



THIRTY FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

31ST OCTOBER 2021 TIME YEAR B/1



It is amazing to note how leaving out just one half of one verse of the Gospel can affect the Christian life for centuries.

All of us know by rote the command of Jesus that we must love God with all our heart, mind, soul and strength and we must love our neighbour.

But the second half of verse 31 is not usually quoted because, sadly, it is not as imbedded in our memory. It reads: 'You shall love your neighbour AS YOU LOVE YOURSELF.'

There are very clear historical reasons why the second part of Jesus' summary of the commandments was quietly forgotten. Given the chequered personal experience he had of his own body, St Augustine, in the fifth century, had very ambivalent feelings about the human body. He thought that, generally, it was to be feared as the instrument through which we would sin. He encouraged us to tame it through prayer, mortification and penance. Augustine's ideas about the body held sway until Thomas Aquinas in the 13th century and the Jesuit Theologians of the 15th century argued that while the body can lead us to sin, it is also a temple of the Holy Spirit and a vehicle of God's love and grace.

In the 16th century Cornelius Jansen denounced Aquinas and the Jesuits and argued that Augustine held the correct Christian view. No matter what the Church did to denounce Jansen at the time, his thinking took deep root in Europe, the USA and missionary countries throughout the world. Jansenism, the belief that our body and its desires are evil and that we need to harshly mortify ourselves, is, tragically, still active in Christian thought today.

Jansenism is irreconcilable with today's Gospel where Jesus tells us that the love of God, the love of neighbour and the love of self are the cornerstones of the Christian law. And the opposite must be true too. We CANNOT call ourselves Christian if we hate God, hate our neighbour or hate ourselves.

Some people argue that Western society has already gone too far in the direction of self-love. They maintain that the lengths some people go to achieve a sculptured body, the use of steroids, the growing frequency of eating disorders, the adoration of sportsmen and women, the cult of the gym and of the sex industry all point to a culture too much in love with itself. Some argue what we need is a good dose of self-control. They are only half-right.

The problem with the term 'love of self' is that we often hear in it an encouragement to 'adore self'. Nothing could be further from what Jesus is saying. We are called to love our body, not worship it. Jesus is not calling us to a narcissistic love, like we see in the sex industry and the gym cults, where the only thing we love is ourselves. If we have no sense of our own self worth, our own dignity and the personal love of God for each of us, it is impossible for us to give the same to others and to claim from others the dignity we deserve. We will either treat others as our inferiors on the one hand, or allow others to walk all over us, on the other.

Love of self is not about canonising a loss of self-control. Jesus shows us by the way he loved his Father, us and himself that true love always involves sacrifice. If we love our self in the right way, we have the self control to forgo those things that are most destructive in our life and we have the generosity to do for others the things that will enrich their lives. Jesus knew, that we can never love others if we hate ourselves.

Let's pray in this Eucharist, then, that we will develop our mind, heart, soul and strength to love the One who has created us in love and love those given into our care with the same love we lavish on ourselves. The Gospel of Jesus Christ demands nothing less!

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OFFICE OPENING HOURS

ASHMORE:

MONDAY TO THURSDAY

8:00AM TO 4:00PM

SOUTHPORT OFFICE:

MONDAY TO FRIDAY

9AM TO 4:30PM

HEY KIDS !!!



Please follow rules, be safe and have fun when you are at this parish.

Thank you.



St. Joseph the Worker Church
44 Imperial Parade, Labrador

Sunday Masses

7:00am & 8:30am

Weekday Masses

Monday & Wednesday - 7:00am

Gold Coast University Hospital

Friday Mass at 10.30am

Rosary 10.00am

Mass Friday 10:30am

Guardian Angels' Church

99 Scarborough St., Southport

Saturday & Sunday Masses

Reconciliation : 4.30pm

Third Saturday each month 10.30am

Saturday (Vigil) 5.30 pm

Sunday 7:00am & 9:00am

Prayers & Adoration

Wednesday 12.00noon -1.00pm

Weekday Mass

Friday 12:30pm

Mary Immaculate Church

31 Edmund Rice Drive, Ashmore

Saturday & Sunday Masses

Saturday (Vigil) 4.30pm

Sunday 9:00am & 5.30pm, including the Korean Mass

Weekday Masses

Tuesday 9:00am

Thursday 9:00am

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Guardian Angels Church 4.30pm



MELBOURNE CUP

2021

PLEASE NOTE THAT THE MELBOURNE CUP WILL NOW BE HELD AT THE LUMEN CHRISTI CENTRE 44 IMPERIAL PDE. LABRADOR.

