

**The Following Collect, Epistle & Gospel will be read during the Eucharist today in the personal Chapel of the Presiding Archbishop of the Australian Church of Antioch, The Most Reverend Frank Bugge.**

**The 7th Sunday after Trinity**

**Red.**

**Intent - Purity.**

**Candles Many.**

**The Collect.**

O Spirit of all perfect purity, we your humble servants now most earnestly desire to keep our hearts unspotted from the world; to reach this purity we ask for strength from you who, with The Father lives and reigns throughout all ages of ages. Amen.

**The Epistle for the 7th Sunday after Trinity is from the writings of Phyllos (the Thibetin).**

Before your eyes can see God they must be incapable of shedding tears for any suffering of your own. Before your ears can hear, they must have lost sensitiveness to your own suffering. Your voice may not speak eternal wisdom until it has no power to wound. Before your self can stand in the presence of the Eternal, its feet must have been bathed in the blood of suffering and penance of restitution. When you attain this, you kill the ambition to excel in the poor paths of fame. Cease to regard this life as your best possession. This purity of hearing, seeing, and speaking will then grant you peace.

**Here Endeth the Epistle.**

**The Gospel for the 7th Sunday after Trinity is from the words of the Oracle of Antioch.**

Each us must follow a path like as a nugget of gold. First it is dug from its place of origin in this physical world. It is covered and intermingled with all the dirt and dross possible. The gold is then washed to remove much of the rubbish from it, just as we are at birth. The gold then receives the next process, that of cracking off the quartz coating, just as we use baptism to crack off rubbish that breaks down our bond to higher things. The gold then goes through a process of purifying, just as we go to be taught the spiritual truth to purify ourselves. The gold is then polished to remove roughness and at last the true spirit of the gold shines through. When gold is purified, it will not tarnish, but it will shine forever. As we are purified we also gain polish, and we will not allow any impure ways of life to tarnish our progress. When our inner beauty shines through there is nothing that can taint our being, for we are then strong and unbending not deviating from the path of our evolutionary travelling.

**Praise Be to Thee O Christ.**