

**Sunday, August 28, 2022**  
**Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**Prayer for the Morning**

*God almighty dwells among us. Let us adore him!  
Glory to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy  
Spirit, as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be  
for ever. Amen. Alleluia!*

**Hymn**

**Meter: 76 76 D**

Jerusalem the golden,  
With milk and honey blest,  
Beneath your contemplation  
Sink heart and voice oppressed.  
I know not, O I know not,  
What joys await us there,  
What radiancy of glory,  
What bliss beyond compare.  
They stand, those halls of Zion,  
All jubilant with song,  
And bright with many an angel,  
And all the martyr throng;  
The Prince is ever in them,  
The daylight is serene.  
The pastures of the blessed  
Are decked in glorious sheen.  
Brief life is here our portion,  
Brief sorrow, short-lived care;  
The life that knows no ending,  
The tearless life, is there.  
O happy retribution!  
Short toil, eternal rest;  
For mortals and for sinners,  
A mansion with the blest.  
Strive, man, to win that glory;  
Toil, man, to gain that light;  
Send hope before to grasp it,  
Till hope be lost in sight.  
Exult, O dust and ashes,  
The Lord shall be your part:  
His only, his forever  
You shall be, and you are.

**Canticle**

**Ephesians 1:3-8a**

*I will fix a place for my people Israel; I will plant  
them so that they may dwell in their place without  
further disturbance. (2 Sm 7:10)*

*True happiness is dwelling with God. This happiness  
is not only in the future in heaven, but can be realized  
in the here and now. When we strive for holiness we  
begin to live the life of heaven here on earth. Let us  
strive for unity with the Holy Trinity and become  
truly holy. It is our birthright.*

**Praised be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus  
Christ, who has bestowed on us in Christ every  
spiritual blessing in the heavens. God chose us in  
him before the world began to be holy and  
blameless in his sight. He predestined us to be his  
adopted sons through Jesus Christ, such was his  
will and pleasure, that all might praise the glorious  
favor he has bestowed on us in his beloved. In him  
and through his blood, we have been redeemed,  
and our sins forgiven, so immeasurably generous  
is God's favor to us. Glory to the Father...**

**Word of God Deuteronomy 30:19-20a**

What great nation is there that has gods so close  
to it as the Lord, our God, is to us whenever we call  
upon him? Or what great nation has statutes and  
decrees that are as just as this whole law which I  
am setting before you today?  
However, take care and be earnestly on your guard  
not to forget the things which your own eyes have  
seen, nor let them slip from your memory as long  
as you live, but teach them to your children and to  
your children's children.

*Behold, God's dwelling is with the human race. He  
will dwell with them and they will be his people  
and God himself will always be with them.*

(Rv 21:3)

**Canticle of Zechariah**

*May Christ dwell in your hearts through faith.*

(cf. Eph 3:17)

**Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel; he has  
come to his people and set them free. He has  
raised up for us a mighty savior, born of the house  
of his servant David.  
Through his holy prophets he promised of old that  
he would save us from our enemies, from the  
hands of all who hate us. He promised to show  
mercy to our fathers and to remember his holy  
covenant.**

**This was the oath he swore to our father Abraham:  
to set us free from the hands of our enemies, free**

to worship him without fear, holy and righteous in his sight all the days of our life. You, my child, shall be called the prophet of the Most High; for you will go before the Lord to prepare his way, to give his people knowledge of salvation by the forgiveness of their sins. In the tender compassion of our God the dawn from on high shall break upon us, to shine on those who dwell in darkness and the shadow of death, and to guide our feet into the way of peace. **Glory to the Father...**

### Intercessions

We earnestly seek to dwell with God at all times. So we pray:

**R/** Father, draw us close to you.

When we cannot see the way ahead, and are filled with fear and doubt: **R/**

When we feel alone, and yearn for your guiding hand: **R/**

When we feel your joy, and want to take pleasure in your love: **R/**

**Personal intentions**

Our Father....

*Father of holiness, great is your generosity to us your servants. May we draw ever closer to you in our desire for sanctity, that we may one day stand before you on the holy mountain of Zion. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever. Amen.*

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**Reading 1** Sirach 3:17-18, 20, 28-29

My child, conduct your affairs with humility,/ and you will be loved more than a giver of gifts./ Humble yourself the more, the greater you are,/ and you will find favor with God./ What is too sublime for you, seek not,/ into things beyond your strength search not./ The mind of a sage appreciates proverbs,/ and an attentive ear is the joy of the wise./ Water quenches a flaming fire,/ and alms atone for sins.

**Reading 2** Hebrews 12:18-19, 22-24a

Brothers and sisters: You have not approached that which could be touched and a blazing fire and gloomy darkness and storm and a trumpet blast and a voice speaking words such that those who heard begged that no message be further addressed to them. No, you have approached

Mount Zion and the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and countless angels in festal gathering, and the assembly of the firstborn enrolled in heaven, and God the judge of all, and the spirits of the just made perfect, and Jesus, the mediator of a new covenant, and the sprinkled blood that speaks more eloquently than that of Abel.

**Gospel** Luke 14:1, 7-14

On a sabbath Jesus went to dine at the home of one of the leading Pharisees, and the people there were observing him carefully. He told a parable to those who had been invited, noticing how they were choosing the places of honor at the table. "When you are invited by someone to a wedding banquet, do not recline at table in the place of honor. A more distinguished guest than you may have been invited by him, and the host who invited both of you may approach you and say, 'Give your place to this man,' and then you would proceed with embarrassment to take the lowest place. Rather, when you are invited, go and take the lowest place so that when the host comes to you he may say, 'My friend, move up to a higher position.' Then you will enjoy the esteem of your companions at the table. For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, but the one who humbles himself will be exalted." Then he said to the host who invited him, "When you hold a lunch or a dinner, do not invite your friends or your brothers or your relatives or your wealthy neighbors, in case they may invite you back and you have repayment. Rather, when you hold a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind; blessed indeed will you be because of their inability to repay you. For you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous."

**Men of St. Joseph Prayer**

St. Joseph, help me to be like you. Help me to be obedient to the teachings of the Church and faithful to God's commands. Help me to patiently endure my cross each day. Let me be a model of holiness and a pillar of virtue. I solemnly promise to embrace God's will and I accept the challenge to work tirelessly for my family's salvation. Be my guide and companion on this journey. St. Joseph, terror of demons, pray for us!

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