



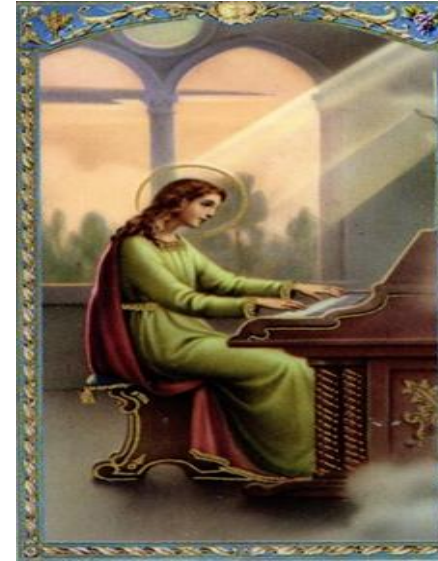
As we continue to contemplate the resurrection events, we come to see how Jesus chose to make known of Himself to ordinary people and ordinary situations. He could have revealed His resurrected body to powerful people of the land or to a great crowd in a dramatic manner so that everyone could see and not doubt His coming back to life.

After appearing to Mary Magdalene, Jesus accompanies two of His disciples on the road to Emmaus. Today's gospel reading tells us that these disciples already heard the report of Mary Magdalene as well as Peter and John who have seen the empty tomb. Yet, these disciples were still downcast when they should be rejoicing. In short, they were going out of Jerusalem with a heavy heart due to dashed hopes. Then Jesus appears on the scene and began to discuss the scripture. Their heavy hearts start to be set on fire.

As we can see, Jesus did not yet show Himself to His closest friends, the apostles. Not yet. He is revealing Himself slowly but surely, starting with ordinary and unknown followers.

Slowly but surely. Perhaps we take note of this. Many people have heard of Jesus. They have heard of Easter Sunday. Maybe they have heard of testimonies of believers on how Jesus worked miracles in their lives. Yet, they remain uncommitted or worse unbelievers. Let us not be disheartened. The story above should remind us that it is Jesus who takes the initiative. We continue to pray for them that they may encounter Jesus on their own "road to Emmaus".

Slowly but surely, Jesus will allow us to know Him personally as we walk on this earth. Slowly but surely, Jesus will be revealed to all people. Slowly but surely, the kingdom He established will be completed. Let us be patient.



April 23rd, 2023
3rd Sunday of Easter

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Fr. David's Parish Office Hours:
Kennett: Monday and Wednesday 10-4, Portageville: Thursday and Friday 10-4
Fr. David is available for the **Sacrament of Reconciliation** during Adoration or by appointment.

Holy Mass Schedule

Monday and Wednesday: Adoration at 5PM: Mass at 6PM
Sunday Masses: 10:30AM Mass in English; 10:05AM Rosary;
1PM Mass in Spanish

Please pray for /Oramos para:

Dave Vrooman, Barbara Vrooman, +Lynette Anderson, +Pedro Orocio, The Melendez Family, James Hargett, +Sandy DeLisle, +Bill Anderson, Polly McAtee, Bob and Sharon Hines, Vera Gleuck, and Kathy Larsen.

Mass Intentions

April 23 +Jerry Doyle
April 24 People of both St Cecilia & St Eustachius Parishes
Apr 26 +Bill & Mary Gurley
Apr 30 +Greg Bradley

Collections for April 16: \$1873.00

Father David will be attending Clergy Day May 1st & 2nd. There will be **no mass or adoration Monday May 1st.**

Family Movie Night

The next family movie night is April 26th following mass. Make plans to attend with your family.

April 30th, World Day of Prayer for Vocations

God our Father, from eternity You appointed Your only begotten Son to be the High Priest of the human race. Pour forth, we beseech You, Your Holy Spirit upon our families, that vocations to the priesthood may be multiplied. Lord Jesus, give us holy priests: To offer up the sacrifice of the Mass; To lead the little ones to You; To strengthen the faith of believers; To preach the Gospel to all peoples; To bring forgiveness to sinners; To feed souls the Bread of Life; To comfort the suffering & dying, and To spread Your Kingdom in our midst. Mary, Mother of our High Priest, pray for us and obtain for us an increase of holy priests. Amen.

