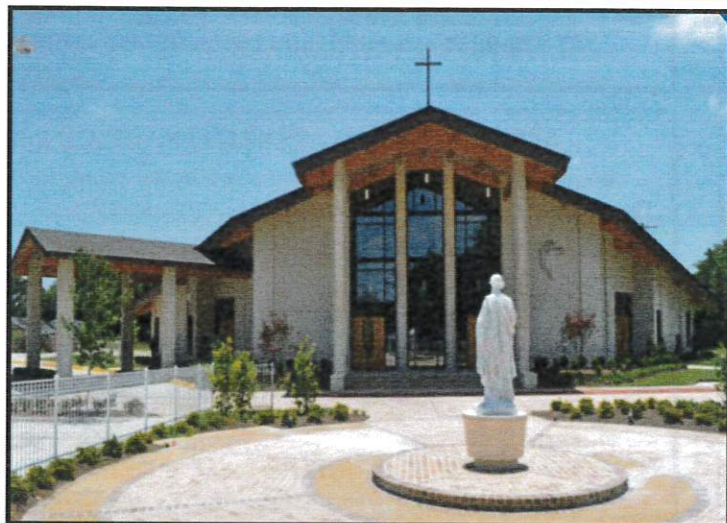


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SUNDAY MASSES

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

WEEKDAY MORNING MASS—8:00 A.M.

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 Arockiam 225-383-2537

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

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March 29, 2026

PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

CUT BRANCHES AND
STREWED THEM ON
THE ROAD.

— MATTHEW 21:8 —

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF MARCH 29, 2026

Sun.: Mt 21:1-11(37)/Ps 22:8-9,17-20,23-24/Is 50:4-7/Phil 2:6-11/Mt 26:14-27:66 or Mt 27:11-54
 Mon.: Is 42:1-7/Ps 27:1-3,13-14/Jn 12:1-11
 Tues.: Is 49:1-6/Ps 71:1-6,15,17/Jn 13:21-33,36-38
 Wed.: Is 50:4-9a/Ps 69:8-10, 21-22, 31,33-34/Mt 26:14-25
 Thurs.: Ex 12:1-8,11-14/Ps 116:12-13,15-18/1 Cor 11:23-26/Jn 13:1-15
 Fri.: Is 52:13-53:12/Ps 31:2,6, 12-13,15-17,25/Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9/Jn 18:1-19:42
 Sat.: *Easter Vigil:* Gn 1:1-2:2 or 1:1, 26-31/Ps 104:1-2, 5-6, 10, 12, 13-14, 24, 35 or Ps 33:4-7, 12-13,20-22/Gn 22:1-18 or 22:1-2, 9-13,15-18/Ps 16:5, 8-11/ Ex 14:15-15:1/ Ex 15:1-6,17-18/Is 54:5-14/Ps 30:2,4-6,11-13/Is 55:1-11/Is 12:2-6/ Bar 3:9-15, 32-4:4/Ps 19:8-11/Ez 36:16-17, 18-28/Ps 42:3,5; 43:3-4 (42:2)/ Rom 6:3-11/Ps 118:1-2,16-17,22-23/Mt 28:1-10
 Sun.: Acts 10:34,37-43/Ps 118:1-2,16-17,22-23/Col 3:1-4 or 1Cor 5:6-8/Jn 20:1-9 or Mt 28:1-10 or Lk 24:13-35



CELEBRATING HOLY WEEK TO THE FULLEST

At the end of Holy Week, we begin the "Triduum," the three days of Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Holy Saturday. Together, they are a three-part journey of a single event that we should all do our best to participate in so that we can really experience the joy and the transforming power of Easter Sunday. On Holy Thursday, we celebrate the Mass of the Lord's Supper in the evening. It is during this Mass that we celebrate three fundamentals of our Catholic Faith: the gift of the Catholic priesthood, the gift of the Eucharist and with the Washing of the Feet ceremony, we remember the mandate of the new commandment to love as Jesus loves. On Good Friday, we listen to the Word of God as the Passion is proclaimed, venerate the Cross, the instrument that gained for us our salvation then we receive the Eucharist that was consecrated the night before during the Holy Thursday Mass. In the evening of Good Friday, we will meditate on the Seven Last Words of Jesus. On Holy Saturday, after a day of reflection with Mary at the tomb, we celebrate the Easter Vigil proclaiming the Resurrection and life of Jesus – a life that we are all invited to. There are many elements of the Triduum which call us and remind us of who we are as Catholics and Christians. The Triduum is the telling of our story, a reminder of what Jesus has done for us and given to us. We are called to enter into the Triduum whole-heartedly. Can we make time in our busy schedules to spend with Jesus this Easter, to watch, wait and pray?

