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Father Mike Homilies

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Saint of the Day: St. Ado
(Pray for me!)

EXTRA CREDIT
(LOTS of points possible!)

Instructions:

- Choose 1 of Father Mike's homilies and give it a listen! (Yes, to the *whole thing*)
 - After listening to the entire homily, respond to the questions below.
 - *Answers for #3 and #4 should be *good, thought-out* responses that reflect full knowledge of the homily.
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1. What is the name of the homily you listened to?

Freedom Takes Courage.

2. How long was the homily that you listened to?

18:35

3. What was the homily about? (Please summarize some of the main points Father Mike talked about)

This homily was about when you want to one thing, and you find yourself doing something else. When this happens it means that you aren't free. You can become free by virtue. Virtue is the strength to overcome these actions. People used to describe virtue as a balance. If you go to the gym everyday to workout you would be off balance, and if you make arts and crafts all the time you would also be off balance. A well balanced person would take care of his body and feed his soul. This balance is virtue, and virtue is the strength or courage used to fight sin. Courage is both timid and reckless. You don't want to be too much on one side or the other, you want to be balanced. Jesus avoids extremes except with sin. He says to cut off your hand, foot, or whatever is making you commit sin. This means that you should cut out what is leading you to sin. It could be something simple like watching TV. Even if something is good for you, if it is leading you to sin you have to stop doing that. If you want to be free you have to cut it out of your life.

4. How can you relate the homily's message to your own life? What will you do with what you've heard?

I can relate this homily to my own life because I am not free. This homily has taught me some ways to avoid sin, so now I know how to avoid sin by cutting it out of my life. I will cut out the things in my life that drive me to sin. Even if it is something I love to do,

I will cut it out of my life. I will listen to God calling me to become a saint, and become more courageous, strong, and free.