

Reading

Romans 14:7-9

*Alive or dead, we belong to the Lord.*

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans

The life and death of each of us has its influence on others;

if we live, we live for the Lord;

and if we die, we die for the Lord,

so that alive or dead we belong to the Lord.

This explains why Christ both died and came to life,

it was so that he might be Lord both of the dead and of the living.

The word of the Lord.