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EVERYTHING IS READY;
COME TO THE FEAST.

MATTHEW 22:4

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Mass Intentions for the Week

SATURDAY OCTOBER 10, 2026
5:00PM CATHERINE AND ALOYSIUS TATTAM.

SUNDAY OCTOBER 11, 2026
8:00AM NELSON MAYO.
11:00AM AURELIA MEDINA.
12:30PM LUZ MARIA NUNEZ Y RODRIGO ORTIZ.

MONDAY OCTOBER 12, 2026
12:00PM ROBERTO ACEVEDO.

TUESDAY OCTOBER 13, 2026
12:00 PM PRO POPULO.

WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 14, 2026
12:00PM CARLOS Y MARIA MARTINEZ DECEASED .

THURSDAY OCTOBER 15, 2026
12:00PM ROSA PRADA AMERICA PEREZ DECEASED.
PARA LAS ALMAS DEL PURGATORIO.
7:00PM _____

FRIDAY OCTOBER 16, 2026
12:00PM BIENTE LO KUA AND MICHAEL TCHAO YU CHIN.
FATHER JOSE ALEXANDER GAITAN.

SATURDAY OCTOBER 17, 2026
5:00PM ROBERT F. HEINZMANN.

SUNDAY OCTOBER 18, 2026
8:00AM FATHER JOSE ALEXANDER GAITAN
11:00AM AURELIA MEDINA.
12:30PM_____>

THE ALTAR BREAD AND WINE FOR THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 11, 2026.
In memory of:
HELEN GILSON
THE ALTAR CANDLES FOR THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 11, 2026.
In memory of:
HELEN GILSON.

Readings for the Week – October 11, 2026

Monday Galatians 4:22-24, 26-27, 31-5:1 / Psalms 113:1b-2, 3-4, 5a, 6-7 / Luke 11:29-32
Tuesday Galatians 5:1-6 / Psalms 119:41, 43, 44, 45, 47, 48 / Luke 11:37-41
Wednesday Galatians 5:18-25 / Psalms 1:1-2, 3, 4, 6 / Luke 11:42-46
Thursday Ephesians 1:1-10 / Psalms 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4, 5-6 / Luke 11:47-54
Friday Ephesians 1:11-14 / Psalms 33:1-2, 4-5, 12 -13 / Luke 12:1-7
Saturday Ephesians 1:15-23 / Psalms 8:2-3ab, 4-5, 6-7 / Luke 12:8-12
Sunday Isaiah 45:1, 4-6 / Psalms 96:1, 3, 4-5, 7-8, 9-10 / 1 Thessalonians 1:1-5b / Matthew 22:15-21

Lecturas de la Semana – 11 Octubre, 2026

Lunes Gálatas 4, 22-24. 26-27. 31-5:1 / Salmos 112, 1-2. 3-4. 5a y 6-7 / Lucas 11, 29-32
Martes Gálatas 5, 1-6 / Salmos 118, 41. 43. 44. 45. 47. 48 / Lucas 11, 37-41
Miércoles Gálatas 5, 18-25 / Salmos 1, 1-2. 3. 4 y 6 / Lucas 11, 42-46
Jueves Efesios 1, 1-10 / Salmos 97, 1. 2-3ab. 3cd-4. 5-6 / Lucas 11, 47-54
Viernes Efesios 1, 11-14 / Salmos 32, 1-2. 4-5. 12-13 / Lucas 12, 1-7
Sábado Efesios 1, 15-23 / Salmos 8, 2-3a. 4-5. 6-7 / Lucas 12, 8-12
Domingo Isaías 45, 1. 4-6 / Salmos 95, 1 y 3. 4-5. 7-8. 9-10a y c / 1 Tesalonicenses 1, 1-5b

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MASS BOOK 2026
OPEN ON OCTOBER 6, 2025
FOR YOUR INTENTIONS

The Sunday Mass Intention is $20.00 The donation for weekday Masses stays at $10.00 per mass. The mass on Tuesdays is PRO POPULO. IT IS MEANT FOR PARISH COMMUNITY AND FOR MANY INTENTIONS.

Eucharist:
Saturday- 5:00pm Sunday Anticipated
Sunday- 8:00am English
11:00am English
12:30pm Spanish

Monday/Tuesday/Wednesday/Thursday/ Friday
12:00noon at the convent building.

