

## THIS WEEK'S SCRIPTURES

October 15, 2017

The Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Isaiah 25:6-10a + Philippians 4:12-14, 19-20 + Matthew 22:1-14



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Jesus describes the Kingdom as a banquet. The King offers an invitation to ALL but time after time He receives rejection. As we accept this personal invitation to the banquet, we discover that as we have matured in our spiritual life we have chosen to wear the proper garments and find joy in the feast.

We have grown from our childhood to adulthood, and we have the ability to continue to grow in our faith, in our call to Jesus, and in our response to Jesus.

The guest was rejected in the Gospel because his response was inappropriate. It is not about the invitation. It is just about showing up. We all come to the Lord accepting the invitation of being fully aware of what is expected. Jesus expects an open response from ALL of us — not just any response will do. Let us come before our Lord accepting the “response-ability” to share the table with Him. Let us accept the “response-ability” to Life at the banquet.