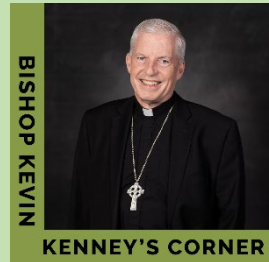


Thursday, August 21, 2025
Twentieth
Week in Ordinary Time



Good Morning!

We celebrate Pope Pius X. We read Judges 11:29-39, Psalm 40, and Matthew 22:1-14. We encounter violence in our readings today. Not the feel-good message we'd like to hear. The question arises: Are you ready to accept the invitation to the wedding banquet? God is on our side, and God invites us to enjoy life. Jephthah made a vow to the Lord. He was seeking more power and, by doing so, needed to offer his only daughter as a burnt offering. Jesus tells the parable of the wedding feast. Many refuse the invitation only to be met with destruction. In our lives, when we listen to the voice of the Lord, and live in a manner to God's invitation, then we realize the good that is around us. We are thankful for the blessings and strive to share with and invite others to receive Jesus' invitation to a more profound life. Prayer, service, and friendships lead us there.

Peace,

MostRevKev

"Here I am, Lord; I come to do your will."

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