

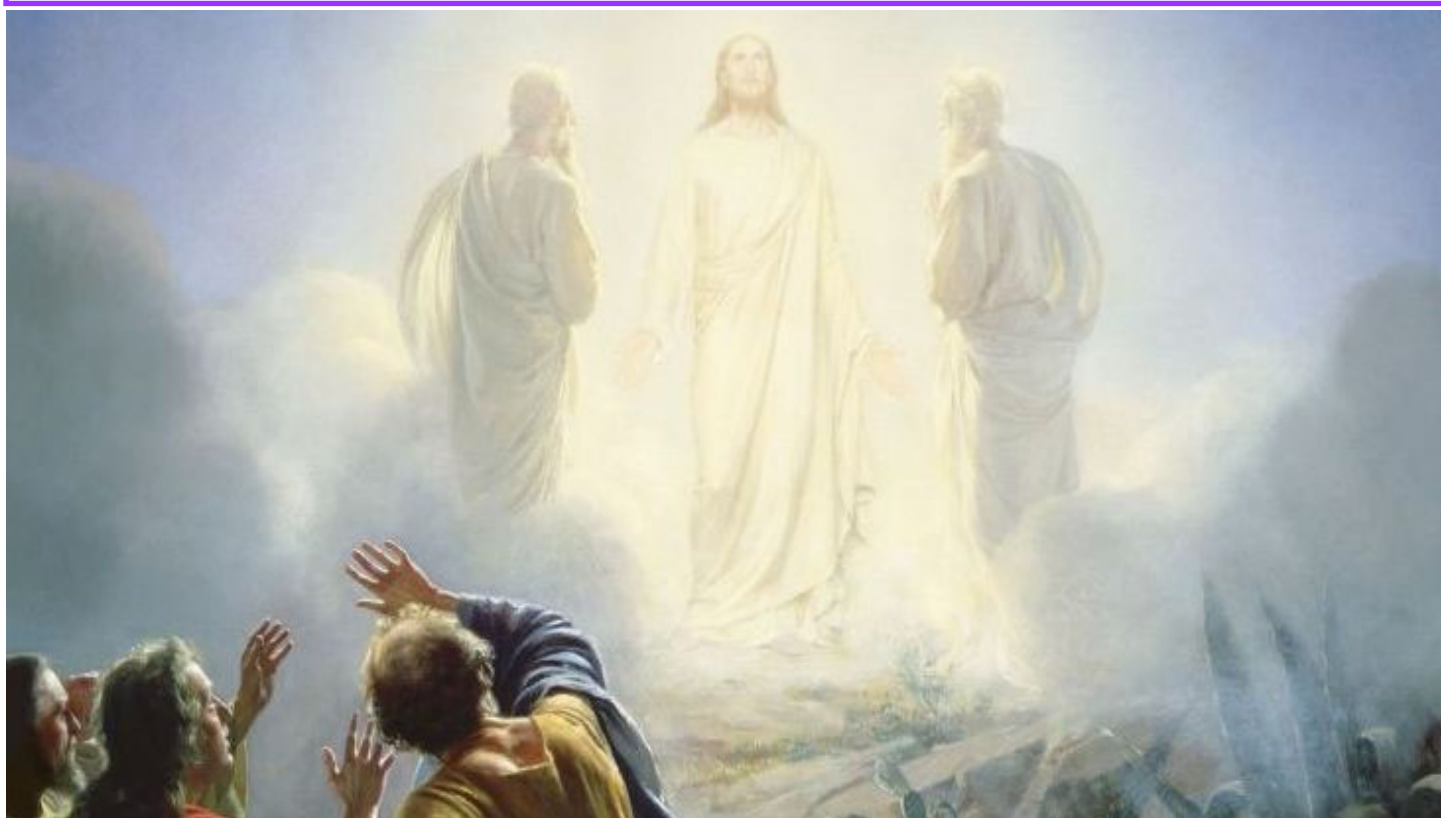
Saint David Catholic Church

March 1, 2026

Second Sunday of Lent

Matthew 17:1-9

Jesus is transfigured on the mountain in the presence of Peter, James and John.



