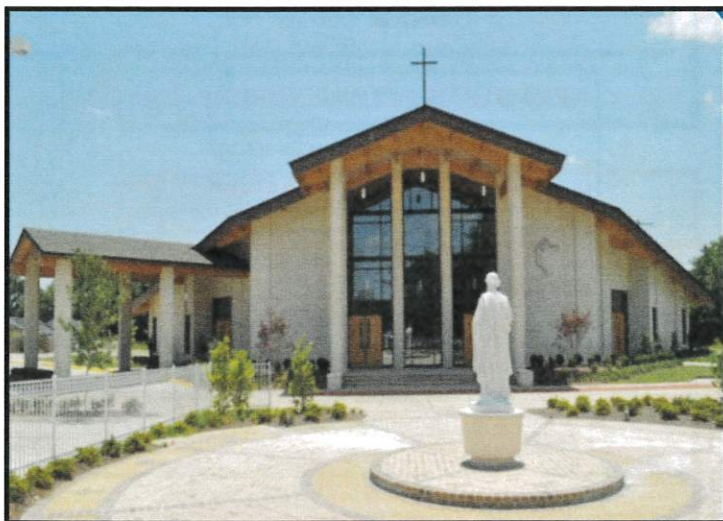


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SUNDAY MASSES

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

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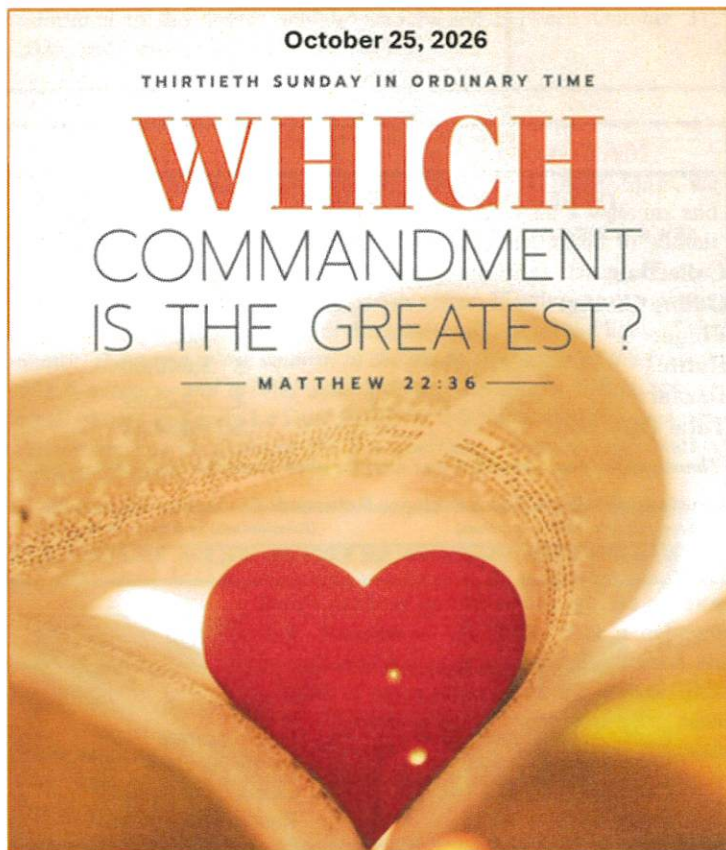
Randolph Le Duff—225-978-9256

October 25, 2026

THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

WHICH COMMANDMENT IS THE GREATEST?

