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EMERITUS GROUP

Sunday School for Adults







New Wineskins & New Beginnings

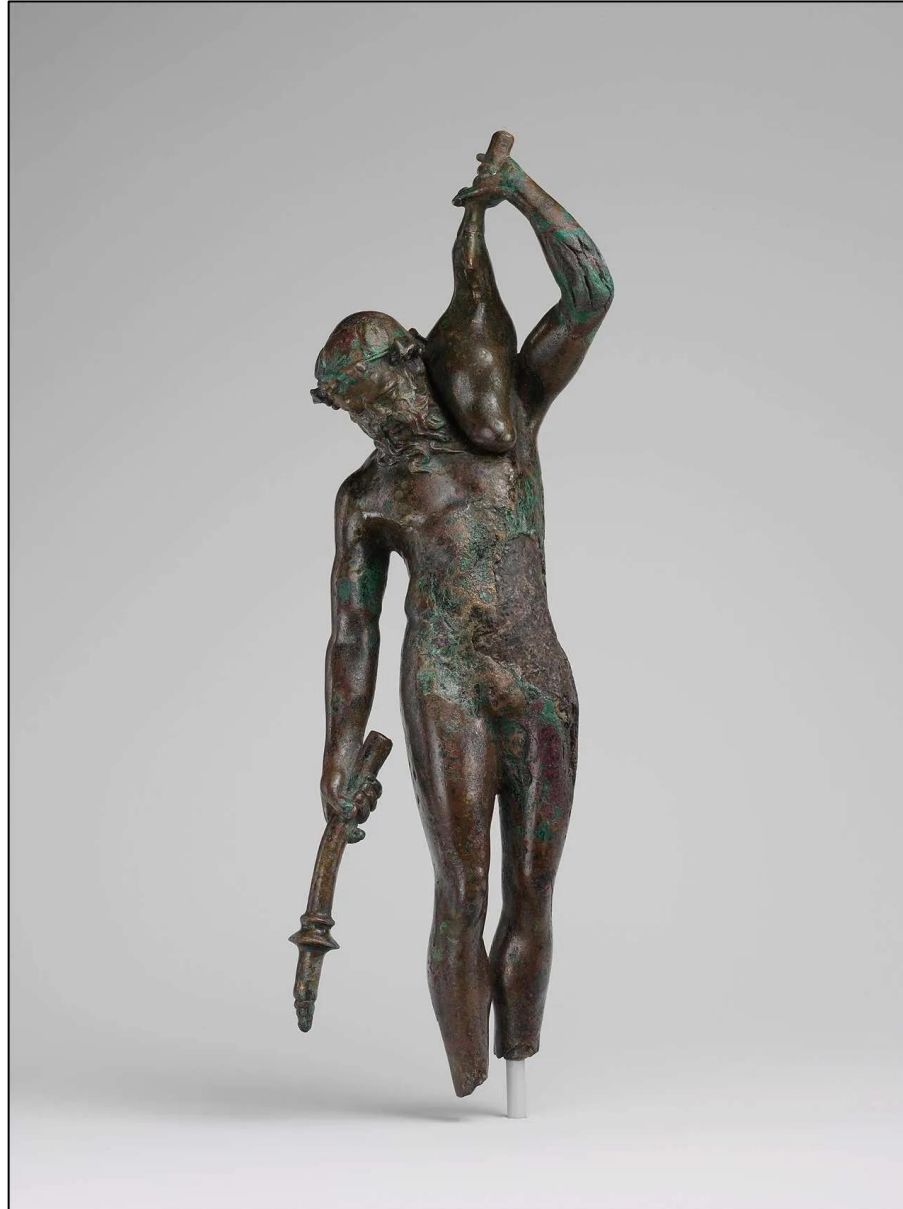
St. Anthony on the Lake Parish

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