

# Saint David Catholic Church

April 23, 2023, Third Sunday of Easter



## **PARISH MISSION STATEMENT**

The worshipping community of St. David Catholic Church, nourished by the Holy Eucharist, guided by the Holy Spirit, empowered by the word of God, and inspired by our patron saints, St. Joseph, St. David of Wales and St. Maurice are committed to a deepening of our relationship with God and the universal church. We welcome and invite all to use their time and talent for the good of all God's people. Through prayer, worship, sacraments, evangelization, education and service, our community will endeavor to spread the good news of Jesus Christ. We have come this far by faith because we walk by faith not by sight. (2Corinthians 5:7)



## Celebration of the Sacrament of Baptism

- First Sunday of the month
- Form: Child born in Marriage
- Form: Child born outside of Marriage
- Forms need to be picked up in the parish office.
- Seminar with parents and godparents to be arranged with the pastor before the baptism.
- Coordinator: Mrs. Linda Pichon

## *Weekly Scripture Readings* *April 23, 2023– April 29, 2023*

**Monday:** Acts 6:8-15; Psalm 119:23-24, 26-27, 29-30; John 6:22-29

**Tuesday:** 1 Peter 5:5b-14; Psalm 89:2-3, 6-7, 16-17; Mark 16:15-20

**Wednesday:** Acts 8:1b-8; Psalm 66:1-3a, 4-5, 6-7a; John 6:35-40

**Thursday:** Acts 8:26-40; Psalm 66:8-9, 16-17, 20; John 6:44-51

**Friday:** Acts 9:1-20; Psalm 117:1bc, 2; John 6:52-59

**Saturday:** Acts 9:31-42; Psalm 116:12-13, 14-15, 16-17; John 6:60-69

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### **Weekend Masses:**

Saturday Vigil 4:00 p.m.; Sunday Morning 9:00 a.m.

### **Daily Masses:**

Tuesday—Friday at 7:30 a.m. in the Rectory Chapel.

**Novenas:** Tuesday (OLPH), Wednesday (ST. Joseph) after 7:30 a.m. Mass.

**Confessions:** 30 minutes before weekend Masses or anytime by request.

**Eucharist Adoration:** Fridays at 6:30 p.m. in the Rectory Chapel

## **Theme For the Parish**

*St. David: Faith, Family and  
Fellowship*

## Contributions and Attendance

Saturday, April 15, 2023 & Sunday, April 16, 2023

Saturday ————— \$1028.00

Sunday ————— \$ 977.00

Mail-Ins ————— \$ 302.00

Online ————— \$ 650.00

**Total Collection All Masses ——— \$2957.00**

Weekly Budgeted Expenses ——— \$3000.00

Difference (short) ————— \$ 43.00

**Total Deposit ————— \$2957.00**

**Attendance:** Saturday-28; Sunday— 65

**Total Attendance-93**

**P.S. Thank you for being so generous to your parish**



*Joyce Costello, Lana Piquet, Shirley Martinez, Louis Caliste, Jr., Joseph Caliste, Arlene Craft, Doris Claiborne, Karen Wyseman, Beryl Wingate, Lewis Turner, Grace Leonce, Rasheed Picquet, Edith Smith, Armani Fernandez, Saalyiah Leslie, Yvonne Sanchez, Darryl Sanders, Norma Conohan, Shane Dave, David Williams, Shirley Francois, John Wysemam, Gaynell St. Julien, Veronica Nolan, Alfred Barbarian, Dolores Cages, Alberta Porche, Byron Jupiter*

## Mass Intentions for the Week of

**April 23, 2023-April 29, 2023**

Sun., Apr. 23rd:	9:00 a.m. Pro-Populo St. David and St. Maurice Church
Tues., Apr. 25th:	7:30 a.m. Mass Intention
Wed., Apr. 26th:	7:30 a.m. Mass Intention
Thurs., Apr. 27th:	7:30 a.m. Mass Intention
Fri., Apr. 28th:	7:30 a.m. Mass Intention
Sat., Apr. 29th:	4:00p.m. Mass Intention



*Throughout the Covid-19 pandemic, Father Oswald will be saying a daily Mass for all parishioners affected by the Coronavirus.*

## **From Loyola Press**

### **Gospel Reading**

*Luke 24:13-35*

Jesus appears to two disciples who are walking to Emmaus.

