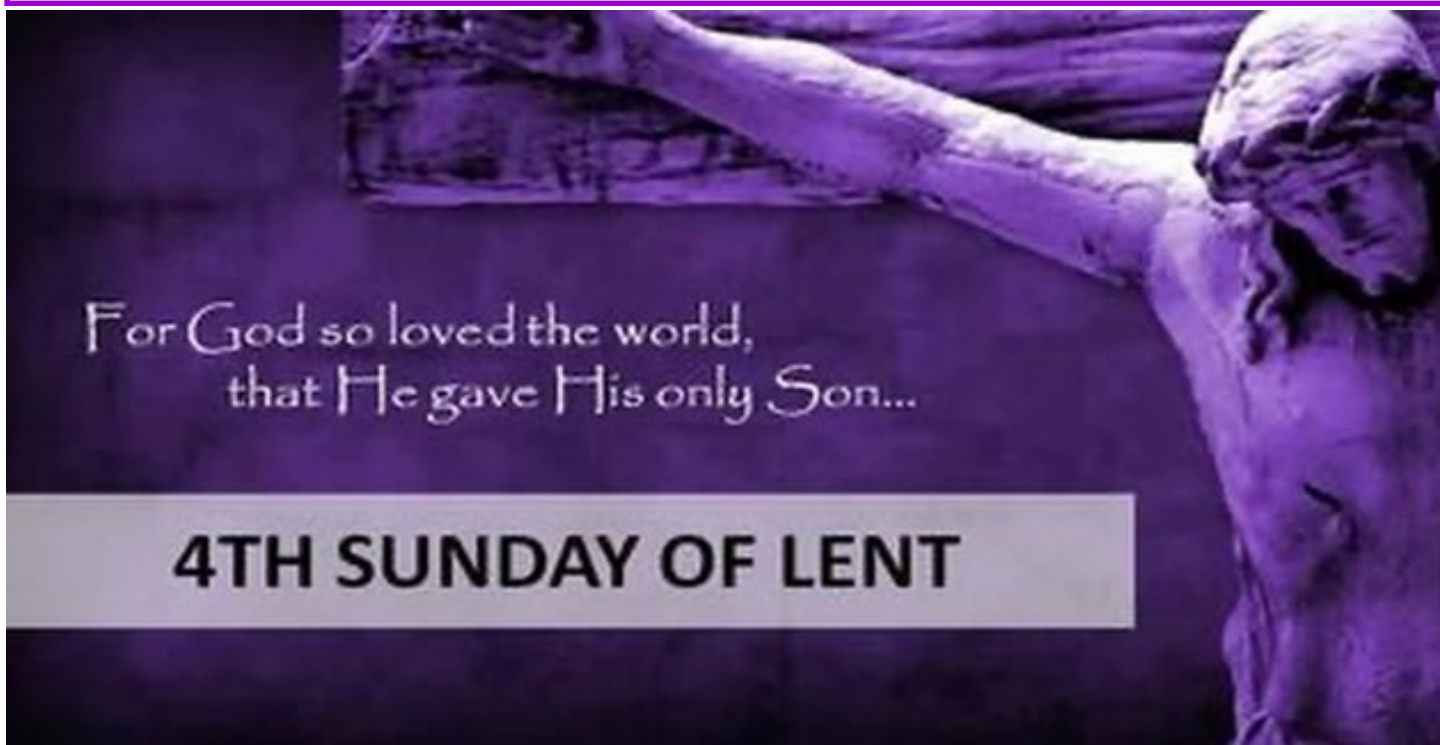


# Saint David Catholic Church

March 10, 2024

## Fourth Sunday of Lent

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### **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

*March 10, 2024–March 16, 2024*

**Monday:** Isaiah 65:17-21; Psalm 30:2 and 4, 5-6, 11-12a and 13b; John 4:43-54

**Tuesday:** Ezekiel 47:1-9, 12; Psalm 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9; John 5:1-16

**Wednesday:** Isaiah 49:8-15; Psalm 145:8-9, 13cd-14, 17-18; John 5:17-30

**Thursday:** Exodus 32:7-14; Psalm 106:19-20, 21-22, 23; John 5:31-47

**Friday:** Wisdom 2:1a, 12-22; Psalm 34:17-18, 19-20, 21 and 23; John 7:1-2, 10, 25-30

**Saturday:** Jeremiah 11:18-20; Psalm 7:2-3, 9bc-10, 11-12; John 7:40-53

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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, February 24, 2024 & Sunday,  
February 25, 2024**

