

Sunday September 2 (August 20) 2007
Matthew 22: 1--14

The wedding feast that Jesus is referring to in today's gospel is the Kingdom of Heaven. God's chosen people did not listen to His prophets. He sent other prophets who were killed. Finally, through Jesus' example with the apostles' help later, the Kingdom of Heaven was attainable to all who would do God's will. St Paul was instrumental in preaching this idea. Salvation can be attained through repentance--the wedding garment each of us need to enter into that feast. Jesus warns us all that Paradise is entered through the narrow gate, when He says: Many are called but few are chosen. Let each of us by the church's teaching of prayer, fasting, and the sacraments make our wedding garment as bright as it can be.