Saint David Catholic Church June 16, 2024 Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mark 4:26-34 The reign of God is like a mustard seed.



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

June 16, 2024-June 22, 2024

Monday: 1 Kings 21:1-16; psalm 5:2-3ab, 4b-6a, 6b-7; Matthew 5:38-42

Tuesday: 1 Kings 21:17-29; Psalm 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 11 and 16; Matthew 5:43-48

Wednesday: 2 Kings 2:1, 6-14; Psalm 31:20, 21, 24; Matthew 6:1-6, 16-18

Thursday: Sirach 48:1-14; Psalm 97:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7; Matthew 6:7-15

Friday: 2 Kings 11:1-4, 9-18, 20; Psalm 132:11, 12, 13-14, 17-18; Matthew 6:19-23

Saturday: 2 Chronicles 24:17-25; Psalm 89:4-5, 29-30, 31-32, 33-34; Matthew 6:24-34

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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, June 8, 2024 & Sunday, June 9, 2024

Saturday———	\$ 904.00
Sunday————	\$ 860.00
Mail-Ins	\$ 989.00
Online	-\$ 200.00
Total Collection All Masses—	\$2953.00
Weekly Budget Expenses——	\$3000.00
Difference (short)————	 \$ 47.00
St. V De Paul————	- \$ 152.00
Mass Intention—	\$ 25.00
Total Deposit————	\$3130.00

Attendance: Sat-38; Sun-81

Total Attendance-119

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

June 16, 2024—June 22, 2024

Sun., June 16th: 9:00 a.m. Pro-Populo St. David and St. Maurice Church

Tues., June 18th: 7:30 a.m. Mass Intentions

Wed., June 19th: 7:30 a.m. Mass Intentions

Thurs., June 20th: 7:30 a.m. Mass Intentions

Fri., June 21st: 7:30 a.m. Mass Intentions

Sat., June 22nd: 4:00p.m. Elvera Word: Requested by The Children

Alfred Barbarin: Requested By The Family

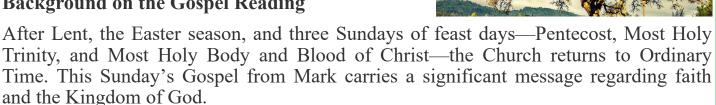
From Loyola Press

Gospel Reading

Mark 4:26-34

The reign of God is like a mustard seed.

Background on the Gospel Reading

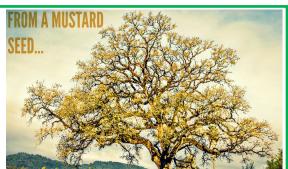


In Mark's Gospel, Jesus appears reluctant to reveal his identity as the Son of God. After performing miracles of healing, he warns those cured to tell no one (see Mark 1:44, 3:12, 5:43, 7:36, and 8:26). Also, when preaching, Jesus chooses to speak to the crowds in parables, leaving them to discern his message. Only to his disciples does he explain the parable's meaning, and he does this in private at a later time.

Today's Gospel Reading consists of two parables about seeds. In the first, Jesus tells those gathered that this is "how it is with the kingdom of God." A man scatters seed which over time sprouts and develops. Then when the grain is ripe, the man harvests his crop. The emphasis in the parable is on the seed, which seemingly has the power to grow on its own. In this it is like the Kingdom of God. While on earth, Jesus planted the seeds of the kingdom by his life, miracles, teaching, and suffering. However, the kingdom is not yet fully established. Although already present in Jesus and his group of twelve, it has yet to come to fruition; just as the seed in the parable needs time to grow, so does God's kingdom.

The second parable focuses on the tiny mustard seed. Though not the smallest of all seeds, it is most likely the smallest that a first-century farmer in Jesus' part of the world would have sown. Small as the mustard seed is, it develops into a tree. Though the mustard tree generally averages only nine to twelve feet in height, it has a wide expanse and provides a nesting place for birds. Just as the tree welcomes the birds, so is God's kingdom welcoming and open to many.

These parables help us discern something about the kingdom of God and our own faith. In God we live and move and have our being, but God is a mystery and his kingdom, though present, has not yet come into its fullness. Today, the Kingdom of God is present in the Church. The mission of proclaiming the Good News of the Kingdom given to the Apostles is now given to us. But just as seeds need time to come to fruition, so does the Kingdom of God. That is why in the Lord's Prayer, we pray, "thy kingdom come." We know that it will come in its fullness at the end of time. All we need is faith.



The Pastor's Weekly Schedule

Monday, June 17, 2024—Sunday, June 23, 2024

Monday, June 17, 2024

- The Pastor is Off
- The office of the parish is closed.

