

Thursday, April 29, 2021

Thursday of the Fourth Week of Easter

Saint Catherine of Siena, Virgin, Doctor of the Church

Paphos. Perga. Pamphylia. Pisidia. The first two sentences of Acts today are tongue twisters but I love these lines of Scripture. How important it is to know geography! The movement of the disciples to spread the gospel continues. As Christians, we should not be sedentary but know that we have been sent by virtue of our baptism to announce the gospel with our very lives. Jesus reminds the disciples of this in the Gospel: "Amen, amen, I say to you, whoever receives the one I send receives me, and whoever receives me receives the one who sent me."

Saint Catherine of Siena was six when she heard the Lord calling her to the great work she would eventually accomplish because of her immense love for Jesus. She was bold in an age that needed reform, starting from the very top, the Papacy. She was influential in reestablishing the Papacy in Rome. One of the greatest saints in the history of the Church!

Saint Catherine of Siena, pray for us!

God Love You!

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