

them. For ye were sometimes darknes, but now are ye light in the Lord: walk as children of light: (for the fruit of the Spirit is in all goodnes and righteousnes and truth) proving what is acceptable unto the Lord. And have no fellowship with the unfruitful works of darknes, but rather reprove them. For it is a shame even to speak of those things which are done of them in secret. But all things that are reprov'd, are made manifest by the light: for whatsoever doth make manifest is light. Wherefore he saith, Awake thou that sleepest, and arise from the dead, and Christ shall give thee sight.

The Gospel. S. Luke 11. 14.

JESUS was casting out a devil, and it was dumb. And it came to pass when the devil was gone out, the dumb spake; and the people wondered. But some of them said, He casteth out devils through Beelzebub, the chief of the devils. And others tempting him, sought of him a sign from heaven. But he knowing their thoughts said unto them, Every kingdom divided against itself is brought to desolation; and a house divided against a house falleth. If Satan also be divided against himself, how shall his kingdom stand? because ye say that I cast out devils through Beelzebub. And if I by Beelzebub cast out devils, by whom do your sons cast them out? therefore shall

they be your judges. But if I with the finger of God cast out devils, no doubt the kingdom of God is come upon you. When a strong man armed keepeth his palace, his goods are in peace. But when a stronger than he shall come upon him, and overcome him, he taketh from him all his armour wherein he trusted, and divideth his spoils. He that is not with me is against me: and he that gathereth not with me scattereth. When the unclean spirit is gone out of a man, he walketh through dry places, seeking rest: and finding none, he saith, I will return unto my house whence I came out. And when he cometh, he findeth it swept and garnished. Then goeth he and taketh to him seven other spirits more wicked than himself; and they enter in, and dwell there: and the last state of that man is worse than the first. And it came to pass as he spake these things a certain woman of the company lift up her voice, and said unto him, Blessed is the womb that bare that, and the paps which thou hast sucked. But he said, Yea, rather blessed are they that hear the word of God and keep it.

The fourth Sunday in Lent.

The Collect.

GRANT, we beseech thee, Almighty God, that we, who for our evil deeds do worthily deserve to be punished,