Saturday	—	\$ 900.00
Sunday	—	\$ 923.00
Mail-Ins	—	\$ 0.00
Online	—	\$ 125.00
<b>Total Collection All Masses</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>\$1948.00</b>
Weekly Budget Expenses	—	\$3000.00
Difference (short)	—	\$1052.00
Mass Intentions	—	\$ 30.00
Endowment	—	\$4278.25
<b>Total Deposit</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>\$3465.00</b>

**Attendance:** Sat-42; Sun-77

**Total Attendance-119**

**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, Dolores Cages, Mable Howard, Sarah Lastie*

## Mass Intentions for the Week of March 10, 2024—March 16, 2024

Sun., March 10th:	9:00 a.m. Pro-Populo St. David and St. Maurice Church
Tues., March 12th:	7:30 a.m. Mass Intentions
Wed., March 13th:	7:30 a.m. Mass Intentions
Thurs., March 14th:	7:30 a.m. Mass Intentions
Fri., March 15th:	7:30 a.m. Mass Intentions
Sat., March 16th:	4:00p.m. Jacqueline Daranda-Brown



Requested by: Sharon Peters & The Cabral Family



## *A Message from the Pastor*

(from Loyola Press)

### **Gospel Reading**

*John 3:14-21*

Jesus tells Nicodemus that the Son of Man will be raised up so that those who believe in him will have eternal life.

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

The fourth Sunday of Lent is sometimes called *Laetare* Sunday. *Laetare* is a Latin word that means “rejoice.” Traditionally, Sundays are named after the first word of the liturgy’s opening antiphon. On this Sunday, the antiphon is taken from the book of the prophet Isaiah (Isaiah 66:10-11). Even as we observe our Lenten sacrifices, we rejoice in anticipation of the joy that will be ours at Easter.

Today’s Gospel reading is taken from John’s Gospel. It consists of two parts. The first part is the final sentence of Jesus’ reply to Nicodemus, the Pharisee who approached Jesus at night. Nicodemus acknowledged Jesus as someone who had come from God and seemed to want to be a follower of Jesus. Jesus greeted Nicodemus with the observation that one must be born from above to see the Kingdom of God. The dialogue between Jesus and Nicodemus that followed was about the meaning of this phrase. Nicodemus misunderstood Jesus at every point, but there was no animosity in the questions he posed to Jesus.

In the part of the conversation with Nicodemus in today’s Gospel, Jesus referred to an incident reported in the Old Testament. When the Israelites grumbled against the Lord during their sojourn in the desert, God sent venomous serpents to punish them for their complaints. The Israelites repented and asked Moses to pray for them. The Lord heard Moses’ prayer and instructed him to make a bronze serpent and mount it on a pole. All who had been bitten by a serpent and then looked upon the bronze serpent were cured. By recalling this story, Jesus alludes to the salvation that would be accomplished through his death and Resurrection.

The second part of today’s Gospel is a theological reflection on Jesus’ words to Nicodemus. The Gospel of John is known for this kind of reflection offered within the narrative. The words of the Evangelist are in continuity with the words of the prologue to John’s Gospel. In these reflections, John elaborates on a number of themes that are found in his Gospel: light and darkness, belief and unbelief, good and evil, salvation and condemnation.

In John’s reflection, we find an observation about human sinfulness. Jesus is the light that has come into the world, but people preferred the darkness. We wish to keep our sins hidden, even from God. Jesus has come into the world to reveal our sins so that they may be forgiven. This is the Good News; it is the reason for our rejoicing in this season of Lent and throughout our lives.