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 1, 2026, - March 7, 2026

Monday: Daniel 9:4b-10; Psalm 79:8, 9, 11 and 13; Luke 6:36-38

Tuesday: Isaiah 1:10, 16-20; Psalm 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23; Matthew 23:1-12

Wednesday: Jeremiah 18:18-20; Psalm 31:5-6, 14, 15-16; Matthew 20:17-28

Thursday: Jeremiah 17:5-10; Psalm 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6; Luke 16:19-31

Friday: Genesis 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28; Psalm 105:16-17, 18-19, 20-21; Matthew 21:33-43, 45-46

Saturday: Micah 7:14-15, 18-20; Psalm 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12; Luke 15:1-3, 11-32

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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

Feb. 21, 2026 & Sunday, Feb. 22, 2026

Saturday_____	\$1357.00
Sunday_____	\$1266.00
Mail-Ins_____	\$ 170.00
Online _____	\$ 152.00
Total Collection All Masses_____	\$2945.00
Weekly Budget Expenses_____	\$3000.00
Difference _____	\$ -55.00
Ash Wednesday_____	\$ 321.00
Catholic Charities_____	\$ 192.00
Total Deposit_____	\$3458.00

Attendance: Sat-36; Sun-101;

Total Attendance-137

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



Lana Williams, Shirly 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, John Wysemam, Gaynell St. Julien, Norma Jean Wilson, Marshall Daranda, Jr.

Mass Intentions for the Week of March 1, 2026—March 7, 2026

Sun., Mar. 1:	9:00 a.m.	Pro-Populo St. David and St. Maurice Church
Tues., Mar. 3:	7:30 a.m.	Mass Intentions
Wed., Mar. 4:	7:30 a.m.	Mass Intentions
Thurs., Mar. 5:	7:30 a.m.	Mass Intentions
Fri., Mar. 6:	7:30a.m.	Mass Intentions
Sat., Mar. 7:	4:00p.m.	Mass Intentions



Garden of Giving Update

38 Paid in Full; 13 Payment Plans; 2 Pledges

Total Collected as of 11/2/25: \$50,461.70

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

\$5,000 Stone

\$2,500 Stone

3 Year Campaign

“Garden of Giving”

\$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.



Announcements

St. David will be Celebrating 90 Years

From 1937 to 2027, St. David parish will turn 90 years old. It has been a tradition that we have some type of celebration every ten years. We count on your suggestions and input on the type of celebration we should have as a parish to mark this milestone. If you would like to be part of the 90th Anniversary committee, please let us know by either calling the office of the parish or calling the Pastor directly. Thanks for your collaboration.

Training Seminar for ALL Lectors and Eucharistic Ministers

Training Seminar for **ALL** Lectors and Eucharistic Ministers will be on Saturday, March 7, 2026 from 10AM to 12PM. Please register TODAY at the back of the Church.

Easter Lilies

The Easter Lily Envelopes are available in the back of the Church. Please ask an Usher for one. The cost is \$12.

Stations of the Cross

Stations of the Cross is 6:30PM every Friday.

Lenten Revival : Mark Your Calendars

The Lenten Revival for this year will be held on Tuesday, March 24th, Wednesday, March 25th, and Thursday, March 26th from 6PM to 8PM.

Revivalist: Fr. Sidney Speaks, Pastor of St. Joseph the Worker in Marrero, LA.

Invite your friends and families to come with you to be revived for this Lenten Season.

Lenten Fish Fry Fundraiser

Remember that the Lenten Fish Fry is a fundraiser for the parish. We need to meet the financial needs of the parish. This Lenten Fish Fry will help us to pay our debt to the Josephite Community. **Let's do this together!!**

Lenten Fish Fry

The Lenten Fish Fry will be every Friday from February 20, 2026 to March 27, 2026 from 11AM to 4PM. Dinners are \$15 Single; \$18 Combo.

Fish and /or Shrimp

Baked Mac and Cheese

Potato Salad

Green Peas

Bread

Cake

Drink

Items List for Donations for the Upcoming Fish Fry. Please consider helping us have a successful Lenten Fish Fry.

