

TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading: Isaiah 25:6-10

A reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah.

On this mountain,
YHWH Omnipotent will prepare for all peoples
a banquet of rich food, a banquet of fine wines,
food rich and succulent, and fine, aged wines.

On this mountain, YHWH will remove
the mourning veil covering all peoples,
and the shroud covering all nations,
destroying all death forever.

YHWH will wipe away
the tears from every cheek,
and take away the shame of YHWH's people on earth,
wherever they live.

YHWH has spoken.
On that day it will be said,
"This is Our God,
this is the One for whose liberation we waited,
YHWH is the One in whom we hoped.
We rejoice exultantly in our deliverance,
for the hand of YHWH rests on this mountain."

The Word of God. R. Thanks be to God.

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

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Philippians.

I know what it is to be brought low, and I know what it is to have plenty. I have learned the secret: whether on a full stomach or an empty one, in poverty or plenty, I can do all things through the One who gives me strength.

Still, it was kind of you to want to share in my hardships. In return, our God will fulfill all your needs in Christ Jesus, as lavishly as only God can. All glory to Our God and Creator for unending ages! Amen.

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Gospel Reading: Matthew 22:1-14

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Matthew.

Then Jesus spoke to them again in parables. He said, “The kingdom of heaven is like this: there was a ruler who prepared a feast for the wedding of the family’s heir; but when the ruler sent out workers to summon the invited guests, they wouldn’t come. The ruler sent other workers, telling them to say to the guests, ‘I have prepared this feast for you. My oxen and fattened cattle have been slaughtered, and everything is ready; come to the wedding.’ But they took no notice; one went off to his farm, another to her business, and the rest seized the workers, attacked them brutally and killed them. The ruler was furious, and dispatched troops who destroyed those murderers and burned their town.

“Then the ruler said to the workers, ‘The wedding feast is ready, but the guests I

invited do not deserve the honor. Go out to the crossroads in the town and invite everyone you can find.’ The workers went out into the streets and collected everyone they met, good and bad alike, until the hall was filled with guests.

“The ruler, however, came in to see the company at table, and noticed one guest who was not dressed for a wedding. ‘My friend,’ said the ruler, ‘why are you here without a wedding garment?’ But the guest was silent. Then the ruler said to the attendants, ‘Bind this guest hand and foot, and throw the individual out into the darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.’

“Many are called, but few are chosen.”

The Good News of Salvation!
R. Glory and praise to our Savior Jesus Christ!