TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (BIBLE DAY)

Year B

ENTRANCE HYMN

 Open your ears, O Christian people, open your ears and hear Good News!
 Open your hearts, O royal priesthood, God has come to you!

God has spoken to His people, Alleluia And his words are words of wisdom, alleluia

- Israel comes to greet the Saviour Judah is glad to see his day.
 From East and West the peoples travel he will show the way.
- 3. He who has ears to hear His message; He who has ears, then let him hear, He who would learn the way of wisdom let him hear God's words..

GLORIA

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will.

We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; you are seated at the right hand of the Father; have mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One, You alone are the Lord, You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen

FIRST READING

A reading from the book of Numbers 11: 25-29

Are you jealous on my account? If only the whole people of the Lord were prophets!

The Lord came down in the Cloud. He spoke with Moses, but took some of the spirit that was on him and put it on the seventy elders. When the spirit came on them they prophesied, but not again.

Two men had stayed back in the camp; one was called Eldad and the other Medad. The spirit came down on them; though they had not gone to the Tent, their names were enrolled among the rest. These began to prophesy in the camp. The young man ran to tell this to Moses, 'Look,' he said 'Eldad and Medad are prophesying in the camp.' Then said Joshua the son of Nun, who had served Moses from his youth, 'My Lord Moses, stop them!' Moses answered him, 'Are you jealous on my account? If only the whole people of the Lord were prophets, and the Lord gave his Spirit to them all!'

The word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 18:8. 10. 12-14. R) v.9

R. The precepts of the Lord gladden the heart.

- The law of the Lord is perfect, it revives the soul.
 The rule of the Lord is to be trusted, it gives wisdom to the simple. (R.)
- The fear of the Lord is holy, abiding for ever. The decrees of the Lord are truth and all of them just. (R.)
- So in them your servant finds instruction; great reward is in their keeping.
 But who can detect all his errors?
 From hidden faults acquit me. (R.)
- 4. From presumption restrain your servant and let it not rule me.
 Then shall I be blameless, clean from grave sin. (R.)

SECOND READING

A reading from the letter of St. James *Your wealth is all rotting.*

5:1-6

An answer for the rich. Start crying, weep for the miseries that are coming to you. Your wealth is all rotting, your clothes are all eaten up by moths. All your gold and your silver are corroding away, and the same corrosion will be your own sentence, and eat into your body. It was a burning fire that you stored up as your treasure for the last days. Labourers mowed your fields, and you cheated them - listen to the wages that you kept back, calling out; realise that the cries of the reapers have reached the ears of the Lord of hosts. On earth you have had a life of comfort and luxury; in the time of slaughter you went on eating to your heart's content. It was you who condemned the innocent and killed them; they offered you no resistance.

The word of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

cf. Jn 17:17

Alleluia, alleluia!

GOSPEL

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark

9:38-43. 45. 47-48

Anyone who is not against us is for us. If your hand should cause you to sin, cut it off.

John said to Jesus, 'Master, we saw a man who is not one of us casting out devils in your name; and because he was not one of us we tried to stop him.' But Jesus said, 'You must not stop him: no one who works a miracle in my name is likely to speak evil of me. Anyone who is not against us is for us.

'If anyone gives you a cup of water to drink just because you belong to Christ, then I tell you solemnly, he will most certainly not lose his reward.

'But anyone who is an obstacle to bring down one of these little ones who have faith, would be better thrown into the sea with a great millstone round his neck. And if your hand should cause you to sin, cut it off; it is better for you to enter into life crippled, than to have two hands and go to hell, into the fire that cannot be put out. And if your foot should cause you to sin, cut it off; it is better for you to enter into life lame, than to have two feet and be thrown into hell. And if your eye should cause you to sin, tear it out; it is better for you to enter into the kingdom of God with one eye, than to have two eyes and be thrown into hell where their worm does not die nor their fire go out.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

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I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the Only Begotten Son of God,
born of the Father before all ages.
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father;
through him all things were made.
For us men and for our salvation
he came down from heaven;
(All bow)

and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin M and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins

and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

OFFERTORY HYMN

- In bread we bring you, Lord, our bodies labour.
 In wine we offer you, our spirit's grief.
 We do not ask you, Lord, who is my neighbour?
 but stand united now, one in belief.
 Oh we have gladly heard, your Word, your holy Word, and now in answer, Lord, our gifts we bring.
 Our selfish hearts make true, our failing faith renew, our lives belong to you, our Lord and King.
- .2. The bread we offer you is blessed and broken, and it becomes for us our spirit's food.

 Over the cup we bring your Word is spoken; make it your gift to us, your healing blood.

 Take all that daily toil, plants in our heart's poor soiPRPR take all we start and spoil, each hopeful dream, the chances we have missed, the graces we resist, Lord, in thy Eucharist, take and redeem.

COMMUNION HYMNS

- O Lord, all the world belongs to you
 And you are always making all things new.
 What is wrong you forgive, and the new life you give Is what's turning the world upside down.
- The world's only loving to its friends
 But you have brought us love that never ends.
 Loving enemies too, and this loving with you
 ls what's turning the world upside down.
- This world lives divided and apart.
 You draw us all together and we start
 In your body to see that in fellowship we
 Can be turning the world upside down.
- 4. The world wants the wealth to live in state
 But you show us a new way to be great
 Like a servant you came and if we do the same
 We'll be turning the world upside down.
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Thy word is a lamp unto my feet
And a light unto my path (2)

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- 1. When I feel afraid
 And think I've lost my way
 Still you're there right beside me
 Nothing will I fear
 As long as you are near
 Please be near me to the end
- I will not forget
 Your love for me and yet
 My heart forever is wandering
 Jesus be my guide
 Hold me to your side
 And I will love you to the end

RECESSIONAL HYMN

As I kneel before you,
 As I bow my head in prayer,
 Take this day, make it yours and fill me with your love.

Ave Maria, Gratia plena, Dominus tecum, Benedicta tu.

- All I have I give you, Ev'ry dream and wish are yours, Mother of Christ, Mother of mine, present them to my Lord.
- 3. As I kneel before you, And I see your smiling face, Ev'ry thought, ev'ry word Is lost in your embrace.