#### 26th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

26<sup>TH</sup> September 2021

#### THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

# First Reading: Numbers 11:25-29 (JB)

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 spiritcame 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!'

### **RESPONSORIAL PSALM:**

# R. The precepts of the Lord give joy to 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.

From presumption restrain your servant and let it not rule me.
Then shall I be blameless, clean from grave sin. R.

# Second Reading: James 5:1-6 (JB)

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.

# **Gospel Acclamation:**

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

# **GOSPEL:** Mark 9:38-43, 45, 47-48 (JB)

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.'

#### Focusing the word

#### Key words and phrases

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

#### to the point

What does it mean to follow Jesus? The disciples presumed that following Jesus was restricted to being part of their group. For Jesus, following him means working in his name ('driving out demons,' 'gives a cup of water') and avoiding - at all costs - sinning or about group membership but about living and doing as Jesus did.causing another to sin. another to sin. Following Jesus is not about group membership but about living and doing as Jesus did.

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St Brendan's: 9.30am Sunday/

5pm 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday

St Joseph's: 10:30am Lay-led/

Mass 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday

St Brendan's 3<sup>rd</sup> Oct @ 9:30am Communion Minister: M Finn

Commentator: J Miller Reader: P O'Shea

Leaders: B Allett /C Grist

St Joseph's 3rd Oct, Mass @ 10.30am

Family: McGuane

Minister: Leaders:

## **ALTAR & SACRISTY DUTIES:**

St Brendan's:

26th Sept – 3rd Oct: K Speirs & L McGuane

St Joseph's: Oct: Sherman

**Counters: 10th Oct: A McCarthy** 

#### **RECENT DEATHS:**

ANNIVERSARIES: Francis Xavier Lenehan, Mary Lenehan, Tom Finn Jnr, Sr Kathleen Finnigan, Mike Ebling, Louis Hickman, Bill Maslin, Herbie Golden, John Nagle, Barbara Richens

# Those seeking our prayers for healing and wellbeing:

Leah Spokes, Geraldine Finn, Goldie Elsum, Doug Swanson

#### Sacraments 2021

Please continue to prayer for Ava, Kaitlyn and Ben and their families as they prepare to receive the Sacraments of Eucharist and Confirmation on October 24th

# **Prayer for Migrant & Refugee Sunday:**

Holy, beloved Father, your Son Jesus taught us that there is great rejoicing in heaven whenever someone lost is found, whenever someone excluded, rejected or discarded is gathered into our "we", which thus becomes ever wider. We ask you to grant the followers of Jesus, and all people of good will, the grace to do your will on earth. Bless each act of welcome and outreach that draws those in exile into the "we" of community and of the Church, so that our earth may truly become what you yourself created it to be: the common home of all our brothers and sisters. Amen

# New Roster for St Joseph's.

Hopefully you will have received your latest copy, of the roster, via email. Please remember to print it off and highlight your duties.

Let us always have courage to give priority to the human person and their fundamental rights. - John Paul II