Neo-Catechumenate Group
Wednesday- 8:00pm Prayer
Saturday- 8:00pm Mass

CONFESSION-
THURSDAY 6:00PM-7:00PM

MARRIAGE
CONTACT THE PARISH PRIEST.

MATRIMONIO
CONTACTE EL SACERDOTE.

RECONCILIACION-
JUEVES 6:00PM-7:00PM

ULTREYA
2DO. Y 4TO. DOMINGO DEL MES.

October 11, 2026-28th Sunday in Ordinary time

Reflection by Rev. Leonard N. Peterson

One of the most pitiful characters found in several movie versions is a fellow called “The Father of the Bride.” His story first appeared in a 1950 film, followed by a 1991 version and the latest in a 2023 version. This last added a Latino setting. The title character was first portrayed by the late Spencer Tracy, followed by Steve Martin and ending with Andy Garcia.

All the versions let us watch how a perplexed father has to cope with the overly elaborate plans and some pre-nuptial silliness that can come with a family wedding. The fun is watching how the poor man does it all as tension mounts. It is all innocent comedy. But as a former pastor who got involved with leading some wedding rehearsals with intended features more like Hollywood than holy rule, I can identify a little bit with the movie dad. today we read from Isaiah his use of a wedding banquet to illustrate heaven and God, the all-knowing “Father of the Bride,” who sends generous invitations to a list of all kinds of people, including Gentiles.

Then comes Our Lord’s masterful use of a royal wedding to teach His ideas and to illustrate how ungrateful invitees cause the king to expand his guest list. The original invitees—representing the chief priests and the Pharisees—lose their place at the royal buffet. The king then sends his servants to invite anyone. The servants do just that, and Matthew notes that the newly invited guests are a motley crew, made up of “both bad and good.” We present-day disciples have to remember that we are invited to a heavenly banquet. This despite our faults. We also have to follow a certain dress code. Jesus issues a warning that we “clothe” ourselves with a sincere transformation of life from bad to good. Only then will we be honored some future day with a smiling greeting from the real and heavenly “Father of the Bride.” Speaking of clothing ourselves, someone has likened adjustment in marriage to two porcupines that lived in Alaska. When the deep and heavy snows came, they felt the cold and began to draw close to one another. However, when they drew close, they began to stick one another with their quills. But when they drew apart, they felt the cold once again. To keep warm, they had to learn how to adjust to one another—very carefully.

God love you and give you His peace.

Rev. Peterson’s Reading & Gospel Summary

Reading I: Isaiah 25: 6-10a

A banquet will be set out on Mt. Zion for the entire world to attend. This is an aspect of the prophet’s teaching and the fact that Jerusalem will be glorified.

Reading II: Philippians 4: 12-14, 19-20

With power coming from Christ, Paul says that he can do all things. He believes he will be given all that he needs from God’s generosity.

The Gospel: Matthew 22: 1-14, or 22: 1-10

The Parable of the Marriage Feast is all about God’s impartial treatment of all people, both Jews and Gentiles. His judgment is based on either their acceptance or their rejection of God’s call.

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ENGLISH CCD PROGRAM NEWS

St Nicholas Religious Education Program

For CCD Grades 1-8
and parents looking for Baptism, Communion and/or Confirmation for their School-age children.

Registration: Tuesday: September 8th and September 22nd from 5 – 7PM
Sunday: September 20th and September 27th From 9 – 11AM

Location for Tuesdays: Rectory Office
Sundays: French American Academy Lunchroom
118 Ferry Street

Please bring with a copy of your child(s) Birth and Baptismal Certificate

Fee:	**1 child**	**$75.00**
	2 Children	**$ 85.00**
	3 or more children	**$ 100.00**
	***** Communion Fee**	**$ 75.00**

***** Children receiving Communion – there is a Communion Fee payable at time of Registration.**

Confirmation for children in High School Grades 9-12

Fee: $ 125.00

Registration: In French American Academy Lunchroom
Dates, times and Locations same as above
When you register your child for Confirmation, please bring a copy of your child's birth and baptismal certificate.

Any questions: Please call Mrs. D Baker 201-726-8036 or email me at DeborahRBaker@verizon.net

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