

Commentary on the Gospel for Thu, Oct 20th 2011

Red is the color of fire and also of boldness that impelled the early Christians to go out and proclaim the good news of Jesus. And in fact the only color that the early Church communities knew was red, because at that time, the seal of Christianity was the blood of the first Christians, the martyrs. Red remains to be the color of the Spirit. Red which is the fire of Jesus remains to be the color of love and passion, the perfect symbol of which is Christ on the cross who shed his blood for us. The cross of Christ and the fire of His love within us will lead us to a place where we have to make a stand and even divide people in the long run when we are to be bold in preaching His message of love. When the Lord visits us today, will he find the fire in us burning? Or is there a need to be enflamed?

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