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Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

WORD OF GOD FOR A SUNDAY:

Today we hear that the kingdom of God is like a great feast and we are invited! Let us ask God for the grace to accept the invitation and for mercy for those times when we have taken this feast for granted or failed to show up.

THE READINGS:

Isaiah 25:6-10a

Our God is a God of abundance.

Philippians 4:12-14, 19-20

I can do all things in him who strengthens me.

Matthew 22:1-4

Could there ever be an adequate means of expressing the acceptance of that self-gift which the divine Bridegroom continually makes to his Bride, the Church, by bringing the sacrifice offered once and for all on the Cross to successive generations of believers and thus becoming nourishment for all the faithful? The bread which is broken on our altars, offered to us as wayfarers along the paths of the world, is **panis angelorum**, the bread of angels, which cannot be approached except with the humility of the centurion in the Gospel: "Lord, I am not worthy to have you come under my roof" (Matthew 8:8; Luke 7:6).

Pope John Paul II Ecclesia de Eucharistia. 48

Offertory Collection October 2, 2005 \$1075.00

Next weekend the annual collection for the Propagation of the Faith will be taken up. Please be generous.

Lectors for next weekend's Masses are: 5 p.m. - Susan Walker, 9 a.m. - Harry Killian.

The *Sanctuary Candle* is lit from October 1st – 15th in memory of Patrick McGinty by Margaret & Bob McGinty.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday,	October 8.	5:00 PM (rip) Anthony DiLorenzo by Louise Meli
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Sunday,	October 9,	9:00 AM MASS FOR THE PEOPLE (living & deceased)
Monday,	October 10,	NO MASS OR COMMUNION SERVICE
Tuesday,	October 11,	8:00 AM (rip) Valerio Pettinaro by Vivien Brittingham
Wednesday,	October 12,	NO MASS OR COMMUNION SERVICE
Thursday,	October 13,	8:00 AM (rip) Jennie & Walter Wisowaty by Walter & Barbara Wisowaty
Friday,	October 14,	NO MASS OR COMMUNION SERVICE
Saturday,	October 15,	5:00 PM (rip) Margaret Rose Taylor by Ruth Press
Sunday,	October 16,	9:00 AM MASS FOR THE PEOPLE (living & deceased)

The next available dates for Mass Intentions are January 10, 11, and 12, 2006. Mass stipends are \$10.



Sacrament of Confirmation – Congratulations to Gregory Curlett, Nicholas Kaczmarczyk, Caitlyn McCaffery, Jessica Nost, and Joseph Speck who will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation from Bishop Saltarelli at the 9 o'clock Mass this Sunday.

Beginning next weekend the new sets of Offertory Envelopes will be in the last pews in church. This set begins with the November 1st. All Saints Day envelope. The set you now have also has the November envelopes in them. Please discard the old boxed set after you use the envelope for Sunday, October 31st.

Catholic Forum – Tune in to Catholic Forum each Sunday morning at 10:05 on 1150 AM WDEL or www.wdel.com. Next Sunday, October 16th Deacon Joe Romans will discuss his work in hospital ministry. Catholic Forum is a production of the Diocese of Wilmington's Office of Communications.

Vocations – In today's gospel reading, Jesus' parable speaks of people who are invited to a wedding banquet but choose not to attend. What a squandered opportunity – to be invited but to decline! Is God inviting *you* to serve His people as a priest, deacon or religious man or woman? If you think so, please call or write Father Joe Cocucci, Diocesan Director of Priestly and Religious Vocations (302-573-3113 or icocucci@cdow.org).

New Castle Senior Social Club Card Party will be held at St. Peter's Parish Hall, Fifth & Harmony Streets, New Castle, on October 20th at 7 p.m. Tickets are \$5.00, which includes dessert and door prizes. For more information contact Theresa at 328-4503.

TIME FOR A GETAWAY – summer is over and the kids are back in school. Now is the time for couples to take some time for themselves. The **Marriage Encounter Weekend** is a great romantic getaway. Escape from the busyness of our everyday obligations and make the effort to spend some time together. There is a weekend coming up on November 4-6, 2005 in Rehoboth Beach. For more information call Bob & Michelle Dooley at 1-800-688-9963.

"Wedding Anniversary Liturgy" - On Sunday, December 4, 2005, Bishop Michael Saltarelli will celebrate Mass with all couples in the diocese celebrating 25 and 50 or more years of married life. The Mass will be celebrated at the Cathedral of St. Peter, 500 West St., Wilmington, DE 19801 at 11:00 a.m. Mass will be followed by a brunch at the Spencer Hotel (formerly The Wyndham), 700 N. King St., Wilmington. Brunch will be provided at no cost for those married 25 years or 50 or more years. Other couples and guests are invited to attend the brunch at the cost of \$ 14 per person (\$7.00 for children between ages 5 and 10; free for children under 5). Registration forms are on the table in the vestibule.