

Kids Column

What is Marriage all About?

Mark 10:2-12



In today's Gospel reading Jesus was telling the people about God's idea of marriage.

You know that marriage is what happens when a man and woman get married. But did you know that it is a sacrament? God gives special graces to people who get married so they can love each other well and raise good children.

Do you know what marriage is for? God made husbands and wives so that they could help each other to get to Heaven. But that's not all. When people get married, they are also starting a new family. Together with the father and mother, God brings new children into the world. He gives the parents all the help they need to raise their children.



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PRAYER DURING THE HURRICANE SEASON

O Lord, our God and Father, who gives rain and sunshine to your children, we ask you in this rainy season to uphold us and provide for our needs.

You try our patience and test our faith and reliance on you; forgive our sin of ingratitude. So often have we forgotten to thank you for your goodness and acts of mercy. Teach us to look up to you each day, appreciative of rain and sunshine, as you, in your wisdom, through any kind of weather do feed us all.

In your mercy, protect us against hurricanes and tropical storms. Pour out your blessings upon our nation and our people, and make us grateful for the weather we receive from your bountiful hand.

We make this prayer through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Do you know that October is the Month of the Holy Rosary?
Do you know how to pray the rosary?

The Holy Rosary For Kids

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27TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - 6TH OCT 2024 - YEAR B

One Body in Christ.

In today's Gospel, the Pharisees try to trap Jesus with a trick question. The "lawfulness" of divorce in Israel was never an issue as Moses had long ago allowed it. But Jesus points His enemies back before Moses, to "the beginning," interpreting the text we hear in the First Reading.

Divorce violates the order of creation, He says. Moses permitted it only as a concession to the people who were "unteachable", their inability to live by God's covenant Law. But Jesus comes to fulfill the Law, to reveal its true meaning and purpose, and to give people the grace to keep God's commands. Marriage, He reveals, is a sacrament, a divine, life-giving sign. Through the union of husband and wife, God intended to bestow His blessings on the human family, making it fruitful, multiplying it until it filled the earth. That's why the Gospel moves so easily from a debate about marriage to Jesus' blessing of children. Children are blessings the Father bestows on couples who walk in His ways.

Marriage also is a sign of God's new covenant. As the Epistle hints, Jesus is the new Adam, made a little lower than the angels, born of a human family. The Church is the new Eve, the "woman" born of Christ's pierced side as He hung in the sleep of death on the Cross. Through the union of Christ and the Church as "one flesh", God's plan for the world is fulfilled. Eve was "mother of all the living".

In Baptism, we are made sons and daughters of the Church, children of the Father, heirs of the eternal glory He intended for the human family in the beginning. The challenge for us is to live as children of the kingdom, growing up ever more faithful in our love and devotion to the ways of Christ and the teachings of His Church.

(excerpt:stpaulcenter.com)

SUNDAY READINGS

First Reading

Gen.2:18-24

Second Reading

Heb.2:9-11

Gospel

Mk.10:2-16

MASS TIMES

Gros Islet

Morning Prayers:

Mon -Fri

5:45 a.m.



MONDAY

6:00 a.m./12:30 p.m.



TUESDAY

6:00 a.m.



WEDNESDAY

6:00 a.m./12:30 p.m.

G/Riviere: 6:00 p.m.



THURSDAY

6:00 a.m./12:30 p.m.



FRIDAY

6:00 a.m./12:30 p.m.



SATURDAY

6:30 a.m./6:00 p.m.



SUNDAY

Gros Islet/G. Riviere
7:30 a.m.

Gros Islet/Monchy

10:00 a.m.



HOLIDAY

Variable

St. Joseph the Worker Parish
Gros Islet, Grande Riviere & Monchy

CONFESSIONS

Every Saturday
9.00 - 10.00 a.m

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by appointment

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October, the month of the Most Holy Rosary.

To understand this feast, we need to go back in time. In the 16th century, the Islamic Ottoman Empire presented a serious military threat to Western Europe. Pope Pius V recognized the grave danger and organized a fleet called the Holy League to confront the navy of the Ottoman Turks sent to attack Europe. On October 7, 1571, the two navies engaged in a battle to determine who would control maritime traffic in the Mediterranean, Adriatic and Aegean seas. The fate of Western Europe depended upon the success of the Holy League in this battle which involved more than 400 warships, the largest naval battle in Western history for centuries.

