

## Lectio Divina

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| ➤ <b>Read and re-read</b> , out loud and slowly<br>the Gospel                      | ➤ <b>Pray</b> - Thanksgiving - Repentance -<br>Petition         |
| ➤ <b>Meditate</b> on reading as being spoken to<br>you, an experience in your life | ➤ <b>Action</b> - Attitude (Call to change / to<br>act / to do) |
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**October 12<sup>th</sup> 2014      28<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time - Year A - Matthew 22: 1 - 14**

In this week's gospel we have the image of a king who gave a feast for his sons wedding; in other words a special kind of feast, one which celebrates the establishment of harmony. We are reminded of times within communities or in the world and in ourselves that we are invited to put an end to separateness and a beginning to oneness. We are invited also to be alert to invitations that offer a fuller life and the danger of losing out if we neglect to respond.

Have there been times in our lives when we changed for good because we responded to a special invitation to a 'banquet' where we felt accepted and loved?

### **Prayer:**

Thank you Lord for Pope Francis who is the voice of Jesus inviting us to unity of minds and hearts, not getting settled in our old ways but being open to the Invitation of the Holy Spirit in bringing the Good News of Jesus to all.

Forgive us Lord when we take your blessings for granted. We go around unconcerned and insensitive to the needs of others instead of being humble and thankful for all you do for us. Help us Lord as your followers to be your servants bringing the Good News to our fellow men and women even though at times some will not be interested. Others will just be at the crossroads waiting for the call to your wedding feast.