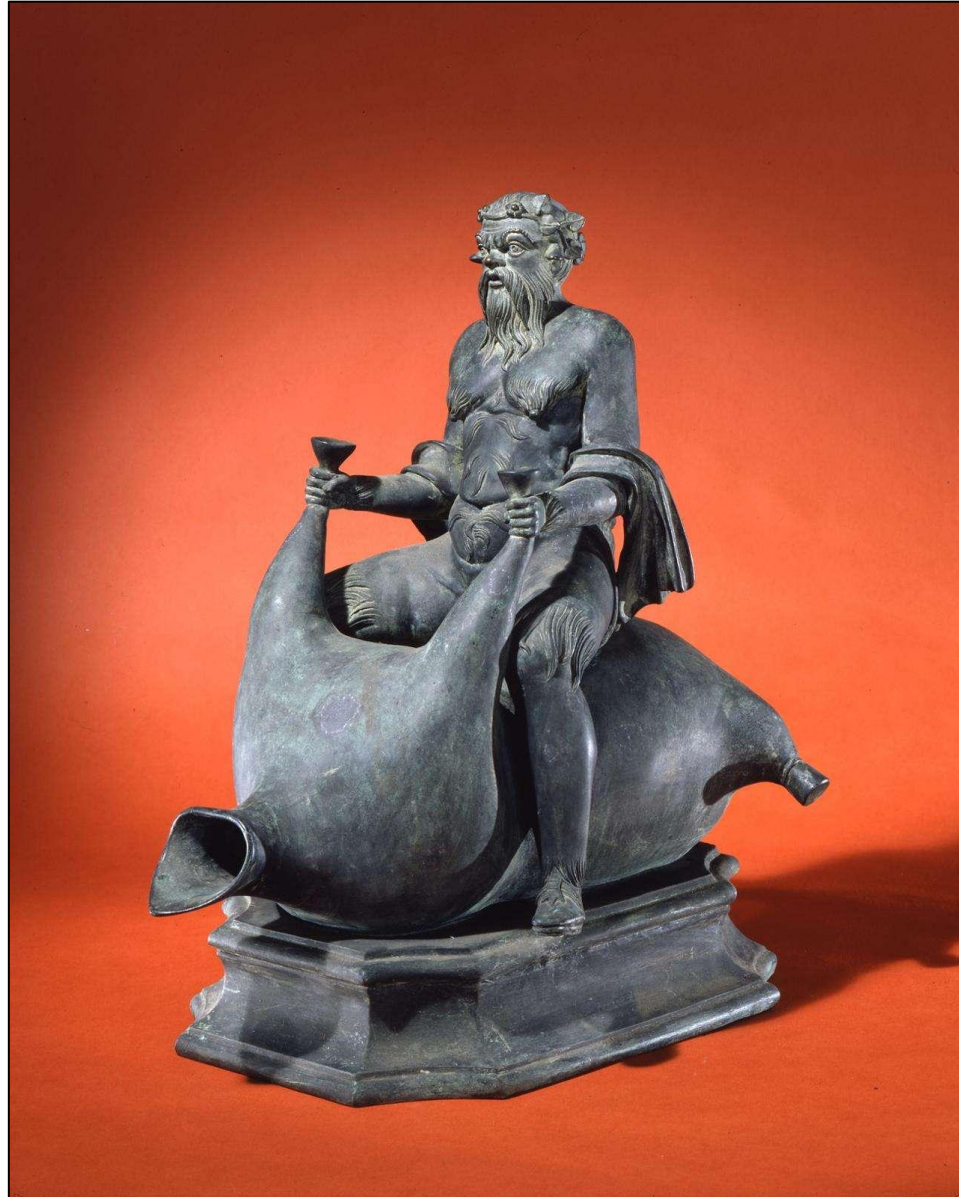
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Satyr with Wineskin

Greek bronze statuette (3rd-2nd century B.C.)



Silenus Riding a Wineskin
Fountain figure replica (1st-century B.C.)



