

Eucharistic Homily

Fourth Lord's Day of Epiphany

January 31, 2021

The 23rd Psalm famously says, "You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; You anoint my head with oil; My cup overflows." Never forget that the 23rd Psalm was originally the song of a warrior.

Coming to worship and feasting at this Table is not about escaping from the troubles and afflictions and tests of this life. What we do here each Lord's Day is preparation for being sent back out into the fray to fight the good fight with strong hands and cheerful hearts.

At this Table, the Lord reaffirms our identity as sons and daughters of God, and He shows Himself to be our generous Father who graciously gives us all that we need. In this memorial feast, we call on God to remember Christ's sacrifice for us, and God reminds us that all we need for life in this world and the next has already been provided for us in Christ Jesus. As we faithfully follow the footsteps of our Savior, we have nothing to lose and everything to gain.

If you've been baptized into Christ and are seeking to live faithfully and obediently for Him, you are invited to partake of this feast that our gracious God has provided for us. These are the gifts of God for the people of God.

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