GOSPEL

Mt 22:1-14

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew.

Whomsoever you find invite to the wedding.

Jesus said to the chief priests and elders of the people: 'The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a feast for his son's wedding. He sent his servants to call those who had been invited, but they would not come. Next he sent some more servants. "Tell those who have been invited" he said "that I have my banquet all prepared, my oxen and fattened cattle have been slaughtered, everything is ready. Come to the wedding." But they were not interested: one went off to his farm, another to his business, and the rest seized his servants, maltreated them and killed them. The king was furious. He despatched his troops, destroyed those murderers and burnt their town. Then he said to his servants. "The wedding is ready; but as those who were invited proved to be unworthy, go to the crossroads in the town and invite everyone you can find to the wedding." So these servants went out on to the roads and collected together everyone they could find, bad and good alike; and the wedding hall was filled with guests.

When the king came in to look at the guests he noticed one man who was not wearing a wedding garment, and said to him, "How did you get in here, my friend, without a wedding garment?" And the man was silent. Then the king said to the attendants, "Bind him hand and foot and throw him out into the dark, where there will be weeping and grinding of teeth." For many are called, but few are chosen.'

■ **The Gospel of the Lord.**

Shorter form, Mt 22: 1-10

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Breaking Open the Word

THE SAVING WORD

TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME / A — 11 OCTOBER 2026

COME TO THE WEDDING!

For the third Sunday, Jesus addresses religious leaders. Again, as last Sunday, it concerns their refusal to accept God's invitation to join the feast of the Kin-dom. Jesus describes the Kin-dom as a wedding feast hosted by a king for his son.

Those invited fail to turn up for this sumptuous feast. 'Come to the wedding' is the invitation, but, according to Matthew's story, they are 'not interested'. They have different distractions and interests. Joining the king's feast is not on their agenda. The invitation is in fact such an annoyance or distraction that the invitees maltreat and even kill the messengers. The king responds punishing them. Clearly, the king's response is not meant to represent God. It would be unfortunate to make this identification and reinforce the image of a punishing God!

The point of the story is about the attitude of those invited to join the heavenly banquet, an image of the eucharistic celebration, and those who will eventually join the feast. These guests are identified in the Gospel's last verses: people from the 'roads', symbolic of all people on the path of life and the synodal journey. Everyone, 'bad and good alike', fill the wedding hall. The Eucharist is not a reward for the perfect but sustenance for the weak – for us. As Pope Francis writes, 'The Eucharist, although it is the fullness of sacramental life, is not a prize for the perfect but a powerful medicine and nourishment for the weak.' (*The Joy of the Gospel*, n 47).

Fr Michael Trainor

FIRST READING

Isa 25:6-10

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

The Lord will prepare a feast and will wipe away the tears from every cheek.

On this mountain,
the Lord of hosts will prepare for all people
a banquet of rich food, a banquet of fine wines,
of food rich and juicy, of fine strained wines.
On this mountain he will remove
the mourning veil covering all peoples,
and the shroud enwrapping all nations,
he will destroy Death for ever.
The Lord will wipe away
the tears from every cheek;
he will take away his people's shame
everywhere on earth,
for the Lord has said so.
That day, it will be said: See, this is our God
in whom we hoped for salvation;
the Lord is the one in whom we hoped.
We exult and we rejoice
that he has saved us;
for the hand of the Lord
rests on this mountain.

■ **The word of the Lord.**

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 22. R. v. 6

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

1. The Lord is my shepherd; / there is nothing I shall want. / Fresh and green are the pastures / where he gives me repose. / Near restful waters he leads me, / to revive my drooping spirit. **R.**

2. He guides me along the right path; / he is true to his name. / If I should walk in the valley of darkness / no evil would I fear. / You are there with your crook and your staff; / with these you give me comfort. **R.**

3. You have prepared a banquet for me / in the sight of my foes. / My head you have anointed with oil; / my cup is overflowing. **R.**



4. Surely goodness and kindness shall follow me / all the days of my life. / In the Lord's own house shall I dwell / for ever and ever. **R.**

SECOND READING

Phil 4:12-14, 19-20

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Philippians

I am able to do all things in him who strengthens me.

