

Saint David Catholic Church

October 6, 2024

Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mark 10:2-16

Jesus teaches against divorce & welcome the children.



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 October 6, 2024–October 12, 2024

Monday: Galatians 1:6-12; Psalm 111:1b-2, 7-8, 9 and 10c; Luke 10:25-37

Tuesday: Galatians 1:13-24; Psalm 139:1b-3, 13-14ab, 14c-15; Luke 10:38-42

Wednesday: Galatians:2:1-2, 7-14; Psalm 117:1bc, 2; Luke 11:1-4

Thursday: Galatians 3:1-5; Luke 1:69-70, 71-72, 73-75; Luke 11:5-13

Friday: Galatians 3:7-14; Psalm 111:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6; Luke 11:15-26

Saturday: Galatians 3:22-29; Psalm 105:2-3, 4-5, 6-7; Luke 11:27-28

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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. 28, 2024 & Sunday, Sept. 29, 2024

Saturday	-----	-\$ 866.00
Sunday	-----	\$1084.00
Mail-Ins	-----	--\$ 80.00
Online	-----	-\$ 0.00
Total Collection All Masses	-----	\$2030.00
Weekly Budget Expenses	-----	-- \$3000.00
Difference (short)	-----	-- \$ 970.00
Mass Intentions	-----	\$ 15.00
Total Deposit	-----	\$2045.00

Attendance: Sat-29; Sun-81

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 October 6, 2024—October 12, 2024

Sun., Oct. 6th:	9:00 a.m. Pro-Populo St. David and St. Maurice Church
Tues., Oct. 8th:	7:30 a.m. Mass Intentions
Wed., Oct. 9th:	7:30 a.m. Mass Intentions
Thurs., Oct. 10th:	7:30 a.m. Mass Intentions
Fri., Oct. 11th:	7:30 a.m. Mass Intentions
Sat., Oct. 12th:	4:00p.m. Mary Price

Requested by: The Mumford & Davis Families



From Loyola Press

Gospel Reading

Mark 10:2-16 (shorter form Mark 10:2-12)

Jesus teaches against divorce and welcomes the children.

Background on the Gospel Reading

Today we continue to read from the Gospel according to Mark. For the past three Sundays, we have been hearing Mark's reports of conversations between Jesus and his disciples. Recall that in Mark's Gospel, Jesus uses these private moments to teach his disciples in greater detail about the Kingdom of God. Beginning with today's Gospel, Jesus returns to Judea, Jewish territory, and resumes his public ministry. The first verse of chapter 10 of Mark's Gospel tells us that crowds gathered around Jesus, and he taught them, as was his custom. Immediately, the Pharisees approach Jesus to test him.

The Pharisees question Jesus about the lawfulness of divorce. Under specific conditions, divorce was an accepted practice among the Jewish people during the time of Jesus. It was regulated by the Law of Moses, as found in Deuteronomy 24:1-5. This law only permits that a husband may divorce his wife if he finds her to be indecent. This is the justification that the Pharisees reference when Jesus inquires about the commandment of Moses. In reply, Jesus quotes from the Book of Genesis and counters that God's original intention was that men and women would become one flesh in marriage. Jesus describes the teaching of Moses as a concession made to God's original intention because of human stubbornness.

In private, Jesus' disciples question him further about this teaching on divorce. It is to his disciples that Jesus lays out the implications of his teaching by explaining that remarriage after divorce is adultery. Jesus' teaching was more restrictive than the teaching of the Pharisees, which permitted remarriage. Jesus further distinguished his teaching from the cultural norms of his time by applying his words equally to men and women. Jewish culture permitted only that a husband may divorce his wife. Wives were not permitted to divorce their husband for any reason, including adultery.

At first glance, the final part of today's Gospel seems unconnected to the previous teaching about divorce. When read together, however, these passages present a strong picture of Jesus' emphasis on the importance of family. God intended for women and men to be joined together in marriage. Among the purposes of marriage is the raising of children. By welcoming children and fostering their relationship with God, parents and families bear witness to the Kingdom of God.

At the end of today's Gospel, the people were bringing their children to Jesus, and again Jesus' disciples show that they just don't get it. Recall that in the Gospel for each of the past two Sundays, Jesus has taught his disciples the value and importance of these "little ones" in the Kingdom of God. Yet in today's Gospel, the disciples try to prevent people from bringing their children to Jesus. Jesus reprimands his disciples and welcomes these children. Again Jesus offers these children as an example of the kind of complete trust and dependence upon God that ought to be the attitude of all believers.

All Ministries Assemble

Fr. Oswald is planning to hold a General Assembly for ALL members of ALL ministries before Christmas and New Year holidays. Please stay tuned for dates and times.



Parish Picnic

The Parish Picnic is after 9AM Liturgy. Lets have a good time and fellowship together as a Church Family.



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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

19 Paid in Full; 16 Payment Plans; 3 Pledges

Total Collected as of 9/29/24: \$21889.80

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:

	<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.

*3 Year Campaign
"Garden of Giving"*



Youth and Young Adult Corner

The Bible tells us about a time Jesus was teaching his disciples, and a large crowd of other people were following Him to hear what He was saying.

As Jesus was teaching, people started to bring their children to Him so He could touch them. The disciples didn't like these children interrupting Jesus. They told the people to get the children away.

What do you think about the disciples trying to make the children leave?

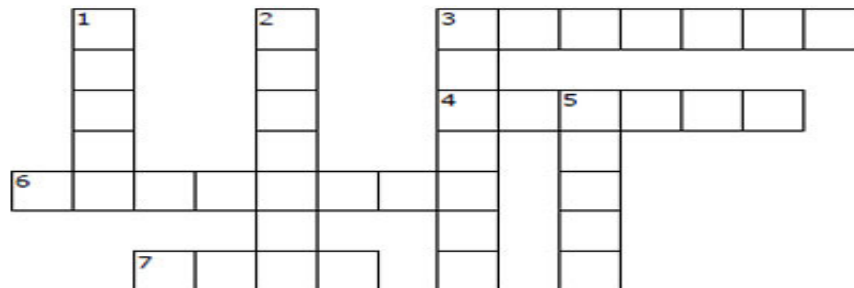
Jesus was very upset. "Let the children come to me, and do not stop them," Jesus said. "The kingdom of heaven belongs to these little ones." Then Jesus took the children in His arms and blessed them (Mark 10:2-16).

Let's always remember how Jesus loved the children and took them into His loving arms. We're thankful for each of you here today and thankful someone loved you enough to bring you.

Dear God, we want to love your children just as Jesus loved them. Thank you that these children here today have someone who loves them enough to bring them to Jesus. In Jesus' name, amen. (from Sermons4Kids)

Let the Children Come

He said to them, "Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these. Mark 10:14b (NIV)



ACROSS

3. Bringing happiness, pleasure, or contentment to someone
4. Small in size
6. Sons and daughters, young people
7. The parts of the body which connect the hands to the shoulders

DOWN

1. A statement accepted as fact
2. A country or territory ruled by a king or queen
3. To be a member of a group, such as a club or organization
5. To come in contact with or to feel with your fingers

LITTLE
CHILDREN

TOUCH
TRUTH

KINGDOM
BELONGS

BLESSED
ARMS

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		

