

Reflection Tuesday Week 3 Sts Timothy and Titus 2021

Saints Timothy and Titus were converted to Christianity by St Paul, and became his companions and helpers. Paul entrusted Timothy with the care of the Christians in Ephesus, and sent Titus to Crete to look after the Christians there. He wrote them the so-called “*pastoral*” epistles, giving advice for pastors and people alike.

I am afraid I am a disappointment to Jesus because I have another pair of sandals!! (Luke 10:1-9) The Gospel today is Jesus way of telling us that, as his disciples, we need only trust in him to fulfil our mission. I will not only look after you, Jesus says, but inspire you in what you need to say and do. Most of all Jesus wants us to be people of peace, bearers of peace, working for peace and harmony. Peace brings harmony and healing to any kind of conflict which is why Jesus is called the Prince of Peace. St Paul spells out the kind of help we can expect by telling us that this presence of Christ in us is one of power and courage (2 Tim 1:1-8). With the gift of peace comes the love of Christ which helps us through any challenges and difficulties we face. Christ’s love provides us with the patience and perseverance we need; gifts and virtues present in the lives of both Timothy and Titus. Let us join with the Psalmist and *Sing a new song to the Lord, let the earth sing to the Lord. O sing to the Lord, bless his name! Proclaim his help day by day, tell among the nations his glory and his wonders among all the peoples!*

Be strong in the faith in Christ Jesus (Timothy)

Jesus Christ gave himself for us, to purify for himself a people who are zealous for good works. (Titus)

What do you call a French chap wearing sandals? *Philippe Philoppe*

What do you call two left sandals? *Flip flips*

What do you call the sandals made of banana peels? *Slippers.*