

Saint David Catholic Church

May 12, 2024

The Ascension of the Lord

Jesus is taken to Heaven, and the disciples go forth to preach as Jesus commanded.

Mark 16:15-20



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

May 12, 2024-May 18, 2024

Monday: Acts 19:1-8; Psalm 68:2-3ab, 4-5acd, 6-7ab, John 16:29-33

Tuesday: Acts 1:15-17, 20-26; Psalm 113:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8; John 15:9-17

Wednesday: Acts 20:28-38; Psalm 68:29-30, 33-35a, 35bc-36ab, John 17:11b-19

Thursday: Acts 22:30; 23:6-11; Psalm 16:1-2a and 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11; John 17:20-26

Friday: Acts 25:13b-21; Psalm 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20ab; John 21:15-19

Saturday: Acts 28:16-20, 30-31; Psalm 11:4, 5 and 7; John 21:20-25

5617 St. Claude Avenue
New Orleans, Louisiana, 70117
Very Rev. Oswald P. Pierre-Jules, Jr.
SSJ.; Pastor of St. David
Area II Josephite Director, and
Director and Chaplain of Haitian
Community
Email: oswaldptheguy_75@yahoo.com
Parish Email: stdavid@arch-no.org
Website: www.stdavidnola.com

Parish Secretary: Robin Cleveland
Parish Office & Rectory: (504)947-2853

Office Hours: Tuesdays—Thursdays
9:00 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Fax: (504)943-0577

DRE: Ann Parfaite

Email: vicliz1933@gmail.com

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, May 4, 2024 & Sunday, May 5, 2024

Saturday	-----	-\$1814.00
Sunday	-----	\$ 803.00
Mail-Ins	-----	--\$ 170.00
Online	-----	-\$ 50.00
Total Collection All Masses	-----	\$2837.00
Weekly Budget Expenses	-----	-- \$3000.00
Difference (short)	-----	-- \$ 163.00
Brick	-----	-- \$ 100.00
Clarion Herald	-----	\$ 22.00
Baptism Donation	-----	\$ 25.00
Parish Maintenance	-----	-\$ 153.00
Total Deposit	-----	\$3137.00

Attendance: Sat-32; Sun-96

Total Attendance-128

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, 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 May 12, 2024—May 18, 2024

Sun., May 12th:	9:00 a.m. Pro-Populo St. David and St. Maurice Church
Tues., May 14th:	7:30 a.m. Mass Intentions
Wed., May 15th:	7:30 a.m. Mass Intentions
Thurs., May 16th:	7:30 a.m. Mass Intentions
Fri., May 17th:	7:30 a.m. Mass Intentions
Sat., May 18th:	4:00p.m. Mass Intentions





Message from the Pastor

Dear Beloved Friends and Families:

Again, welcome back as we gather to celebrate the Eucharist on the Solemnity of the Ascension of our Lord and to celebrate the mothers and grandmothers of our Church family. Again. I truly hope that you had a great week, and I also hope that you continue to have a blessed and productive Easter season. Wow! O Happy Day! Yes, we are happy to celebrate your motherhood and your role in your families. Your role at St. David is remarkable, undeniable, and admirable. Thank you for being you and thank you for your membership, dedication, and commitment. I personally thank you for being mother to me throughout so many years, and for that, I will forever remain grateful. Dignified and remarkable mothers and grandmothers, this is the Day the Lord has made and we rejoice with you and your families. Indeed, what would St. David be without your presence and without your participation and commitment? Furthermore, St. David is very blessed and fortunate with parishioners like you as mothers and grandmothers. Beloved mothers and grandmothers, again I love you ALL and with my heartfelt thanks and gratitude, I wish you a Blessed and Happy Mothers' Day.

My friends, yes, this weekend the Church celebrates the Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord. Indeed, after being raised from the dead, and before leaving the earth, He promised disciples and us that He would go ahead to prepare a place for us and He is sitting at the right of the Father. Moreover, the Father glorified the Son through the resurrection after accomplishing His mission, which was to save humanity. Jesus makes it clear that we share with Him in his death, we shall share with Him in His resurrection. Therefore, the Lord's Ascension is our ascension. Before leaving this earth, Jesus promised that the Father would send us an Advocate, a Paraclete to guide us throughout our earthly journey. In last weekend's Gospel, Jesus said to His disciples: "As the Father loves me so I love you. Remain in my love and if you keep my commandments, you will remain in my love". Furthermore, Jesus made it clear that we cannot claim that we love Him if we do not keep His commandment which is the ultimate proof of our love for Him. Beloved, this weekend, the Church invites us to celebrate the Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord. As we continue to experience this Easter season, let us continue to ask Jesus to keep us in His love and to keep us to keep His commandments.

