



Pastor's Message

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To lose a lot of money in the stock market is tragic.
To lose the championship game is painful.
To lose your wedding ring is terrible.
But, to lose the power of your self-control is absolutely the worst.

Self-control is the ability of a person to rule over oneself. Incapability of controlling oneself could lead to much more disastrous outcomes than money being lost, a defeat at the end of a big game and even the sudden disappearance of a precious ring. A person unable to control his/her words and actions is someone who cannot rule over him/herself, which may lead to the loss of family members and/or friends.

The temporary failure of one's power over self-control does happen to all of us. From the beginning, our first parents, Adam and Eve, had a problem with self-control. Tempted by the serpent to eat the forbidden fruit, they did not control themselves. They "lost it." The fruit was eaten. Ages upon ages later, like them, each of us tend to "lose it" once in a while too.

Pray to the Lord for the power to maintain your self-control, especially with those closest to you. Indeed, it is to them we say things which we would never say to anyone else!

Peace,
Fr. Marc