

## **A READING FROM THE LETTER OF PAUL TO THE ROMANS**

**8:26-30**

The Spirit too helps us in our weakness, for we do not know how to pray, as we ought; but the Spirit himself makes intercessions for us with groaning which cannot be expressed in speech. He who searches hearts knows what the Spirit means, for the Spirit intercedes for the saints as God himself wills.

We know that God makes all things work together for the good of those who have been called according to his decree. Those whom he foreknew he predestined to share the image of his Son, that the Son might be the first-born of many brothers. Those he predestined he likewise called; those he called he also justified; and those he justified he in turn glorified.

**The Word of the Lord**