SOUTHPORT CATHOLIC PARISH

Melbourne Cup Luncheon

TUESDAY 2 NOVEMBER 2021 - 10.30AM

**LUMEN CHRISTI CENTRE ,
44 IMPERIAL PDE LABRADOR**

*All the usual fun!
Fashions in the Field—Best Hat and Lucky
Door Prizes
Silly Sweeps*

\$35 per person includes lunch and drinks.
Tickets available at the Parish Office and on line

Parish Sweep

Tickets \$2 each. Or 3 for \$5

*1st prize: \$500.00
2nd prize:\$300.00
3rd prize \$200.00*

Tickets available at all Masses

Please note that this sweep is a fund raising sweep and only 24 people will get a horse. Proceeds will go towards a new organ for St Joseph the Worker Church in Labrador.

Please support this worthy cause.

**Thank you to those who
bought tickets**

ANGELS KITCHEN. Due to the large numbers of people using Angels Kitchen Sunday night feed, we are running short of clothing. We need T Shirts, socks, shoes, underwear, jeans, toiletries track suit tops and pants, men's, and women's clothing. Non-perishable food. Back packs and sleeping bags wouldn't go astray as well.



“Christmas isn't just one day” - is a children's booklet which has, stories, puzzles, colouring-in, recipes and prayers – as well as a few ideas for parents – this little book covers most of the scripture stories and feasts of the whole of the Christmas season. Most importantly, it shares the message of God's love, revealed through the birth of Jesus our Lord. These little booklets are fun for the children and are at a cost of only \$2 each if you order 50 and can be purchased through the parish office. Please call 5510222 if you would like this booklet for your children.

PRAY FOR RECONCILIATION

ANGLICAN ROMAN CATHOLIC

RECONCILIATION
SERVICE

DO NOT BE AFRAID, LITTLE FLOCK,
FOR IT IS YOUR FATHER'S GOOD
PLEASURE TO GIVE YOU THE
KINGDOM.

SELL YOUR POSSESSIONS, AND
GIVE ALMS. MAKE PURSES FOR
YOURSELVES THAT DO NOT WEAR
OUT. AN UNFAILING TREASURE IN
HEAVEN, WHERE NO THIEF COMES
NEAR AND NO MOTH DESTROYS.

FOR WHERE YOUR TREASURE IS,
THERE YOUR HEART WILL BE ALSO.

LUKE 12:32-34 NRSV

11am - 12pm
Thursday 4 November 2021
Cathedral of St Stephen
249 Elizabeth St, Brisbane City
pre-registration not required

“God's Word”– God's Word is the only book that has arrived. For all those who have ordered this book, please collect your book from the parish office.

Our Lady of Fatima. Please come and join us at the Marian Valley for the feast of Our Lady Of Fatima on 13.11.2021. The bus will be picking up at 8.15am sharp at the Sacred Heart Church, Clear Island Waters. The Cost for the bus is \$22.00 return and please BYO lunch. You can secure your seat with contact name and contact phone number with Xavier Solomon 0404 843 260, Madeleine on 0405 252 367 or 5529 1573, Zenaida on 0447 004 344 or 5526 6895. All are welcome.



GOLD & SILVER Brisbane Pops Orchestra

When: On Sunday, 5th of Dec. 2021 at 2pm

Where: Guardian Angels Church,
99 Scarborough St. Southport

**Booking are on line or payment can
be made at the Parish Office
5510 2222**

Admission \$35 (includes light supper)

**Liturgy of the Word for Next Sunday Year B/1
1st Reading – 1 Kings 17:10-16 - 2nd Reading – Hebrews 9:24-28
Gospel - Mark 12:38- 44**

**STOPLINE RECEIVES INFORMATION ABOUT SUSPECTED ABUSE, (INFORMATION CAN BE PROVIDED ANONYMOUSLY)
MISCONDUCT & SERIOUS POLICY BREACHES BY ARCHDIOCESAN CLERGY, EMPLOYEES OR VOLUNTEERS.**

PHONE: 1300 304 550 EMAIL: AOB@stopleveline.com.au ONLINE: www.bnecatholic.stoplinereport.com

Local Safeguarding Representative (LSR)

Guardian Angels Church
Rebecca

Mary Immaculate Church
Raphaelle

St Joseph the Worker Church
Cathy

*Our Parish has implemented the Archdiocesan Safeguarding Children and Vulnerable Adults policy.
We are committed to high standards of recruitment, screening and selection of all our employees and volunteers
and undertake intentional strategies to maintain a safe and healthy ministry environment for all.*

Recently Deceased

**Graeme Frahm, Rizalinda Caparas,
Mary Esparcia, Carole Loughridge
Giovanna Anzellotti**

*The names of our sick and
deceased family & friends*

A VOCATION VIEW: We pray for the souls gone before us, priests, religious and lay – those who have taken their vocation of Christian service seriously. May the Lord's merciful love purify them completely, that they may look upon the face of God and rejoice forever. A Vocation dwells within us, with the powerful possibility to transform our own lives and make us saints. **Please pray for Vocations.**



