

ST CHRISTOPHER'S PARISH

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St Christopher's Parish is committed to the safety, wellbeing and dignity of all children and vulnerable adults.

28th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A)

10 / 11 October 2026

Pray with us

St Christopher's Church

MONDAY

Holy Rosary 9.00am
Communion Service 9.30am
Italian Charismatic Prayer Group (after Mass)

TUESDAY

Holy Rosary 9.00am
Mass 9.30am
Italian Rosary (after Mass)

WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY

Holy Rosary 9.00am
Mass 9.30am

FRIDAY

Holy Rosary 9.00am
Mass 9.30am
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 6.30pm
(First Friday of each month)

Reconciliations

Every Friday after 9.30am Mass.

Anointing of the sick

First Friday of the month following 9.30am Holy Mass and as requested.

SATURDAY

Mass 5.00pm

SUNDAY

Mass (Italian) 8.30am
Mass (English) 10.30am

St Augustine's Church

SUNDAY

Mass 9.00am

Support Us

Thank you for your generosity toward our parish: physically, spiritually and financially. If you are not a regular contributor, we invite your support. Tap and Go machines are available at the weekend Mass in the church foyer.

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St Christopher's Church

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Account 716 209 715

Presbytery

CDF Bank (NAB)

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Account 666 212 720

St Augustine's Church

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Account 448 864 907

Every donation is a true blessing!

The parish relies solely on your support. We receive no funding from external sources or the archdiocese. We thank you for your ongoing support which enables us to continue the work of the Gospel.



PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Recently Deceased:

Michael Dinuccio
Timothy John Gomez
Frank Tassone

All anniversaries at this time:

Francesco Favata,
Francesca and Tony Casalaz,
Norah and Tony (Giles) Pereira,



Exploring the word

God's Invitation to the Feast

The 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A reminds us that God invites everyone to share in His joy. The readings speak of abundance, welcome, and being ready to take part in what God offers. Like a great feast, His love is open to all, but we must come prepared to receive it.

Isaiah tells of a feast on a mountain where sorrow and death are gone. God gathers all nations and wipes away tears. It is a picture of hope and comfort. This connects with the Gospel, where Jesus speaks of a wedding banquet that welcomes anyone willing to come.

Paul, in the second reading, teaches that strength and peace come from trusting Christ in every situation. Whether we have plenty or little, God provides what we need. The 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A reminds us that God's care never fails. He calls each of us to accept His invitation and live with thankful hearts.

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RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Response:

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

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.

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.

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

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.

SECOND READING *Philippians 4: 12-14. 19-20*

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Philippians.

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.

FIRST READING

Isaiah 25:6-10

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

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.

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!

GOSPEL

Matthew 22: 1-14

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew.

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 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 on to the roads and collected together everyone they could find, bad and good alike; and the wedding hall was filled with guests.'

The Gospel of the Lord.



**Synodality is
demanding**

Walking together takes patience, time, and effort.
But the Gospel has never promised an easy path—
only a fruitful one.

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN OUR PARISH



Sunday 11 October 5.00pm
St Francis of Assisi feast day
St Christopher's Church



Saturday October 17
5.00pm: St Christopher's Parish Feast mass –
St Christopher's church
6.30pm-9.00pm: Buffet Dinner –
St Christopher's hall.
(Bookings are now closed for dinner)

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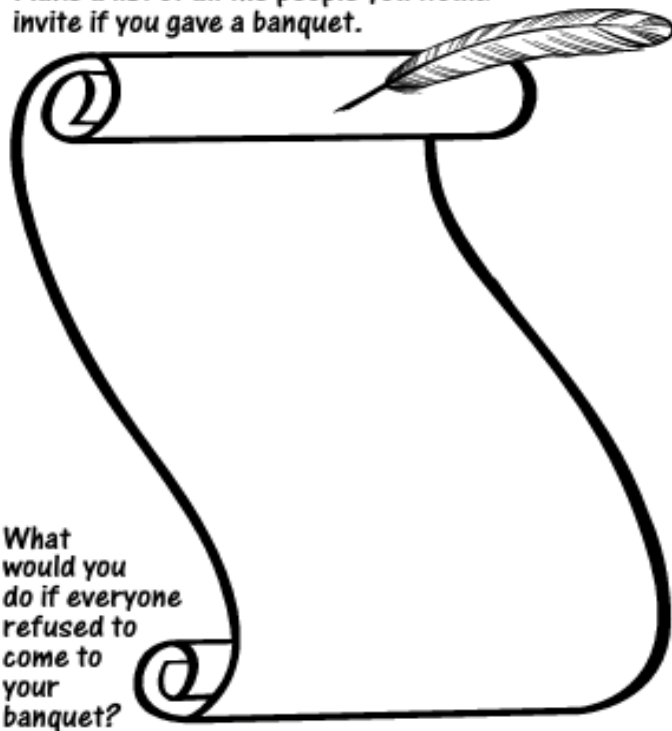
The banquet is ready!

28th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A

When the invited guests refused to come, the king asked people from the streets to come to the banquet. On the table, draw the finest food for the banquet and fill the room with guests from all walks of life.



Make a list of all the people you would invite if you gave a banquet.



What would you do if everyone refused to come to your banquet?



BANQUET

How many words can you make from the letters in the word BANQUET ?

Mt 22:1-10

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