

hear the words, which should lead to love, but as soon as they are at the church door, they offend their neighbour with harsh words and the sowed seed is already in danger.

Giving spiritual birth is often more difficult than giving physical birth. Your spiritual birth does not end before you have died and have passed to eternal life. For we give birth to you spiritually not just for this life on earth, but above all for the new life in eternity. We want you to be born for Heaven, not for hell.

Special Love for the Souls

When GOD leads a soul to me, He also gives me a special love for this soul; a love that cannot be destroyed, even if the soul falls away and does us harm. Not until the soul perishes would this love end. With every new soul whom GOD entrusts to me I feel a great joy, but I must also admit: „GOD, so You are giving me another soul, for whom I can make sacrifices.“ That is a priestly way of thinking. Amen!

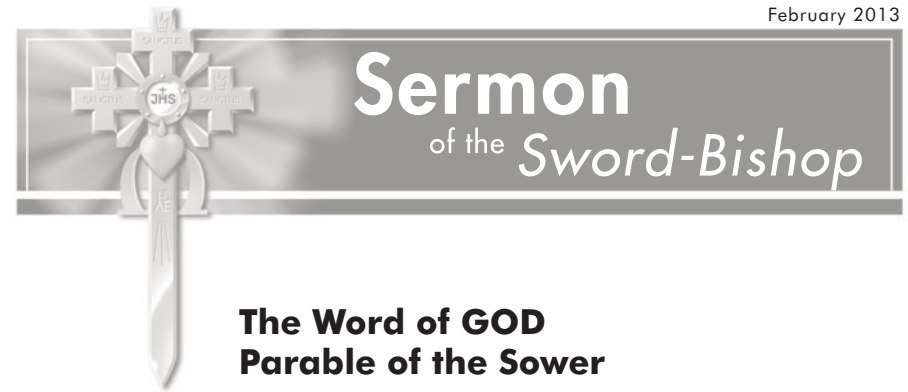
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**Be blessed by GOD TRINITY,
the + FATHER and the + SON
and the + HOLY GHOST. Amen!**

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The Word of GOD Parable of the Sower

The parable of the sower in the Gospel is well known to every preacher. If he preaches in order to save the souls, to foster piety, then his words are not just words but seeds, as the SAVIOUR describes them in His parable. When Mary conceived of the HOLY SPIRIT, the Word became flesh in her and the SAVIOUR was born of her. In the same way the word which we speak on GOD's command by virtue of our sacred office should become flesh in your heart. It should go into you like a seed and in you bring forth piety.

GOD Blesses the Word

It is one of the greatest sorrows for a preacher, particularly for an extraordinary instrument of GOD, when the seeds as described in the Gospel fall on rocky ground and perish. Some listeners may think that the preacher is only doing his duty and do not take into account that these words are willed by GOD! Even if the priest preaches differently from what pleases GOD, as long as it is not against GOD's teaching, GOD will give His blessing to it.

Giving Birth Spiritually

To the priest this sowing is like giving spiritual birth to the souls for the kingdom of Heaven. How often does the enemy sow weeds among the seeds. Some are glad when the sermon is finally over. Others are enthusiastic about the preacher's words, are euphoric and theatrical, but as soon as they hear someone else's words, they forget all about the words of the sermon and are enthusiastic about the other one. Still others do