

In the Wedding: Scott Hahn Reflects on the Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Think of these first weeks after Christmas as a season of "epiphanies." The liturgy is showing us who Jesus is and what He has revealed about our relationship with God. Last week and the week before, the imagery was royal and filial—Jesus is the newborn king of the Jews who makes us co-heirs of Israel's promise, beloved children of God. Last week in the liturgy we went to a baptism.

This week we're at a wedding.

We're being shown another dimension of our relationship with God. If we're sons and daughters of God, it's because we've married into the family. Have you ever wondered why the Bible begins and ends with a wedding—Adam and Eve's in the garden and the marriage supper of the Lamb (compare Genesis 2:23–24 and Revelation 19:9; 21:9; 22:17)?

Throughout the Bible, marriage is the symbol of the covenant relationship God desires with His chosen people. He is the groom, humanity His beloved and soughtafter bride. We see this reflected beautifully in today's First Reading. When Israel breaks the covenant, she is compared to an unfaithful spouse (see Jeremiah 2:20–36; 3:1–13). But God promises to take her back, to "espouse" her to Him forever in an everlasting covenant (see Hosea 2:18–22).

That's why in today's Gospel Jesus performs His first public "sign" at a wedding feast.

Jesus is the divine bridegroom (see John 3:29), calling us to His royal wedding feast (see Matthew 22:1–14). By His New Covenant, He will become "one flesh" with all humanity in the Church (see Ephesians 5:21–33). By our baptism, each of us has been betrothed to Christ as a bride to a husband (see 2 Corinthians 11:2).

The new wine that Jesus pours out at today's feast is the gift of the Holy Spirit given to His bride and body, as today's Epistle says. This is the "salvation" announced to the "families of nations" in today's Psalm.



Welcome to Our Lady of Peace Military Catholic Community!

We invite all newcomers to register yourself and/or your family with us. Please contact the Catholic Community Coordinator for a registration form or go to www.olopfortmeade.org. Thank you for being a part of our great community!

We pray for all our deployed military and civilians especially from Fort Meade; for their families and their loved ones.

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Sunday Mass 9:00 am, -Argonne Hills Chapel Center 7100 Rockenbach Road Fort Meade, MD 20755

Weekday Mass (Starting October 30, 2018) Every Tuesday, 12 noon, Main Post Chapel

For other Mass schedules and locations outside Fort Meade, visit: <u>www.archbalt.org</u>

Confessions: Half an hour prior to scheduled Mass in the Chapel that the Mass is located. and after Mass.

	Readings of the Week			
	1/20/2019-1/27/2019			
SUN	IS 62:1-5			
	1 COR 12:4-11			
	JN 2:1-11			
MON	HEB 5:1-10			
	MK 2:18-22			
TUE	HEB 6:10-20			
	MK 2:23-28			
WED	HEB 7:1-3, 15-17			
	MK 3:1-6			
THU	HEB 7:25—8:6			
	MK 3:7-12			
FRI	ACTS 22:3-16			
	MK 16:15-18			
SAT	2 TM 1:1-8316			
	MK 3:20-21			
SUN	NEH 8:2-4A, 5-6, 8-10			
	1 COR 12:12-30			
	LK 1:1-4; 4:14-21			

"God's Plan for Giving" "As each one has received a gift, use it to serve one another as good stewards of God's varied grace." I Pt. 4:10

> Attendance and collection 13 January 2019

> > (Mass was cancelled)

Attendance	Offering	
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Thank you for your continued generosity and support.

May God bless you! -Father George

LITURGICAL MINISTRY SCHEDULE (2018)					
Date	Eucharistic Minister	Lector	Altar Servers		
20 January	Penaso, Penaso, Rogers	Willard, Barajas	Ketz, Ketz, Ketz, Lopez, Lopez		
27 January	Rankin, Sanchez, Willard	Bova Brousseau	Rankin, Ran- kin, Thomas, Thomas		

Catholic Community Events

- January 20: Catholic Men of the Chapel will be collecting your donations for Sarah's House. Please bring up your donations to the communion rail during collection of gifts at Mass, or drop off in the fellowship room during coffee and donuts time.
- February 3: Youth Mass. Seven to twelve graders please sign up as lector, gift bearers, and ushers during fellowship.
- February 4: CWOC Martha's Table Paint and Sip night. Please contact CWOC leadership for more information.
- February 5: Youth Ministry meeting with Eucharistic Adoration, 6:30 pm, Main Post Chapel

MINISTRY INFORMATION

Sarah's House: We prepare and serve lunch every 3rd Saturday of the month. Meet us at Sarah's House at 9:30 am if you want to help (subject to change without notice). POC: Mrs. Violeta Burgos violeta.burgos@comcast.net

Pilgrim Divine Mercy Statue: POC: Community Coordinator

Catholic Women of the Chapel (CWOC): Open to all women in the community 18 years and older; active duty, retiree, and civilian. Join us for prayers, faith study, fellowship, and service/outreach. We meet for prayers and faith study every Tuesday at 10 am to 12 pm at the Main Post Chapel. We also meet for outreach and fellowship at our evening program on the first Monday of every month at 6:30 pm at the Chapel Center.

POINTS OF CONTACT: Mrs. Kristina Pagan kristinaelaus@gmail.com Mrs. Celina Ketz ftmeadecwocsecretary@gmail.com

Music Ministry: We sing at the Sunday 9 am Mass at Chapel Center. Practice is on Wednesdays at 6:00 pm at the Argonne Hills Chapel Center.

Youth Mass: On the first Sunday of the month, the 9:00 am Mass is youth-oriented. Youth are invited to serve as Mass greeters, lectors, ushers, altar servers, music, and gift bearers.

POC: Alex Gogue asgogue@gmail.com; website: www.olpmusic.org

Catholic Men of the Chapel (CMOC): Open to all men of the chapel 18 years old and older-active duty, retiree, and civilian. We will collect your non-perishable donation for Sarah's House during Mass every 3rd Sunday of the month. We thank you in advance! POC: Joshua Coe joshua.coe11@yahoo.com

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA): Contact Father George at jerzy.rzasowski.mil@mail.mil, Melissa Weeks at weeksma@live.com or our Religious Education Coordinator, Ms. Sheila Stewart at sheila.m.stewart.civ@mail.mil for more information.

Youth Ministry: We meet the first Tuesday of every month from 6:30 - 8:30 pm at the Main Post Chapel. We'll be building friendships and community, and strengthening our faith and understanding of the Catholic religion with activities, food, and teachings using media and scriptures. POC: Ms. Raquel Madera-O'Connor <u>rmadera.01P@gmail.com</u>