Pius V knew that more than military strength was needed to defend Christian Europe, so he asked that all the faithful pray the rosary requesting the intercession of the Blessed Mother. At the end of the Battle of Lepanto, the Holy League was victorious and the maritime expansion of the Ottoman Empire was permanently halted. The next year, Pius V established a feast, on October 7, in honor of the Blessed Mother. Originally called Our Lady of Victory, the name of the feast was changed after a few centuries to Our Lady of the Rosary to more clearly recognize that prayer was the greatest power at work that day on the seas.

In 1571, the rosary was still a relatively new prayer form for the universal church. Pope Pius V had issued a decree formally establishing the devotion to the rosary just two years before. The Holy Father's universal promulgation recognized the growing devotion to the Blessed Mother throughout Europe, as well as the increased praying of the rosary in various locations.

The structure of the rosary as we know it today developed between the 12th and the 14th centuries as the larger collection of 150 prayers was further divided into groups of 50 and separated by biblical verses or themes, now referred to as mysteries. It is these mysteries, like a grouping of roses in a garden, that gave the name *rosary* to this prayer form.

The rosary is a living prayer form and continues to develop even in recent times. The invocation known as the Fatima Prayer was added in the early 20th century. In 2002 Pope John Paul II added a new set of five reflections called the Luminous Mysteries which encourage additional meditations on the life of Jesus. The rosary is an invitation to experience the grace of Mary's spiritual motherhood as she leads us to her Son, Jesus. For this reason, it has been an invaluable source of countless spiritual graces for the saints. The wealth of spiritual graces offered through the rosary comes from the imitation of Christ through obedience to the Father's will, according to the example of the Blessed Mother.

Maybe October would be a good month to turn off the radio or podcast as you commute to work or school, and pray the rosary instead. See what graces the Lord wants to pour into your life from the rose garden of this prayer.

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PLEASE PRAY FOR

THE SICK

Patsy Crafton
Iris Macauldy
Martha Mason
Teresa Huntley
Marie Joseph

DECEASED

Mary Cools
Mary Felicien
Celsus Norville
Andrew Gaetan
St. Juste George
Gregory Louison
Claudius Louison

WEEKDAY READINGS



MONDAY

Gal.1:6-12
Lk.10:25-37



TUESDAY

Gal.1:13-24
Lk.10:38-42



WEDNESDAY

Gal.2:1-2,7-14
Lk.11:1-4



THURSDAY

Gal.3:1-5
Lk.11.:5-13



FRIDAY

Gal.3:7-14
Lk.11:15-26



SATURDAY

Gal.3:22-29
Lk.11:27-28



MASS INTENTIONS

GROS ISLET

CLERGY/RELIGIOUS

INTENTIONS

27TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR B

Sat Oct 5- 6:00 p.m.

Sun Oct 6 - 7:30 a.m.

10:00 a.m.

Grande Riviere - 7:30 a.m.

Monchy - 10:00 a.m.



Thks: Augusta Toussaint
B'day: Nicholas St. John, Kaleia George

MISSA PRO POPULO

B'day: Evelyn Nassar
Holy Spirit: The Theophilus family

Thks: Zoey Hinkson
Lucella Sandiford & family
Sashla St. Omer, Laurencia Cadette

Parishioners

WEEKDAY MASS INTENTIONS

Mon Oct 7 - 6:00 a.m.

Our Lady of the Rosary

12:30 p.m.

Tue Oct 8 - 6:00 a.m.

Wed Oct 9 - 6:00 a.m.

12:30 p.m.

Grande Riviere - 6:00 p.m.

Thu Oct 10 - 6:00 a.m.

12:30 p.m.

Fri Oct 11 - 6:00 a.m.

St. John XXIII, Pope

12:30 p.m.

Sat Oct 12 - 6:30 a.m.

Mass at the Shrine

Arch. Robert Rivas OP
Sr. Frances Norbisch

Fr. Albert Smith
Mother Rosaria Joseph
Sr. Christine Alphonse

Fr. Cezar Herrera
Rev. Andrew Edward
Sr. Ramona George

Fr. Joseph Xavier
Sr. Benedicta Chanda

Sr. Scholastica Felician

Fr. Festus Iwuagwu
Rev. Wilfred Harris
Rev. Marcellus Serieux

Holy Spirit: David Junior Popo
Int: Bernadette Pamphile & family

Thks: Lynn Joseph
Our Lady of the Rosary:
Perlin Verdant & family

B'day: Kate Haywood
Holy Spirit: David Junior Popo

Dc'd: Cecil Graham

B'day: Hester Parker
Holy Spirit: David Junior Popo

Parishioners

Thks: Cyrillia & Althea Palton

B'day: Chiara Edward

Thks: Donors & Benefactors

Dc'd: Bridget Evans

B'day: David Popo, Gerald Sidoine
Thks: Vernetta Brooks & family