


Saint David Catholic Church

October 26, 2025

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Luke 18:9-14

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Wisdom for Life

LUKE 18:9-14

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 26, 2025, - November 1, 2025

Monday: Romans 8:12-17; Psalm 68:2 and 4, 6-7ab, 20-21; Luke 13:10-17

Tuesday: Ephesians 2:19-22; Psalm 19:2-3, 4-5; Luke 6:12-16

Wednesday: Romans 8:26-30; Psalm 13:4-5, 6; Luke 13:22-30

Thursday: Romans 8:31b-39; Psalm 109:21-22, 26-27, 30-31; Luke 13:31-35

Friday: Romans 9:1-5; Psalm 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20; Luke 14:1-6

Saturday: Solemnity of All Saints

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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

Oct. 18, 2025 & Sunday, Oct. 19, 2025

Saturday	\$ 517.00
Sunday	\$ 612.00
Mail-Ins	\$ 60.00
Online	\$ 350.00
Total Collection All Masses	\$1539.00
Weekly Budget Expenses	\$3000.00
Difference	\$-1461.00
World Mission	\$ 144.00
Total Deposit	\$1683.00

Attendance: Sat-27; Sun-66;

Total Attendance-93

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

Mass Intentions for the Week of

October 26, 2025—November 1, 2025

Sun., Oct. 26:	9:00 a.m. Pro-Populo St. David and St. Maurice Church
Tues., Oct. 28:	7:30 a.m. Henry M. Davis Requested By: Davis Family
Wed., Oct. 29:	7:30 a.m. Henry M. Davis Requested By: Davis Family
Thurs., Oct. 30:	7:30 a.m. Henry M. Davis Requested By: Davis Family
Fri., Oct. 31:	7:30 a.m. Henry M. Davis Requested By: Davis Family
Sat., Nov. 1:	4:00 p.m. Henry M. Davis Requested By: Davis Family



From Loyola Press

Gospel Reading

Luke 18:9-14

Jesus tells the parable of the proud Pharisee who prayed from his self-importance and the tax collector who prayed humbly.

Background on the Gospel Reading

The second parable that Jesus tells in Luke 18 addresses attitude in prayer. In contrasting the prayer of the Pharisee with the prayer of the tax collector, Jesus teaches his disciples to pray in humility before God. Jesus again surprises his listeners by showing the tax collector as the example of faith, rather than the Pharisee. Remember that Pharisees were members of a sect of Judaism active in Jesus' time. They taught an oral interpretation of the Law of Moses as the basis for Jewish piety. If anyone would be a model for prayer, a Pharisee was a likely candidate. In contrast, Jesus offers the tax collector as a model for prayer. Tax collectors were collaborators with the Roman authorities in a system that allowed the tax collectors to line their own pockets by charging in excess of the defined taxes. Yet, in this parable, Jesus offers the humility of the tax collector as a model for the prayer of a disciple. The parable reminds us that when we pray, we must remember our need for God in our lives. If we are too full of ourselves, there is too little room for God's grace to work in us.

Youth Ministry Activities

- Trunk or Treat, Friday, October 31, 2025, Halloween
- Youth Sunday, November 23, 2025, during the 9AM Mass.
- Christmas Party for the Youth, date TBA
- Youth Sunday, December 28, 2025 during 9AM Mass.
- Inter Parish Youth Activity, TBA
- Youth Sponsored Car Wash, TBA

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



Announcements

Scratch Off Ticket Raffle

Ticket sales for the Scratch off Ticket Raffle are on sale now.

2 tickets for \$5.

1st, 2nd, and 3rd prizes available.

Drawing will be held the second weekend of November.

Thank you for your participation.



Holiday Wine & Line Dance

The Holiday Wine & Line Dance will be held on December 5, 2025, from 7PM to 11PM at the St. David Gymnasium.

Ticket Donation: \$20.00

Tickets will be available for purchase starting October 18th. Ticket can be purchased from any Finance or Pastoral Council member.

We look forward to seeing you at this holiday celebration.

This event is sponsored by the Finance and Pastoral Council Committee.



