

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 Sunday before Lent (Quinquagesima)

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**Intent - The Spirit Inspiring Love
The Collect**

Create in us O Lord the desire to show the love that your messengers have exhibited to us, and by this love develop the peace within that arises from this act of grace inspired by the Christ our Lord. Amen

The Epistle for the Sunday before Lent called Quinquagesima is from the Gospel of Emerson.

Nothing is more simple than greatness, indeed to be simple is to be great. The vision of genius comes by renouncing the too officious activity of the understanding, and giving leave to the spontaneous sentiment. Out of this must come all that is alive and genial. People grind and grind in the mill of truism, and nothing comes out but what was put in. When the moment comes that they desert the tradition for a spontaneous thought, then love inspires music, poetry, with hope, virtue, learning. What is genius but finer love, a love impersonal, a love of the flowering perfection of things. This love proceeds from within to flow outward to feed the desire for God.

Here Endeth The Epistle.

The Gospel for the Sunday before Lent called Quinquagesima is from the letters of St. Ignatius.

Nothing is hidden from you, for you are perfect in love towards the Christ, for this is the beginning and the end of life. Spiritual inspiration is the beginning, and love is the end, and the two being found in unity are God. No one having the spirit intentionally sins, and no one possessing love hates. The tree is a product of its fruit; they that profess to be with the Christ shall be seen through their actions. It is fine to be the teacher if the teacher practises the subject of the teaching; for then the subject is seen and found in the higher spiritual love.

Praise Be to Thee O Christ.