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**30th Sunday
Year A
24th / 25th
October,
2020**

In a nutshell

Pharisees try again to disconcert Jesus. This time their question is about their religious Law.

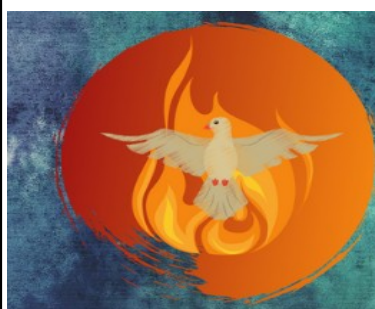
Jesus takes their question at face value and answers openly and directly, going straight to the heart of the Law.

When we love God with all our heart, we will not sin.

We will love others and do everything we can to promote love wherever we are.

Today's Readings

Exodus 22:20-26 The Lord hears the cry of the poor
1 Thessalonians 1:5-10 The Thessalonians are the great example of love, to all believers
Matthew 22:34-40 The greatest commandment of the Law



SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

Confirmation imparts the gift of the Holy Spirit. The person who receives this sacrament has already received the Holy Spirit in the sacrament of baptism, and the Holy Spirit abides with a person always. The Holy Spirit comes when a person prays or reads Scripture, or when a person asks the Holy Spirit for guidance, inspiration or courage. Confirmation is not the new arrival of the Holy Spirit, but rather an intensification of the presence and power of the Holy Spirit in our lives.

On last Friday evening and this Saturday afternoon we were delighted to welcome Bishop Richard Umbers who conferred the sacrament to 37 Children in our community, with their families.

Fr Phil Hicks msc

Entrance antiphon:

Let hearts rejoice who search for the Lord.
Seek the Lord and his strength, seek always the face of the Lord.

Response to the psalm:

I love you, Lord, my strength.

Gospel acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia! All who love me will keep my words,
and my Father will love them and we will come to them. Alleluia!

Readers		Ministers of Communion	
Saturday Vigil	Sr Jan O'Neil (Coordinator)	Vigil 5pm	Sr. Gabriel (Coordinator)
October	Sr Jan O'Neil	October	Michael Zador & others
November	John Betros		
Sunday 7.00 am	Peter Frost (Coordinator)	Sunday 7.00 am	Peter Frost (Coordinator)
October:	Peter Frost	October	Gary Keating
Sunday 9.30 am	Adele Cornale (Coordinator)	Sunday 9.30 am	Adele Cornale (Coordinator)
October 25th	Di Karas, Sharron Critchley	October:	Pilar Ovelar, Phil Docherty.
		Sunday 6pm	Andrew Poidevin (Coordinator)
			Paula O'Connor.
Church Cleaners		Sacristy & Altar	
Paula O'Connor and other volunteers.		Pilar Ovelar & Carol Miller	
Money Counters—Parish Office		Altar Flowers	
		Nobuko Konda & Margaret Betros	
October 25th:	Group 1	Piety Stall	(5pm Vigil Mass)
November 1st:	Group 2	Carol Miller	
November 8th:	Group 3		
November 15th:	Group 4		

Mass Offerings:	<i>Your prayers are requested for the following:</i>
Recently Deceased:	Elizabeth Khoury, John Weber.
Anniversary:	Mollie McCabe
Other Deceased:	Toni Barry, John Vonwiller , Richard Healy, George & Ellen McKelleher, Scott Family.
Sick:	Rob Williams, Rita Koh, June Ferguson, Fay Wilcox, Chris Simpson, Paula Hudson, Anne Stirling, Neil Thornton, Marian Moreno Tony Cruikshank, Diane Gordon, Chris Schneider, Therese Warfield, Lyn Sweeney, Paul Evans, Owen O'Conner, Margaret Mary Foody, Trish Shadwick, Michelle Thornton, Justin Wood, Joan Edwards, Judy Chock, Faye Mather, Alex Campbell, Maximilian Naum.



"Love the Lord your God, and your neighbour as yourself."

(Today's Gospel)

St Brigid's Parish Information	
Mass Times	Saturday Vigil 5.00 pm, Sunday 7.00 am, 9.30 am and 6.00 pm
Morning Tea	Sundays after the 9.30 am Family Mass (NOT during Covid19)
Weekday Masses	Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday 9.30 am
Reconciliation	20 Minutes before Saturday Vigil Mass
Sacrament of Anointing	During 9.30am Mass, 2nd Thursday of each Month
Baptisms	By appointment, on the first and third Sundays of each month, <i>after 9.30am Family Mass.</i>
Marriages	By appointment, arranged at least six months in advance
Parish Office:	Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday: 9am to 3pm. Phone 9315 7562. (For pastoral emergencies, contact Fr Phil 0420 329 731)

St Brigid's This Week & Beyond

Thank you - My sincere thanks to all involved in preparing our children for Confirmation: Joanne Smyth, Diane Karas and all the parents for your time and commitment to preparing your children for this sacrament. May you all grow strong through your openness to the Holy Spirit of God's love in your lives.

This Sunday - Children's Liturgy during our 9.30am Family Mass

On a personal note, I am very happy to be reappointed as Parish Priest for another three years here at St Brigid's Parish. I have grown very fond of this beautiful community and appreciate the love and support given to me by many families over the last six years.

November Masses It is a strong Catholic tradition to pray for all our deceased family and friends during the month of November; and Masses are offered each day for your intentions. Please write names in the Memorial Book in the Church Foyer. **November Mass envelopes** are also provided, and any donations received in these envelopes are sent to assist overseas MSC missionaries, who also offer Masses for your intentions.



HSC - As students have commenced their HSC exams, we encourage you to continue to pray for them at this time, please take a student prayer card in the foyer.

Monday 2nd November - PPC meeting at 7 pm in St Brigid's School library.

Fr Phil



Please download the Service NSW app on your phone to sign in for all Masses.

For the Joy of the
Lord is your
STRENGTH
NEHEMIAH 8:10

Thank you for supporting
this year's Catholic Mission
Church Appeal through your
kind gifts and prayers.

Your generosity makes it possible for people, through programs such as the Arrupe Centre, to continue reaching out and empowering people like Chen and his family.

Thank you also to so many parishioners who have become monthly giving partners through our Cambodia Mission Partners program.

For more information about the work of Catholic Mission in Cambodia and around the world, please contact our friendly team at the freecall number below, or at catholicmission.org.au/contact.



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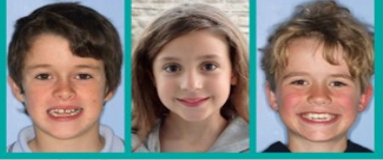
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