— MATTHEW 22:36 —



READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 25, 2026

Sun.: Ex 22:20-26/Ps 18:2-4,47,51/1 Thes 1:5-10/Mt 22:34-40
Mon.: Eph 4:32-5:8/Ps 1:1-4,6/Lk 13:10-17
Tues.: Eph 5:21-33/Ps 128:1-5/Lk 13:18-21
Wed.: Eph 2:19-22/Ps 19:2-5/Lk 6:12-16
Thurs.: Eph 6:10-20/Ps 144:1-2,9-10/Lk 13:31-35
Fri.: Phil 1:1-11/Ps 111:1-6/Lk 14:1-6
Sat.: Phil 1:18-26/Ps 42:2-3,5/Lk 14:1,7-11
Sun.: Rv 7:2-4,9-14/Ps 24:1-6/1 Jn 3:1-3/Mt 5:1-12

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

**PRAYER FOR POPE LEO XIV**

O God, shepherd and ruler of all the faithful,
 look favorably on your servant Leo,
 whom you have set at the head of your Church as her shepherd;
 grant, we pray, that by word and example
 he may be of service to those over whom he presides
 so that, together with the flock entrusted to his care,
 he may come to everlasting life.
 Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
 who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
 God, for ever and ever. Amen.



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OFFERTORY—OCTOBER 17 & 18, 2026

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

Collection:	\$ 2,751.22
Online Giving:	\$ 2,719.00
Bingo:	\$ 2,850.00
Raffle:	\$ 3,640.00
Bazaar:	\$ 9,524.00
Total Offertory	\$ 21,484.22

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

Envelopes Mailed: 203 Envelopes Returned: 43 Online Givers: 29

Envelopes mailed to registered members) (Envelopes used for general offering/tithes)

Last Weekend Mass Attendance: Sat 5:00P.M.- 49; Sun. 9:30A.M.-125



Kathy Andre-Eames 10/25
 Isaac Betts, Sr. 10/25
 Charlotte Demoulin 10/25
 Peggy Guillory 10/25
 Ruby A. Pope 10/25

Jaceyon James 10/27
 Yvette Narcisse 10/27
 Chaza Johnson 10/29
 Ronnie Johnson 10/30
 Laura P. Kent 10/30



7:30 AM MASS: Deceased Members of St. Paul's Ladies Guild: Dorothy Bazile, Inez Betz, Lureatha Boyd, Hazel Brown, Denovas Crockett, Geraldine Demery, Quincy Hamilton, Mary Haynes, Geneva Hurst, Thelma Hurst, Julia Johnson, Rosa Johnson, Annie Joseph, Rachel Joseph, Verdell Joseph, Suellen Lamb, Beulah Pollar, Famye Reed, Melinda Robinson, and Della Rodney

10:30 AM MASS: In Memory of Dorothy Troullier, and Norman Troullier

NEXT BAPTISM CLASS: NOVEMBER 19, 2026

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

NEXT BAPTISM: NOVEMBER 29, 2026

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

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 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. More information to follow.

CALLING ALL DANCERS NEW AND RETURNING MEMBERS!

St. Paul Liturgical Dance Ministry is excited to announce that we are preparing to begin ministering through dance once again! We are inviting dancers of ALL ages who have an interest in joining our ministry, as well as former members who would love to return, to sign up and be a part of this wonderful opportunity to praise and worship God through dance. We will begin rehearsals soon as we prepare for our Black Catholic History Mass in November, and look forward to bringing the gift of liturgical dance back to St. Paul on a regular basis. If you are interested in joining or rejoining, please sign up on the sheet located in the foyer of the church.

12TH ANNUAL DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH

The Butterfly Society hosted several events during the month of October to bring awareness to Domestic Violence. Join them on Tuesday, October 27, 2026 at 5:30 p.m. at 222 St. Louis St. in downtown Baton Rouge for a **Domestic Violence March: "Our Voices"**

"For more information on The Butterfly Society, log on to thebutterflysociety.org or call 225-347-7725.



For Our Sick and Homebound Members

CHURCH SICK & HOMEBOUND MEMBERS

Ta'Rhonda Chube, Rose Crockett Carter, Carolyn Christophe, Cheryl Crockett, Shirley Dawson, Dcn. Benjamin Dunbar Jr., Almeasey Foster, Dianna Franklin, Marilyn Green, Theresa Grevious, 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



PRAYING FOR OUR FAMILY MEMBERS & FRIENDS

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

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

MINISTERS—SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 1, 2026**7:30 AM MASS**

ALTAR SERVERS: Jose Camberos, Saija Johnson, Jordon Clifford, Blaze O'Conner

READERS: Ronnice Johnson, Reginald Green

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: Dana Sam, Mary Martin

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS: Velita Benjamin, Amanda Skinner, Anna Perry, Lisa Byrd

A Heartfelt Thank You!

