

The Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C

Sunday, October 13, 2019

Readings: 1) 2 Kings 5:14-17 2) 2 Timothy 2:8-13 3) Luke 17:11-19

Sunday Liturgy

The Focus for today's Mass is:

The word of God is powerful enough to cleanse us of sickness and sin.

The first reading and the Gospel show us miraculous cures from the terrible disease of leprosy. Through faith and trust, those who were sick listened to and followed the direction of their healers and regained their lives and standing in the community. Nothing is beyond God's capabilities, including forgiving our most egregious sins.

In the first reading, Naaman is cured of his leprosy after following the Prophet Elisha's instructions to plunge into the Jordan River seven times. In his Letter to Timothy, Paul notes that while he may be in chains, the word of God is not. All who are faithful to Christ will obtain salvation in him. In the Gospel, Jesus cleanses 10 lepers but only one of them – a Samaritan – returns to give glory and thanks to God.

GENERAL INTERCESSIONS

PRIEST:

God knows our joys, hopes and fears.

In complete trust, let us bring our needs and prayers before him.

**For the Church throughout the world,
and for all who seek the Good News of the Gospel.**

We Pray to the Lord. Lord, here our prayer.

**For military leaders and heads of state
and for all who advise them in their duties.**

We Pray to the Lord. Lord, here our prayer.

For all who are sick, or suffering from any infirmity of body, mind or spirit.

We Pray to the Lord. Lord, here our prayer.

**For all those who have died,
may they be welcomed into the loving presence of God.**

We Pray to the Lord. Lord, here our prayer.

**For all who gather at this table,
and for those who cannot be present.**

We Pray to the Lord. Lord, here our prayer.

For our own personal intentions..... (long pause)

We Pray to the Lord. Lord, here our prayer.

PRIEST:

Father, we entrust our prayers to you in the holy name of your son, Jesus Christ.