

# Saint David Catholic Church

May 19, 2024

## Pentecost Sunday

*Jesus appears to His disciples and gives them the gift of the Holy Spirit. .  
John 20:19-23*



### **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 19, 2024-May 25, 2024*

**Monday:** Genesis 3:9-15, 20 or Acts 1:12-14; Psalm 87:1-2, 3 & 5, 6-7; John 19:25-34

**Tuesday:** James 4:1-10; Psalm 55:7-8, 9-10a, 10b-11a, 23; Mark 9:30-37

**Wednesday:** James 4:13-17; Psalm 49:2-3, 6-7, 8-10, 11; Mark 9:38-40

**Thursday:** James 5:1-6; Psalm 49:14-15ab, 15cd-16, 17-18, 19-20; Mark 9:41-50

**Friday:** James 5:9-12; Psalm 103:1-2, 3-4, 8-9, 11-12; Mark 10:1-12

**Saturday:** James 5:13-20; Psalm 141:1, 2, 3 & 8; Mark 10:13-16

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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, May 11, 2024 & Sunday,  
May 12, 2024

Saturday	-----\$ 452.00
Sunday	-----\$ 1347.00
Mail-Ins	-----\$ 461.00
Online	-----\$ 145.00
<b>Total Collection All Masses</b>	<b>----- \$2405.00</b>
Weekly Budget Expenses	----- \$3000.00
Difference (short)	----- \$ 595.00
Ascension	-----\$ 48.00
St. V De Paul	----- \$ 166.00
<b>Total Deposit</b>	<b>----- \$2619.00</b>

**Attendance:** Sat-47; Sun-90

**Total Attendance-137**

**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 19, 2024—May 25, 2024

Sun., May 19th:	9:00 a.m. Pro-Populo St. David and St. Maurice Church
Tues., May 21st:	7:30 a.m. Mass Intentions
Wed., May 22nd:	7:30 a.m. Mass Intentions
Thurs., May 23rd:	7:30 a.m. Mass Intentions
Fri., May 24th:	7:30 a.m. Mass Intentions
Sat., May 25th:	4:00p.m. Mass Intentions







## *Message from the Pastor*

Dear Beloved Church Families:

This weekend, we celebrate the Solemnity of Pentecost where we commemorate the beginning, the birthday of the Church. Please allow me to address you as my Church family as I am celebrating my 18<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Priesthood. Yes, and indeed, 18 years ago, the Church ordained me as a priest to minister to God's holy people. On May 20, 2006 in Baltimore, I said to Christ I want to serve Him and the Church. However, at that time, I had no idea that I would be with you, my Church family, for nearly 14 years. It has been a humbly experience throughout those many years. God is indeed good all the time. As a result of His goodness toward me, I give thanks to Him for blessing me with so many years with you. I also give thanks to God for you and your loved ones.

My friends, when I landed in New Orleans on Saturday October 1, 2010, I did not know what to express with exception that the Lord would provide the means for a successful priestly ministry. Then from the time I arrived, you embraced me, and your love continues to grow throughout those many years. Yes, as I often say, I am a blessed and fortunate man; fortunate and blessed to be able to spend so many years among you as a Church family. For that, I will forever remain grateful. I can honestly say that God is the One who deserves all praises for allowing us take this long journey together as a family.

My friends, throughout those many years, we celebrated together joyful occasions and have grieved sorrowful occasions as a family. Indeed, the terrible pandemic that we experienced put us through the test where discovered the importance of being together and the lesson of being away from each other. Moreover, Covid-19 taught the importance of cherishing and admiring being together as a family. During those painful and terrible times, I had to celebrate the Eucharist with empty pews without my beloved parishioners. However, we were not together physically but we were united through thoughts and prayers. Another lesson that we learned from the pandemic was the we should not take each other's presence for granted.

Beloved, when I am asked what my greatest achievements at St. David are, I often point out those two experiences: Fighting to rebuild your school which has so many memories attached to the building and having the opportunity to visit 367 parishioners individually. Indeed, to be able to visit you in your living rooms, sharing meals in your dining rooms with you and yours remain the most memorable of my priestly ministry among you, my beloved and dear parishioners. Yes, it has been a great journey.

