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# 28th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR A - 10 & 11 October 2020

## Dear Friends,

St. John the Baptist

In the Gospel today, Jesus likens eternal life with God (the kingdom of heaven) 'to a king who gave a feast for his son's wedding.' In the parable, those who are invited refuse to attend the wedding, 'One went off to his farm, another to his business, and the rest seized his servants, maltreated them and killed them.' The king then extends the invitation to everyone, good and bad alike.

It is sad that those invited refuse to come. Not even the king's generosity, haste and courtesy are enough to persuade them. The king is gravely offended because those invited prefer their own personal interests - farm, business...- to the king's magnanimous invitation. That is why the invitation to the wedding banquet is extended to all others, good and bad alike. Jesus says, 'go to the crossroads in the town and invite everyone you can find.' This means that the true Israel / the people of God, is now formed by those who believe in Jesus and His Church.

In the second part of the parable the king allows all to the wedding banquet, good and bad alike. However, the quests are required to wear a wedding garment. There is one who is not wearing it. But the king throws him



out. Therefore, it is not enough to be invited to the wedding feast. One also needs to wear the wedding garment. What does the wedding garment refer to? It refers to good works, that is, the works of justice, love and peace. In entering the wedding hall, we cannot remain as before. A radical change of life is required. St Paul says that we need to put on Christ, that is, to become Christ-like. This is the wedding garment God asks us to wear.

May Our Lady of the Rosary, the Virgin Mary Mother of God, pray for us and help us to become more like Her Son, Jesus, in thought, word and deed." Fr Guy

# First Reading Is 25:6-10

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 another to his business, and the rest mountain.

#### **Responsorial Psalm Ps 22. R. v.6**

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

## Second Reading Phil 4:12-14. 19-20

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 vou 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.

## **Gospel Acclamation** Eph 1:17-18

Alleluia, alleluia! May the Father of our and throw him out into the dark, where Lord Jesus Christ enlighten the eyes of our heart that we might see how great is the hope to which we are called. Alleluia!

### Gospel Mt 22:1-14

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, seized his servants, maltreated them and killed them. The king was furious. He dispatched 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 onto the roads and collected together everyone they could find, bad and good alike; and the wedding hall was filled with quests. When the king came in to look at the quests 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 there will be weeping and grinding of teeth." For many are called, but few are chosen.'

