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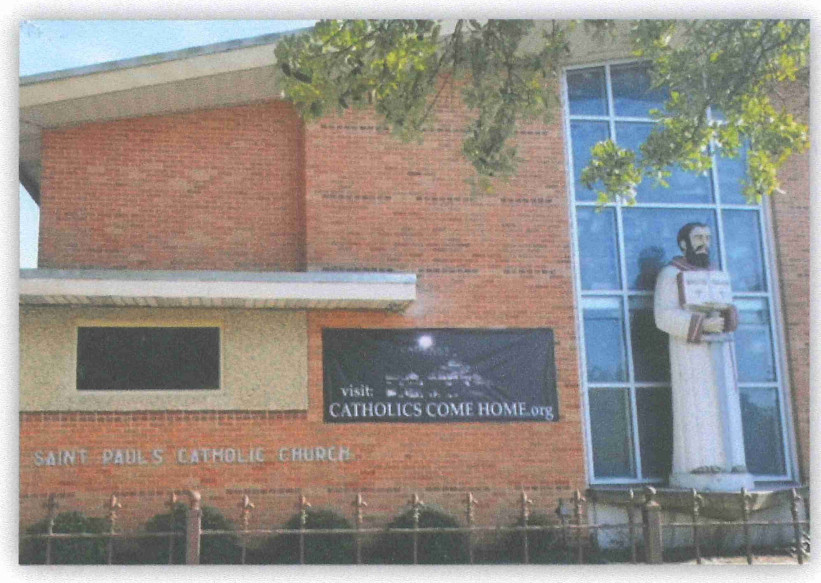

Mass Schedules

Sunday Vigil	4:00pm
Sunday	8:00am and 10:00am
Youth Sunday	3rd Sunday at 10:00am
Tuesday Novena Mass	6:00pm
Wednesday – Friday	7:30am

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
1st Friday 8:00am to 12:00pm

Confessions
Saturday at 3:00pm or by appointment

Office Hours

Monday – Friday	8:30am – 4:30pm
Lunch Break	12:00pm – 1:00pm
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Website www.stpaultheapostlechurch-nola.org

Mission Statement

St. Paul the Apostle Catholic Church is predominantly, an African American Community, one parish family that draws on the strength and riches of its diversity, growing, worshiping together and carrying the Good News of Jesus Christ to all people.

Marriage

Please contact the pastor before arrangements are made. Allow six (6) months for preparations.

Infant Baptism

See the inside bulletin for the next scheduled baptism.

Funeral

Notify the pastor first on the intended funeral arrangements before contacting the funeral home.

If you feel the call to religious life as a priest, brother, or nun, please contact
Divine Word Missionaries and Sister Servants of the Holy Spirit at **1.800.553.3321**

Parish Staff

Pastor	**Fr. Charles Ndumbi, SVD**
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Sacristans
Frederick Bell, Theresa Walker

Altar Servers Coordinator
Cabrina Phillips

Youth Minister
Brenda Jeanjacques

Children-Children
Miracle Fulton, Trudi Haney-Dyer, Angel Lawrence

Second Sunday of Easter ~ April 11, 2021

"Like newborn infants, you must long for the pure, spiritual milk, that in Him you may grow to salvation, Alleuia."
1 Peter 2:2

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday: April 11, 2021

Acts 4:32-35 / 1 Jn 5:1-6 / Jn 20:19-31

Monday: Acts 4:23-31 / Jn 3:1-8

Tuesday: *St. Martin I* ~ Acts 4:32-37 / Jn 3:7b-15

Wednesday: Acts 5:17-26 / Jn 3:16-21

Thursday: Acts 5:27-33 / Jn 3:31-36

Friday: Acts 5:34-42 / Jn 6:1-15

Saturday: Acts 6:1-7 / Jn 6:16-21

Sunday: April 18, 2021

Acts 3:13-15, 17-19 / 1 Jn 2:1-5a / Lk 24:35-48

Mass Intentions

Saturday – 8:00pm ***Deceased:*** *Valda Smith* (Cynthia Lee); *Lillian Gilyot* (Harvey and Quintella Jackson); *Oliver Williams* (Wife & Children); *Emile Evans* (Rosemary Evans); *Lionel Williams* (Gloria Williams & Family); *Rebie Nelson* (Family); all St. Paul the Apostle Parishioners, and all who have passed away due to the coronavirus **Special Intention:** *The Bittner Family/Mental Health, Jobs* (Agnes Bittner)

Sunday – 8:00am ***Deceased:*** *Lillian Gilyot* (Harvey & Quintella Jackson); *Jaime P. Narcisse* (Celine Narcisse); *Meldon Woods* (Audrey Woods); all St. Paul the Apostle Parishioners, and all who have passed away due to the coronavirus

