubs & Money NOT RETURNED make a great difference to St. Paul.

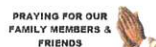
CHURCH SICK & HOMEBOUND MEMBERS



For Our Sick and Homebound Members

Rose Crockett Carter, Carolyn Christophe, Ta'Rhonda Chube, Cheryl Crockett, Shirley Dawson, Deacon Benjamin Dunbar Jr., Almeasey Foster, Dianna Franklin, Marilyn Green, Ruth Hall, James Hayward, Brenda Hickman, Carolyn Jenkins, Harry Johnson, 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 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

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

MINISTERS—SUNDAY, OCTOBER 4, 2026

7:30 AM MASS

ALTAR SERVERS: Gavin Camel, Gabriel Camel, Jaden Goss
READERS: Carla Lewis, Monique Scott-Spaulding
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS: Alice Zacharie, Vera Dunbar,
 David Robertson, Paulette Robertson

10:30 AM MASS

ALTAR SERVERS: Austin Wiggins, Noah Wiggins,
 Sydney Anderson, Gerald Anderson, Jr.
READERS: Syretta Anthony, Terrell Carter
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS: Velita Benjamin, Amanda Skinner,
 Darlene Richard, Robinette Harleaux

MAY SHE REST IN PEACE...

Our deepest sympathy is extended to the Jones family at the passing of Ms. Katie Mae Jones, mother-in-law of Mrs. Angela Jones.

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



BREAST CANCER AWARENESS

St. Paul's church family and friends are encouraged to pay more attention to Breast Cancer Prevention.

WEAR PINK ON SUNDAY, OCTOBER 4, 2026
 in recognition of Breast Cancer Awareness Month.
 A mini-talk will be given after the 10:30 a.m. Mass.



YOUTH MINISTRY'S SPOOKTACULAR PARTY



Mark your calendar and plan to join the youth and the young at heart in St. Paul Center on Saturday, October 31, 2026 for the Youth Ministry's Spooktacular Halloween Party from 5:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. More information to follow.

PRAYER FOR PROTECTION FROM 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.

PRAYER FOR STUDENTS

Lord our God, in your wisdom and love you surround us with the mysteries of the universe. Send your Spirit upon these students and fill them with your wisdom and blessings. Grant that they may devote themselves to their studies and draw ever closer to you, the source of all knowledge. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.



SCHOLARSHIPS AWARDED

The Knights of Peter Claver, St. Paul Council 351 awarded \$500.00 scholarships to two 2026 High School graduates. The recipients were Ivory Brown, Jr. of Liberty Magnet High, and Quintin Chenevert of Catholic High School. Congratulations!

UPCOMING EVENTS
 Classes and Meetings...

- Sept. 27:** Infant Baptism—After 7:30 Mass
- Oct. 4:** Wear Pink in Observance of Breast Cancer Awareness
- Oct. 9:** 6:00 p.m. Bazaar Meeting
- Oct. 11:** Raffle Stubs & Money Due
- Oct. 16:** 7:00 p.m. Bingo Night
- Oct. 17:** 5:00 p.m. Saturday Mass
- Oct. 17:** 8:00 p.m. Western Dance
- Oct. 18:** 9:30 a.m.—**ONLY ONE** MASS on this Sunday
- Oct. 18:** 11:00 a.m.—5:00 p.m. Bazaar/Fair & Raffle
- Oct. 21:** 6:00 p.m. Parish Finance Council Meeting
- Oct. 24:** 10:00 a.m. Rosary & 10:30 a.m. Anointing of the Sick Mass
- Oct. 31:** 5:30 p.m.—8:00 p.m. Youth Spooktacular Halloween Event
- Nov. 1:** 10:30 a.m. Annual Remembrance Mass at St. Paul
- Nov. 18:** 6:00 p.m. Pastoral Council Meeting

WESTERN DANCE



Come out and have a great time at St. Paul's Western Dance on Saturday, October 17, 2026. Anyone wishing to purchase tickets for the dance should purchase them by Sunday, October 11, 2026. Tickets are \$25.

TO VOTE

YOU NEED TO
REGISTER FIRST

If you are not registered to vote, please register before the deadline! Your vote is your voice! Let your voice be heard!

- In-person/by mail registration deadline **October 5, 2026**
- Online registration deadline **October 13, 2026**
- Early Voting (excluding Sunday) **October 20 - October 27**
- Early Voting Hours **8:30 AM-6:00 PM**
- Election Day - **November 3, 2026 7:00 AM - 8:00 PM**

EARLY VOTING LOCATIONS

Motor Vehicle Building
 2250 Main Street
 Baker, LA 70714

Fire Station Building
 11010 Coursey Blvd.
 Baton Rouge, LA 70816

Louisiana State Archives
 3851 Essen Lane
 Baton Rouge, LA 70809

Central Branch Library
 11260 Joor Road
 Baton Rouge, LA 70818

Baton Rouge City Hall
 222 St. Louis Street, Room 607
 Baton Rouge, LA 70802



MOVIE COMING SOON

"TOLTON - FROM SLAVE TO PRIEST"

Tolton is a powerful multi-media live production, filled with music, drama and inspiring performances. It brings a message of hope and healing for the wounds that plague our culture. You will be inspired by Father Augustus Tolton's the first Black American Priest, perseverance and faith. Tolton film screening will begin September 28, 2026 in Chicago. Be on the look out for dates in our area!

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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Leo Brown, Sr.,
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**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

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

Contact Information

Altar Servers—Christy Hall, Darlene Richard, Tasha Anthony.....225-333-2537
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.....225-234-7476

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 Mem- ory 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,
Martha Theodore;
Lillian & Forrest Oliver
Tobb, Ida, Johnny Sr. &
Jr., Willie, Charles, &
Lillian Brown

In Remembrance

of

Lionel Bazile Sr.
Dorothy Bazile
James Bazile
Shelia Bazile

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