Trunk or Treat

The Trunk or Treat will take place Friday, October 31, 2025 from 5PM to 7PM on the Church grounds. Please come out and bring the kids so they can enjoy this safe, fun outing.



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.



Garden of Giving Update

38 Paid in Full; 13 Payment Plans; 2 Pledges

Total Collected as of 10/12/25: \$50,221.70

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

\$5,000 Stone \$2,500 Stone
\$1,000 Stone \$375 Gold Leaf

3 Year Campaign

“Garden of Giving”

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.

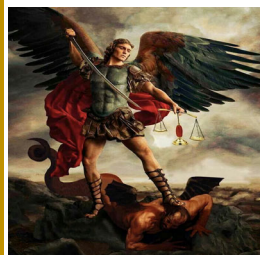
Prayer for Vocation

*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.*



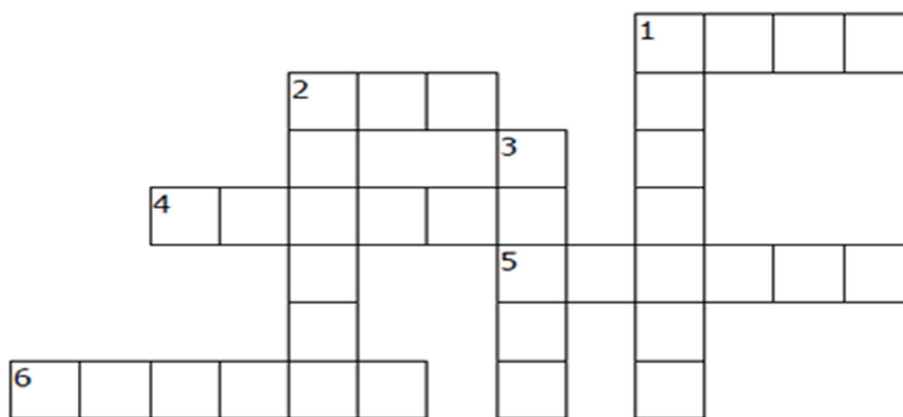
Youth and Young Adult Corner

In the family, one sometimes observes a level of competition between children for parent attention, for acknowledgment of their abilities. Somehow, children seem to internalize that the attention given to one member of the family diminishes the attention given to another. In this way, children can often sound like the Pharisee in Jesus' parable. Parents who provide continual reminders to their children that they are loved for who they are, not for what they do, help children develop a healthy spirituality. (Loyola Press)

The Pharisee & the Tax Collector

For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, and he who humbles himself will be exalted. Luke 18:14b (NIV)

Based on Luke 18:9-14



ACROSS

1. To speak to God
2. Money paid to support the government
4. Modest, not proud
5. Someone who steals from someone
6. A person who breaks God's law

DOWN

1. A story told by Jesus to teach his followers
2. A place of worship
3. Showing great kindness and forgiveness

TEMPLE	ROBBER	MERCY	SINNER
HUMBLE	PARABLE	TAX	PRAY

October Birthdays

• Myiesha Gordon	October 4th	• Paulette Gibbs	October 19th
• Dalonte Burton	October 5th	• Gary Slack	October 19th
• Ra'shad Mathieu	October 5th	• Wayne Williams	October 19th
• Neiman Burrell	October 6th	• Terry Claverie	October 20th
• Jewel Magee	October 7th	• Annette Bertrand	October 21st
• Derrick Sanchez	October 7th	• Jeanette Jagan-Hillard	October 21st
• Matthew Petit-Henry	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	• Gloria Colin	October 28th
• Henry Smith	October 10th	• Jordan Johnson	October 28th
• Landen Stark	October 10th	• Priscilla Phillips	October 29th
• Cynthia Bentley	October 11th	• Marilyn Grant	October 30th
• Carolyn Parker	October 11th	• Lynn Cormier	October 31st
• Sharon Blair	October 12th	<i>In Loving Memory</i>	
• Siera Sanfie	October 12th	• Tina Cager	October 10th
• Carmel Glapion	October 13th	• Anthony Daranda	October 18th
• Henry Davis	October 14th	• Jeannine Slack	October 27th
• 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		

*Celebrate
October Birthdays*

