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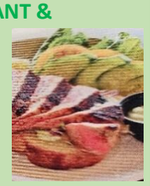
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Mass Schedule for this Week

Saturday – October 3	**Mass at 8:30 am and 5:00 pm**
Sunday – October 4	**Mass at 8:30 am and 10:30 am**
Monday – October 5	**Mass at 9:30 am**
Tuesday – October 6	**No Mass**
Wednesday – October 7	**Mass at 9:30 am**
Thursday – October 8	**Mass at 9:30 am**
Friday – October 9	**Mass at 9:30 am**

Rosary: 30 Minutes before Mass
Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturdays 4 – 4:30 pm
Eucharistic Adoration: On Thursday after the Mass until Noon.

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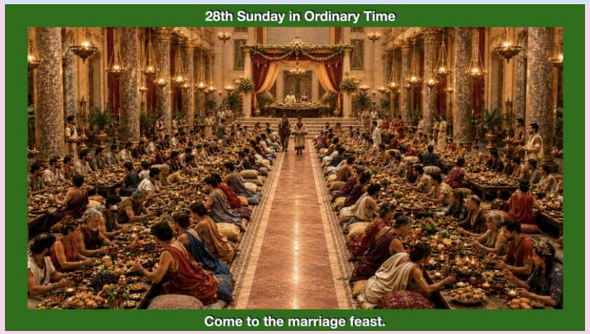

In the first reading, Isaiah describes the Messianic banquet on the Lord's Mountain in the Holy City of Jerusalem, which Yahweh is preparing for His people. The "Good News" is that it is a great feast of "*rich food and choice wines*." But, for the children of Israel, the "bad news" is that Yahweh invites all people, including Gentiles, to the banquet.

In the second reading, St. Paul advises the Philippians to put their trust in the power and goodness of a providing God, Who, in Jesus, has given His Church everything His followers will need to participate in the Heavenly Banquet.

In today's Gospel, by telling an allegoric parable of judgment, in the Temple of Jerusalem two days before his arrest, Jesus accuses the Jewish religious and civil leaders of rejecting God's invitation to the Heavenly Banquet given to them through God's Own Son, Himself. They have rejected the invitation by not listening to the Good News preached by Jesus and by not reforming their lives. This invitation was repeatedly extended to Israel through the prophets, including John the Baptist. But the leadership, contemporary with Jesus, rejected the reality that Jesus was the fulfillment of all prophecy, refused to accept God's invitation to righteous living given through John the Baptist and through Jesus, and planned to kill God's own Son, Jesus. Hence, God is inviting the sinners and Gentiles to His banquet, and that is why Jesus is keeping the company of sinners.

TAKEAWAYS

1)- We need to keep wearing the wedding garment of holiness and righteousness, the state of grace, all the time, do good for everyone, and appreciate and receive God's graces in the Church: a) We received the "*wedding garment*" of sanctifying grace in Baptism; while the other Sacraments provide the additional graces we need to retain it. b) Our participation in the Eucharistic celebration and in personal and family prayers helps us to recharge our spiritual batteries and enables us to lead Spirit-filled, prayerful lives, doing good for all. c) Jesus nourishes us in the Church through the proclamation of word of God and through His Body and Blood offered to us as spiritual Food and Drink in Holy Communion. 2)

2)- We need to participate in the Eucharistic banquet with proper preparation by repenting of our sins and by actively participating in the prayers and singing during the Holy Mass. Participating in Holy Mass is the best preparation and the greatest source of power for our future participation in the Heavenly banquet.

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK

Sunday: 10:30 am Sunday School
No Confirmation Class this week.
Monday: 5:00 pm OCIA Class
Tuesday: 1:00 pm Grief Share
Wednesday: Communion Class
5:30 pm Celebrate Recovery
Thursday: 10:00 am Circle of Caring

Mass Intentions for Oct 10th to Oct 16th

Saturday 5:00pm	+ Donald F Stubenrauch
Sunday 8:30am	The Munzel Family
Sunday 10:30am	David Libardi
Monday 9:30 am	Aria Kathleen Jager
Tuesday	No Mass today
Wednesday 9:30am	Joel Bender
Thursday 9:30am	Chris Clary
Friday 9:30am	Robert Bender

THANKSGIVING DAY COMMUNITY DINNER

If you are able to volunteer on either the prep day or on Thanksgiving Day or both, contact Teri Bruneau at 503-317-8967 as soon as possible so they can plan ahead. Thank you for being willing to help.

BIBLE STUDY

Beginning October 15th, we will resume our bible study of the Gospel of Matthew. Sessions will occur every Thursday thru November 19th at 5 PM in the Parish Hall. In preparation, please read Chapters 13, 14, and 15 of Matthew, and Lesson 5 in the study guide, "The Gospel According to Matthew, Part 1". All are welcome.

LAST WEEK'S DONATIONS

Offertory	$2823.00
Needy	$176.00
Building/Maintenance	$10.00
Seminarian Appeal	$386.00
Votive	$9.00
Children's Ministry	$168.00
Hospitality	$51.00

OPPORTUNITIES FOR PRAYER

A TIME FOR HEALING: Please pray for Rhoda DeGiovanni, Daniel Dougherty, Bill Harrison, Susan Curry, Doris Strafford, Susan Motsinger, Joseph Allscheid, Steve McDonald, Donna Molyndike, Jane Gillis, Leon Bruneau, John & Lara Bender, Nancy Dietrich, Mark Storey, Cynthia Sinn, Deanna and Roger Fullop and their family, Clyde Sullivan, Sean Dooher, Gloria Lyons, Alicia Voss, Al Giacchero, Paul & Maureen Sterling, Greg Molley, Ken Hillyer, Doris Matthews, Frank Moran, Louie Mendez, Jim and Nellie Welsh, Mike Scott, Rolando Deangkinay, Louise Rosas, Al Weber, Jim & Kathleen Hickey, Ron Patterson, and all those who are sick or need healing.

A TIME FOR SORROW (May God rest their souls in eternal peace): Please pray for Bill Molendyke, Albert Chek, Jim Springer, Robert J. Kocarnik, Alexis Goddard, Lloyd Schwend, George Reging, James Welsh, Fr. James Dieringer, Dorothy Giacchero, Robert Fulks, Luz Deangkinay, Nellie Deangkinay, Plum Snow, Burma LaVallo, Sharon Cote, and all those who have died recently.

A TIME FOR JOY AND CELEBRATION: We pray for all those who are celebrating a birthday, anniversary, or other special occasion this week. Happy Birthday to Tino Rodriguez, Blake Rocha, and Jule Folster.

And pray for all our Parish friends and family who are listed in our Prayer Intentions Book.

GRIEFSHARE

Are you grieving a loss? We are meeting on Tuesdays from 1-3 PM through December 1st. Please know you may join GriefShare at any time. For more information, contact Marie Hennessy or visit www.Grief Share.org/findagroup and search St. Mary by the Sea in Rockaway.

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