St. Paul the Apostle Catholic Church

6828 Chef Menteur Highway – New Orleans, Louisiana 70126 The First Established Catholic Church in New Orleans East Since 1947

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 8:00am

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

Confessions

Saturday at 3:00pm or by appointment

Office Hours

 $\begin{array}{ll} \mbox{Monday - Friday} & 8:30\mbox{am} - 4:30\mbox{pm} \\ \mbox{Lunch Break} & 12:00\mbox{pm} - 1:00\mbox{pm} \\ \mbox{Parish Phone} & (504)\ 242.8820 \end{array}$

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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, w orshiping 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

Contact Fr. Charles Ndumbi, SVD.

Funeral

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

The Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time - March 2, 2025

Parish Staff

Pastor Fr. Charles Ndumbi, SVD

Deacon Duane E. Cruse, Sr. Secretary Donna J. Gibson Charlotte W. Scott

Pastoral Council

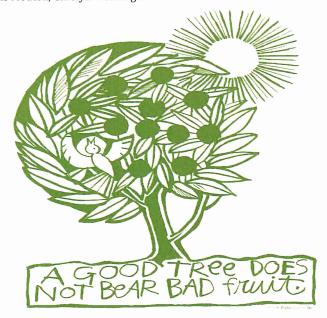
Chair Frederick Bell
Vice-Chair Joe Ball
Secretary Cabrina Phillips
Assistant Secretary Chelsey Napoleon

EMHC Leadership Team

Frederick Bell, Carolyn Washington

(Sick / Home bound/ Funerals)

Lois Mouton, Carolyn Washington





Ushers Coordinator

Irma Duckworth

Lector's Coordinators

Terrence Augillard, Dione Breckenridge, Lynette Causey

Sacristans

Frederick Bell, Theresa Walker

Altar Servers Coordinator

Cabrina Phillips

Youth Ministers

Juliana Smith, Denise Oguinn

Children-Children

Miracle Fulton, Trudi Haney-Dyer, Angel Lawrence

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**

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Thank you for your continued support of
St. Paul the Apostle.



The Lord became my protector. He brought me out to a place of freedom; He saved me because He delighted in me.

cf. Psalm 18(17):19-20

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

The Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time: March 2, 2025

Sir 27:4-7 / 1 Cor 15:54-58 / Lk 6:39-45

Monday: St. Katharine Drexel ~ Sir 17:20-24 / Mk 10:17-27

Tuesday: St. Casimir ~ Sir 35:1-12 / Mk 10:28-31

Ash Wednesday: JI 2;12-18 / 2 Cor 5:20—6:2 / Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

Thursday: Dt 30:15-20 / Lk 9:22-25

First Friday: Ss. Perpetua & Felicity ~ Is 58:1-9a / Mt 9:14-15

Saturday: St. John of God ~ ls 58:9b-14 / Lk 5:27-32 **The First Sunday of Lent: March 9, 2025**

Dt 26:4-10 / Rom 10:8-13 / Lk 4:1-13

Saturday-4pm Deceased: Emile Evans (Rosemary Evans); Melvin & Lillian Gilyot (Quintella & Harvey Jackson); David Bittner (Agnes Bittner); Oliver Williams (Wife & Children); Lionel J. Williams (Gloria Williams & Family); Joyce & Kenneth Graves (Kristi Hubbard & Family); Alva LeSassier (Claudia LeSassier); Matthew Causey (Lynette Causey & Family); Warren & Michael Armstrong (Sylvia Armstrong); Theresa Knight (Arlene Knight-Lombard); and all who have died this past week.