Sunday – 10:00am ***Deceased:*** *Albert J. Bell Jr.* (Dolores B. Bell); *Oliver Williams* (Wife & Children); *Lillian Gilyot* (Harvey & Quintella Jackson); *Lionel Williams* (Gloria Williams & Family); *Deborah Bart* (Family & Friends); Elijah Colbert (N.O. East Tires); all St. Paul the Apostle Parishioners, and all who have passed away due to the coronavirus

Tuesday – 6:00pm ***Deceased:*** *Herbert Mornay* (Eslin Mornay)

"Is anyone among you sick? He should summon the presbyters of the church, and they should pray over him and anoint him with oil in the name of the Lord." James 5:14

Pray for the Sick: Christina Arceneaux, Warren Armstrong, Marie Augillard, Frederick Barrow, Frederick Bell, Easton Brown, Delrio Brunious, Matthew Causey, Tiffany Duckworth-Matthews, Cornell Esteen, Pia George-Reed, Graclyn Guerin, Alexandra Harrison, Alexander Joseph; Theresa Knight; Albert Lewis Jr., Sylvia Marshall, Gerri McKey, Juanita Myles, Warren Payne, Roulette Robinson, Lorraine Thornton, Adisyn Wilson, all those suffering from the coronavirus

April 4, 2021 Stewardship and Attendance

Weekly Offering

Saturday – 8:00pm	$1,899.00	46
Sunday – 8:00am	$2,206.00	63
Sunday – 10:00am	$1,454.33	104
Totals	**$7,643.33**	**213**
Capital Campaign	$275.00	

Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for April – Fundamental Rights
We pray for those who risk their lives while fighting for fundamental rights under dictatorships, authoritarian regimes and even in democracies in crisis.

Ministers Schedule for April 17-18, 2021

Lectors
4:00pm – Gavin Richard
8:00am – Carol Gonzales
10:00am – Yolanda Dillion

Altar Servers
4:00pm – Kaylee Cross, Caitlin Phillips
8:00am – Ronald Alexander, Shyloh Madison, Skyler Madison
10:00am –To Be Notified

Ushers
4:00pm – Philip Barrow, Barrett Breaux, Ricky Granger, Sean Paul
8:00am – Bertrand Brickham, Martin Collette, Irma Duckworth, Raphael Perrault
10:00am – Steve Brown, Troy Esteen, Lerone Harris, Sherman McCall, Zé Muse

First Reading – Acts 4:32-35. The community of believers was of one heart and mind, and no one claimed that any of his possessions was his own, but they had everything in common. With great power the apostles bore witness to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and great favor was accorded them all. There was no needy person among them, for those who owned property or houses would sell them, bring the proceeds of the sale, and put them at the feet of the apostles, and they were distributed to each according to need.

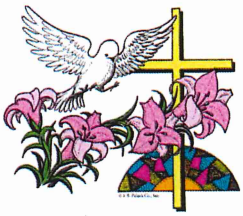
Second Reading – 1 John 5:1-6. Beloved: Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ is begotten by God, and everyone who loves the Father loves also the one begotten by Him. In this way we know that we love the children of God when we love God and obey His commandments. For the love of God is this, that we keep His commandments. And His commandments are not burdensome, for whoever is begotten by God conquers the world. And the victory that conquers the world is our faith. Who indeed is the victor over the world but the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God?

This is the one who came through water and blood, Jesus Christ, not by water alone, but by water and blood. The Spirit is the one that testifies, and the Spirit is truth.

Gospel – John 20:19-31. On the evening of that first day of the week, when the doors were locked, where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood in their midst and said to them, "Peace be with you." When He had said this, He showed them His hands and His side. The disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent Me, so I send you." And when He had said this He breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. Whose sins you forgive are forgiven them, and whose sins you retain are retained."

Thomas, called Didymus, one of the Twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples said to him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in His hands and put my finger into the nailmarks and put my hand into His side, I will not believe."

Now a week later His disciples were again inside and Thomas was with them. Jesus came, although the doors were locked, and stood in their midst and said, "Peace be with you." Then He said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands, and bring your hand and put it into my side, and do not be unbelieving but believe." Thomas answered and said to Him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Have you come to believe because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed."



Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of His disciples that are not written in this book. But these are written that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that through this belief you may have life in His name.

