

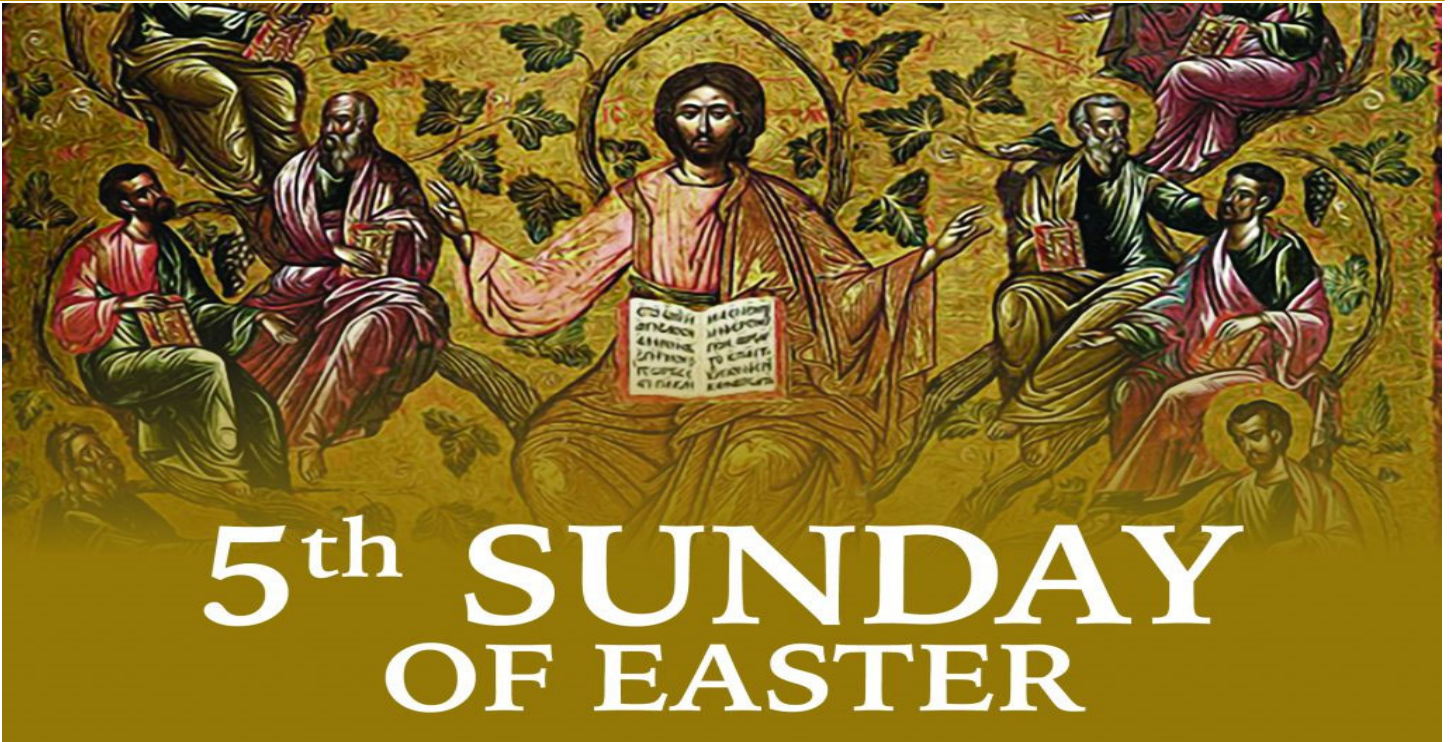
Saint David Catholic Church

April 28, 2024

Fifth Sunday of Sunday

Jesus teaches that He is the vine, and the disciples are the branches.

John 15:1-8



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 28, 2024-May 4, 2024

Monday: Acts 14:5-18; Psalms 115:1-2, 3-4, 15-16; John 14:21-26

Tuesday: Acts 14:19-28; Psalms 145:10-11, 12-13ab, 21; John 14:27-31a

Wednesday: Acts 15:1-6; Psalm 122:1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5; John 15:1-8

Thursday: Acts 15:7-21; Psalm 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 10; John 15:9-11

Friday: 1 Corinthians 15:1-8; Psalm 19:2-3, 4-5; John 14:6-14

Saturday: Acts 16:1-10; Psalm 100:1b-2, 3, 5; John 15:18-21

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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 20, 2024 & Sunday, April 21, 2024

Saturday	-----	-\$1337.00
Sunday	-----	\$ 428.00
Mail-Ins	-----	--\$ 201.00
Online	-----	-\$ 50.00
Total Collection All Masses	-----	\$2016.00
Weekly Budget Expenses	-----	-- \$3000.00
Difference (short)	-----	-- \$ 984.00
Priest Retirement	-----	\$ 150.00
Election	-----	--\$ 150.00
Total Deposit	-----	\$2316.00

Attendance: Sat-41; Sun-59

Total Attendance-100

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



Joyce Costello, Lana Piquet, Shirly 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 April 28, 2024—May 4, 2024

