

TWENTY EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR A

12th October 2008

THEME: Matthew 22: 1-14

The kingdom of God is like a great feast. And we are invited! We ask God for the grace to accept the invitation.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

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

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ enlighten the eyes of our heart that we might see how great is the hope to which we are called.

Alleluia!

FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK

Wednesday 15th October	Teresa of Jesus (Avila), virgin, doctor
Friday 17th October	Ignatius of Antioch, bishop, martyr
Saturday 18th October	Luke, evangelist

SUNDAY MASS: BANQUET HOSTED BY GOD

The principal teaching of today's Gospel is about invitation and rejection. At the end of the parable, the king discovers a guest who has come to the wedding feast improperly dressed. It was a huge social gaffe to show up without a wedding garment, and it was an insult and an affront to the king. He was bound hand and foot and thrown out of the wedding.

Jesus' parable invites us to consider our own "wedding garments" and ask ourselves not just of how we are dressed but the deeper question of how our lives are dressed **in the practice of our faith**.

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

Grant spiritual comfort and healing to the sick, especially:

Nancy Gibson, Anne Ferguson, Doug Murphy, Lionel West, John Hunt, Louise Rowe, Mary Opdam, Francesca Morton, Yvonne Gunton, Rob Deller, Mary McNamara, Ria Stumpe, James Williams, Joan Sullivan, Mary Cooper, Judith Falconer, Wendy Murphy, Stan Sawaski, Frank Smith, Roy Poy, Monette Fealy, Annette Hoffman, Lionel Jansen, Kelly Harty, John McManus, Peter Cairns, Allan Dedrauth, Marjory Stott, Gerri Boldrini, Melda McDonald, Kristi Cassandra, Rosel Free, Luke Heffernan, Reece Valta, Yela Jankovic, Karl Grlica, Alvin Horn, Kate Cox, Patricia Hamill, Maureen Pidutti, Zoltan Tar, Catherine Mead, Charles Francis, Will Carland, Maureen Fields, Patricia Barber, Ian Walters, Des O'Meara, Gregory Cummins, Ben Harper, Joseph Doran, Nicholas Hetherington, Bess Harris, Sandra Varrasso, Effie Ray, Patricia Bourke, Bob Woods and Marie Cook.

Grant eternal life to:

Michael Quinn, Rosemary Cullen, Michael Bryjowski, Carmen MacClure, Sheila Fogarty, Betty Kelleher, Mark Halligan, William Trethowan, Manuel Rusiana, Patsy Hanrick (Nee Leahy), Ray Muntz and all our dear ones deceased.

Anniversaries:

Bill Doolan and all those whose anniversaries occur now.

And Also:

Bill Livsey, Rose & Harry Livsey, Mary & Bill Kotthoff, Eileen, Gus, Kerry, Patrick, Bonnie & Patricia Roche, Noel & Peter Rothe, Philip Smith, Victor Bruce, Lil Munk, Frank Kelly, Henry Wynter, John Dallinger, Malcolm Nicholson, Sr Helen Shortall RSM, Sr Monica Esler, Brian Esler, Dan Moore, Alice Plunkett, Clare Flynn & the Flynn Family, Lorraine Hill and all our dear ones deceased.

LORD HEAR US

BAPTISMS

Last weekend we welcomed into God's church the following newly baptised:

JAYDEN MCGRATH

ARIANE DAY

RILEY O'SULLIVAN

FOR YOUR DIARY

SPECIAL COLLECTION

There will be a Special Collection next weekend at all Masses for Mission Sunday.

CACW - DAY OF SPIRITUALITY AND PRAYER FOR WOMEN

Arts Centre, Xavier High School, Fallon Street, Albury on Saturday 8th November 9.30am-3.30pm. The cost is \$25.00 which includes lunch, morning and afternoon tea.

Presented by Sr Catherine Slattery, a highly qualified Good Samaritan Sister, experienced in helping lay people and religious to enrich their faith. The theme is *What can be sweeter to us than the voice of the Lord calling us?* (The Rule of St Benedict).

For catering purposes, please book by adding to the list on the notice board or phone Margaret McDonald on 6041 5848 or Gemma Whitehead bonser@bigpond.net.au by 20th October.

QUO VADIS RETREAT FOR SINGLE MEN

To be held at Vianney College, Wagga Wagga, on the weekend of 18-19th October 2008. Accommodation and meals are provided free of charge. For all enquiries and registrations contact: frkennedy@hotmail.com Tel: 6953 2099. *Quo Vadis* means "Where are you going?"

1-2-3 MAGIC

Centacare is again presenting its successful parenting program at Slattery Catholic Centre, 449 Olive Street (In grounds of St Patrick's Church) Albury on 3 consecutive Thursdays commencing 30/10/2008 (6/11 & 13/11)

Day: 12.30pm-2.30pm,

Evening: 7.30pm-9.30pm.

The cost is \$40.00 per family. Bookings essential. Phone Centacare on 6042 3700.

SLICE OF LIFE

Saturday 18th October at St Brigid's Parish Hall, Howlong from 1.30pm-5.00pm. Healing talk by national speaker John Kennedy, Confession, Adoration, personal prayer ministry, afternoon tea and fellowship. Enquiries: Sally 0427 241 015, (02) 6040 5664 or Maree (02) 6021 4533. Flyers available at the back of the church.

ST PATRICK'S PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

Seven positions are vacant for a new two-year term commencing January 2009. Nomination Sheets are available at the church doors. Please us a separate sheet for each nomination. Place nomination sheets in the box at the church door. Nominations close 9.00pm Sunday 19th October. Late nominations may be placed in the presbytery door letterbox. Voting at all Masses on Sunday 26th October.

MARY'S JUNIOR LEAGUE

Every first Wednesday of the month from 3.30pm-5.00pm for children under 12. Monthly meetings begin with afternoon tea at Veritas Central followed by prayers and a brief talk in St Patrick's Church and activities in the parish hall. For details please contact Anna on 6023 3838.

YOUNG ADULTS GROUP, 18-35 YRS

St Patrick's holds a weekly discussion group for 18-35 year olds on Wednesday nights at 7.00pm in the upper room of St Patrick's hall. For more information, contact Miriam Kirley on 0400 419 981 or email mizmim@gmail.com, John Burton 0400 574 958 or Marcus Shaw 0418 463 952.

CELEBRATE LOVE - REKINDLE THE FIRE

Be the best you can be...together. If you long for deep satisfying and spiritual intimacy with your spouse, Celebrate Love is for you. Presented in a Catholic context for couples of all faiths in loving marriage, the private experience seminar covers two days and will help rekindle your love for each other: 15th and 16th November at Thurgoona. For more information see: www.celebratelove.com.au or Phone (02) 9662 7272.

CATHOLIC WEEKLY

* Licence to kill innocent human life - Victoria's proposed abortion legislation

SNIPPET

(When I face God) I am not ashamed to feel like a child before his mother; one believes in one's mother; I believe in the Lord, in what he has revealed to me. (John Paul I)