Tuesday, June 18, 2024

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

Wednesday, June 19, 2024

The office of the parish is closed in observation of Juneteenth

- 7:30AM: Daily Mass
- 10AM to 1PM: Josephite Council Meeting
- 4PM to 8PM: Jospeh Council & St. Augustine High School Board Meeting

Thursday, June 20, 2024

- 7:30AM: Daily Mass
- 10AM to 2PM: Office Hours
- 4PM to 5:30PM: Meeting at St. David
- 6:30PM to 8:30PM: Meeting with Haitians

Friday, June 21, 2024

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

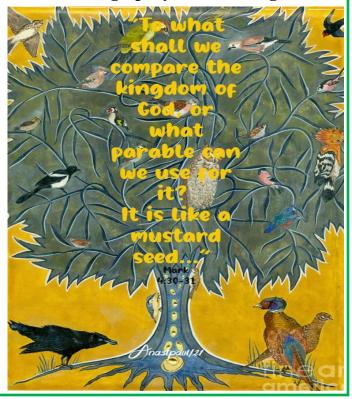
Saturday, June 22, 2024

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

Sunday, June 23, 2024

- 9AM: Sunday Liturgy: Youth Rally; followed by sharing session in the Parish Hall
- 5PM to 6PM: First confession for candidates making first communion in Westbank
- 6:30PM: Sunday Liturgy in Westbank

Again, we wish you and yours a week filled with joy, happiness, and blessings. Please stay safe and let us remain united through prayer and thoughts.



June 16, 2024

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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.

Mark Your Calendar

The Youth Rally will be held on Sunday, June 23, 2024, following the 9AM Liturgy in the Parish Hall. The Rally will be followed by a sharing session.



St. David's All Classes Reunion

The St. David All Classes Reunion on September 7, 2024 from 6PM to 10PM at The Luxury Hall, 5555 Bullard Ave. New Orleans, LA 70128. We are inviting all former St. David students with their spouse or a guest. Your payment of \$55 per person due by June 30, 2024 via Zelle to Loma Conner Jones: llic3free@gmail.com. Please email Geralyn Triss at tg4013@gmail.com with your name, class of, and veggie or regular meal for you and your guest. Loma Jones Conner will be at Mass on June 15 and 16 to collect money and info from those who would like to pay in person.

> Office of the Parish Closed for Juneteenth on June 19, 2024 Happy Juneteenth.

Garden of Giving Update

12 Paid in Full; 15 Payment Plans; 3 Pledges

Total Collected as of 6/9/24: \$11,999.25

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:

\$375 Gold Leaf \$1000 Stone \$2500 Stone \$5000 Stone 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.



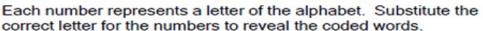
Youth and Young Adult Corner

The Parable of a Mustard Seed

This Sunday's Gospel Reading, Mark 4:26–34, consists of two parables that Jesus used to help us discern the mystery of the Kingdom of God. The beginning of the kingdom is compared to a tiny seed that over time matures and ripens. Many of the things we do within the family seem insignificant. They are part of our daily activity and attract little attention. Yet they show our love and concern for one another. According to the Gospel, it's these small things that yield big results, acting as significant contributions to the growth of God's kingdom on earth. The growth of the seed illustrates the nature and the results of a strong faith. (Loyola Press)

The Parable of the Mustard Seed

Again he said, "What shall we say the kingdom of God is like, or what parable shall we use to describe it? It is like a mustard seed, which is the smallest of all seeds on earth. Yet when planted, it grows and becomes the largest of all garden plants, with such big branches that the birds can perch in its shade." Mark 4:30-32 (NIV)





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PLANTED	MUSTARD	KINGDOM	NEST	PLANTS
SMALLEST	PARABLE	BIRDS	LARGEST	SEED

June Birthdays

•	Paulette Daniels	June 2nd
	Mya Hagan	June 3rd
	Anthony Robertson	June 5th
	Nedra Williams	June 5th
	Valena Coco	June 6th
	Fr. Oswald	June 6th
	Jerry Bean	June 7th
	Justin Daranda	June 7th
	Curtis Acker	June 8th
	Byron LaFrance	June 9th
	Dwayne Word	June 10th
	Joyce Mumford	June 12th
	Stanley Stewart	June 12th
•	Sr. Teresa Rooney	June 13th
	Jaime Blair	June 15th
	Troy Moore	June 15th
•	Leonard Dowden	June 16th
•	Elaine R. Peters	June 16th

• Chiquita Hagan	June 19th
 Ronald Porea 	June 19th
 Michael Thomas 	June 19th
• Norlita Parker Wells	June 20th
 Jonathan Saul 	June 22nd
• Warren Allen	June 23rd
• Lester Morgan	June 24th
 Thomas Young 	June 24th
• Cynthia Bienemy	June 26th
• Stephen Young, Jr.	June 26th
• Helen Scott	June 27th
 Arrin Banks 	June 28th
 Josephine Daranda- 	
Bechet	June 28th
Brandon Bean	June 29th
 Joseph Pearley 	June 29th
 Miriam Wilson 	June 29th
• Jennifer DeCuir	June 30th

