

May 4, 2025

Sunday TLM Newsletter

II Sunday after Easter



EPISTLE (I Pet II. 21-25.) Dearly beloved, Christ suffered for us, leaving you an example that you should follow his steps. Who did no sin, neither was guile found in his mouth. Who, when he was reviled, did not revile; when he suffered, he threatened not; but delivered himself to him that judged him unjustly; who his own self bore our sins in his body upon the tree, that we being dead to sins, should live to justice: by whose stripes you were healed. For you were as sheep going astray: but you are now converted to the shepherd and bishop of your souls.

GOSPEL (John X. 11-16.) At that time, Jesus said to the Pharisees: I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd giveth his life for his sheep. But the hireling, and he that is not the shepherd, whose own the sheep are not, seeth the wolf coming, and leaveth the sheep, and flieth; and the wolf catcheth and scattereth the sheep: and the hireling flieth, because he is a hireling, and he bath no care for the sheep. I am the good shepherd, and I know mine, and mine know me. As the Father knoweth me, and I know the Father, and I lay down my life for my sheep. And other sheep I have, that are not of this fold: them also I must bring, and they shall hear my voice, and there shall be one fold and one shepherd.



Weekly Ordo

Date & Time	Day of Week	Mass	Color	Gloria/Credo	Preface	Commeration(s)/Notes
5/4/2025 at Noon	Sunday	II Sunday after Easter (Good Shepherd Sunday)	White	Gloria & Creed	Easter	
5/5/25 at 8am	Monday	St. Pius V	White	Gloria		
5/6/25 at 8am	Tuesday	Votive Mass: Mass of the Angels	White	Gloria	Easter	
5/7/25 at 8am	Wednesday	St. Stanislaus	Red	Gloria	Easter	Missa Pro Eligendo Summo Pontifice
5/8/25 at 8am	Thursday: If the Conclave has not yet elected a Pope:	Votive Mass: Missa Pro Eligendo Summo Pontifice	Red		Easter	
	Thursday: If the Conclave has elected a Pope:	Votive Mass: In Die Creationis Papae	White	Gloria	Apostles	
5/9/25 at 8am	Friday	St. Gregory of Nazianzen	White	Gloria	Easter	Missa Pro Eligendo Summo Pontifice
5/10/25 No Mass	Saturday	St. Antoninus	White	Gloria	Easter	Missa Pro Eligendo Summo Pontifice
5/11/25 at Noon	Sunday	III Sunday after Easter	White	Gloria & Creed	Easter	

40 Hours for Conclave: embercatholic.com/40-hours

Fr. Dominic Prumme O.P.'s "Handbook of Moral Theology" (1921)

Paragraph 527.4

- **Modesty is the virtue** which moderates all the internal and external movements and appearance of a person within the bounds and limits proper to his state in life, intellectual ability, and wealth. There are four virtues included under modesty: humility, studiousness, modesty in external behaviour, modesty in dress.
- a) Humility is the virtue which curbs man's inordinate desire for personal excellence and inclines him to recognise his own worth in its true light. Consequently, this virtue has two functions: 1. to restrain the inordinate desire for personal excellence; 2. to subject man to God by the recognition that all the good he possesses comes from his Creator. This second function of humility is its chief, although not always sufficiently recognised as such by ascetical writers.—Humility is a most necessary virtue since it removes the poison of pride which obstructs the effectiveness of divine grace. Its contraries are inordinate self-depreciation by excess and pride by defect.
- b) Studiousness is the virtue which moderates the desire and pursuit of truth in accordance with the principles of right reason. Its contrary vices are curiosity which is an excessive desire for knowledge, and negligence, which is the voluntary omission of knowledge essential to one's state and condition in life.
- c) Modesty in external behaviour is the virtue inclining man to observe reasonable decorum in externals, which include: 1. his bodily movements, 2. recreation, 3. dress and adornments. Modesty in bodily behavior is most essential for the preservation of pleasant intercourse amongst men, and thus St. Augustine in his Rule for the servants of God gives the following advice: "In all your movements let nothing be evident which would offend the eyes of another." Modesty in recreation or the right use of recreation is called eutrapely. Modesty in dress and bodily adornments inclines a person to avoid not merely everything that is offensive and insufficient but also everything unnecessary. By excess the virtue is violated especially by women through excessive or even indecent adornment. Women who are gravely indecent in dress or make-up should be turned away from receiving Holy Communion, but in this matter careful consideration must be given to local custom and great prudence must be exercised.