Sun., April 28th:	9:00 a.m. Pro-Populo St. David and St. Maurice Church
Tues., April 30th:	7:30 a.m. Mass Intentions
Wed., May 1st:	7:30 a.m. Mass Intentions
Thurs., May 2nd:	7:30 a.m. Mass Intentions
Fri., May 3rd:	7:30 a.m. Mass Intentions
Sat., May 4th:	4:00p.m. Mass Intentions

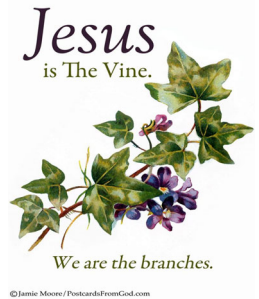


From Loyola Press

Gospel Reading

John 15:1-8

Jesus teaches that he is the vine and that his disciples are the branches.



Background on the Gospel Reading

Today's reading from the Gospel of John is part of Jesus' discourse at the Last Supper. Recall that John tells the story of Jesus' Last Supper differently from the other Evangelists. In John's Gospel, the Last Supper begins with Jesus washing his disciples' feet. Jesus then provides them with a series of instructions. We call this section the Last Supper discourse or Jesus' farewell discourse. In these chapters of John's Gospel, Jesus instructs his disciples about the importance of following his example of love and service, about the gift they will receive when Jesus sends them the Holy Spirit, and about their relationship with Jesus and with the world. The Last Supper discourse concludes with Jesus' prayer for his disciples.

Today's Gospel reading is taken from middle of the Last Supper discourse. Jesus speaks about his relationship to his disciples. In his metaphor of the vine and the branches, Jesus is referencing the Hebrew Scriptures. In the Hebrew Scriptures, Israel is the vineyard, and Yahweh himself tends the vineyard. One of the primary themes of John's Gospel is to show Jesus to be the fulfillment of God's promises to Israel.

In this passage, Jesus teaches his disciples that his relationship with them will not end after his death; he will remain with them always. This unity between Jesus and his disciples is the basis for their ability to continue to do the work that he began. Similarly, Jesus' presence with us through the Gift of the Holy Spirit enables us to continue the work of love and reconciliation that he began.

Jesus also teaches his disciples about the importance of the words he has taught to them. Just as Jesus will remain in the disciples, so too will his words. We come to know Jesus through the Scriptures, the living Word of God. Our commitment to be Christ's disciples is sustained through God's Word. This commitment is also strengthened by our life of prayer and nourished by the Eucharist. Through the Eucharist, Jesus dwells in us, remains with us, and transforms us so that we might bear fruit in his name.

We observe many people who act in ways that show their commitment to serve their neighbor. Christians and non-Christians feed the hungry, care for the sick, shelter the homeless, and give alms to the poor. These actions become acts of Christian discipleship when they are motivated by our relationship with Jesus. Whatever the immediate results, Jesus promises us that these actions will bear fruit when we undertake them in his name.

The Pastor's Weekly Schedule

Monday, April 29, 2024-Sunday, May 5, 2024

Monday, April 29, 2024

The Pastor is off.

Office of the Parish is closed.

Tuesday, April 30, 2024

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

Wednesday, May 1, 2024

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

Thursday, May 2, 2024

- 7:30AM:Daily Mass
- 10AM to 12PM:Office Hours
- 1PM to 4PM:Josephite General Council Meeting
- 5:30PM to 6:30PM:Couple's Counseling
- 7:30PM to 8:45PM: Meeting in Westbank

Friday, May 3, 2024

- 7AM: Daily Mass
- 10AM to 2PM: Office Hours
- 4:30PM to 5:30PM:Confirmation Class
- 6:30PM to 7:30PM:Baptismal Seminar

Saturday, May 4, 2024

- 11AM to 12:30PM:Meeting at St. David
- 12:30PM:Meeting at St. David
- 4PM:Vigil Mass
- 7PM:First Communion Reception

