

January 19th 2025 2nd Sunday of Ordinary Time Year C John 2:1-11

²⁻¹ On the third day there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. ²Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. ³When the wine gave out, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." ⁴And Jesus said to her, "Woman, what concern is that to you and to me? My hour has not yet come." ⁵His mother said to the servants, "Do whatever he tells you." ⁶Now standing there were six stone water jars for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. ⁷Jesus said to them, "Fill the jars with water." And they filled them up to the brim. ⁸He said to them, "Now draw some out, and take it to the chief steward." So they took it. ⁹When the steward tasted the water that had become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the steward called the bridegroom ¹⁰and said to him, "Everyone serves the good wine first, and then the inferior wine after the guests have become drunk. But you have kept the good wine until now." ¹¹Jesus did this, the first of his signs, in Cana of Galilee, and revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Read and re-read – out loud and slowly the Gospel. ➤ Meditate - on reading as being spoken to you, an experience in your life. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Pray - Thanksgiving – Repentance – Petition. ➤ Action – Attitude (Call to change / to act /to do).
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In this week's gospel we read about the first miracle of Jesus. He saved a newly married couple from embarrassment after running out of wine. Jesus revealed himself and performed this miracle because he was asked to do it by his mother who felt for these young people. Mary is a woman of deep empathy. Jesus unable to deny his mother's request performs his miracle. This shows us the great favour Mary has with her son Jesus and our requests to her will be carried in the same way to her Son. By listening to his Mother and performing this miracle Jesus let his glory be seen and his disciples believed in Him.

What are the signs in your life that reveal the Glory of God in your life?

Prayer:

Lord thank you for your Mother Mary whom you have given to us as our mother. She feels our pain and knows us very well. She is there to protect and help us.

Forgive us Lord for the times when people request our help and we reply "why turn to me", instead of reflecting on the actions of Jesus who was moved to listen to their pain and turned their water into wine.

Help us Lord to have the courage to come before you as Mary did saying simply "they have no wine" and leave the rest to you.