

**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 7th Sunday after Trinity**

**Red.**

**Intent - Purifying Love Within**

**Candles Many.**

**The Collect.**

O Eternal Master, germinate the seed of light within our being, and inspire the growth of this light, that by it we may have the fortitude to go forth and instil some of this light to others, this we ask in the Christ name. Amen.

**The Epistle for the 7th Sunday after Trinity is from the recorded words of the Master Rebazar Tarzs.**

God's spiritual power must not be used for lower deeds, for this will rebound on the instigator. Love can conquer all problems of the lower level if allowed. But a student of the Master said to him --- Master I wish to learn great powers from you so I may destroy my enemies. The Master then asked the student why he desired this. So that I am free from them came the reply. To this the Master said --- My dear pupil, if you use such powers to destroy your enemies it is quite certain you would destroy yourself. I say to you dear student, contemplate on this deeply, love them, and they will eventually love you in return. The student disappointed retired to contemplate as he was told. The next day the Master asked the student for an answer to the conundrum. The student said --- Great Master, if I do as you say my enemies will no longer be my enemies. The master said nothing, but smiled broadly, happy and contented with his pupil's conclusions.

**Here Endeth The Epistle.**

**The Gospel for the 7th Sunday after Trinity is from the writings of Meher Baba.**

God is the divine beloved; and when we meet him, all that we have to do is love him. If we love the Lord out of fullness of heart, our final union with him is assured. We need not worry about the quality of our love. We should love in spite of our weaknesses, and not tarry until we can purify our own hearts. The Lord is the very source of purity, and to set ones heart on God is the beginning of self purification. As we work to develop whole hearted devotion for the Lord, we open ourselves to the reception of the divine love, but we must offer all our weaknesses as well as our strengths to God. The offering must be complete, and when it is it removes secret self desires. This purification is complete when we know ourselves to be a God within ourselves.

**Praise Be to Thee O Christ.**