RESTORE: A Day of Formation for Those Called to Pray with Others for Healing

--Saturday, April 29th—at St. Vincent Parish in Cape

When pain, suffering, and sickness are overwhelming, we all need help with being RESTORED. Come see how God, our Heavenly Father, can surround us with the mercy and grace of healing power. Learn how to access the grace to pray for others with the guidance of the Holy Spirit. Allow yourself to really believe Sacred Scripture when it says: "I have heard your prayers and seen your tears; I will heal you." [2 Kings 20:5] Please join the St. Raphael Prayer Ministry from St. Vincent de Paul parish in Cape Girardeau for this daylong workshop on Saturday, April 29th from 8:30am to 5:00pm. Registration is \$20 and it includes lunch. To register go to svcape.com or call 573-335-7667.

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FORMED is excited to present curated content to help the Church journey through the Easter season. Check out their resources to help you deepen your understanding of Christ. You can find resources on prayer, the lives of the saints, and great spiritual content to help guide you and your family through the season and draw you deeper into the mystery of Easter, Divine Mercy Sunday, and Pentecost.

- Go to <https://signup.formed.org/>
- Enter our parish's zip code, 63857 (Listed as St. Eustachius/St. Cecilia)
- Enter your name and your email address

Colectas para el 16 de abril: \$1873.00

El Padre David asistirá al Día del Clero el 1 y 2 de mayo. No habrá misa ni adoración el lunes 1 de mayo.

Noche de cine familiar

La próxima noche de cine familiar es el 26 de abril después de la misa. Haga planes para asistir con su familia.

30 de abril, Jornada Mundial de Oración por las Vocaciones

Dios Padre nuestro, desde la eternidad Tú nombraste a Tu Hijo unigénito para ser el Sumo Sacerdote de la raza humana. Derrama te suplicamos, Tu Espíritu Santo sobre nuestras familias, que las vocaciones al sacerdocio se multipliquen. Señor Jesús, danos sacerdotes santos: Para ofrecer el sacrificio de la Misa; Para guiar a los pequeños hacia Ti; Fortalecer la fe de los creyentes; Predicar el Evangelio a todos los pueblos; Para traer perdón a los pecadores; Alimentar a las almas con el Pan de Vida; Para consolar a los que sufren y mueren, y para difundir Tu Reino en medio de nosotros. María, Madre de nuestro Sumo Sacerdote, ruega por nosotros y obtén para nosotros un aumento de sacerdotes santos. Amén.

RESTORE: Un día de formación para aquellos llamados a orar con otros por sanidad

--Sábado, 29 de abril—en la parroquia de San Vicente en Cape

Cuando el dolor, el sufrimiento y la enfermedad son abrumadores, todos necesitamos ayuda para ser RESTAURADOS. Ven a ver cómo Dios, nuestro Padre Celestial, puede rodearlo con la misericordia y la gracia del poder sanador. Aprende cómo acceder a la gracia de orar por los demás con la guía del Espíritu Santo. Permítete creer realmente en la Sagrada Escritura cuando dice: "He escuchado tus oraciones y he visto tus lágrimas; Te sanaré". [2 Reyes 20:5] Por favor, únase al Ministerio de Oración de San Rafael de la parroquia de San Vicente de Paul en Cape Girardeau para este taller de un día de duración el sábado 29 de abril de 8:30am a 5:00pm. La inscripción cuesta \$20 e incluye almuerzo. Para registrarse, vaya a svcape.com o llame al 573-335-7667.

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¿Has estado aprovechando esta plataforma en línea? FORMED se complace en presentar contenido curado para ayudar a la Iglesia a atravesar la temporada de Pascua. Echa un vistazo a sus recursos para ayudarte a profundizar tu comprensión de Cristo. Puede encontrar recursos sobre la oración, la vida de los santos y un gran contenido espiritual para ayudarlo a guiarlo a usted y a su familia a través de la temporada y atraerlo más profundamente al misterio de la Pascua, el Domingo de la Divina Misericordia y Pentecostés.

- Vete a <https://signup.formed.org/>
- Ingrese el código postal de sus parroquias, 63857 (listado como San Eustaquio/Santa Cecilia)
- Ingrese su nombre y su dirección de correo electrónico