Daily Homily
Sts. Timothy and Titus, Bishops
Memorial
Third Week, Ordinary Time, Thursday
26 January 2023
USCCB Daily Readings

Since yesterday was the celebration of the "Conversion of St. Paul," today could be the celebration of the "Influence of St. Paul." Sts. Timothy and Titus, both of whom have epistles in Scripture attributed to them, were St. Paul's proteges. St. Paul took them under his wing.

As St. Paul traveled about preaching from place to place, Timothy, who at the time lived in Asia, was so enamored with Paul's preaching that he was immediately taken up with the Christian Way. He died a martyr.

Titus was a pagan and crossed paths with St. Paul as Paul was traveling to Jerusalem. Again, Paul's preaching and example, summoned Titus to follow him. He lived a full life as a bishop in Crete.

The influence of St. Paul helped to form, shape, and carry on the work of the Lord. We should never underestimate how we influence others with regard to our faith.

Who we influence and how we influence them, just might help the Lord to make them into saints.