# Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

# October 14, 2018

The word of God is living and effective,

sharper than any two-edged sword. -- Hebrews 4:12a

#### WORDS OF WISDOM

The spirit of wisdom, as we discover in today's first reading, comes to those who pray for her. Wisdom, like the word of God, carries a message of consolation as well as of great challenge. The Letter to the Hebrews tells us that the word of God, infused with the wisdom of God, is "sharper than any two-edged sword." We cannot shrink from the wisdom of God, or from the word that has the power to penetrate our hearts and minds. Jesus, the living word of God, the embodiment of wisdom, has strong, deeply penetrating words for the rich young man who comes to him seeking answers to his most profound questions. Just when the young man thought he had done enough to fulfill God's commands, more was asked of him. This is no less true for us.

#### TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

They say that it is not so much that Columbus discovered America, but rather that after he arrived, the new world "stayed discovered." The sponsorship of Ferdinand and Isabella assured that the news would flash around Europe with an air of authority that other "discoverers" lacked. One of the oft-mentioned early visitors is Saint Brendan the Navigator, a sixth-century Irish monk who had trouble staying at home. He is said to have sailed to "the Isle of the Blessed" in a leather-bound boat, and to have been away from his monastery for seven years. Upon his return, the stories of adventures to a new land attracted pilgrims to his monastery in the Blasket Islands, off the west coast of Ireland. Columbus is said to have referred to *The Voyage of Saint Brendan*, a very popular adventure in those days. Only after his American journey is Brendan said to have gone to tamer lands to the east, England and Scotland.

In 1976, Tim Severin set out on a two-year voyage to America from Ireland in a leather-bound boat, traveling in summer and hopscotching from the Faroes to Iceland to Newfoundland, and encountering along the way exactly what Saint Brendan describes: icebergs, whales, and porpoises. Scholars warn not to dismiss this too quickly: just as the ancient Egyptian monks sought to live in the desert, for the Celtic monks exile in a boat was the Irish equivalent. Five centuries after Brendan, other Irish monks may have visited here as a refuge from Viking terror.

#### THE PATH

People find their way to paradise more by a path of footprints than by a pack of road maps.

### **TODAY'S READINGS**

**First Reading** — I pleaded, and the spirit of wisdom came to me. (Wisdom 7:7-11).

**Psalm** — Fill us with your love, O Lord, and we will sing for joy! (Psalm 90).

**Second Reading** — Indeed the word of God is living and effective (Hebrews 4:12-13).

**Gospel** — It is easier for a camel to pass through the eye of a needle than for one who is rich to enter the kingdom of God (Mark 10:17-30 [17-27]).

#### **READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

Monday:	Gal 4:22-24, 26-27, 31 — 5:1;
	Ps 113:1b-5a, 6-7; Lk 11:29-32
Tuesday:	Gal 5:1-6; Ps 119:41, 43-45, 47-48;
	Lk 11:37-41
Wednesday:	Gal 5:18-25; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 11:42-46
Thursday:	2 Tm 4:10-17b; Ps 145:10-13, 17-18;
	Lk 10:1-9
Friday:	Eph 1:11-14; Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 12-13; Lk 12:1-7
Saturday:	Eph 1:15-23; Ps 8:2-3ab, 4-7; Lk 12:8-12
Sunday:	Is 53:10-11; Ps 33:4-5, 18-20, 22;
	Heb 4:14-16; Mk 10:35-45 [42-45]

MASS INTENTION

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## SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Monday: St. Teresa of Jesus

Tuesday: St. Hedwig; St. Margaret Mary Alacoque;

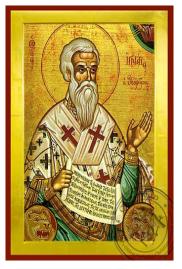
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Wednesday: St. Ignatius of Antioch

Thursday: St. Luke

Friday: Ss. John de Brébeuf, Isaac Jogues, and Companions

Saturday: St. Paul of the Cross; Blessed Virgin Mary



St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle, be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him we humbly pray; and do thou, O Prince of the Heavenly host, by the power of God, cast into hell Satan and all the evil spirits who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

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