“Likewise, no one puts new wine into old wineskins. If he does, the wine will burst the skins — and the wine is destroyed, and so are the skins. But new wine is for fresh wineskins.”

-- Mark 2:22





CONSIDER:

What do you suppose is the meaning or lesson behind Jesus' metaphor of new wineskins?



WINESKINS Hearts, minds

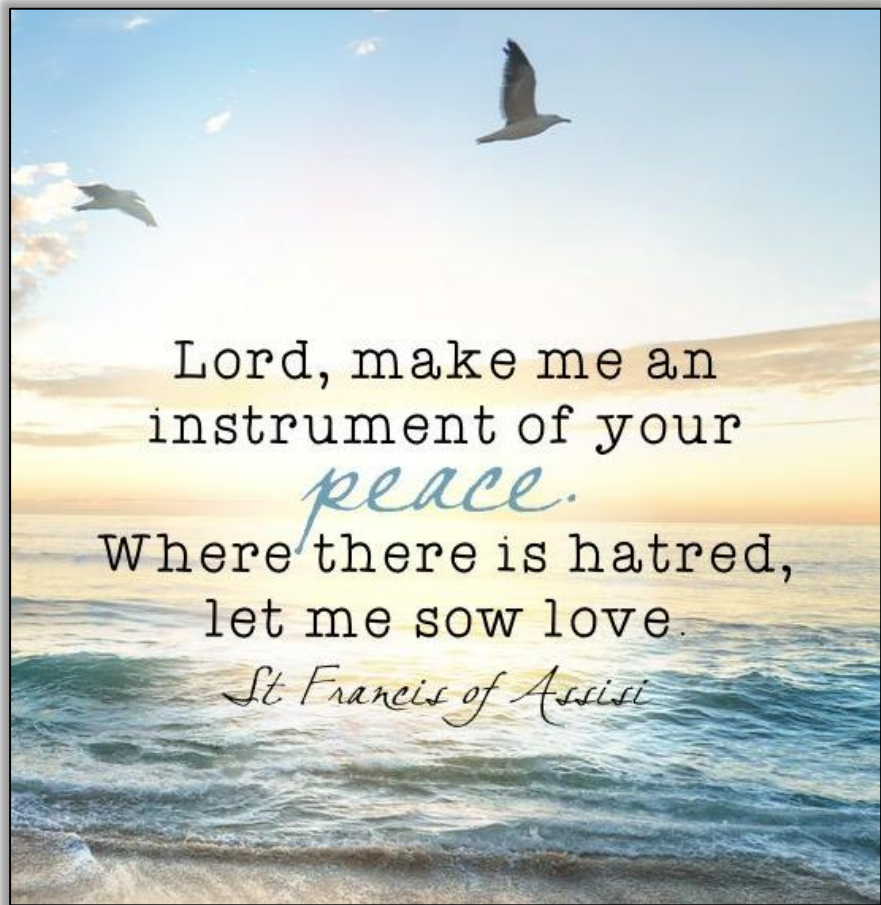
OLD SKINS “Checkbox Faith”