1930 Letter Of The Sacred Congregation Of The Council

(Note: Republished by His Excellency Bishop Jeanmard, DD at 1933 Diocese of Lafayette Synod)

"By virtue of the supreme apostolate which he wields over the Universal Church by Divine Will, our Most Holy Father Pope Pius XI has never ceased to inculcate, both verbally and by his writings, the words of St. Paul (I Tim. XI:9-10), namely, 'Women ... adorning themselves with modesty and sobriety ... and professing godliness with good works.'

"Very often, when occasion arose, the same Supreme Pontiff condemned emphatically the immodest fashion of dress adopted by Catholic women and girls, which fashion not only offends the dignity of women and against her adornment, but conduces to the temporal ruin of the women and girls, and, what is still worse, to their eternal ruin, miserably dragging down others in their fall. It is not surprising, therefore, that all Bishops and other ordinaries, as is the duty of ministers of Christ, should in their own dioceses have unanimously opposed their depraved licentiousness and promiscuity of manners, often bearing with fortitude the derision and mockery leveled against them for this cause.

"Therefore this Sacred Council, which watches over the discipline of clergy and people, while cordially commending the action of the Venerable Bishops, most emphatically exhorts them to persevere in their attitude and increase their activities insofar as their strength permits, in order that this unwholesome disease be definitely uprooted from human society.

"In order to facilitate the desired effect, this Sacred Congregation, by the mandate of the Most Holy Father, has decreed as follows:

Exhortation to Those in Authority

- "1. The parish priest, and especially the preacher, when occasion arises, should, according to the words of the Apostle Paul (2 Tim. IV, 2), insist, argue, exhort and command that feminine garb be based on modesty and womanly ornament be a defense of virtue. Let them likewise admonish parents to cause their daughters to cease wearing indecorous dress.
- "2. Parents, conscious of their grave obligations toward the education, especially religious and moral, of their offspring, should see to it that their daughters are solidly instructed, from earliest childhood, in Christian doctrine; and they themselves should assiduously inculcate in their Souls, by word and example, love for the virtues of modesty and chastity; and since their family should follow the example of the Holy Family, they must rule in such a manner that all its members, reared within the walls of the home, should find reason and incentive to love and preserve modesty.
- "3. Let parents keep their daughters away from public gymnastic games and contests; but if their daughters are compelled to attend such exhibitions, let them see that they are fully and modestly dressed. Let them never permit their daughters to don immodest garb.
 - "4. Superioresses and teachers in schools for girls must do their utmost to instill love of modesty in the hearts of maidens confided to their care and urge them to dress modestly.
- "5. Said Superioresses and teachers must not receive in their colleges and schools immodestly dressed girls, and should not even make an exception in the case of mothers of pupils. If, after being admitted, girls persist in dressing immodestly, such pupils should be dismissed.
- "6. Nuns, in compliance with the Letter dated August 23, 1928, by the Sacred Congregation of Religious, must not receive in their colleges, schools, oratories or recreation grounds, or, if once admitted tolerate girls

who are not dressed with Christian modesty; said Nuns, in addition, should do their utmost so that love for holy chastity and Christian modesty may become deeply rooted in the hearts of their pupils.

- "7. It is desirable that pious organizations of women be founded, which by their counsel, example and propaganda should combat the wearing of apparel unsuited to Christian modesty, and should promote purity of customs and modesty of dress.
- "8. In the pious associations of women those who dress immodestly should not be admitted to membership; but if, perchance, they are received, and after having been admitted, fall again into their error, they should be dismissed forthwith.
 - "9. Maidens and women dressed immodestly are to be debarred from Holy Communion and from acting as sponsors at the Sacraments of Baptism and Confirmation; further, if the offense be extreme, they may even be forbidden to enter the Church."

Donato Cardinal Sbaretti, (Prefect of Cong. of Council) Rome, January 12,1930