

Parish Bulletin for Our Lady of Perpetual Help And St Jude's

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I shall live in the house of the Lord / all the days of my life

Now we come to the third of three parables in three weeks. After learning about the two sons and the evil tenants, we now hear about the royal wedding feast. This parable, like the one from last week, is addressed to the chief priests and elders. Care should be exercised to remember that Jesus is not talking about all Jews; he speaks to the leaders in a particular time and place. And the parable he speaks to them is harsh, especially the end.

The king sets a banquet, but the guests do not come. The first servants (prophets) are ignored, as are the second set (the apostles). Indeed, the invitees kill the messengers! The king enacts his vengeance on these people, killing them and burning their city before extending the invitation to others. (The fact that the king burns a city between setting a table for guests and serving the dinner tells us clearly that we are in the realm of story.)

This parable, then, is read like last week's, in Christian-Jewish terms. The people whom God had chosen ignored his invitation both when the prophets announced it and when the apostles were sent. We recall that Matthew is writing at a time after the destruction of Jerusalem. So the parable's mentioning of the people being killed and the city burned quite literally happened when Jerusalem was destroyed by the Romans in AD 70. The original audience of Matthew's gospel did not need much imagination to get the point.



The last four verses conclude on a troubling note. When the new guests arrive, the king sees someone not properly dressed. For that he is bound and thrown out. Again, we might wonder what kind of king this is! But the image of a king in Jesus' time certainly had the power of life and death over his subjects. It makes for an apt image of God, even if the behaviors of the king in this particular parable sound off-putting. We recall earlier Matthean parables like the weeds and wheat. Matthew knows the church is a collection of the good and bad. Some quite literally need to be tossed out. (These Matthean themes of violence are often seen as problematic today and the subject of many scholarly works.)

Those invited to the feast, and those who attend, should not be smug. There is no guarantee. An invitation does not necessarily mean attendance, and attendance does not necessarily mean celebration. There are expectations that need to be met. "Many are invited but few are chosen" is a sober reminder for us all.



"Prayer, because it is nourished by the gift of God present and at work in our lives, must always be marked by remembrance."

GAUDETE ET EXSULTATE ("ON THE CALL TO HOLINESS IN TODAY'S WORLD"), 153

Adoration on Tuesday Evening from 5pm to 9pm at OLPH

28th Sunday in Ordinary Time Cycle A

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Isaiah 25:6-10; Ps 23:1-3; Phil 4:12-14; Matthew 22:1-14

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HISTORY OF THE ROSARY



DOMINIC OF GUZMAN WAS A HOLY SPANISH PRIEST, THAT WENT TO SOUTHERN FRANCE TO CONVERT THOSE WHO HAD LEFT THE CHURCH DUE TO ALBIGENSIAN HERESY.

HE CONVERTED A FEW SOULS, BUT OFTEN, FOR FEAR OF BEING RIDICULED BY THE ALBIGENSIANS, THEY WENT BACK TO THEIR OLD WAYS.



DOMINIC PRAYED TO THE HOLY VIRGIN FOR HELP, SINCE HE FELT HIS EFFORTS HAD LITTLE SUCCESS.

THE HOLY VIRGIN APPEARED TO HIM HOLDING A ROSARY IN HER HANDS; SHE TAUGHT HIM HOW TO PRAY IT, AND ASKED HIM TO PREACH IT THROUGHOUT THE WORLD.



TODAY, THE ROSARY IS ONE OF THE MOST BEAUTIFUL AND POPULAR MARIAN PRAYERS IN THE CHURCH.



MASS INTENTIONS

October 2020

- 10 SJ +Millie Leddige by Jim Weber
- 11 SJ Mass for the People
OLPH +Millie Leddige by J/J Riske
- 13 OLPH David Williamson by J/K Unterseher
- 14 SJ +Tom Meagher by his dad
- 15 OLPH Josephine Breynne by J/K Unterseher
- 16 SJ +Margaret Meagher by her husband
- 18 SJ Mass for the People
OLPH +Dorothy Rakoczy by J/J Riske
- 20 OLPH +Stuart Henningsgard by R/L Henningsgard
- 21 SJ +Robert Lewis by friends
- 22 OLPH +Dorothy Rakoczy by L/M Austreng
- 23 SJ +Bernard West by Dn J/R West
- 24 SJ +Millie Leddige by L/V Knipping
- 25 SJ Mass for the People
OLPH +Carla Sletten by L/N Lovseth
- 27 OLPH Michael Suda by J/K Unterseher
- 28 SJ +Donna Weber by her family
- 29 OLPH +Stephen & Lois Zidon by F/S Argenziano
- 30 SJ +Avis Majkrzak by her family
- 31 SJ +Delores Paschke by D/J/ Paschke
- 01 OLPH Mass for the People
SJ

Due to the Covid 19 pandemic, the CWO will not be able to have our usual fund raising events this year. This will impact our support for many things. Could you please help with a suggested donation by October 20th. In lieu of a bake sale \$25 and quilt raffle sales \$25. Mail to Pam Kuster at 780 2nd Av NE, Reynolds ND 58275 or place, in a marked envelope, into the collections basket. Thank you for your support and may God bless you and your family.

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