

**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 13th Sunday after Trinity**

**Green.**

**Intent - Virtue.**

**Candles 6.**

**The Collect.**

O Lord, help us hold our feet to the narrow path of truth and virtue, and allow this truth and virtue to grow within us, that we may pass this on to others giving them peace and beauty in turn as given us by Lord Jesus the Christed one. Amen.

**The Epistle for the 13th Sunday after Trinity is from the writings of Bishop Raymond.**

We humans like to see ourselves as being Saintly beings and full of virtue. How sickening it is when we are faced with reality and we see the stark naked truth about ourselves. We are certainly not overflowing with virtue, or we would be at the right hand of the Lord and out of incarnation. Our religion is one of virtue, and this cannot be disputed, but alas the church in general which is comprised of us, the people within it, is certainly not one of virtue. As Rev. Alchin the Anglican priest says, the church is a hospital for sinners, but beware that we do not place the projected image of this hospital ahead of the nurturing of the people. To promote virtue try teaching the truth and caring for those in need. This includes caring for those in greed, for those in greed are in even more spiritual need.

**Here Endeth the Epistle.**

**The Gospel for the 13th Sunday after Trinity is from the words of a Master through his pupil Kra Yomrand.**

Let us look at the virtue of the human race as a whole. It does not present a pretty picture. What other species kills for sport? What other species kills for greed? What other species creates wars that other innocent people may be killed in them? You are supplied with the power to reason, yet do you? You are endowed with the power to love, yet do you? You are given the ability to soar with the angels, yet you as a race prefer to wallow in the lowest level of spiritual filth you can devise for yourselves. You then have the utmost cheek and supreme audacity to call some people animals because they act in a primitive fashion. How can you as members of humanity still think you are such a great species and full of virtue? If you are to fulfil your destiny of being in harmony with the Great Masters of the Universe, then you have no time to waste. Now is the moment to begin on your destined path.

**Praise Be to Thee O Christ.**