My friends, as today's disciples, we need to remain in Jesus' love who is the source of our being. Indeed, Jesus requires that we keep His commandments which is the mark of discipleship. We are indeed living in a troubled world where we are subject to all types of distractions and temptations. On this very important day, a day where we celebrate mothers and grandmothers and as we begin the month of May, which is dedicated and devoted to the Blessed Virgin Mary, let us ask Blessed Mother to intercede for all mothers and grandmothers in parish. Yes, we do need to celebrate with them and rejoice in this day.

Finally, I would like to continue to extend my Easter season's best wishes to you and yours; a season filled with joys, hopes, and blessings. I also wish you and yours a week filled with God's blessings. Again, please join me one more time, to extend and to wish to ALL mothers and grandmothers a very blessed and Happy Mothers' and Grandmothers' Day. Also, wishing you All and yours a very blessed and productive week and please be safe. Until next time, let us keep each other in prayers.

I remain yours always in Christ,

Very Rev. Oswald Pierre Pierre-Jules, Jr. S.S.J.

Your Pastor.

The Pastor's Weekly Schedule

Monday, May 13, 2024-Sunday, May 19, 2024

Monday, May 13, 2024

The Pastor is off.

Office of the Parish is closed.

Tuesday, May 14, 2024

- 7:30AM:Daily Mass
- 10AM to 2PM:Office Hours
- 11AM: Funeral Arrangements
- 4PM to 5:30PM: Couple's Counseling
- 6:30PM: Meeting at St. David

Wednesday, May 15, 2024

- 7:30AM:Daily Mass
- 10AM to 2PM:Office Hours
- 4PM to 5:30PM:Couple's Counseling
- 5:30PM to 6:30PM:Meeting at St. David
- 7:30PM to 8:45PM:Meeting in Westbank

Thursday, May 16, 2024

- 7:30AM:Daily Mass
- 10AM to 2PM:Office Hours
- 4:30PM to 5:30PM:Meeting with Couple
- 6:30PM to 8PM:Wedding Prep Seminar

Friday, May 17, 2024

Welcome Josephite Seminarian

- 7AM: Daily Mass
- 10AM to 2PM: Office Hours
- 4PM to 5:30PM:Meeting at St. David
- 6:30PM to 7:45PM: Meeting with Adults

Saturday, May 18, 2024

- 11AM to 12:30PM:Meeting at St. David
- 1PM:Meeting at St. David
- 4PM:Vigil Mass
- 6PM:Fr. Oswald's 18th Anniversary Dinner

Sunday, May 19, 2024

9AM: Sunday Liturgy

1PM to 2:30PM:Meeting at St. David

6:30PM: Sunday Liturgy in Westbank

Again, we wish to ALL of mothers and grandmothers a very blessed and Happy Mother's Day. Yes, it is your day, enjoy it. To ALL parishioners: wishing and yours a very blessed Easter Season.



May 12, 2024

Ascension of the Lord

The Pastor's 18th Anniversary Dinner

Fr. Oswald cordially invites you to have dinner with him in celebration of his 18 years of priestly vocation on Saturday, May 18, 2024 at 6PM at the St. David School Gymnasium. 1200 Fats Domino Avenue.

Please RSVP by May 13, 2024. Contact Terry at 504-427-4586 with Name and number of family members attending.

Adult Faith Formation Seminars

Beginning the month of May, we will hold a series of Adult Faith Formation Seminars. The seminars will be held on the following Thursdays: May 16 & May 30, June 13 & June 27. The sessions will be held from 6p.m. to 7:15p.m. Beginning the first weekend of May, a sign-up form for the seminars will be at the back of the Church.

Garden of Giving Update

11 Paid in Full; 14 Payment Plans; 3 Pledges

Total Collected as of 5/5/24: \$10,896.85

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

Ascension of the Lord Mark 16:15-20

It can be very important whom we sit next to. Any family that has tried to sit down to a family dinner or packed the car for a trip has heard children argue at least once about who should sit where. To sit next to someone, especially if that person is important, is to have a place of honor. Jesus has this place of honor seated at God's right hand, but there's more to this metaphor than where Jesus sits in relation to God. To be in the place of honor is also to be in a place of power. Knowing people in powerful places can be helpful. Our children remind us of this each time we are called upon to referee a conflict. Jesus, honored at God's right hand, is a powerful ally for us. (Loyola Press)



May Birthdays

- 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
- Reece Williams May 10th
- Darby Moore May 11th
- Marie Hollingsworh May 12th

- Ann Washinton 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

