

Saint David Catholic Church

May 18, 2025

Fifth Sunday of Easter

John 13:31-33a, 34-35

Jesus gives His disciples new commandment: Love one another.



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 18, 2025-May 24, 2025

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

Tuesday: Acts 14:19-28; Psalm 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: Acts 15:22-31; Psalm 57:8-9, 10 and 12; John 15:12-17

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, May 10, 2025 & Sunday, May 11, 2025

Saturday	-----	-\$ 641.00
Sunday	-----	\$ 780.00
Mail-Ins	-----	\$ 78.30
Online	-----	-\$ 200.00
Total Collection All Masses	-----	\$1699.30
Weekly Budget Expenses	-----	-- \$3000.00
Difference (short)	-----	-\$1300.70
Mass Intention	-----	\$ 25.00
Priest Retreatment	-----	\$ 164.00
St. V. De Paul	-----	-\$ 52.00
Total Deposit	-----	\$1940.30

Attendance: Sat-27; Sun-114

Total Attendance-141

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



*Lana Piquet, Shirley Martinez,
Louis Caliste, Jr., Joseph Caliste,
Arlene Craft, Doris Claiborne,
Karen Wyseman, Lewis Turner,
Grace Leonce, Rasheed Picquet,
Saalyiah Leslie, Yvonne Sanchez,
Darryl Sanders, Norma Conohan,
Shane Dave, David Williams,
Shirley Francois, John Wysemam,
Gaynell St. Julien, Veronica Nolan, Dolore*

Mass Intentions for the Week of May 18, 2025—May 24, 2025

Sun., May 18:	9:00 a.m. Pro-Populo St. David and St. Maurice Church
Tues., May 20:	7:30 a.m. Mass Intentions
Wed., May 21:	7:30 a.m. Mass Intentions
Thurs., May. 22:	7:30 a.m. Mass Intentions
Fri., May. 23:	7:30AM: Mass Intentions
Sat., May. 24:	4:00p.m. 1. Charles A. Claverie, III Requested by: Sharon & Craig Blair; 2. Edith J. Smith





From the Pastor

Beloved,

Again, I truly hope that you had a great and productive week. Please allow me to express my gratitude and thanks as I preparing to celebrate my 19th anniversary of Priesthood. Indeed, in those 19 years, I have spent almost 15 years with you at St. David. I really do not what to say because throughout those fifteen years, you have taught me a lot. Indeed, everyday you have helped me to be a better priest. My friends, you deserve so much credit for helping me to be a better priest. Thank you for your unconditional love, your kindness, your support and your collaboration throughout those many years.

Moreover, St. David has played a vital role in my priestly, ministry. In fact, I cannot celebrate my 19 years as a priest without referral to my beloved parishioners at St. David. I give thanks to God for allowing to visit 367 parishioners where I had the opportunity to visit you at your homes along with your families. I thank you for opening your doors to allow me to visit you and yours. Indeed, I will forever remain grateful. My friends, my 19th anniversary is your anniversary. You have made me the priest I am today. Indeed, your love and your appreciation remain the love of my priestly ministry at St. David.

Beloved, I give thanks to God for allowing to serve you as your pastor for almost fifteen years. Yes, that is a record. Since I arrived to St. David, I felt that you were willing to allow me to serve you as your Pastor. Thank you for opening your hearts to forgive me when I failed as a human being. I also thak you for both your patience and you allowing me to be myself. Indeed, my 19th anniversary is your own anniversary, let us celebrate together as a family. As I often say, I am a very blessed and fortunate priest. God has blessed me with parishioners like you who love me for so many years. My Church family, from the bottom of my heart, I thank every single one of you. Indeed, you have been a family to me and your love and appreciation have been the core of my priestly ministry at St. David.

My friends, on Tuesday, you will be remembered in my fervent prayers as I celebrate me 19th anniversary of priesthood. Indeed, from Washington, DC to Houston, TX and from Washinton, DC to New Orleans, it has been a great journey. For that, I give thanks to God. Our Monday, May 26, I will be leaving to for to D.C. for me annual retreat and the Josephite priestly ordination. Please know that you will remain in my thoughts and mind throughout my retreat.

I wish you a very blessed and productive week with God's blessings and I remain your truly and always,

Very Rev. Oswald Pierre Pierre-Jules, S.S.J., Your Pastor

Announcements

Blessing of Marriage

If you are civilly married and the Church has not blessed your marriage, please contact the Pastor. He is ready to work with you to have your marriage blessed.

Youth Ministry

We will hold a Youth Rally on Sunday, May 25, 2025. The rally will begin with the 9AM Sunday Liturgy, followed by a conversation session with Fr. Oswald and the youth in the Parish Hall. Lunch will be provided.

Married Couples Ministry

Fr. Oswald is planning a gathering with the couples of the parish. The date for such gathering has not yet been chosen. Before going for his Annual Retreat, Fr. Oswald will have a date. It will be held in the month of June. Stay Tuned.

The Pastor's Weekly Schedule

Monday, May 19, 2025—Sunday, May 25, 2025

Monday, May 19, 2025

The Pastor is off.

The office of the Parish is closed.

