

**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 in Lent.**

**Violet.**

**Intent - Yearning for God.**

**Candles 6.**

**The Collect.**

O gracious Lord, we ask that you aid us to fulfil your will and grow to realize the ways of peace, that we may extend our hand to help those behind us to rise to attain the greater joys of your love, this we ask in the name of your emissary, The Christed one. 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 2nd Sunday in Lent is adapted from the Great Book of the Mandaeans.**

The time I really came to love life is when my heart came to love and know the truth. This truth has shown me clearly the pathway of my destiny to the meeting place of my true self, and how to be in harmony with my God. I can no longer put my trust in anything of this world, for all here is but temporary and of no lasting benefit to my true Soul. Indeed I have found many times it has even been harmful to my Soul. Each day I yearn for more and more of the laws of truth to be revealed before me, for this I now know to be God's truths, and true serenity and security reside within the words and laws of this learning. I beseech you to open your hearts by learning to practice the law of do unto others as you would have them do unto you. I will say with surety that you will then find my God, who can and will, gladly become your God.

**Here Endeth the Epistle.**

**The Gospel for the 2nd Sunday in Lent is from the words of Rabu.**

There comes a time when a growing restlessness within us fights its way to the surface of our consciousness. What is this dissatisfaction that urges us to seek for something, but we know not what. Ah the times I have heard this uttered, but almost as often the mood passes and the person is no further advanced. For the few who do not disregard this intuitive message, a light is lit within them and they walk towards it. These people will by this action attract a teacher to enlighten them and they will learn that their urge is to gravitate towards their creator and follow their destiny. This is the path of evolution set down for us, and we quicken our feet on this path when we learn to listen to our intuition and accept the true truth and wisdom of the ages. Then the yearning for more wisdom increases, but with this comes a serenity and peace that increases as we learn to close the gap between us and our destiny.

**Praise Be to Thee O Christ.**