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PARISH DIRECTORY		Coming up:	Christmas Raffle	WEEKEND MASSES
Parish	Fr Gaetano Riolo SDB	17-18 October Catholic Mission Appeal	Our St John's fundraising events were put on hold due to	<ul> <li>St John's, Glenorchy</li> <li>6.00pm Saturday</li> </ul>
Priest		20 October Talk on Mary - Dr Drasko Dizdar	the Covid-19 Virus. Now it is time to start planning again.	• 10.00am Sunday
Pastoral Associate	Sr Pamela Davis OP	24 October Vocations Reflection Day	Our major fundraiser for the year will be our Christmas	St. Monica's, Chigwell
Parish		17 November Talk on Lazarus - Fr Richard Ross	Raffle. If anyone feels they would like to donate a prize it	• 8.30am Sunday
Secretary	Sheila Gonzales	3 December Anointing of sick at Mass 15 December Advent Reconciliation	would be greatly appreciated. Please contact Kay Grainger 6272 9024.	WEEKDAY MASSES
Office 8:30am - 2.00pm Monday, Tuesday,				St. John's, Glenorchy • 9.00am Monday,
Hours	Thursday & Friday	<b>Parish Fundraiser</b> Please support The St John's Parish Fundraiser. Raffle	Gardens and Gardeners	Tuesday, Wednesday,
Salesian	204 Tolosa Street	tickets will be on sale after weekend masses. Books of 5	Please stop and admire our beautiful gardens which have	Friday, Saturday
•	Glenorchy 7010	tickets at \$10 and individual tickets at \$2 each. Raffle will	been improved recently with the care of our Gardening Committee of dedicated parishioners. If you would like to	<ul> <li>12.00pm Thursday</li> <li>ROSARY</li> </ul>
Rector	Fr Peter Rankin SDB	be drawn on Sunday 1st November 2020. Kay Grainger. Raffle Prize value	help, contact the Parish office 6272 6363	At St. John's, Glenorchy
Bursar	Fr Damien Sladen SDB	1st Prize - Comfort Box/Hamper \$200		• 8.30am every
Dominic College		2nd Prize - Kettle\$903rd Prize - Cash\$50	High Tea Boxes in support of Nepalese students We have received additional donations since the last report.	<ul><li>Wednesday</li><li>8.40am every Saturday</li></ul>
phone no	6274 6000		The final figures are - High Tea Boxes, donations, plants	
Principal	Ms Beth Gilligan	Vocations Reflection day	\$1795.00. (Donations include a High Tea hosted by a	RECONCILIATION At St. John's, Glenorchy
Guilford Young College		A Vocations Reflection day is to be held at St Michael's, Campbell Town on Saturday, 24th October 2020 from	parishioner which raised \$250.00) The on-going sale of	• 9.30am & 5.15pm
Phone no	6238 4350	10:00am - 3:00pm. Any young man who is interested in	chocolates after the Vigil Mass has raised approximately \$400 since mid-May. Thank you to everyone for your	Saturday
Principal	Mr. Craig Deayton	attending is invited to contact Fr Brian Nichols on briannichols@bigpond.com	generosity which is greatly appreciated by the Salesians in	EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT
PARISH DIARY			Nepal.	At St. John's, Glenorchy
October 2020 10 Saturday, Mass of the Virgin Mary •9.00am Mass at St John's		World Mission Sunday The month of October is World Mission Month, and Sunday 12 October is World Mission Sunday. World Mission Sunday is an opportunity for us to engage with	Footy Points Margin Noelene Suckling had the winning ticket for Round 2 (61 points)! Still looking for Round 1 (52 points), Round 3 (24 points), Round 6 (32 points), Round 8 (12 points), Round 16	<ul> <li>8.00am - 8.50am</li> <li>Wednesday</li> </ul>
				• 9:00am - 11.50pm Thursday
•6.00pm Mass at St John's		this world, feel connected to it, and contribute to its	(45 points), Round 17 (26 points) and the 1st. Week of the	LEGION OF MARY
11 Sunday, 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time		life and vitality. Indeed, earlier this year, Pope Francis said that "mission is at the heart and identity of the church, and the worldwide network reflects the rich	Finals (15 points). The next game is the Semi between Richmond and St. Kilda on Friday 9 Oct. Jo 0419 510 014	at St. John's, Glenorchy
•8.30am Mass at St Monica's				• 6.45 pm Every Tuesday
<ul> <li>10.00am Mass at St John's</li> <li>12 Monday</li> </ul>		variety of the "people with a thousand faces". These	Our Sick - Blogge remember in your proves	<u>ST. JOSEPH'S</u> PRAYER GROUP
•9.00am Mass at St John's		thousand faces present to us in the reality of our personal experience, our news coverage and the	<b>Our Sick - Please remember in your prayers</b> Maila Beekmeijer, Lani Baron, Alida Beric, Eileen Sherrin,	at St. John's, Glenorchy
13 Tuesday, Our Lady of Fatima day		sharing from others who have a particular	Don Ambler, Doreen Street, Fr Bob Curmi, Frances Direen,	• 1st Wednesday of the
•9.00am Mass at St John's		cross-cultural vocation in mission. In all of this we are	Tom Carty, Robert Campbell, Mary Dowd, Monique Matzner,	month at 9.30am
<ul> <li>14 Wed., St Callistus I</li> <li>8.00am-8.50am Exposition</li> </ul>		reminded in the Gospel that we should pay particular attention to the faces of the poor, marginalised and	Amy Matzner, Patricia Leamey and Gerard Carty.	COUNTERS' ROSTERS
<ul> <li>8.00am Assolation Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament</li> <li>9.00am Mass at St John's</li> <li>15 Thursday, St Teresa of Jesus</li> <li>9.00am-11.50am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at St John's</li> <li>12.00pm Mass at St John's</li> <li>16 Friday, St Hedwig</li> <li>9.00am Mass at St John's</li> <li>17 Saturday, St Ignatius of Antioch</li> <li>9.00am Mass at St John's</li> <li>18 Sunday, 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time</li> <li>8.30am Mass at St John's</li> </ul>		downtrodden. By expressing love, especially to those in need we become more fully human ourselves and reflect the "Joy of the Gospel" which is Pope Francis encourages us to do. Blessings on your work for the Mission of the Church (Deacon Michael Hangan MSC) <b>A few words about Dr Drasko Dizdar</b> Dr. Drasko Dizdar is a member of the Emmaus monastic community, affiliated to the ecumenical Monastery of	<b>Prayers for the Deceased</b> <i>Please remember in your prayers our deceased parishioners,</i> <i>family and friends especially:</i> Raelene Di Martino, Judy Pigden, Vic Derrick, Margaret Derrick, Peter Drake, Ken Young, Frank Hesman, Richard Challis, Sheila Darby, Gina Passarelli, Nell Smith, Sr. Maura McAvoy O.P, Khiet (Van) Tran, Graziano Ceron, Robert Bridges, Minka Busch Stan Brach, Anne Hansch, Bret Cowan, Gertrude Margaret Joseph Ian Irvine and Fr Frank Gibson. <i>Eternal rest grant unto their</i> <i>souls O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon them, may</i> <i>they rest in peace. Amen.</i>	This Week: 12 Oct
				Linda Mondigo's Team
				Next Week : 19 Oct
				Roberta Puckett's Team
				WEEKLY COLLECTION
				Envelopes: \$836.20
				Loose Plate: \$454.75
			St John the Baptist Catholic Parish: Glenorchy/Chigwell Covid-19 Safety Action Plan This parish covid-19 Action plan is in place to meet government regulations. A copy of this plan is available on the churches' noticeboards.	Direct Deposit: \$520.00
				TOTAL: \$1,810.95
				Weekly Budget: \$ 2,500.00
				Difference: -\$689.05