NEW WINE Christ’s grace

Renunciation of Worldly Goods

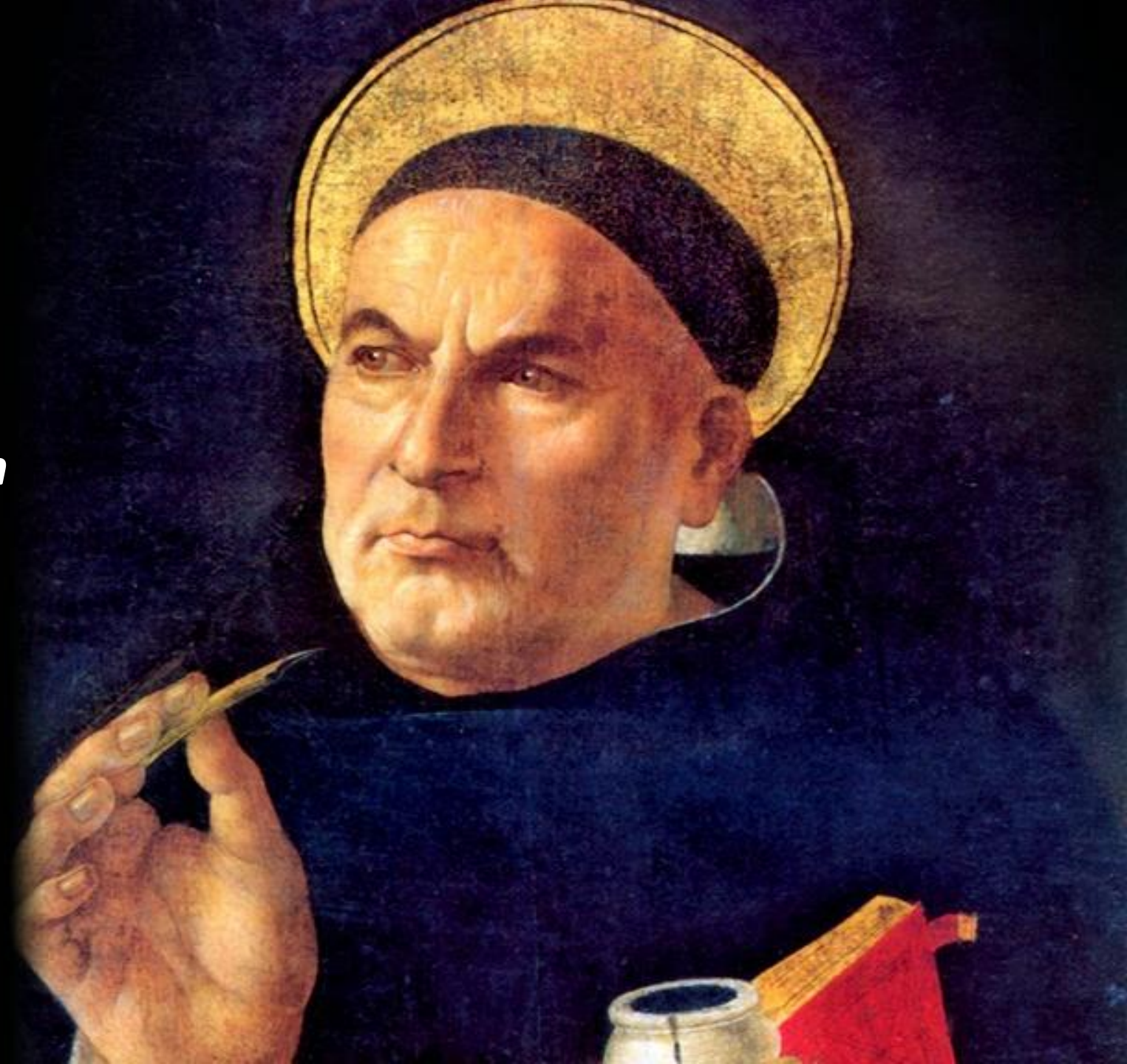
Giotto (c. 1295)





***“What is received depends on
the mode of the receiver.”***

-- St. Thomas Aquinas





IDENTIFY THE RIGID

What one inflexible attitude or habit do you have that acts like an “old wineskin,” resisting the stretch of God's grace?

Which teaching of Jesus makes you most uncomfortable, and how might it point to what most needs transformation?



EMBRACING “NEW WINE”

How is the Holy Spirit inviting you to a deeper prayer life, a call to ministry, or to forgive someone who hurt you?

Ask the Holy Spirit to detach from old comforts and soften your heart so you can stretch and grow without breaking.



HAIL MARY

Let's end with a collective prayer asking Mary – the ultimate “new wineskin” – who perfectly received the Word of God into her body and soul, for her intercession.

1 Butt = 126 gallons





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THANKS FOR BEING HERE!

**Our next meeting is
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 18**