

Monday, April 12, 2021

Monday of the Second Week of Easter

The Octave of Easter is complete and now we continue with the Easter season.

Boldness. That is what the disciples of Jesus prayed for, to “enable your servants to speak your word with boldness.” Announcing the Gospel requires courage and strength, and certainly boldness. The conclusion to today’s first reading from the Acts of the Apostles is worth repeating verbatim: “As they prayed, the place where they were gathered shook, and they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and continued to speak the word of God with boldness.” Nicodemus notices the signs performed by Jesus and believes they are done because “God is with him.” He visits Jesus by night because he worries what his brother Pharisees would think if they saw him with Jesus. Are you and I followers of Jesus by night also? Are we afraid to profess and live our faith because of what others may think of us? We need the Holy Spirit to give us courage to follow Jesus both day and night!

God Love You!

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