OFFERTORY—MARCH 22, 2026

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

Collection:	\$ 3,117.72
Online Giving:	\$ 3,552.00
Building Fund:	\$ 1,095.57
Easter:	\$ 50.00
Rice Bowl:	\$ 30.00
St. Vincent DePaul:	\$ 60.00
Total Offertory	\$ 7,905.29

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

Envelopes Mailed: 241 Envelopes Returned: 65 Online Givers: 35
(Envelopes mailed to registered members) (Envelopes used for general offering/tithes)

Last Sunday Mass Attendance: 7:30A.M. - 104; 10:30A.M. - 154



MARCH 29—APRIL 4, 2026



Nicole Bolden 3/29	Lexington Benjamin 3/31	Audrene LeBlanc 4/2
Denise Hawkins 3/29	Udella B Henderson 4/1	April Givens 4/3
Jase Pollard 3/30	Tori Wilson 4/1	
Joseph T. Mathis 3/31	Gabriel Camel 4/2	



7:30 AM MASS: April Dunn

10:30 AM MASS: St. Paul's Church Community

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:

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337-522-0624 or arockiamsvd@gmail.com



SPECIFIC ALTAR SERVERS PRACTICE

Wednesday, April 1—6:00 p.m.—for Holy Thursday

These servers are to attend: Terrell Carter Jr., Anthony Carter, Cameron Carter, Jose Camberos, Sydney Anderson, Gerald Anderson

Friday, April 3—1:30 p.m.—for Good Friday

These servers are to attend: Ethan Kemp, Jacob Kemp, Blaze O'Conner, Brayden Davis, Bradley Davis, Jaquez Parmes

Saturday, April 4—11:00 a.m.—for Easter Vigil

These servers are to attend: Jose Camberos, Noah Wiggins, Austin Wiggins, Jordon Clifford, Saija Johnson

SPECIFIC READERS PRACTICE

Saturday, April 4—10:00 a.m.—for Easter Vigil

The assigned readers are to attend: St. Paul's Young Adults

YOUTH MINISTRY EASTER EGG HUNT

St. Paul's Youth Ministry is sponsoring an *Easter Egg Hunt* on Easter Sunday, April 5th on the church grounds immediately following the 9:30 Mass. Parents are encouraged to allow their children to participate. Remember to bring your baskets for all the treats you will find.

LADIES SODALITY EASTER TREATS

The Ladies Sodality prepared and distributed Easter treat bags containing rosaries blessed by Fr. Arockiam hidden in eggs, along with additional sweets in the goodie bags for the Religious Education students and teachers.



CHURCH SICK & 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

Xavier Arockiam, Charles Bethley, Barbara Brennan, Cirsten Brown, Ernie Butitta, Dorothy Celestine, Helen Celestine, 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, Willie Salton Sr., Jenna Scott, Dana Simoneaux, Connie St. Romain, Stephanie Stewart, Calvin Thomas III, Walker Williams, Wanda Winchester



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



MINISTERS—HOLY THURSDAY, APRIL 02, 2026

(Ministers serving are asked to be at Mass at least 15 minutes before Mass begins.)

6:30 PM MASS—MASS OF THE LORD’S SUPPER

ALTAR SERVERS: Jose Camberos, Terrell Carter Jr., Anthony Carter, Cameron Carter, Sydney Anderson, Gerald Anderson

READERS: Darlene St. Romain

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS: David Robertson, Paulette Robertson, Nancy Ball, Christy Hall

MINISTERS—GOOD FRIDAY, APRIL 03, 2026

(Ministers serving are asked to be at Mass at least 15 minutes before Mass begins.)

3:00 PM MASS—GOOD FRIDAY OF THE LORD’S PASSION

Altar Servers: Ethan Kemp, Jacob Kemp, Blaze O’conner, Brayden Davis, Bradley Davis, Jaquez Parms

Readers: Mary Gloston, Kevin Stewart

Eucharistic Ministers: Amanda Skinner, Nancy Ball

MINISTERS—HOLY SATURDAY, APRIL 04, 2026

(Ministers serving are asked to be at Mass at least 15 minutes before Mass begins.)

8:00 PM MASS—HOLY SATURDAY, EASTER VIGIL

ALTAR SERVERS: Jose Camberos, Noah Wiggins, Austin Wiggins, Jordon Clifford, Saija Johnson

READERS: St Paul’s Young Adults

Eucharistic Ministers: Monique Spaulding, Alice Zacharie, Darlene Richard, Pamela Claiborne

MINISTERS—EASTER DAY, APRIL 05, 2026

(Ministers serving are asked to be at Mass at least 15 minutes before Mass begins.)