My Church family, thank you for making me a better priest, thank you for showing me how a pastor can be loved by his parishioners, and thank you for accepting me with both my strengths and my weaknesses. My 18<sup>th</sup> Anniversary is also your anniversary because you are the cause and the center of my priestly ministry. Oh...Happy...Day!!!

I love you truly and always.

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

Your Pastor for almost 14 years: WOW!!

## *The Pastor's Weekly Schedule*

Monday, May 20, 2024-Sunday, May 26, 2024

Monday, May 20, 2024

***Happy 18th Anniversary: Very Rev. Oswald Pierre Pierre-Jules, Jr., S.S.J.***

The Pastor is off.

Office of the Parish is closed.

Tuesday, May 21, 2024

- 7:30AM:Daily Mass
- 10AM to 2PM:Office Hours
- 4PM to 5PM: Meeting with Couple
- 7PM to 8:45PM: Meeting in Westbank

Wednesday, May 22, 2024

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

Thursday, May 23, 2024

- 7:30AM:Daily Mass
- 10AM to 2PM:Office Hours
- 4:30PM to 5:30PM:Meeting with Young Adults
- 6:30PM to 8PM:Meeting Josephite Priests

Friday, May 24, 2024

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

Saturday, May 25, 2024

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

Sunday, May 26, 2024

9AM: Sunday Liturgy

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

6:30PM: Sunday Liturgy in Westbank

***Again, we wish you a very blessed and Happy Pentecost Sunday. Also, wishing you and yours a very blessed, safe and productive week and until we meet again, let us keep each other in our prayers.***

### *Pentecost Prayer*

**Breathe in me O Holy Spirit**  
that my thoughts may all be holy;  
**Act in me O Holy Spirit**  
that my works, too, may be holy;  
**Draw my heart O Holy Spirit**  
that I love but what is holy;  
**Strengthen me O Holy Spirit**  
to defend that is holy;  
**Guard me then O Holy Spirit**  
that I always may be holy.

- St. Augustine of Hippo (AD 354-430)



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***Welcome Josephite Seminarian***

***JUSTUS IHEMAWULOTU, S.S.J.***

We welcome the Josephite Seminarian Justus to St. David. We hope that you will enjoy your stay during your Summer Pastoral Experience with us. May God continue to bless your vocation to the Priesthood. Welcome Brother Justus, and Bienvenu!!!

**Monthly Pastoral Council Meeting**

The monthly Pastoral Council Meeting will be held on Wednesday, May 22nd instead of Tuesday, May 21st. We are sorry for any inconvenience. Thank you for understanding.

**Baptismal Seminar**

The Baptismal Seminar with parents and godparents will be held on Friday May 24, 2024 at 6PM. In the Chapel in the Rectory. For questions, please contact Linda Pichon, Coordinator for the Sacraments.

**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 week-end 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 5/12/24: \$11,010.85**

***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

Pentecost Sunday. John 20:19-23

The season of Easter concludes with today's celebration, the feast of Pentecost. On Pentecost we celebrate the descent of the Holy Spirit upon the apostles gathered in the upper room in Jerusalem; this event marks the beginning of the Church. The story of Pentecost is found in the Acts of the Apostles, today's first reading. The account in today's Gospel, John 20:19-23, also recounts how Jesus gave the gift of the Holy Spirit to his disciples. Yet the event in John's Gospel takes place on Easter Sunday. There is no need to try to reconcile these two accounts. It is to we know that after his death, Jesus fulfilled his promise to send to his disciples a helper, an Advocate, who would enable them to be his witnesses throughout the world. (Loyola Press)

# Jesus Appears To The Disciples

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JESUS  
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SPIRIT  
BREATHED  
HOLY  
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DOORS  
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WRITTEN  
FEAR  
SENDING  
BELIEVE  
EVENING

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# *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