Fish

Oil

Sternos

Bread

Shrimp

Peas

Hot Sauce Packets

Cake

Fish Fry

Pans & Tops

Napkins

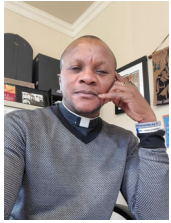
Drinks

Butter

Paper Towels

Cutlery

Sandwich Bags



A Message from the Pastor

Beloved Friends and Families,

I truly hope that had a great week, and that your Lenten Journey is moving forward positively. Yes, it is just the beginning but we are not alone because Jesus is working along with us throughout the journey. On Ash Wednesday, in St. Matthew's Gospel Jesus underlines and advises us how to make the journey by focusing on Almsgiving, Prayer, and Fasting.

Indeed, last weekend, Jesus was held on the mountain to be tempted by the devil. Indeed, the devil tried three times with three different strategies, and each time. The lesson is that the devil did not stop with Jesus, but continues to keep us from focusing on the goals of our Lenten journey. On the goals we need to know that in order to have a successful Lent, we need to remain focused through Almsgiving, Prayer and Fasting.

This weekend, which the Transfiguration Sunday, we meet Jesus with His disciples Peter, James and John on a high mountain by themselves where Jesus transfigured in front of them. Indeed, Peter suggested that they build three tents: one for Jesus, one for Moses, and one for Elijah. We can state that the presence of Moses represented the laws, and Elijah represented the prophets. Indeed, after His transfiguration, Jesus ordered His disciples not to tell anyone about the experience.

My friends, throughout the journey, we need to discover the mystery behind the ultimate proof of God's love for mankind demonstrated in shedding of Jesus' blood on the cross. Indeed, as we move forward we need to remind ourselves that the journey will not be an easy journey. In fact, even for Jesus, it was not easy at the mount as he cried out: "Father, Father, why are you forsaken me, and if it is your will, please keep this cup away from me yet not as my will but as your will".

Beloved, let us continue to remind ourselves that Jese is ordering our every step throughout that journey. Yes and indeed, we can repeat the refrain: "Where He leads me, I will follow all the way". Let us carry our cross with perseverance for the cross leads to victory. Indeed, when we fall, let us call upon Jesus and invite Him to come to our rescue. Yes, we need Him to guide us on the way. Moreover, as a Faith Community, we are going to need each other's support because we are on the journey together.

Again, I wish you and yours a successful, productive, and blessed Lenten Season. Yes, we do know that there's no cross Good Friday without Easter Sunday. Indeed, Jesus says that if we share with in baptism, we shall also share within His baptism, and if we share with Him His death, we shall also share with Him in Resurrection.

My friends, may you have a very blessed and successful lent, and may you meet the goals you set through Almsgiving, Prayer, and Fasting.

Indeed, I remain yours truly and always,

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

The Pastor's Weekly Schedule

Monday, February 23, 2026—Sunday, March 1, 2026

Monday, March 2, 2026

The Pastor is off.

The office of the Parish is closed.

Tuesday, March 3, 2026

- 7:30AM: Daily Mass
- 10AM to 2PM: The Pastor's Office Hours
- 4PM to 5:30PM: Meeting with Couple
- 6:30PM: Evangelization Ministry Meeting

Wednesday, March 4, 2026

- 7:30AM: Daily Mass
- 10AM to 2PM: The Pastor's Office Hours
- 4PM to 5:30PM: Meeting with Couple
- 5PM to 6PM: Sacrament of Reconciliation/Confession

Thursday, March 5, 2026

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

Friday, March 6, 2026

- 7:30AM: Daily Mass
- 10AM to 2PM: The Pastor's Office Hours
- 4PM to 5PM: Meeting at St. David
- 6:30PM: Stations of the Cross

Saturday, March 7, 2026

- 11AM to 12:30PM: Meeting at St. David
- 4PM: Vigil Mass
- 7PM to 8:30PM: Meeting with Josephites

Sunday, March 8, 2026

- 9AM: Sunday Liturgy
- 5PM to 6PM: Meeting in Westbank
- 6:30PM: Sunday Liturgy in Westbank



Area II Director/Local Superior

Formal Visitation

Tuesday, March 17, 2026

- Birmingham, Alabama

Wednesday, March 18, 2026

- Mobile, Alabama

Youth and Young Adult Corner

On a mountain in today's reading, a voice affirms that Jesus is God's Son in words reminiscent of the voice at Jesus' baptism. In addition, the appearance of Moses and Elijah on the mountain connects this story with God's relationship to the people of Israel. Moses and Elijah represent the Law and the Prophets, respectively. Together with Jesus, they represent God's complete Word. (Loyola Press)

Youth Ministry Activities

- Youth Sunday is March 22, 2026.
- Inter Parish Youth Activity, TBA
- Youth Sponsored Car Wash, TBA

Looking for your talent: Please let us know your talent: singer, musicians, etc.



