



**ENTRANCE ANTIPHON**

All that you have done to us, O Lord, you have done with true judgement, for we have sinned against you and not obeyed your commandments. But give glory to your name and deal with us according to the bounty of your mercy.

**FIRST READING 11:25-29 Page 729**

A reading from the book of Numbers.

**Are you jealous on my account? Who decrees that all people may prophesy?.**

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 Tent, their names were enrolled among the rest. These began to prophesy in the camp. The young man ran to tell Moses, "Look" he said, "Eldah and Medah are prophesying in the camp." Then said to 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**

**The precepts of the Lord give joy to the heart.**



**SECOND READING**

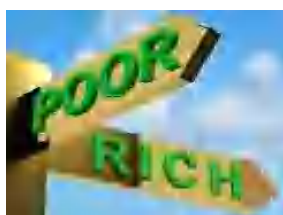
A reading from the letter of St James. 5:1-6 page 731

**Your wealth is rotting.**

★ 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 moves 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**

Alleluia, alleluia!

Your word, O Lord, is truth: make us holy in the truth. Alleluia!

**GOSPEL**

Page 731 9:38-43,45,47-48

The reading from the Holy Gospel according to Mark.

**Anyone who is not against us is for us. If your hand should cause you 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 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 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 the 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.** ♦



**COMMUNION ANTIPHON**

Remember your word to your servant, O Lord, by which you have given me hope. This is my comfort when I am brought low.

**PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

May this heavenly mystery, O Lord, restore us in mind and body that we may be coheirs in glory with Christ, to whose suffering we are united whenever we proclaim his Death, **Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.**