I know how to be poor and I know how to be rich too. I have been through my initiation and now I am ready for anything anywhere: full stomach or empty stomach, poverty or plenty. There is nothing I cannot master with the help of the One who gives me strength. All the same, it was good of you to share with me in my hardships. In return my God will fulfil all your needs, in Christ Jesus, as lavishly as only God can. Glory to God, our Father, for ever and ever. Amen.

■ **The word of the Lord.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

cf. Eph 1:17, 18

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!



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MASS TIMES

- **Sat: 6.00pm Vigil Mass**
- **Sun: 8.00am,10.00am,6.00pm**
- Tuesday: 5.30pm
- Wednesday: 8.45am
- Thursday - Saturday: 8.30am

28th Week in Ordinary Time YR A
11 Sun: 28th Sunday in O/T
12 Mon: No Mass
13 Tues: Weekday in O/T
14 Wed: Weekday in O/T – School Mass
15 Thu: St Teresa of Jesus
16 Fri: Weekday in O/T
17 Sat: St Ignatius of Antioch/ Vigil 29th Sunday in O/T.

SACRAMENTS & PRAYERS

- Reconciliation: Sat 9am-9.30am
- Rosary: Sat 8am
- Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament: Fri 9am-5pm
- Novena to Our Mother of Perpetual Help: Wed 6.00pm

For Baptisms & Weddings
Please call the Parish Office

PARISH FAITH FORMATION

- **Bible Studies:** Tuesday @6pm in the Parish Centre - All welcome.
- **RCIA:** Tuesday @7.15pm.
- **Children's RE/Sacrament Prep:** Thursday @ 4.30pm during school terms.

PARISH SCHOOLS

Notre Dame Catholic Primary
360 Daly Street, Cloverdale WA 6105
6272 7100 | www.nds.wa.edu.au

St Maria Goretti's Catholic School
64 Morrison Street, Redcliffe WA 6104
6279 2000 | www.smg.wa.edu.au

WELCOME TO MASS! A very warm welcome to all, especially to new visitors. Remember to hand sanitise on entry, face masks are optional wear whilst in church. Thank you for your cooperation.

TWENTY-EIGHT SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR A

COME TO THE BANQUET. Our God invites all people to the banquet of the kingdom, a banquet characterised by joy, integrity, and true peace. Sometimes, however, we decline this invitation preferring the lesser banquets that we know. May God enlighten the eyes of our heart that we might see how great is the hope to which we are called.

MASS COLLECTIONS

Dear Parishioners, the COVID-19 crisis has impacted our liturgies and church celebrations. However, we still want to provide you with spiritual support, and we must continue to pay the bills. Please continue your monetary support to the Parish. Sign up to our Planned Giving program or you can use direct debit (contact Parish Office for details). Thank you.

PARISH BANK ACCOUNT DETAILS	First Collection EFT Details	Second Collection EFT Details
	A/C Name: Cloverdale Presbytery	**A/C Name:** Cloverdale Parish
	BSB: 086 006	**BSB:** 086 006
	Account #: 140 608 771	**Account #:** 667 172 433
	Reference: Name	**Reference:** Name

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES ROSTER

Mass	Acolyte	Commentator	Readers	Extraordinary Ministers	Altar Servers
Saturday 17th Oct 6.00pm	Raven Ocanada		G Batienza M Jackson	P Subrata C Lopera	D Patrick S Lopera A Megee
Sunday 18th Oct 8.00am	Sunil Rodrigues	S Robinson	P Palmez C Neville	D Rodrigues S Robinson	B Oshie N King
Sunday 18th Oct 10.00am	Joe Saldanha	Filipa Brown	B Parasuraman C D'Souza	J Jong T Seputro	J Cheung
Sunday 18th Oct 6.00pm	Dave Daguit		T Fernandez S Irene	J & R Fernandez	D Daguit

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Parish Events

Masses in the Parish
We are now into the Spring months and there are still many Viruses & Flu's/colds are in our community. It is your obligation to attend Mass on a Sunday. It is your right to exercise common sense. If you wish to wear a face mask while attending Mass, you are free to do so. Please hand sanitise as you are entering the church. However, if you are unwell or have a cold, please stay home until feeling better. ***Mass for you at home will be broadcast every Sunday at 6am on the Ten Network*** and multiple times during the week on Foxtel's Aurora (Channel 173).

