

Saint David Catholic Church
September 29, 2024
Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mark 9:38-43, 45, 47-48
Jesus teaches that whoever is not against Him is for Him.



**Whoever is not
against us is for us**

Mark 9:40

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 September 29, 2024-October 5, 2024

Monday: Job 1:6-22; Psalm 17:1bcd, 2-3, 6-7; Luke 9:46-50

Tuesday: Job 3:1-3, 11-17, 20-23; Psalm 88:2-3, 4-5, 6, 7-8; Luke 9:51-56

Wednesday: Job 9:1-12, 14-16; Psalm 88:10bc11, 12-13, 14-15; Exodus 23:20-23

Thursday: Job 19:21-27; Psalm 27:7-8a, 8b-9abc, 13-14; Luke 10:1-12

Friday: Job 38:1, 12-21; 40:3-5; Psalm 139:1-3, 7-8, 9-10, 13-14ab; Luke 10:13-16

Saturday: Job 42:1-3, 5-6, 12-17; Psalm 119:66, 71, 75, 91, 125, 130; Luke 10:17-24

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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, Sept. 21, 2024 & Sunday, Sept. 22, 2024

Saturday	-----	-\$1050.00
Sunday	-----	\$ 359.00
Mail-Ins	-----	--\$ 242.00
Online	-----	-\$ 230.00
Total Collection All Masses	-----	\$1881.00
Weekly Budget Expenses	-----	-- \$3000.00
Difference (short)	-----	-- \$1119.00
Total Deposit	-----	\$1881.00

Attendance: Sat-42; Sun-68

Total Attendance-110

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

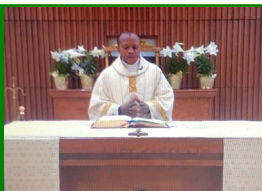


Lana Piquet, Shirly Martinez, Louis Caliste, Jr., Joseph Caliste, Arlene Craft, Doris Claiborne, Karen Wyseman, Lewis Turner, Grace Leonce, Rasheed Picquet, Armani Fernandez, Saalyiah Leslie, Yvonne Sanchez, Darryl Sanders, Norma Conohan, Shane Dave, David Williams, Shirley Francois, John Wysemam, Gaynell St. Julien, Veronica Nolan, Dolores Cages, Mable Howard, Sarah Lastie

Mass Intentions for the Week of September 29, 2024—October 5, 2024

Sun., Sept. 29th:	9:00 a.m. Pro-Populo St. David and St. Maurice Church
Tues., Oct. 1st:	7:30 a.m. Mass Intentions
Wed., Oct. 2nd:	7:30 a.m. Mass Intentions
Thurs., Oct. 3rd:	7:30 a.m. Mass Intentions
Fri., Oct. 4th:	7:30 a.m. Mass Intentions
Sat., Sept. 5th:	4:00p.m. Mass Intentions





Summary of the Quarterly Finance Council held on Tuesday September 25, 2024

The Following topics were discussed:

- Update on the Rectory's renovations inside and outside and costs.
- Update on the Three-Year Fundraising Campaign. We hope that we will reach the mark of the \$25,000. 00 by January, 2025.
- We spoke about the decrease of the Weekly Collection. For example, collection for both Masses September 21 & 22 was \$1,651.00.
- The Upcoming Parish Picnic: October 6, 2024.
- The yearly \$100 donation toward the Fund Fest. Fr. Oswald will speak more about it.
- The Pastor reported on the meeting held last week with the Archdiocese and TCA. Fr. Oswald will speak more about that.
- Ideas of possible Fundraising: Family Dinner such a spaghetti dinner; something that is not too costly. Also, we discussed about holding both a Car Show and 50/50 raffle.
- We are in the process of preparing the Annual Financial Report for both the Josephites and the Archdiocese.
- Finally, ALL members of the Council in attendance expressed heartfelt thanks to the Fundraising Committee members for their dedication and commitment to the parish that we ALL love so dearly.

To All his Beloved Parishioners:

Once again, please know that your Pastor welcomes **ALL** your questions anytime. Yes, he has been traveling but he will make the take time to address and answer your questions. Therefore, and please do not hesitate to approach your Pastor. Besides, addressing and answering questions constitutes a major part of his priestly ministry among you, his beloved parishioners. He thanks for your understanding. Your Pastor wishes you a very productive week filled with God's blessings.

He remains yours truly and always,

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

Your Pastor

The Pastor's Weekly Schedule

Monday, September 30, 2024 — Sunday, October 6, 2024

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The Pastor is off. The office of the parish is closed.

Tuesday, October 1, 2024

The Pastor travels to Washington, DC for the Josephite General Council Meeting,

Please pray for him and the other Council members traveling.

Wednesday, October 2, 2024

The Pastor and other Council Members are meeting in Washington, DC.

Please continue to pray for them and for a successful and productive meeting.

Thursday, October 3, 2024

The Pastor and other Council Members are meeting in Washington, DC.

Please continue to pray for them and for a successful and productive meeting.

Friday, October 4, 2024

The Pastor is returning from Washington, DC.

Please pray for the Pastor's safe travels.

Saturday, October 5, 2024

- 12PM: Baptismal Seminar for the Haitians
- 4PM: Vigil Mass
- 7:30PM: Wedding Prep Seminar

Sunday, October 6, 2024

- 9AM: Sunday Liturgy
- Parish Picnic following Mass
- 6:30PM: Sunday Liturgy in Westbank

Yes, and indeed, your Pastor wishes you and yours a very blessed, safe, and productive week filled with joy and God's blessings. Until we meet again, let us continue to keep each other in thoughts and prayers.

