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 2nd Sunday after Epiphany

**Intent - Desire for Liberation** 

## The Collect.

O Lord, stretch out your hand to us and lead us in our desire to advance in your heavenly plan of evolution, that we may be fit to follow examples set by your Avatars through the ages, we ask this through the promise of the Lord Christ. Amen.

## The Epistle for the 2nd Sunday after Epiphany is adapted from the Psalms of Light.

O Soul, you are the sheep that has wandered in the desert; your Father seeks you, your shepherd looks for you, your king searches for you. Why have we dropped our unchanging angel garments, and replaced them with carnal flesh? Where are our gay garlands of our glowing auras? Why have we changed our fair beauty? Remember the dangerous lure is the sweetness of the flesh, the body of darkness. Drink of the water of memory, that you may once again live in the seal of the Father.

Here Endeth the Epistle.

## The Gospel for the 2nd Sunday after Epiphany is from the words of Bishop Raymond.

Man is a dissatisfied restless being. Why is this so? The answer to this riddle is not as complicated as all our professors and learned people would have you believe. We are imprisoned here in carnal servitude, and for many and varied Karmic reasons this is justly so. This physical prison of incarnation however has not entirely removed from our memory the spiritual freedom that is available to all who seek for it. These seeds of memory when planted in fertile soil will grow, and much of the knowledge of enlightenment given to us by Avatars, Minor Avatars, Prophets and other Holy people will feed it. This desire to liberate ourselves from the penal servitude of physical life grows stronger with time and learning, and will only cease in each of us when we have risen to the limit of our Spiritual Aspirations.

Praise Be to Thee O Christ.