

Homily; Twenty First Sunday in Ordinary Time August 22nd 2021

Introduction

It is a temptation, and today it is the style to go with the flow--- to float along with the stream --- to live from one day to the next and somehow never make any real fundamental decisions. People let choices be made for them by events, --- by others,--- or by the world around them. They especially let the spiritual choices that shape our life and soul be made by the surrounding culture.

Every time we come to Mass, here we are facing a Joshua moment when we are challenged to make a decision .Will I serve the gods of our culture--- or the Lord Who saved us and redeemed us? Each Mass calls me to make a choice, or renew--- a choice to follow the Lord--- and not the gods of the surrounding culture. Each Mass is a chance to halt the drift, in my life, --- to step away from the cultural tide that has no real destination which traps and even drowns so many among us.

AMEN.