

Homily 2022.01.16 Second Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year C)

NOTES

In some calendars of the church this time from Epiphany to Candlemas is sometimes called Epiphanytide.

Three events: Epiphany – Baptism – Wedding at Cana

All are revelations of who Jesus is. They are all Epiphanies or showing or revelations.

Cana is the ‘first of the signs’ – He let his glory be seen.

Wedding – Jewish meaning from 1R from Isaiah.

Exile in Babylon – Forsaken and Abandoned

Restoration after the exile – Wedding, sin taken away, integrity restored

The one who built you will wed you. The Lord rejoices over his people. He is wedded to his people

We meet this idea again at Easter, especially at the wedding night that is the Easter Vigil. The Risen Jesus becomes the spouse of the church who is his bride.

We come to know our maker as our spouse.

He rejoices over His creation – and over us his creatures in all our different gifts as given by the spirit (2R)

How do we step into this restoration, this wedding?

Mary points the way ‘Do whatever he tells you’

Even when it seems unlikely – trust – Do whatever he tells you.