

**Sunday 27 February 2028**  
*Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year C)*

**First Reading - *Isaiah 55.10-13***

A reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah.

The rain and the snow

    come down from heaven,  
and do not return there

    until they have watered the earth,  
making it fruitful with grain,  
    producing bread to eat,  
    and new seed to sow.

In the same way, says the Lord,  
    the word that I speak  
will not return to me

    without accomplishing  
    all that I intend, and succeeding  
    in the purpose for which I sent it.

And where once

    there were thorns and brambles,  
tall and blossoming trees

    will grow;

and this will be a memorial, an everlasting sign,  
    to honour the name of the Lord.

And you will go out with joy,  
    and return in peace;

and the trees of the field

    will clap their hands,

and the mountains and the hills  
    will break into song.

This is the word of the Lord.

**Second Reading - *1 Corinthians 15.51b-57***

A reading from the first letter of Paul  
    to the Corinthians.

Those of us who are still alive

    when the last trumpet sounds

will not die, but will be transformed,  
    in that moment, in the blink of an eye.

The trumpet will sound,

    and the dead will be raised,

and we will be changed,

    as the mortal

    is transformed

    to immortality.

And the word of the prophet

    will have been fulfilled,

    for death itself will have been defeated:  
    'swallowed up in victory'.

The power of death

    was in sin,

and the power of sin

    was in the law.

But thanks be to God, who has defeated

    all the powers of death,

and has won for us the victory,

    in Jesus Christ our Lord.

This is the word of the Lord.

**Gospel - *Luke 6.39-49***

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ  
    according to Luke.

Jesus taught them in parables,  
    saying, 'They are like  
    the blind  
    leading the blind.'

The one who is learning  
    can do  
    no better  
    than the one who is teaching.

And the one who  
    completes their learning  
    will become  
    like their teacher.

You should not  
    be trying  
    to remove a speck  
    from someone else's eye  
while you still have a log  
    in your own.

You know a tree

    by its fruit:

you do not find figs

    on a thorn bush,

or grapes

    on a bramble;

a good tree

    produces good fruit,

and a bad tree

    produces bad fruit;

in the same way,

    a good person  
    produces good words and deeds  
    from the goodness  
    stored up in their heart;

while a wicked person

    produces wicked words and deeds  
    from the wickedness stored up in their heart.

And in the same way,

    if you call me Lord,

you should surely act

    on what I say;

for if you come to me,

    and hear my words,

    and act on them,

you are building a house on

    deep foundations,

    dug right down to the rock,

so that when the flood comes,

    it will stand secure.

But those who hear my words,

    and do not act

    on what they hear -

they are building a house

    without foundations,

and it will fall

    when the floods

    rise against it.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.