Sunday-8am Special Intention: Mass for the Parishioners of St. Paul

Sunday-10am Deceased: Melvin & Lillian Gilyot (Quintella & Harvey Jackson); Oliver Williams (Wife & Children); Lionel J. Williams (Gloria Williams & Family); Joyce & Kenneth Graves (Kristi Hubbard & Family); Theresa Knight (Arlene Knight-Lombard); and all who have died this past week

Thur & Fri 8am: Deceased: Theresa Knight (Arlene Knight-Lombard)

Is anyone among you suffering? Then he must pray. Is anyone cheerful? He is to sing praises. Is anyone among you sick? Then he must call for the elders of the church and they are to pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord; and the prayer offered in faith will restore the one who is sick, and the Lord will raise him up, and if he has committed sins, they will be forgiven him. James 5:13-15

Pray for the Sick: Alicia Alexander-Walton, Marie Augillard, Fr. Alfred Ayem SVD, Frederick Bell, Delrio Brunious, Maria Burkett, Mira Cosey, Tiffany Duckworth-Matthews, Wenona Dupart, Cornell Esteen, Rosemary Evans, Pia George-Reed, Alexandra Harrison, Donald and Mae Jackson, Alexander Joseph, Milton Miller, Erica Mitchell, Juanita Myles, Celine Narcisse, Joyce Rawlins, Roulette Robinson, Janice Scott, Lula Simms, Claudia Taylor, Adisyn Wilson, and all those suffering from chronic or terminal illnesses.

Stewardship and Attendance February 22-23, 2025

Sunday 8am \$ 601.00 28	Saturday 4pm \$1,836.00 4 Sunday 8am \$ 601.00 2	Sunday 10am	\$ 919.21	73
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Online Giving: \$ 515.00 Life Center: \$ 10.00

Next 2nd Collection: March 16 **Archdiocesan Seminarian Education**

Deadline for bulletin submissions is each Wednesday

Ministers Schedule for March 8-9, 2025

Lectors

Saturday – 4pm: Gavin Richard Sunday – 8am: Carol Gonzales Sunday – 10am: Dione Breckenridge

Eucharistic Ministers of Holy Communion

Saturday – 4pm: Denise Williams Sunday – 8am: Leslie Alexander

Sunday – 10am: Rose Esteen, Jacqueline Mayo

Altar Servers

Saturday – 4pm: Lionel Williams

Sunday -8am: Ronald Alexander, Colin Joshua

Sunday –10am: Ashaad Bowers, Hailey Smith, Sean Smith,

Ayden Walker

Ushers

Saturday – 4pm: Philip Barrow, Barrett Breaux, Ricky Granger Sunday – 8am: Bertrand Brickham, Steve Brown, Irma Duckworth,

Raphael Perrault

Sunday – 10am: Troy Esteen, Lerone Harris, Sherman McCall

DEPARTMENT OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

First Communion - 9am to 10:30am

Saturday, March 1 No Class Saturday, March 8 Class

CCD - 8:45am to 9:50am

Sunday, March 2 No Class Sunday, March 9 Class

Confirmation Phase I & II - 5pm to 6:30pm

Tuesday, March 4 No Class Tuesday, March 11 Class

March Bible Quiz. Answers can be found in James Chapters 1-5 in the New American Bible. List chapter/verse(s) where answers were found.

- 1. What is the state of a double-minded man?
- James entrusted the believers to be swift to do what?
- 4. Why does James say we should not discriminate against poor people?
- 5. What does James say about faith without deeds?
- 6. James speaks of a person having faith without deeds and asks, "Can such faith save him?" Can it?
- 7. "This need not be so, my brothers." What was James referring to?
- 8. James says that wisdom is demonstrated by ____
- 9. What is common in a place where jealousy and strife reign?
- 10. On what occasion does God refuse to grant a believer his prayer request?
- 11. What was the sinning Christian told to do?
- 12. What did James teach believers to say when talking about something they are going to do in the future?
- 13. James says we should be patient in the face of suffering. Why?
- 14. James recommends that if you are sick, then summon the presbyters of the church, who should do what?
- 15. What does James say will cover a multitude of sins?