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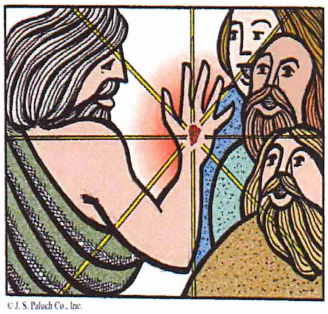
My family and I want to express our gratitude for the amount of support shown to us during this time. Addy's fundraiser was a great success; I would not have been able to make it happen without the support and generosity of our St. Paul family. We truly appreciate it and cannot say thank you enough!
From direct sales, over $4,000 was collected and more than $570 in pre-orders.
God bless,
Jennifer, Dilan, and Adisyn

Your Contributions and Generous Support

If you prefer to make contributions once a month, there is no need to turn in envelopes for each weekend with your check/cash; simply use one envelope (you may state that it is for the entire month). Also, if you are contributing to a second collection, Mass intentions, the Life Center, or anything else, we prayerfully ask that you make a separate check or use cash for those purposes. It ensures that your funds are credited to the proper place and aids the Money Counters in getting an accurate total for each collection.

If you have forgotten your envelope, generic ones are in the pews for your convenience. **Please write your name AND parishioner number on the envelope**. Thank you for your continued support of this parish.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Information for the Bulletin

If you have any announcements, Mass intentions, or other information for the bulletin, please note that you must call the parish office by Wednesday at 12pm in order for it to be placed in the weekend bulletin.

30th Annual ABBEY Open Golf Tournament

The 30th Annual ABBEY Open Golf Tournament takes place on Thursday, May 13th at Covington Country Club. All proceeds support St. Joseph Seminary College, which provides training for young men studying for the priesthood from 22 dioceses and 7 states across the Gulf South region and is run by the Benedictine Monks of Saint Joseph Abbey.
Sign up at **http://www.saintjosephabbey.com/golf**, sponsor a hole at **http://www.saintjosephabbey.com/golf-sponsor**

So That You May Believe

It is not often that the author of one of the books of the Bible comes right out and tells us directly why he is writing what he is writing. In this Sunday's Gospel reading, taken from the conclusion of John's Gospel, the author tells us that he has chosen to record these events so "that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that through this belief you may have life in His name" (20:31).

The letter of John echoes this idea by saying that "[e]veryone who believes that Jesus is the Christ is begotten by God" (5:1) – what we might refer to as being "born again". Our reading from the Acts of the Apostles for this Second Sunday of Easter shows us exactly what it looks like when believers are born again through faith.
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Meditation:

Do you know the joy of the resurrection? The Risen Lord Jesus revealed the glory of His resurrection to His disciples gradually and over a period of time. Even after the apostles saw the empty tomb and heard the reports of Jesus' appearance to the women, they were still weak in faith and fearful of being arrested by the Jewish authorities. When Jesus appeared to them He offered proofs of His resurrection by showing them the wounds of His passion, His pierced hands and side. He calmed their fears and brought them peace which reconciles sinners and makes us friends of God.

Lord Jesus Christ, through Your victory over sin and death, You have overcome all the powers of sin and darkness. Help me to draw near to You and to trust in Your life-giving word. Fill me with Your Holy Spirit and strengthen my faith in Your promises and my hope in the power of Your resurrection.
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Bible Quiz

"*No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends.*" John 15:13

April Bible quiz – Luke Chapter 24 from the New American Bible. Please list next to your answer the chapter and verse where you found your answers.

1. When the women took the spices they had prepared to the tomb, what did they find?
2. "They were terrified and bowed their faces to the ground. They said to them, 'Why do you seek the _____ _____? He is not here, but he has been raised. Remember what He said to you while He was still in Galilee, That the Son of Man must be handed over to sinners and be crucified and rise on the third day.
3. When the women told the apostles and disciples what they had seen at Jesus' tomb how did the apostles and disciples react?
4. After the eleven had been told about Jesus being raised from the dead, what did Peter do? _____
5. Two of them were going to Emmaus. They were talking about everything that had happened. Who came up and walked with them? _____
6. And He said to them, "'Oh, how foolish you are! How slow of heart to believe all that the prophets spoke! Was it not necessary that the _____ should suffered these things and enter into His glory?'
7. While they were still incredulous for joy and were amazed, what did He do to prove His existence?
8. "And He said to them, 'Thus it is written that the Messiah would suffer and rise from the dead on the third day, and that _____ _____would be preached in His name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things."
9. How long were the disciples to stay in the city of Jerusalem?
10. What was Jesus doing when He was parted from the disciples and carried up into heaven?

Bonus question: Which two books of the Bible do not mention God? Hint: Old Testament

Bible Quiz answers are due no later than April 26. Please send you answers to the Church email: **stpaultheapostle@arch-no.org** or bring to parish office.

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