Tuesday, May 20, 2025

Happy 19th Priestly Anniversary to the Pastor

- 7:30AM: Daily Mass
- 10AM to 2PM: Pastor's Office Hours
- 4PM to 5:30PM: Couple's Counseling Session
- 8PM: 19th Anniversary Dinner in Westbank

Wednesday, May 21, 2025

- 7:30AM: Daily Mass
- 9AM to 2PM: Pastor's Office Hours
- 4PM to 5:30PM: Meeting with Couple
- 6:30PM to 8PM: Meeting at St. David

Thursday, May 22, 2025

- 7:30AM: Daily Mass
- 10AM to 2PM: Pastor's Office Hours
- 4PM to 5:30PM: Meeting at St. David
- 6:30PM to 7:40PM: Meeting with Haitians

Friday, May 23, 2025

- 7:30AM: Daily Mass
- 10AM to 2PM: Pastor's Office Hours
- 5PM to 6:30PM: Confirmation Class
- 7PM to 8:30PM: Meeting with Priests

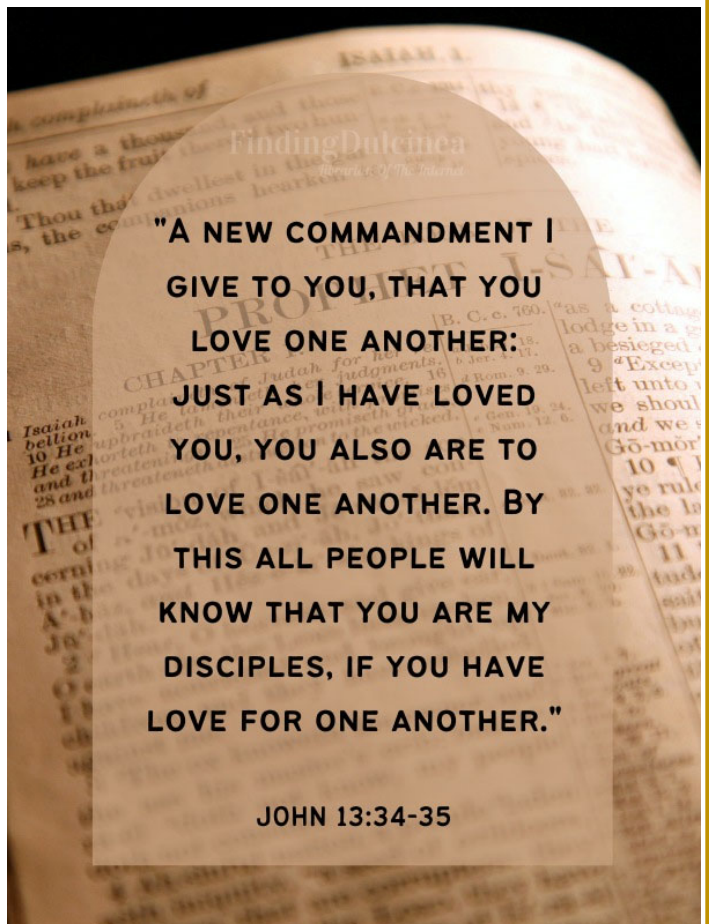
Saturday, May 24, 2025

- 11AM: Mass of Christian Burial/ Funeral in Westbank
- 4PM: Vigil Mass
- 7PM to 8:30PM: Meeting at St. David

Sunday, May 25, 2025

Youth Rally

- 9AM: Sunday Liturgy
- 11AM to 12:30PM: Conversation between Fr. Oswald and Youth and Young Adults
- 5PM to 6:20PM: Conversation between Fr. Oswald and the Youth and Young Adults in Westbank
- 6:30PM: Sunday Liturgy in Westbank



May 18, 2025

Fifth Sunday of Easter

Maintenance Part-Time Position is still Available

If you or anyone you know would like to apply, or for more information, please contact the parish office during office hours.



Garden of Giving Update

31 Paid in Full; 11 Payment Plans; 2 Pledges

Total Collected as of 5/11/25: \$41,511.50

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

3 Year Campaign "Garden of Giving"

\$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.

Prayer to St. Michael the Archangel



*St. Michael the Archangel,
Defend us in battle,
Be our protection against the malice and snares of the devil.
May God rebuke him,
We humbly pray.
And do you, O Prince of the heavenly host, by the divine power,
Thrust into hell Satan and all evil spirits who prowl about the
world,
Seeking the ruin of souls.*

Youth and Young Adult Corner

Is love the first word your family members use to describe their interactions? Love is difficult. Jesus' sacrifice for us is an example of this. Yet because of love, the glory of God is fully revealed in Jesus. God's glory is revealed in us when we act as the Body of Christ, as individuals and as a community. In the love we have for one another—difficult, challenging, sacrificial love—we find Jesus. (Loyola Press)

A New Commandment

"A new command I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another." John 13:34 (NIV)

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

"Love one another as I
have loved you."



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
W	L	N	M	F	Q	K	U	O	Y	E	R	G	J	X	P	H	S	I	B	Z	T	A	C	D	V

1. 7-3-9-1 _____

2. 13-19-26-11 _____

3. 24-9-4-4-23-3-25 _____

4. 23-3-9-22-17-11-12 _____

5. 13-2-9-12-19-5-10 _____

6. 2-9-26-11 _____

7. 25-19-18-24-19-16-2-11-18 _____

8. 17-19-4-18-11-2-5 _____

glorify
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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 Hollingsworth May 12th
- Ann Washinton May 12th
- Maliek Young May 12th
- Janie Sanfie May 17th
- Jourdan Riley May 19th

Happy and Blessed 19th Priestly

Ministry to Fr. Oswald May 20th

- 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

In Loving Memory

Peter Badie May 17th

Sarah Lastie May 18th