The Transfiguration



While he was still speaking, a bright cloud enveloped them, and a voice from the cloud said, "This is my Son, whom I love; with him I am well pleased. Listen to him!" Matthew 17:5 (NIV)

Complete the activity by filling in the blanks.

A number of words have been removed from the text and placed in a word bank. Use the words from the word bank to fill in the blanks in the text. Write the words in the blanks provided.

After _____ days Jesus took with him Peter, James and John and led them up a high mountain.

While they were there, _____ was transfigured before them.

His _____ shone like the sun and his _____ became as white as the light.

Suddenly, Moses and Elijah appeared and were _____ with Jesus.

Peter said, "Lord it is good for us to be here. If you wish, I will put up _____ shelters-one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah.

While they were talking, a bright cloud covered them and a voice from the cloud said, "This is my _____, whom I love; I am pleased with him. Listen to him!"

When the disciples heard this, they were terrified and _____ face down to the ground.

Jesus said to them, "Don't be _____. Get up.

As they went down from the mountain, Jesus told them not to tell anyone what they had _____.

Based on Matthew 17:1-9

Son	Jesus	afraid	talking	seen
face	six	clothes	three	fell

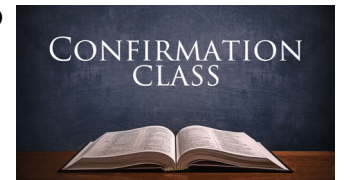
Maintenance Part-Time Position is still Available

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



Confirmation Class

Confirmation Class has resumed. If you have a youth who is 16 years old who has not received the sacrament of confirmation, contact Fr. Oswald, who is the instructor of the class. Fr. Oswald is ready and he is waiting for your call.



Blessing of Your Marriage

If you have recently gotten married and are in need of your marriage being blessed, please contact the parish office. Fr. Oswald looks forward to hearing from you.



Evangelization Ministry

Fr. Oswald asks that whoever would like to join the evangelization ministry to please give him a call. Evangelization Meaning: Presenting the Gospel with the intent of seeing the person trust Christ. We are the new disciples and it's our responsibility to share the message with others. Let's bring others to God together.



Prayer for Vocation

*O Lord of the harvest,
Your Word finds a home in our hearts, calls us to community,
And invites us to generous service of the human family.*

*Bless with courage and spirit your priestly people,
called to full participation in the one Body of
Christ.*

*May many choose to respond in public service to
your call offered in Jesus' name, Amen.*



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.



February Birthdays

• Byron Alexander	February 1st	• Lillian Bell	February 23rd
• Elijah Reynolds	February 1st	• Beryl Reynolds	February 23rd
• Eve Brooks	February 3rd	• Christian Davis	February 24th
• Albertha Sanders	February 4th	• Danitra Hawkins	February 24th
• Kade Smith	February 4th	• Leroy Henry	February 24th
• Vivian Edwards	February 5th	• Jonathan Nichols	February 24th
• Ann Parfaite	February 5th	• Davone Morrison	February 26th
• Demie Thomas	February 5th	• Ronald Washington	February 26th
• Juliette Thomas	February 5th	• India Bell	February 27th
• Brandy Wilson	February 5th	• Craig Blair	February 27th
• Arthur Fernandez	February 7th	• George A. Blair III	February 27th
• Jeremy Bean	February 8th	• Dwayne Johnson	February 27th
• Kendric Kirk	February 8th	• Anita Waller	February 27th
• Mary Picot	February 8th	• Chance Morris	February 28th
• Monica Croom	February 9th	• Enox Ragland	February 28th
• Lana Williams	February 9th	• Ronald Farve	February 29th
• Christine Decuir	February 10th		
• Candice Stewart	February 11th		
• Michelle J. Egana	February 14th		
• John Jones	February 16th		
• Yorel Gardner	February 17th		
• Gaddin Dabon	February 18th		
• Carla Simmons	February 22nd		
• Jaquette Banks	February 23rd		