From the Pastor

Dear Parishioners, What a beautiful and blessed weekend we had for our **St. Paul Church Bazaar!** The wonderful weather was truly a gift from God, and the joy, generosity, and fellowship we shared made this year's bazaar a great success.

I extend my heartfelt gratitude to our Bazaar Committee Chairperson, Vice Chairperson, and all committee members; our generous donors and sponsors; our church organizations; our dedicated volunteers; our vendors; our friends; and every parishioners who contributed time, talent, and treasure. Your hard work, generosity, and cooperation made this wonderful event possible.

Within the next couple of weeks, after all pending bills have been paid; we will share the final net profit from the bazaar.

Thank you for your love for St. Paul and for the beautiful spirit of community you continue to demonstrate. *Let us keep working together to make St. Paul the Apostle Church a beacon of God's grace, love, and hope in our community.*

May God bless each one of you abundantly!

With gratitude and prayers,
Fr. Arockiam Arockiam, SVD
Pastor

UPCOMING EVENTS
Classes and Meetings...

- Oct. 29:** Ladies Guild Meeting
- Oct. 30:** Bingo
- Oct. 31:** 6:00 P.M.-8:00 P.M. Youth Spooktacular Halloween Event
- Nov. 1:** 10:30 a.m. Annual Remembrance Mass at St. Paul
- Nov. 3:** Election Day
- Nov. 8:** St. Paul's Veterans Day Program after 10:30 Mass
- Nov. 15:** Junior Daughters Breakfast Sale after both Masses
- Nov. 18:** 6:00 p.m. Pastoral Council Meeting
- Nov. 25:** 6:00 p.m. Thanksgiving Mass
- Jan. 21:** 6:00 p.m. Parish Finance Council Meeting

• EARLY VOTING ENDS TUESDAY, OCT. 27, 2026



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



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Baker, LA 70714

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

Louisiana State Archives
3851 Essen Lane
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Central Branch Library
11260 Joor Road
Baton Rouge, LA 70818

SPECIAL REMEMBRANCE MASS

You and your family are invited to our annual Remembrance Mass next Sunday, November 1, 2026 at 10:30 a.m. We will commemorate our deceased brothers and sisters of St. Paul the Apostle and family members whose names were submitted to the church office, who passed between October 31, 2025, and October 31, 2026.

ST. PAUL'S VETERAN DAY'S PROGRAM

Sunday, November 8, 2026 at 10:30 A.M. Mass, we will celebrate Veterans Day. St. Paul's veterans and widows of St. Paul's veterans are asked to submit personal photos in military uniforms. Drop off actual photos at the parish office. If you submit a photo, please include in the text, email, or on the back of the photo: *the name of the veteran in the photo, the name of the branch of the military, and a brief description of the photo.* Please text or email photos to Randy Le Duff @ 225-978-9256 or rleduff@cox.net. Photos are due by October 31. For questions, contact: Gigi Mathis @225-278-0071.

JR. DAUGHTER'S BREAKFAST FUNDRAISER

Don't cook or go out for breakfast on Sunday, November 15, 2026! Get a delicious breakfast of grits, eggs, sausage, biscuit, and a bottle of water after either the 7:30 or 10:30 Mass. Tickets can be purchased after Mass from any Junior Daughter, Counselor Mary Martin, or Assistant Counselor Amanda Skinner. **Tickets \$10.** Please support St. Paul's Jr. Daughters of Court 351!



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

*In Loving
Memory*
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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.,
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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
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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, &
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In Remembrance
of
Lionel Bazile Sr.
Dorothy Bazile
James Bazile
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