Answers are due no later than Monday, March 24. Send to jmayo@arch-no.org, stpaultheapostle@arch-no.org, or bring to the parish office.



St. Paul the Apostle Catholic Church - March 2, 2025 The Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time



The Rosary Group invites you to recite the Rosary on **Monday**, **March 3** at 4pm in the Chapel. Let us pray for peace everywhere.

Ash Wednesday – March 5 8am Mass, 12pm Prayer Service, 6pm Mass.

The Parish Office will close on Monday, March 3 and Tuesday, March 4 for the Mardi Gras Holiday. Everyone, please be safe, enjoy the holiday and **Happy Birthday to Fr. Charles!**

Lenten Fish Fry

The Fish Fry fundraiser will begin on Friday, March 7 and continue each Friday of Lent until April II. Please support St. Paul the Apostle by donating ingredients, your time or treasures, spreading the word, and purchasing dinners! We will serve 11am to 5pm.

Adoration – Friday, March 7, 8am to 12pm in the Chapel. All are invited to spend some quiet time in prayer with the Lord.

Daylight Saving Time Starts Sunday, March 9th, Spring Forward!

St. Paul the Apostle Lenten Revival is March 17-19

with dynamic speaker, Fr. Ajani Gibson, Pastor of St. Peter Claver Church. Join us each night beginning at 6pm.

"Stand Up, Have Faith, I am With You"

St. Joseph Altar

If you would like to make donations to the St. Joseph Altar (wine, flowers, fruit, etc.) please call the parish office or bring perishables **no earlier than Monday, March 17**. The Altar will be on display Wednesday, March 19, 8:30am to 5:30pm.

The Stations

Stations of the Cross – each Friday of Lent (March 7, 14, 21, 28, April 4 and 11); 6pm, followed by Mass.

February Bible Quiz

Thank you to Donna Gibson, Adia Harrison, Cabrina Harrison, Thomas Price, Charlotte Scott, Janice Scott, and Carolyn Washington for participating in the February Bible Quiz.

Answers from Hebrews 11-13: [1] Enoch. 11:5 [2] promises. 11:13 [3] Joseph. 11:22 [4] Moses. 11:23-29 [5] the leader and perfecter of faith. 12:2 [6] peace, holiness without which no one will see the Lord. 12:14 [7] that no bitter root spring up and cause trouble, through which many may become defied. 12:15 [8] should have gratitude, with which we should offer worship pleasing to

God in reverence and awe. 12:28 [9] Do not neglect hospitality, for through it some have unknowingly entertained angels. 13:2 [10] be kept undefiled, for God will judge the immoral and adulterers. 13:4 [11] Obey your leaders and defer to them. 13:7, 17 [12] Timothy. 13:23

The ORACLE Religious Association invites all to a Lenten Retreat at St. Josephine Bakhita Catholic Church (2225 Congress Street in the St. Mary of the Angels Community Center). The retreat takes place Friday, March 14 (4pm-8pm), Saturday, March 15 (8am-9pm), and Sunday, March 16 (8am-3pm). Register now to secure your seat at:

https://oraclereligious.com/retreats/registration Speakers: Msgr. Raymond East and Sr. Dr. Oralisa Martin.

Treasures From Our Tradition

Many Catholics who are not active in the Church will still seek out ashes this Wednesday. Likewise, many Jews who are not otherwise observant will follow the Day of Atonement, Yom Kippur, with great exactness, fasting, and refraining from work and entertainment. People customarily dress in white as a symbol of purity and a reminder of God's promise that our sins will be made white as snow. While the overture to Ash Wednesday for Christians may be a festive Mardi Gras celebration, for Jews it is the New Year feast of Rosh Hashanah. Ten days before the Day of Atonement to God, people are expected to repair breaks in human life. These are days for offering forgiveness and seeking to repair harmed relationships with family, friends, or coworkers. Everyone is expected to seek out someone and "clear the air" by asking for understanding for any mean words or thoughless deeds in the past year.

