

Sunday 2 July 2028

Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year C)

First Reading - 1 Kings 19.15a, 16b, 19-21

A reading from the first book of Kings.

The Lord said to the prophet Elijah,

'You are to go

to the wilderness of Damascus,

to anoint Elisha to be my prophet, in your place.'

So Elijah travelled to the wilderness of Damascus,

and found Elisha, ploughing in a field,

with twelve pairs of oxen

working ahead of him.

Elijah walked past Elisha,

and as he did so, he threw his cloak over him.

Elisha left the oxen,

and ran after Elijah,

saying, 'Let me bid farewell

to my father and mother,

and then I will follow you.'

Elijah replied, 'Go back to them then.

I have done what I had to do.'

Returning to the field,

Elisha slaughtered the oxen, and used

the wooden equipment

to light a fire,

on which he cooked the oxen.

Elisha gave

the cooked meat

to the people,

and they ate.

Then Elisha

set out, and followed Elijah.

This is the word of the Lord.

Second Reading - Galatians 5.17-25

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Galatians.

The works of the flesh,

in opposition to the spirit,

are hatred and conflict, jealousy and anger;

arguments, rivalries, and factions;

sexual immorality, drunkenness, idolatry,

sorcery, and excesses of all kinds.

I say again: those who live in this way

are not inheriting the kingdom of God.

By contrast, the fruit of the spirit is

love, joy, peace,

patience, kindness, goodness,

faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control.

There is no law

against

these fruits of the spirit -

so if you are truly led by the spirit,

you are not

subject

to any law!

Those who belong to Christ Jesus

have crucified the flesh,

with its passions and desires,

and live now,

not by the flesh, but by the spirit.

This is the word of the Lord.

Gospel - Luke 9.51-62

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

The time was drawing near
for Jesus
to be lifted up,
and he set his face
towards Jerusalem.

He sent
messengers
ahead of him.

And the messengers
entered a village
in Samaria.

But the villagers
would not receive him,
because
his face was set
towards Jerusalem.

The disciples James and John
said, 'Lord,
do you want us
to call down
fire
from heaven
to destroy them?'

But Jesus turned and rebuked them,
and they went on
to another village.

As they were travelling along the road,
someone said to Jesus,
'I will follow you
wherever you go.'

Jesus said, 'Foxes have holes,
and birds have nests,
but the Son of Man
has nowhere
to lay his head.'

When Jesus called another
to follow him,
the reply was, 'Let me first go
and bury my father.'

But Jesus said, 'Let the dead
bury
their own dead;
you,
go and proclaim
the kingdom of God!'

Another said, 'I will follow you, Lord;
but let me first
bid farewell
to my household.'

Jesus said, 'If you put your hand to the plough,
and then look backwards,
you are not yet ready
for the kingdom of God.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.