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Maintenance Part-time Position.

Beginning the first of September 2024, the maintenance part time position will be opened to anyone who is qualified for the job. If you want to apply, please call the office during its hours of operation to express your interest. What are the criteria and requirements of the Maintenance Position?

- 1) The position is opened to any man who can do the job.
- 2) The maintenance guy is required to do the following:
 - a) To take care of the Church and rectory, parish hall and Marais grounds.
 - b) To pay attention to what needs to be fixed or repaired in all buildings.
 - c) To maintain the parish car such as: oils changes, washing, etc.
 - d) To make sure both parish hall and Marais buildings are cleaned for weekend use.
 - e) To put out the garbage every Wednesday for pick up Thursday morning.
 - f) To open and close the St. David School Gymnasium whenever there is an event.
 - g) To do inventory, especially for the rectory, such as bulbs, tools, etc.

If you or someone you know who may be interested, please call or advise them to call the parish office at: 504 947 2853

Or Email: stdavid@arch-no.org

Garden of Giving Update

16 Paid in Full; 16 Payment Plans; 3 Pledges

Total Collected as of 9/22/24: \$21430.80

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.

All Ministries Assemble

Fr. Oswald is planning to hold a General Assembly for ALL members of ALL ministries before Christmas and New Year holidays. When he comes back from Washington, DC he will give more details. Until then, stay tuned!

Parish Picnic

The Parish Picnic will be held next weekend, Sunday, October 6, 2024 after the 9AM Liturgy. The picnic will be held on the Church grounds. Please invite your family and friends to join us. Yes, it is going to be a good time for us to fellowship as a parish. See you then!

Youth and Young Adult Corner

Scripture

from Sermons4Kids

“Whoever is not against us is for us.” Mark 9:40

Do you belong to a club? There are a lot of clubs that boys and girls can join. Some of you might belong to a club such as Boy Scouts or Girl Scouts that teaches you to become a better person and encourages you to help other people. There are Bible clubs like Awanas that help you to learn how to better love and serve Jesus. You may belong to a reading club that encourages boys and girls to develop a love for reading. I am sure that many of you belong to a club or group that encourages participation in a sport such as gymnastics or soccer. One thing I have noticed about these clubs is that most of them have a cap, a t-shirt, or something similar which boys and girls can wear to let other people know that they belong to that club. All of these clubs do much good and it's great to belong to a group that does good things, isn't it?

The early followers of Jesus belonged to what they thought was a very special club - and it was. There were only twelve in that first group that followed Jesus. They felt very good about being part of Jesus's team. In Jesus' name they healed sick people and taught them about the Kingdom of God. One day the disciples saw someone who was not a member of their group doing good things in Jesus' name. You would think they would be happy to see other people doing good things, but were they? No, they told them to stop what they were doing because they were not a part of their special group.

The disciples thought Jesus would be pleased by their actions, so they went and told him what they had done. To their surprise, Jesus was not pleased. "Don't stop people who are doing good things in my name" Jesus said. "No one who is doing good things in my name will then turn around and say bad things about me. Anyone who is not against us is for us."

It is good to belong to a group, but it is especially good to be a part of the family of God. The family of God is very large and there are many different groups who make up that family. Whenever we see anyone who is doing good in Jesus' name, we should not be jealous. We should rejoice and be glad because "If they aren't against us, they are for us."

Heavenly Father, we are thankful to be part of your family. Help us to be rejoice and be glad when we see other members of your family doing good things. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen

October Birthdays

• Myiesha Gordon	October 4th	• Gary Slack	October 19th
• Dalonte Burton	October 5th	• Wayne Williams	October 19th
• Ra'shad Mathieu	October 5th	• Terry Claverie	October 20th
• Neiman Burrell	October 6th	• Annette Bertrand	October 21st
• Jewel Magee	October 7th	• Jeanette Jagan-Hillard	October 21st
• Derrick Sanchez	October 7th	• Arriel Hollingsworth	October 23rd
• Patricia Aleen	October 8th	• Roycelyn Lewis	October 23rd
• Danitra Hawkins	October 8th	• Karen C. Lewis	October 23rd
• Ernest Jackson	October 8th	• Roy Jones	October 25th
• Dawn Davis	October 9th	• Gary Hagan	October 26th
• Kimberly Joseph-Hughes	October 10th	• Jeannine Slack	October 27th
• Henry Smith	October 10th	• Gloria Colin	October 28th
• Landen Stark	October 10th	• Jordan Johnson	October 28th
• Cynthia Bentley	October 11th	• Priscilla Phillips	October 29th
• Carolyn Parker	October 11th	• Marilyn Grant	October 30th
• Sharon Blair	October 12th	• Lynn Cormier	October 31st
• Siera Sanfie	October 12th	<i>In Loving Memory</i>	
• Carmel Glapion	October 13th	• Tina Cager	October 10th
• Henry Davis	October 14th	• Anthony Daranda	October 18th
• Kewana Pate	October 14th		
• Ester Dumas	October 14th		
• Michael Gordon	October 15th		
• Cheryl Like-Gibbs	October 15th		
• Joyce Falls	October 16th		
• Sian Sanfie	October 16th		
• Justine Hughley	October 17th		
• Cary Reynolds	October 18th		
• Paulette Gibbs	October 19th		

