

**Thoughts on the Daily Word**

27<sup>th</sup> Week of the Year. *Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> October. Readings: Galatians 3:22-29; Psalm: 104; Gospel: Luke 11:27-28.*

We come back to the issue of freedom. Paul sees Law, or rules, as having a positive place in our lives. The Law of Moses is a guide that helps us as children in a strange world, to find a path forward. Real freedom, however, means being 'grown-up' as we would describe it today. We like to think of little children as having a certain freedom, but we know that can be childish or dangerous. The freedom to make adult choices about our lives demands a certain discipline. Paul suggests that it comes through a relationship, with Christ and in his Body. Faith describes that relationship. This new relationship is open to all just as we are all bound by sin but now all are invited to experience real freedom in Christ. In Christ, freedom comes through love, just as we discover who we truly are.