

FIRST READING: Isaiah 25:6-9

On this mountain the LORD of hosts will make
for all peoples
a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wines,
of rich food filled with marrow, of well-aged
wines strained clear.

⁷And he will destroy on this mountain
the shroud that is cast over all peoples,
the sheet that is spread over all nations;

⁸he will swallow up death forever.

Then the Lord GOD will wipe away the tears
from all faces,
and the disgrace of his people he will take
away from all the earth,
for the LORD has spoken.

⁹It will be said on that day,
Lo, this is our God; we have waited for him,
so that he might save us.
This is the LORD for whom we have waited;
let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation.

or **Wisdom 3:1-9** [not printed]

Psalm 24**SECOND READING: Revelation 21:1-6a**

Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for
the first heaven and the first earth had passed
away, and the sea was no more. ²And I saw the
holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down
out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride
adorned for her husband. ³And I heard a loud
voice from the throne saying,

“See, the home of God is among mortals.

He will dwell with them;

they will be his peoples,

and God himself will be with them;

⁴he will wipe every tear from their eyes.

Death will be no more;

mourning and crying and pain will be

no more,

◆ for the first things have passed away.”

⁵And the one who was seated on the throne
said, “See, I am making all things new.” Also he
said, “Write this, for these words are trustwor-
thy and true.” ⁶Then he said to me, “It is done!
I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning
and the end.”

GOSPEL: John 11:32-44

When Mary came where Jesus was and saw
him, she knelt at his feet and said to him,
“Lord, if you had been here, my brother
would not have died.” ³³When Jesus saw her
weeping, and the Jews who came with her also
weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit
and deeply moved. ³⁴He said, “Where have
you laid him?” They said to him, “Lord, come
and see.” ³⁵Jesus began to weep. ³⁶So the Jews
said, “See how he loved him!” ³⁷But some of
them said, “Could not he who opened the
eyes of the blind man have kept this man
from dying?”

³⁸Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came
to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying
against it. ³⁹Jesus said, “Take away the stone.”
Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to
him, “Lord, already there is a stench because
he has been dead four days.” ⁴⁰Jesus said to
her, “Did I not tell you that if you believed, you
would see the glory of God?” ⁴¹So they took
away the stone. And Jesus looked upward and
said, “Father, I thank you for having heard me.
⁴²I knew that you always hear me, but I have
said this for the sake of the crowd standing
here, so that they may believe that you sent
me.” ⁴³When he had said this, he cried with a
loud voice, “Lazarus, come out!” ⁴⁴The dead
man came out, his hands and feet bound
with strips of cloth, and his face wrapped in
a cloth. Jesus said to them, “Unbind him, and
let him go.”

Next Sunday's Readings: 1 Kings 17:8-16; Psalm 146; Hebrews 9:24-28; Mark 12:38-44.

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