9:30 AM MASS—Resurrection of the Lord, Easter Sunday

ALTAR SERVERS: Bradley Davis, Brayden Davis, Gavin Camel, Gabriel Camel

READERS: David Robertson, Paulette Robertson

Eucharistic Ministers: Nancy Ball, Amanda Skinner, Anna Perry, Lisa Byrd

LENTEN FISH FRY

Our Lenten Fish Fry was a great success, thanks to the hard work and dedications of our parishioners. *A great big thanks goes to Mr. Lionel Bazile, Jr., the Chairperson, Mrs. Renee Camberos and Ms. Kim Starwood the Co-Chairpersons, and all of the volunteers, including family & friends from outside of the parish, supporters, and donors.* Everyone worked very well together for the good of the parish. A special thanks to Deacon Benjamin and Mrs. Vera Dunbar for their generosity in providing lunch for the volunteers on Thursdays. Let us continue to thank God for the perfect weather we had during the six weeks, and His abundant blessings upon our church community.



The attendees of St. Paul Women’s Club Luncheon had a great time in a beautiful setting on Saturday, March 21st. Ms. Belinda Carney entertained the ladies with beautiful songs and sing-alongs. Dr. Stacy Jones-Pedescleaux presented informative facts on women’s health, and Ms. Shahidah Rahman’s presentation motivated the ladies and engaged them in a confidence walk.

UPCOMING PARISH MEETINGS, EVENTS, ACTIVITIES AND CLASSES

- April 10: 7:00 p.m. Bingo, Doors open at 6:00 p.m.
- April 11: 11:00 a.m. First Holy Communion Practice
- April 15: 6:00 p.m. Parish Pastoral Council Meeting
- April 16: 7:00 p.m. Confirmation Practice
- April 17: 7:00 p.m. Confirmation
- April 18: 11:00 a.m. First Holy Communion Practice
- April 19: 10:30 a.m. Mass - First Holy Communion
- April 20: Center Renovation Begins
- April 22: 6:00 p.m. Finance Council Meeting

ST. PAUL’S HOLY WEEK & EASTER SCHEDULE



- April 2: 6:30 p.m.—Holy Thursday, Mass of the Lord’s Supper
- April 3 2:30 p.m.—Station of the Cross —St. Paul’s Youth
3:00 p.m.—Good Friday of the Lord’s Passion
- April 4: 8:00 p.m.—Holy Saturday, Easter Vigil
- April 5 9:30 a.m.—Resurrection of the Lord - Easter Day
Easter Egg Hunt—Immediately after Mass

THANKS TO THE OUTGOING PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MEMBERS

It has been a pleasure working with our Parish Pastoral Council for the past several years. They have been instrumental in assisting and planning parish events. On Tuesday, March 24, 2026 the new members of the Parish Pastoral Council had their first meeting and elected officers. They will be installed on Sunday, April 12, 2026 at 10:30 a.m. Mass. At this time, I would like to thank Mr. Rudolph Richard, Jr., outgoing Pastoral Council Chairperson and the Parish Pastoral Council members for their years of dedicated service. Thank you for all that you have done for our church parish.

Fr. Arockiam, SVD



Please Use Your Bible to Find The Answers

Last day to submit answers is Wednesday, April 1, 2026, by 6:00 pm
Email answers to: stpaulbr@aol.com or drop them in the office mailbox-

Genesis - The Beginning: Way Back When It All Started

1. **True or False:** Cain was the older brother of Abel.
2. **True or False:** Abel offered vegetables as a gift to God.
3. **True or False:** God was happy with the gift that Cain brought.
4. **True or False:** Cain killed his brother Abel because he was jealous and angry.
5. **True or False:** After Killing Abel, Cain was not punished by God.

Fill in the Blank:

6. The Bible says that God created humans in His own _____.
7. After creating everything God rested on the _____ day.
8. The serpent told the first woman that if she ate the fruit, she would become like _____.
9. To guard the way to the Tree of Life after they were sent out of the garden, God placed _____ at the east of Eden.
10. As a punishment for what he did to his brother, Cain was made to be a restless _____ on the earth.

Who said that?

11. “Am I my brother’s keeper? Who said this?
a) The first man, b) The first woman, c) Cain, d) Abel
12. “Let there be Light.” Who said these powerful words?
a) The first man, b) God, c) The Serpent, d) An angel

Bible Book Breakdown:

13. When Adam had lived 130 years, he had a son called _____.
14. After his son was born, Adam lived for _____ more years and had other sons and daughters.

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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**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

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Readers (adults)—Paulette Robertson.....225-937-2293
Ushers—Rudolph Richard Jr.....225-284-7476

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Remembering

Famye Reed and the Reed, Stewart, Davis, and Granger Families

In Loving Memory

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Orelia Rodney & Anthony Rodney Sr.
Annie Mae & Anthony Rodney Jr.
Barbara & James Wallace Rodney
Keith Rodney, Joseph D. Rodney
Dorothy Bazile & Georgia Smith**

In Loving Memory of

Kevin Michael Ferbos & Wilfred Ferbos

In Loving Memory of

**Dwight LeBlanc, Sr.
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