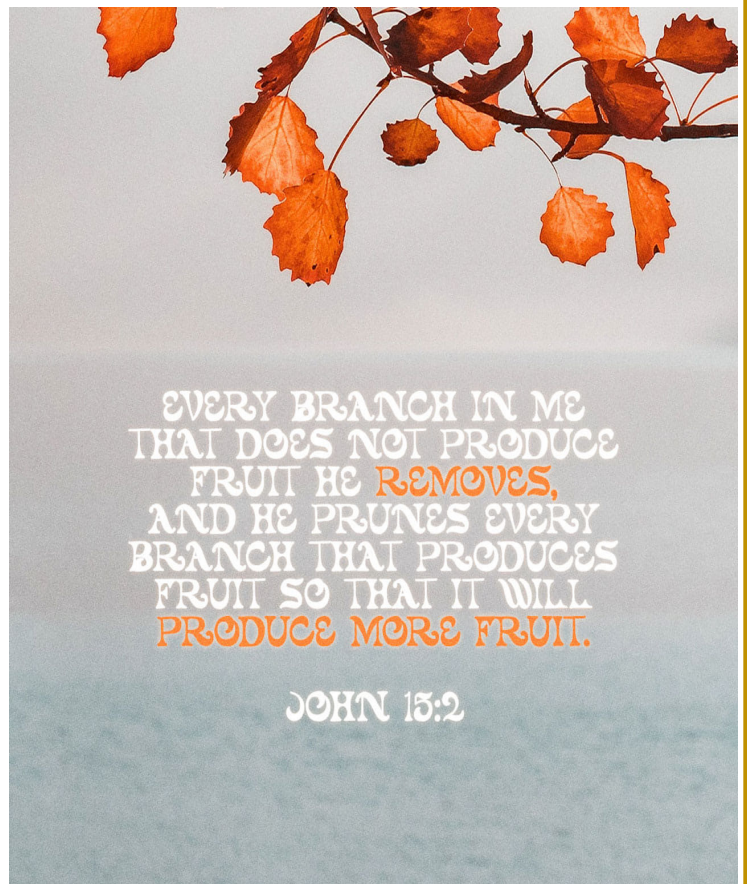
Sunday, May 5, 2024

9AM: Sunday Liturgy

11:30AM to 12:45PM:Meeting at St. David

6:30PM: Sunday Liturgy in Westbank

Wishing you and a very blessed and productive Easter Season. And yes, He is Risen: Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Again, please be safe.



April 28, 2024
Fifth Sunday of Easter

Saint David's "All Class" Reunion

The Luxury Hall
5555 Bullard Ave. Ste. 103

September 7, 2024 from 6PM to 10PM

Email your name, Class Year, Regular or Veggie Meal Option to Geralyn Triss at tg4013@yahoo.com. Cost for the night is \$55 per person. Please Zelle payments to Loma Connor, email lljc3free@gmail.com. Please send registration and money as soon as possible to reserve your spot. Limited seats available. For questions, please email Geralyn Triss or Loma Connor.

Garden of Giving Update

8 Paid in Full; 15 Payment Plans; 2 Pledges

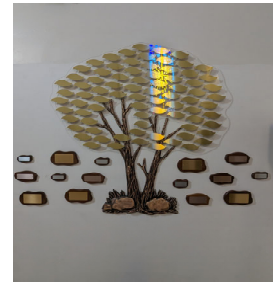
Total Collected as of 4/24/24: \$9908.40

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.

We have added the completed leaves on the tree. Please take a look and decide if you would like to add one for you or your loved ones.



Youth and Young Adult Corner

Jesus is the vine, we are the branches. John 15:1-8

The goal of our life of prayer is to increase our awareness that Jesus lives with us always. Prayer is more than a dialogue with God; prayer is a lifting of our minds and hearts to God so that God might dwell and act within us and through us. The pinnacle of our life of prayer is our communion with Jesus in the Eucharist. Through this sacrament, we receive Jesus himself, and he remains with us. Our life of prayer and our union with Jesus will lead us to fruitful service to others. (Loyola Press)

I Am the Vine

"I am the vine: you are the branches. If a man remains in me and I in him, he will bear much fruit; apart from me you can do nothing.,"
John 15:5 (NIV)

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



G	P	Q	T	F	S	A	K	N	X	W	I	O	C	D	R	H	J	V	E	Y	M	U	B	L	Z
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26

1. 4-16-23-20 _____
2. 19-12-9-20 _____
3. 24-16-7-9-14-17-20-6 _____
4. 16-20-22-7-12-9 _____
5. 24-20-7-16 _____
6. 5-16-23-12-4 _____
7. 1-7-16-15-20-9-20-16 _____
8. 2-16-23-9-20-6 _____

GARDENER
PRUNES

BRANCHES
REMAIN

TRUE
BEAR

VINE
FRUIT

May Birthdays

April Birthdays

- Mary Lewis April 29th
- Havan Bell April 30th
- Bryce Morris April 30th

- Willie Gibbs May 1st
- Denyze Stevens May 2nd
- Mervin Wiltz May 3rd
- Michael Gordon May 4th
- Linda Pichon May 4th
- Dontrell Stewart May 4th
- Jeremy Whitaker May 5th
- Kevin Hagan May 6th
- Cheryl Bean May 7th
- Ceolia Banks May 8th
- Edward Gasper May 8th
- Patrick Hagan May 8th
- Michelle Ryans May 8th
- Kirah Nichols May 10th
- Darby Moore May 11th
- Marie Hollingsworth May 12th
- Ann Washington May 12th

- Maliek Young May 12th

In Loving Memory: Peter Badie
May 17th

- Janie Sanfie May 17th
- Sarah Lastie May 18th
- Jourdan Riley May 19th
- Joyce Theodore May 21st
- Joshua Mirabin May 22nd
- Gloria Jackson May 23rd
- Anatole Wilson May 24th
- Roycelyn Metoyer May 27th
- Calvin Phipps, Jr. May 27th
- Dwayne Morrison May 28th
- Lauren Walter May 29th
- Julien Lee May 31st
- Lyric Lee May 31st



May Birthdays