



Sunday

October 15, 2017
Mass Intentions

Monday, 10/16

7:00 a.m. Elizabeth Weiss by Weiss family

Tuesday, 10/17

7:00 a.m. Gerardo & Giovanna Giordano by
Lina & Cosimo Giordano

Wednesday, 10/18

7:00 a.m. Clem Santy by Roger & Jane Lendach
and Rose Marsjanik

Thursday, 10/19

7:00 a.m. Raymond Applegate by
Matt & Terry Kurzius

Friday, 10/20

7:00 a.m. Butch Spagnola by Jane Lendach &
Rose Marsjanik

Saturday, 10/21

5:00 p.m. Helen Guthreau by Lynn & Gary

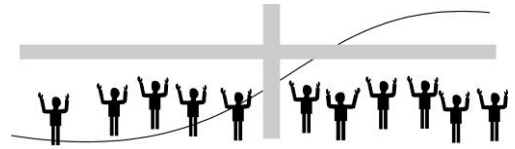
Sunday, 10/22

8:30 a.m. Catholic Daughters by Catholic
Daughters Court Regina Coeli #940

10:30 a.m. Parishioners of St. John's &
Elizabeth Weiss by the Geigel family

This week our Sanctuary lamp is lit in memory of
Kleinhans, Sheridan & Petto families as requested
by **Suzanne & Gerard**.

This week our Chapel Candle is lit in memory of
Mary Lou D'Andrea as requested by **St. John's
Choir**.



Many are called but few are chosen

TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading: Isaiah 25:6-10a

This passage describes the new Jerusalem as a heavenly banquet on the mountain with the Lord God wiping away all tears.

Second Reading: Philippians 4:12-14, 19-20

In simple, direct words, Paul thanks the Philippians for alleviating his hardships. He stresses, though, that he is as accustomed to poverty as to abundance and finds all his strength in Christ.

Gospel: Matthew 22:1-14

Once more speaking to the chief priests and the elders, Jesus relates the parable of the wedding banquet. A King, preparing a wedding banquet for his son, summons all the invited guests. When, after several invitations, no guests arrive, the King commands his servants to "go out into the byroads and invite anyone you come upon." Again, Jesus warns the elders, "the invited are many, the elect are few."

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday

Is 25:6-10a; Phil 4:12-14, 19-20;
Mt 22:1-14 or 22:1-10

Monday

Rom 1:1-7; Lk 11:29-32

Tuesday

Rom 1:16-25; Lk 11:37-41

Wednesday

2 Tm 4:10-17b; Lk 10:1-9

Thursday

Rom 3:21-30; Lk 11:47-54

Friday

Rom 4:1-8; Lk 12:1-7

Saturday

Rom 4:13, 16-18; Lk 12:8-12

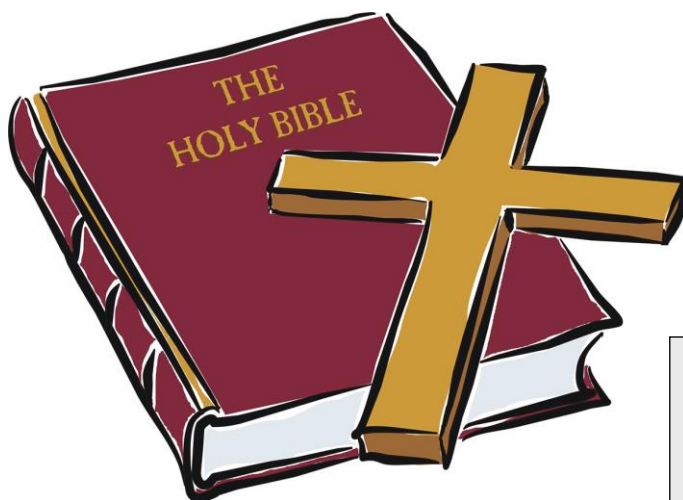
TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“The kingdom of heaven may be likened to a king who gave wedding feast for his son He dispatched his servants to summon the invited guests to the feast saying ‘Tell those invited ‘Behold, I have prepared my banquet...and everything is ready, come to the feast’...’Go out, therefore, into the main roads and invite to the feast whomever you find...Many are invited, but few are chosen.”

A recent popular book was entitled ‘What Is Heaven Like?’ It was a compelling story. Years ago, Matthew used the parables of Jesus to tell us what the kingdom is like. Using very descriptive examples we learned about a treasure, a pearl, a net, a seed, and on several occasions a banquet, a fine wedding reception, a fiesta or party.

We have been invited through our baptism to join a great banquet. We have responded as we try to live a Christian life of holiness and service. But the parable adds another dimension. We have a role as guest, but also are servants.

We who have accepted the invitation and participate in the banquet, are also the servants, being sent to the main roads to bring others to His table of plenty. Our task, as Pope Francis tells us, is to have others encounter Jesus, invite them and accompany them to the banquet. We need to show them they already have their ticket and a place at His table.



HIS WORD TODAY

BY REV. WILLIAM J. REILLY

A FRESH PERSPECTIVE ON
THE SUNDAY READINGS