

**Light on Liturgy**  
**2024-25 Weekend Liturgy Lesson #20**



1/19 Gospel Reading: *John 2:1-11*

*There was a wedding at Cana in Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. Jesus and his disciples were also invited to the wedding.*

*When the wine ran short, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." And Jesus said to her, "Woman, how does your concern affect me? My hour has not yet come."*

*His mother said to the servers, "Do whatever he tells you." Now there were six stone water jars there for Jewish ceremonial washings, each holding twenty to thirty gallons.*

*Jesus told them, "Fill the jars with water." So they filled them to the brim.*

*Then he told them, "Draw some out now and take it to the headwaiter."*

*So they took it. And when the headwaiter tasted the water that had become wine, without knowing where it came from — although the servers who had drawn the water knew —, the headwaiter called the bridegroom and said to him,*

*"Everyone serves good wine first, and then when people have drunk freely, an inferior one; but you have kept the good wine until now."*

*Jesus did this as the beginning of his signs at Cana in Galilee and so revealed his glory, and his disciples began to believe in him.*

**Gospel Reflection:**

When Jesus commanded the servants to bring Him the jugs of water, it represents Jesus asking each of us to be participants in His great works, not just observers.

He then took the water and made wine of it for the wedding celebration. This shows us what God can and will do when we first do what is commanded of us; He makes great miracles happen from our small participation.

The last line of this reading also gives us a clue to why this all happened when it did. *His disciples began to believe in him.* The disciples were giving up their former lives to follow Jesus. This was the first they had publicly seen His glory revealed. Even if no one but the servants and else saw the miracle, it might well have served its purpose.

- How do you think you would react if you saw a miracle performed by someone you believe in and trusted? Do you think it would make your faith stronger?
- Have you ever seen or heard of miracles that happen in today's world? Do you think this is possible?