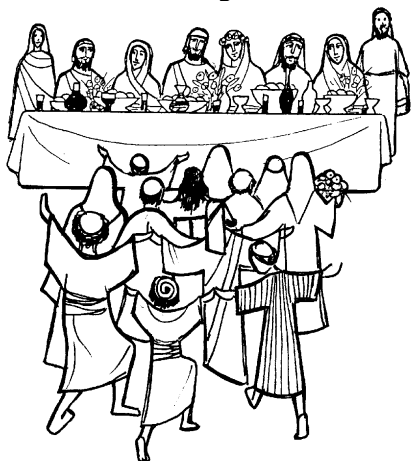


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*Serving St Benedict's, St Mary's & St Oswald's,
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28th Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)

Prisoners' Sunday – 11 October 2026

Introductory Rites

Gathering Song

Gather us in (475)

Greeting & Penitential Act

Gloria

Mass of Christ our Saviour – Schutte (1013)



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Collect

May your grace, O Lord, we pray,
at all times go before us and follow after
and make us always determined
to carry out good works.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
God, for ever and ever.

R. Amen.

Liturgy of the Word

First Reading

(Isaiah 25: 6-10)

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

On this mountain
the LORD of hosts will make for all peoples
a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wine,

of rich food full of marrow, of aged wine well refined.
And he will swallow up on this mountain
the covering that is cast over all peoples,
the veil that is spread over all nations.
He will swallow up death for ever;
and the LORD GOD will wipe away tears from all faces,
and the reproach of his people
he will take away from all the earth,
for the LORD has spoken.
It will be said on that day,
'Behold, this is our God;
we have waited for him, that he might save us.
This is the LORD; we have waited for him;
let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation.'
For the hand of the LORD will rest on this mountain.

The word of the Lord.

R. Thanks be to God.

Psalm 23

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

- 1 The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.
In verdant pastures he gives me repose;
beside restful waters he leads me;
he refreshes my soul.
- 2 He guides me in right paths for his name's sake.
Even though I walk in the dark valley
I fear no evil; for you are at my side
with your rod and your staff that give me courage.

Second Reading

(Phil 4: 12-14, 19-20)

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Philippians

Brothers and Sisters: I know how to be brought low,
and I know how to abound. In any and every
circumstance, I have learned the secret of facing plenty
and hunger, abundance and need. I can do all things
through him who strengthens me. Yet it was kind of
you to share my trouble. And my God will supply every
need of yours according to his riches in glory in Christ
Jesus. To our God and Father be glory for ever and
ever. Amen.

The word of the Lord.

R. Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

Gospel

(Matthew 22: 1-10)

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

R. Glory to you, O Lord.

At that time: Jesus again spoke to the chief priests and
the elders of the people, in parables, saying, 'The
kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who
gave a wedding feast for his son, and sent his servants
to call those who were invited to the wedding feast,
but they would not come. Again he sent other
servants, saying, "Tell those who are invited, 'See, I
have prepared my dinner, my oxen and my fat calves
have been slaughtered, and everything is ready. Come
to the wedding feast.' " But they paid no attention and
went off, one to his farm, another to his business, while

the rest seized his servants, treated them shamefully, and killed them. The king was angry, and he sent his troops and destroyed those murderers and burned their city. Then he said to his servants, "The wedding feast is ready, but those invited were not worthy. Go therefore to the main roads and invite to the wedding feast as many as you find." And those servants went out into the roads and gathered all whom they found, both bad and good. So the wedding hall was filled with guests.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

R. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Homily

Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God,
the Father almighty,
Creator of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried;
he descended into hell;
on the third day he rose again from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of God
the Father almighty;
from there he will come to judge the living
and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and life everlasting.
Amen.**

Bidding Prayers

Liturgy of the Eucharist

Preparation of the Gifts

Hymn: The Lord's my shepherd (806)

Prayer over the Offerings

Accept, O Lord, the prayers of your faithful
with the sacrificial offerings,
that, through these acts of devotedness,
we may pass over to the glory of heaven.
Through Christ our Lord.

R. Amen.

Eucharistic Prayer

Holy, Holy – Mass of Christ our Saviour (1014)

**Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts.
Heaven and earth are full, are full of your glory.
Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes,
who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest.**

The Mystery of Faith



Our Father

**Pater noster, qui es in caelis,
sanctificetur nomen tuum.
Adveniat regnum tuum.
Fiat voluntas tua,
sicut in caelo et in terra.
Panem nostrum quotidianum da nobis hodie,
et dimitte nobis debita nostra
sicut et nos dimittimus debitoribus nostris.
Et ne nos inducas in tentationem,
sed libera nos a malo.**

Sign of Peace

Please exchange the Sign of Peace with those around you in whatever way is most comfortable for you.

Lamb of God



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Communion

Music: Taste and see (618) or Eat this bread (633)

Prayer after Communion

We entreat your majesty most humbly, O Lord,
that, as you feed us with the nourishment
which comes from the most holy Body
and Blood of your Son,
so you may make us sharers of his divine nature.
Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

R. Amen.

Concluding Rite

Blessing & Dismissal

Final Song

Our God reigns (768)

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