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 5th Sunday in Lent - Passion Sunday

Violet.

Intent - Mystery of the Cross.

Candles 6.

The Collect.

O sacred symbol of life, we give thanks for the power of the cross and the opportunity to use it to the good of all, and we are comforted knowing this symbol guides us ever closer to fulfilment of the plan of life as you laid down, O God throughout the ages of ages. Amen.

Be with us O Lord in all our doings and further us with thy continual help, that in all our works, begun, continued and ended in thee, we may glorify thy Holy Name through the Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Epistle for the 5th Sunday in Lent is from the teachings of the Gnostic Bishop Mandroy.

I find that one of the greatest mysteries of the cross is the fact that so many people can ignore the importance of it when they can't fail to be aware of the energy and forces which it can generate. This marvellous symbol can (when used with wisdom) banish adverse influences, bless people and objects, act as a ray carrier and these alone are incredible forces to control without looking any further into what the cross can do. A physical cross starts off being just an object constructed by people. Then the marvel occurs, for once the cross is used in a reverent manner with genuine intent, then it is no longer just a cross, but a powerful and unique talisman. The genuine intent is enough to charge the cross with great force, but with more wisdom and gnostic knowledge applied to its use, the force within the cross becomes even stronger. Thus it then changes to become the most powerful tool for advancement the Human race has at its disposal if they will but take the trouble to open their eyes.

Here Endeth the Epistle.

The Gospel for the 5th Sunday in Lent is from the words of the Egyptian High Priest Knuub-Ra.

In their infinite wisdom, the Great Members of the hierarchy that guide the spiritual advancement of the universe, have with their great love and compassion bestowed upon us the knowledge and power of the sacred sign for our use. We have been trusted to use this privilege for wondrous and powerful jumps in our progression to godly levels, but have we proved to be trustworthy in this direction. We, the supposed higher ruling species on planet Earth, ridicule and degrade the very thing that could enlighten us, just as a primitive animal bites the hand that feeds it. I therefore beseech you as the future gods that you are destined to be, investigate the possibilities that this sign offers you. By this we then prove that the Great beings of the governing hierarchy have not misplaced their trust in us.

Praise Be to Thee O Christ.