### **Background on the Gospel Reading**

On most Sundays during the Easter season in Cycle A, our Gospel is taken from the Gospel of John. This week's Gospel, however, is taken from the Gospel of Luke. As in last week's Gospel, today's Gospel shows us how the first community of disciples came to believe that Jesus had risen from the dead. In these stories we gain insight into how the community of the Church came to be formed.

When we read today's Gospel, we may be surprised to learn that these friends of Jesus could walk and converse with him at some length yet not recognize him. Again we discover that the risen Jesus is not always easily recognized. Cleopas and the other disciple walk with a person whom they believe to be a stranger; only later do they discover that the stranger is Jesus. We learn that the first community met and recognized Jesus in the breaking of the bread, just as we meet Jesus in the Eucharist.

We can imagine the feelings of the two disciples in today's reading. They are leaving their community in Jerusalem. Their friend Jesus has been crucified. Their hope is gone. They are trying to make sense of what has occurred, so that they can put the experience behind them.

Jesus himself approaches the two men, but they take him for a stranger. Jesus asks them what they are discussing. He invites them to share their experience and interpretation of the events surrounding his crucifixion and death. When the two disciples have done so, Jesus offers his own interpretation of his crucifixion and resurrection, citing Jewish Scripture. In that encounter we find the model for our Liturgy of the Word—what we do each time we gather as a community for the Eucharist. We reflect upon our life experiences and interpret them in light of Scripture. We gather together to break open the Word of God.

In the next part of the story, we find a model for our Liturgy of the Eucharist. The disciples invite the stranger (Jesus) to stay with them. During the meal in which they share in the breaking of the bread, the disciples' eyes are opened; they recognize the stranger as Jesus. In the Eucharist too we share in the breaking of the bread and discover Jesus in our midst. Just as the disciples returned to Jerusalem to recount their experience to the other disciples, we too are sent from our Eucharistic gathering. Our experience of Jesus in the Eucharist compels us to share the story with others.

## *The Pastor's Weekly Schedule*

### Monday, April 24, 2023

- The Pastor is off. Office of the parish closed.

### Tuesday, April 25, 2023

- 7:30AM: Daily Mass
- 10AM to 2PM: Office Hours
- 3:30PM to 5:30PM: Couple's Counseling
- 6:30PM: Meeting with the Haitians

### Wednesday, April 26, 2023

- 7:30AM: Daily Mass
- 10AM to 2PM: Office Hours
- 4PM to 5:30PM: Meeting with Couple
- 6:30PM to 8:30PM: Meeting at St. David

### Thursday, April 27, 2023

- 7:30AM: Daily Mass
- 10AM to 2PM: Office Hours
- 4PM to 5:30PM: Couple's Counseling
- 6PM: Haitian Pastoral Council Meeting

### Friday, April 28, 2023

- 10AM: Mass of Christian Burial: Juliette Allen
- 2:30PM to 3:30PM: Meeting at St. David
- 4:30PM to 5:30PM: Confirmation Class
- 7PM: Deanery Meeting

### Saturday, April 29, 2023

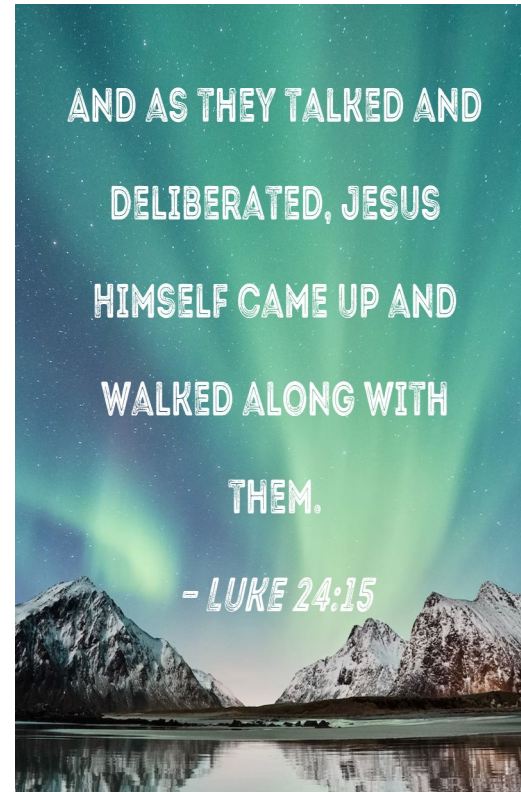
- 10AM: Mass of Christian Burial: Peter Badie

