



TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

FIRST READING: *Isaiah 25:6-10a*

This is a reading from the prophet Isaiah.

Isaiah said to the people,

“God is going to give a big banquet,
a feast with all kinds of good food.

This feast will be celebrated here
on God’s holy mountain.

And God will destroy all evil
that has hurt people of every nation.

God will destroy the power of death
and wipe away the tears from everyone’s eyes.

God will forgive everyone who has sinned.

This will happen because our God said it would.

“And when it happens, people will say,

‘This is the God for whom we have been waiting,
the God who will save us.

So let us be glad and rejoice in salvation.’

“Yes, the hand of God is here and will stay on this holy mountain.
God will be with us forever!”

This is the Word of God.

RESPONSE: *Psalm 23*

You are my shepherd; you are my friend.

I want to follow you always, just to follow my friend.

Verses:

1. I have all I need. You are my shepherd; your hand is with me.
2. When pathways are dark, you are there guiding me, keeping me safe.
3. You give me to eat. You make me welcome; you fill me with joy.
4. Your goodness I know. Your love will be with me all of my life.

(Repeat Response after each Verse.)



GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

“Everything is ready; come to the feast.”

Alleluia. “Come to the feast.”

(After Gospel, repeat Acclamation.)

GOSPEL: *Matthew 22:1-10*

This is a reading from the Gospel of Matthew.

One day, Jesus told this story to the chief priests and leaders:

“Once there was a king
who gave a big feast for his son’s wedding.
But when the servants
went to get all the people who were invited,
they wouldn’t come.

So the king said to the servants,

‘Go and tell them that the feast is ready,
and I have prepared a wonderful dinner for them.
Everything is ready; come to the feast.’

“But the people who were invited didn’t care.
They stayed home and took care of their farms and businesses.
Some of them hurt and even killed the servants
who came to tell them it was time to come.

The king was angry,
and he sent his soldiers to punish those people.
Then he said to some other servants,

‘The wedding is ready,
but the people we invited weren’t good enough to come.
Go now into the towns and invite anyone you see.’

“So the servants went out and invited everyone,
good people and bad people.
And soon the wedding hall was filled with people.”

This is the Good News of the Lord.