

Second Reading:

A reading from the Letter of St. Paul to the Romans

Brothers and sisters:

If God is for us, who can be against us?

He who did not spare his own Son
but handed him over for us all,
will he not also give us everything else along with him?

Who will bring a charge against God's chosen ones?
It is God who acquits us. Who will condemn?

It is Christ Jesus who died, rather, was raised,
who also is at the right hand of God,
who indeed intercedes for us.

What will separate us from the love of Christ?

Will anguish, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or
nakedness, or peril, or the sword?

No, in all these things we conquer overwhelmingly
through him who loved us.

For I am convinced that
neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities,
nor present things, nor future things,
nor powers, nor height, nor depth,
nor any other creature will
be able to separate us from the love of God
in Christ Jesus our Lord.

The Word of the Lord