## *Pastor's Weekly Schedule*

Monday, March 11, 2024—Sunday, March 17, 2024

Monday, March 11, 2024

**The Pastor is off.**

**The office of the Parish is closed.**

Tuesday, March 12, 2024

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

Wednesday, March 13, 2024

- 7:30AM: Daily Mass
- 10:30AM: Deanery Meeting at St. David
- 4PM to 5:30PM: St. Augustine High School Board Meeting
- 6PM: Lenten Revival

Thursday, March 14, 2024

- No Daily Mass
- 10AM: Josephite Area II Lenten Recollection: Mobile, AL
- 4PM to 5PM: Meeting at St. David
- 6PM: Lenten Revival

Friday, March 15, 2024

- 7:30AM: Daily Mass
- 10AM to 2PM: Office Hours
- 5PM to 6:20PM: Confirmation Class
- 6:30PM: Stations of the Cross

Saturday, March 16, 2024

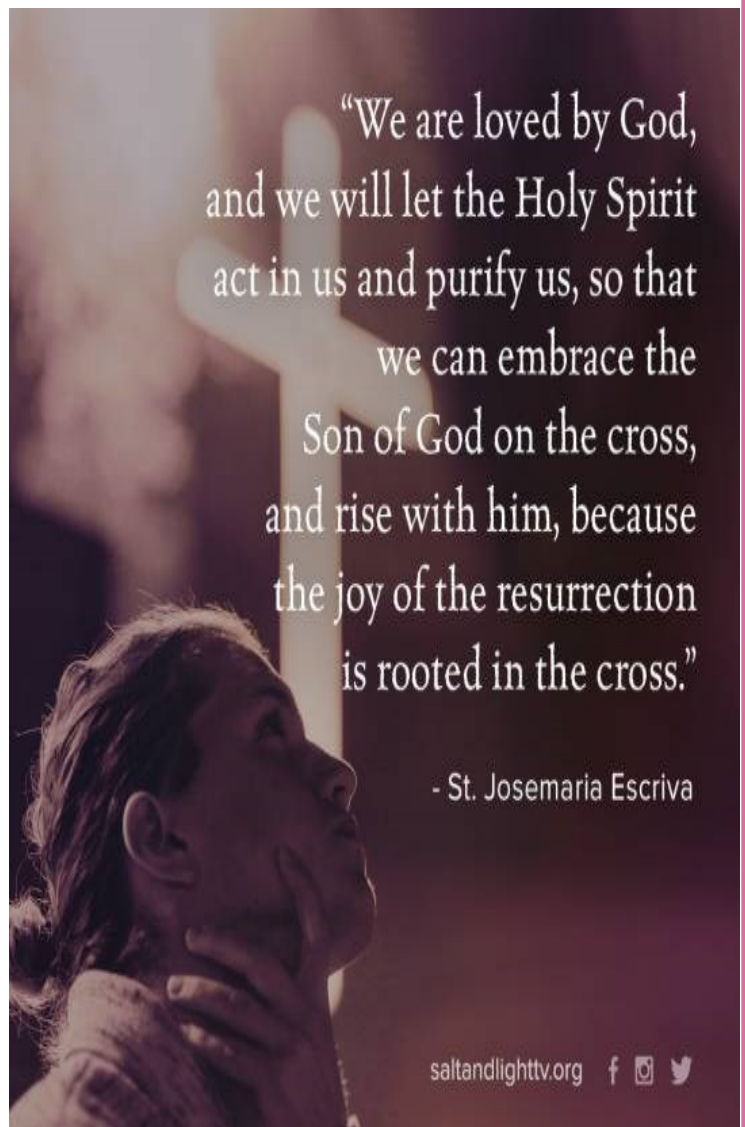
- 10AM: Memorial Mass

- 4PM: Vigil Mass
- 7PM to 8:30PM: Meeting in Westbank

Sunday, March 17, 2024

- 9AM: Sunday Liturgy
- 12PM to 1:30PM: Meeting at St. David
- 5PM to 6PM: RCIA Class in Westbank
- 6:30PM: Sunday Liturgy in Westbank

*Wishing you and yours a very blessed, safe, and productive week. Again, please be safe.*



# March 10, 2024

## Fourth Sunday of Lent

### Lenten Fish Fry Donations

This are the donations needed for our upcoming Lenten Fish Fry.