Parish Donation QR Code
A QR Code has been set up for the parish to make it easier to make a donation. Scan the QR Code and follow the prompts. Thank you for your ongoing support of the Parish.

Pilgrim Statues
If you wish to have one of *'Our Lady's* statues visit your home for a week, please contact Sandra Robinson on H: 9277 2872 or M: 0405 117 138***. 10th October 2026***
V Everett 14 Treffone St, Redcliffe & V & H Heldt 31 Morago Cres, Cloverdale.

Parish Annual General Meeting
The Parish AGM will be held in the Parish Centre this Sunday, ***11th October @ 11.15am.*** All Parishioners are encouraged to attend.

Altar Server Training
Will commence on Monday 19th October @ 3.30pm until 4.15pm and continue 26th October & 2nd November. Sign -up sheet has been placed school side entrance of the Church for you to place your child's name and parent contact details. Please take a copy of the Parent/Carer Consent Form also and return on the first day of training.

New book by Fr Stephen Truscott SM
Fr Stephen Truscott SM has published ***A Companion Along the Way***: Bearings for the Inner Journey, a reflective book on finding deeper direction through times of change, uncertainty and spiritual growth. Drawing on the Christian contemplative tradition and using the Southern Cross as its central image, it is available in paperback and eBook through Amazon.
Further information: www.fullnessoflife.org/resources

Passing of our much loved Parishioners
Oliver Daly (30.09.2026) – husband of Maureen (deceased) and long serving parishioner of over 50 years. He was involved in the parish in many ways, with Acolyte, Counting, Special Minister, to touch on few.
Hannah Guilfoyle (04.10.2026) – long serving parishioner of over 55 years. The Guilfoyle family were involved in the building of our parish. Funeral details of both to be confirmed. RIP.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter
We welcome representatives from the WWME to our parish this weekend to talk to us about the upcoming Encounter Retreats.

Parish Pastoral Council Meeting
Thursday 15th October @ 7pm in the Parish Centre.

Around the Archdiocese

Australian Catholics Magazine & The Record
Available from both sides of the Church. Take a copy, free to all good homes.

Lake Monger Torchlight Procession 23rd October
With Rosary and Hymns in honour of 'Our Lady'. Starting at 7pm, congregating at 'The Gazebo' near Powis St, down from the carpark end of Dodd St. Please see notice board for full details.

Notre Dame Community

Catechists Needed for 2027
Our parish is seeking **volunteer catechists** for the 2027 Religious Education Program and Sacramental Program. Classes are weekly during school terms.
No experience needed – training and support provided. Help share the joy of the Gospel with the next generation!
Interested? Contact Leonie at the Parish Office: Phone: 92774094 / Emai: ndparish@bigpond.net.au or speak to Fr. Quynh after Mass.

Notre Dame Parish Youth – Friday 23rd October
We are gathering as one Circle of Friends for the upcoming Notre Dame parish youth event at 6pm in the parish centre. Get ready for a fun, uplifting night filled with activities, laughter, and great company. Come join the circle, meet new friends, and make memories together.

Containers for Change
The parish has registered for the Containers for Change Scheme. Take your cans, bottles & plastics to 'TOMRA RECYCLING CENTRE' 41 - 43 Abernethy Rd Belmont (just past Wheeler St) scan the bar code and follow instructions. All monies will be paid into the 'Parish Building Fund Account'. Flyers available with all details on including the 'barcode' to scan.

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In Our Prayers…



In Memoriam
We commend to the Father's love all our faithful departed especially*: Luke Vuleta, Antonio Joe Di Giuseppe, Victor D'Souza, Ivan John Lopez, Augustine Lopez, Denzil DeVisser, John Xuan Lam Mai, recently deceased Oliver Daly & Hannah Guilfoyle and all souls in Purgatory.*

Parishioners who are unwell:
Deacon Al Atkinson, Myrna, Ranjit, Ravi Ratnayake, Marjorie Williams, Allan & Philomena Jones, Helen Bertola (Coverley), John Vuleta, Liz Mulder, Lena Kennedy, Marjorie Sandon, Sr Terri Emslie (Presentation Sr), Alecia Hamilton (Quain), John O'Rourke & Joyce Fardy.

Baptism's
We welcome to our Catholic Faith Community:
Indianna Marie Eylward, Dakota May De Pontes & Louise Carmela Ley Greaves.