- 4PM: Vigil Mass
- 7PM: Goodie Fundraiser Dance

### Sunday, April 23, 2023

- 9AM: Sunday Liturgy
- 12PM: Meeting at St. David
- 4:30PM to 6PM: Confirmation Class in Westbank
- 6:30PM: Sunday Liturgy in Westbank

*Again, wishing you a very blessed, safe, and productive week.*





## *Announcements*

**April 23, 2023, Third Sunday of Easter**

### **Monthly Pastoral Council Meeting Summary**

#### **The Council discussed the following:**

The upcoming dance scheduled for Saturday April 29, 2023.

The deaths of parishioners.

The Youths and Young Adult Ministry.

The Membership of the parish.

The roof leaking for both the Church and Rectory

The Upcoming Parish Three- Year Campaign Fundraiser and its implementation.

The Pastor reported that he has elected by his fellow Josephites as the Director of Area II, which makes him a member of the General Council of the Josephite Congregation.

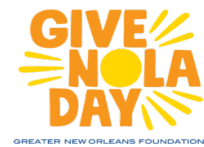
### ***Goodie Dance***

Please come out and enjoy a night filled with dance and excitement at our Goodie Dance on April 29, 2023. It will be from 7PM to 11PM at the St. David Gym. Ticket Donation: \$20



### **GiveNOLA Day**

Would you please consider giving to the Ninth Ward Outreach Corporation at <http://givenola.org/NWOC> for GiveNOLA Day on May 2, 2023. NWOC has been responsible for the Toy Give-a-Way for over 15 years, held right here at St. David. We have assisted the residents of the Ninth Ward with other services such as food and clothing donations.



### **Planned Fundraisers for the Parish**

*Fundraiser: Line and Wine Dance*

- Where: St. David Gym
- When: Friday, June 16, 2023  
(Friday before Fathers Day/Juneteenth)
- Time: 7PM to 10PM

- Donation: \$10 in advance, \$15 at the door.

*St. David Campaign*

- Please stay tuned for more information coming soon.

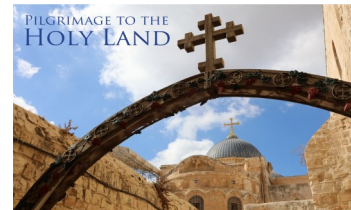
## Adult Altar Servers

Do you want to serve as an adult altar server? There is a place for you. Please contact Fr. Oswald or Kimberly Mirabin. They are waiting for your call.



## Holy Land Pilgrimage

Do you or someone you know want to go to the Holy Land? Yes, we are planning to take you back to the Holy Land next year. Be ready to go visit the birth place of Jesus! More information will be announced at a later date.



## RCIA Class

If you know anyone who has not received one, two or three sacraments of initiation: Baptism, First Communion, and Confirmation, please advise them to contact Father Oswald. Yes, we are ready to work with them.



## Sacrament of Holy Matrimony

If you were civilly married and want your marriage blessed by the Church, please know that we are here to help you. You can wither call Father Oswald or Terry C. Montegut, the wedding coordinator for the parish.



## April Birthdays

• Phillip Thomas	April 1st	• Emilia Carney	April 15th
• John Belson	April 2nd	• April Williams	April 16th
• Kevin Jones	April 3rd	• Irene Young	April 17th
• Caroline Lambert	April 3rd	• Alfred Barbarin	April 18th
• Blaise Moore	April 3rd	• Delia Crumby	April 19th
• Yvonne Sanchez	April 5th	• Joyce Costello	April 20th
• Braylen Burrell	April 6th	• Kayla Glenn	April 20th
• Joyce Hagan	April 10th	• Steven Luke	April 22nd
• TaRhonda Gasper	April 11th	• Christopher Banks	April 24th
• Jeffery Mirabin	April 14th	• Erica Johnson	April 24th
• Joseph Mirabin	April 14th	• Beverly Ladmirault	April 25th
• Michael Picot	April 14th	• Havan Bell	April 30th
• Shari Stewart	April 14th	• Bryce Morris	April 30th
• Michael W. Bergeman	April 15th		



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