- Bread, Cakes, Cooking Oil, Cold Drinks, Water, Plates, Aluminum Pans, Sterno, Fish, Shrimp, Oyster, Fish Fry, Fork and Spoon Packages
- A cooked pan of Macaroni
- A cooked pan potato salad

Please see Hilda Clark concerning the cooked items.



### Lenten Fish Fry Schedule

Friday, March 15, 2024 Fish or Shrimp Plate

Friday March 22, 2024 Combo Plate



### Lenten Season Confession Schedule

Confession will be available in all Parishes from 5PM to 6:30PM on Wednesday March 6, March 13, and March 20, 2024.



### Mark your Calendars

St. David 3 Day Lenten Revival: March 12, 2024 at 6PM Please spread the news and invite a friend.  
Revivalist: Deacon Domini Njoku, S.S.J.

### Garden of Giving Update

5 Leaves Paid in Full; 3 Leaves on a Payment Plan; 4 \$1000 Stones on Payment Plan; 1 \$1000 Stone Pledge; 1 \$2500 Stone Paid in Full; 4 \$2500 Stones on Payment Plan; 1 \$ 5000 Stone Pledge; 2 Payment Plans for undecided stone.

**Total Collected as of 3/3/24: \$7706.75**

### 3 Year Campaign "Garden of Giving"

To support this effort, please consider one of the following donations:

\$5,000 Stone	\$2,500 Stone
\$1,000 Stone	\$375 Gold Leaf

**Forms are located in the back of the church.**

Payment Plans:

	<u>\$375 Gold Leaf</u>	<u>\$1000 Stone</u>	<u>\$2500 Stone</u>	<u>\$5000 Stone</u>
3 Years:	\$10.45 a month	\$27.80 a month	\$69.45 a month	\$139.00 a month
2 Years:	\$15.65 a month	\$41.66 a month	\$104.20 a month	\$218.35 a month
1 Year:	\$31.25 a month	\$83.35 a month	\$208.35 a month	\$416.80 a month

Your generosity is greatly appreciated. If you would like to set up a payment plan or have any questions, please contact the parish office at 504-947-2853. If any of these plans are not suitable for you, we are willing to work with you.



## Youth and Young Adult Corner

For God so loved the World, that He gave His only Son. John 3:16

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# *For God So Loved the World*

John 3:16 (NIV)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life. John 3:16 (NIV)

Each number represents a letter of the alphabet. Substitute the correct letter for the numbers to reveal the coded words.



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6. 23-7-14-15 \_\_\_\_\_
7. 3-1-24 \_\_\_\_\_
8. 15-9-15-16-24-20-23 \_\_\_\_\_
9. 23-1-17-15-5 \_\_\_\_\_
10. 12-15-16-7-3-25 \_\_\_\_\_
11. 1-24-23-26 \_\_\_\_\_

### CHECK YOUR ANSWERS

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# March Birthdays

- Arthur Smith, Sr. March 1st
- Jerome Jones March 2nd

*In Loving Memory*

- Geraldine Johnson March 3rd

*In loving Memory*

- Michael Broyard March 6th
- Mable Howard March 6th
- Walter Merrick March 8th
- Gabriel Stark March 8th
- Article Fernandrz March 10th
- Mary Denis March 11th
- Gabriel Rogers March 11th
- Tychelle Young March 12th
- Ignatius Peters March 13th
- Sharon Cabral Peters March 15th
- Ricardo Green March 15th
- Hannah Johnson March 18th
- Walter Jackson, Sr. March 18th

- Diane Smith March 17th
- Nadine Ancar March 18th
- Jasmine Hughes March 19th
- Joshua Smith March 19th
- Craig Blair March 20th
- Arianne Hollingsworth March 20th
- Amis Nolan March 20th
- Jason Stewart March 20th
- Emmette Cager March 21st
- Jasonique Stewart March 21st
- Kyree Magee March 22nd
- Leslie Stewart March 24th
- Jonathan Nichols March 25th
- Nicole Ryans March 28th
- Beryl Wingate March 28th
- Brenda Hagan March 29th
- Sheryl Davis March 30th