Perhaps the ashes you receive will be invested with deeper meaning if you follow a similar plan. This year, Rosh Hashanah will be September 23, and Yom Kippur October 2. A conversation with some Jewish friends or neighbors about their experience of a season of repentance may be a blessing on your Lent.

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As we approach the Lenten Season...

Reflect with gratitude on God's generosity. Everything we are and that we have are gifts from God. We are called to embrace these blessings and make something beautiful of our lives. We are called to make a return to God that honors Him. Giving of your best is a great way to honor God. Deuteromony 26:10 says, "I have now brought you the first fruits of the products of the soil which You, O Lord, have given me." Another way to honor God is by making a Legacy gift to the parish in your will or as a beneficiary of your life insurance or IRA. Praise God and give alms in return for all the blessings He gives to you.

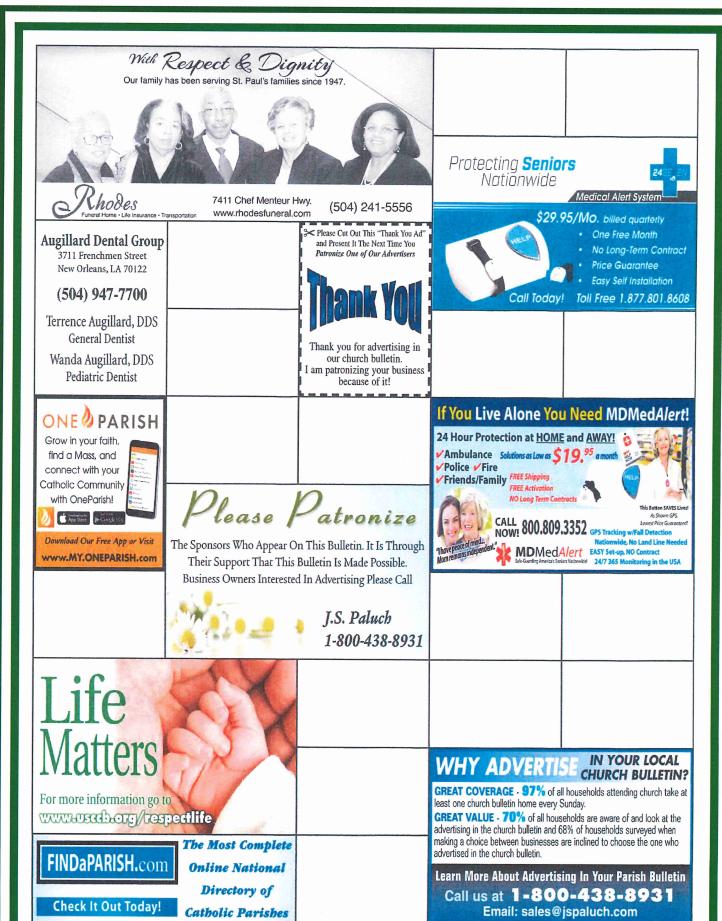
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Gospel - Luke 6:39-45

of the Cross

Jesus told His disciples a parable: "Can a blind person guide a blind person? Will not both fall into a pit? No disciple is superior to the teacher; but when fully trained, every disciple will be like His teacher. Why do you notice the splinter in your brother's eye, but do not perceive the wooden beam in your own? How can you say to your brother, 'Brother, let me remove that splinter in your eye,' when you do not even notice the wooden beam in your own eye? You hypocrite! Remove the wooden beam from your eye first; then you will see clearly to remove the splinter in your brother's eye.

"A good tree does not bear rotten fruit, nor does a rotten tree bear good fruit. For every tree is known by its own fruit. For people do not pick figs from thornbushes, nor do they gather grapes from brambles. A good person out of the store of goodness in his heart produces good, but an evil person out of a store of evil produces evil; for from the fullness of the heart the mouth speaks."



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