Feast day – 3rd November. Martín de Porres Velázquez OP (9 December 1579 – 3 November 1639) was a Peruvian lay brother of the Dominican Order who was beatified in 1837 by Pope Gregory XVI and canonized in 1962 by Pope John XXIII. He is the patron saint of mixed-race people, barbers, innkeepers, public health workers, and all those seeking racial harmony. Martín was born in the city of Lima, Viceroyalty of Peru, on 9 December 1579. He was the illegitimate son of a Spanish nobleman, Don Juan de Porras y de la Peña, and Ana Velázquez, a freed slave of African and Native descent. He had a sister named Juana de Porres, born two years later in 1581. After the birth of his sister, the father abandoned the family. Ana Velázquez supported her children by taking in laundry. He grew up in poverty and, when his mother could not support him, Martín was sent to a primary school for two years, and then placed with a barber/surgeon to learn the medical arts. He spent hours of the night in prayer, a practice which increased as he grew older.

Under Peruvian law, descendants of Africans and Native Americans were barred from becoming full members of religious orders. The only route open to Martín was to ask the Dominicans of Holy Rosary Priory in Lima to accept him as a "donado", a volunteer who performed menial tasks in the monastery in return for the privilege of wearing the habit and living with the religious community. At the age of 15 he asked for admission to the Dominican Convent of the Rosary in Lima and was received first as a servant boy, and as his duties grew he was promoted to almoner.

Martín continued to practice his old trades of barbering and healing and was said to have performed many miraculous cures. He also took on kitchen work, laundry, and cleaning. After eight years at Holy Rosary, the prior Juan de Lorenzana decided to turn a blind eye to the law and permit Martín to take his vows as a member of the Third Order of Saint Dominic. Holy Rosary was home to 300 men, not all of whom accepted the decision of De Lorenzana: one of the novices called Martín a "mulatto dog", while one of the priests mocked him for being illegitimate and descended from slaves. When Martín was 24, he was allowed to profess religious vows as a Dominican lay brother in 1603. He is said to have several times refused this elevation in status, which may have come about due to his father's intervention, and he never became a priest. It is said that when his convent was in debt, he implored them: "I am only a poor mulatto, sell me." Martín was deeply attached to the Blessed Sacrament, and he was praying in front of it one night when the step of the altar he was kneeling on caught fire. Throughout all the confusion and chaos that followed, he remained where he was, unaware of what was happening around him.

When Martín was 34, after he had been given the religious habit of a lay brother, he was assigned to the infirmery, where he was placed in charge and would remain in service until his death at the age of 59. He was known for his care of the sick. His superiors saw in him the virtues necessary to exercise unflinching patience in this difficult role. It was not long before miracles were attributed to him. Martín also cared for the sick outside his convent, often bringing them healing with only a simple glass of water. He ministered without distinction to Spanish nobles and to slaves recently brought from Africa.

PARISH DATE CLAIMERS FOR 2021

SOCIAL ACTIVITIES for 2021

Melbourne Cup 2nd November at Guardian Angels Church. Tuesday 2nd November 10-3pm. \$35 (includes lunch and drinks) register on line or payment can be made at the Parish Office. (Sweep tickets, for sale, at each church.)

PLEASE COLLECT TICKETS FROM THE PARISH OFFICE.

Sunday December 5th - Brisbane City POPS Orchestra

At Guardian Angels Church, Southport. At 2pm Admission: \$35 (including light supper) register on line or payment can be made at the Parish Office. See poster

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Rosary Please join in saying the rosary every **Monday and Wednesday at 6am** at St Joseph the Worker Church, Labrador. **Tuesday & Thursday 8am** Mary Immaculate.

Eucharistic Adoration at Mary Immaculate Church

Please join us every **Tuesday** from 7.45 till 8.45 am. There will be rosary, chaplet of the Divine Mercy and Private prayer. Followed by Holy Mass.

Holy Hour at Guardian Angels Church, Southport

Please join us every **Wednesday** from 12noon. Including silent prayer, hymns, rosary and spiritual reflections, Benediction at 1pm. Confessions also available.

Novena at St Joseph the Worker Church Labrador every Wednesday at 6pm.

1st Wednesday Rosary 6pm followed by Mass at 7pm

First Saturday of each month, Mass at St Joseph the Worker Church (Rosary - 8:30am) 9am Mass.

Walking Group. At **St Joseph the Worker church, Saturday at 6:00am.** To join please contact Janeece 0408 763 772.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

Come As You Are

Come as you are, that's how I want you.
Come as you are, feel quite at home.
Close to my heart loved and forgiven,
come as you are, why stand alone?

No need to fear, love sets no limits,
no need to fear, love never ends.
Don't run away
shamed and disheartened.
Rest in my love, trust me again.

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GLORIA - SAID

Glory to God in the highest,
and on earth peace to people of good will.
We praise you, we bless you,
we adore you, we glorify you,
we give you thanks for your great glory.
Lord God, heavenly King,
O God, almighty Father.
Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
Son of the Father,
You take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us
You take away the sins of the world,
receive our prayer;
You are seated at the right hand
of the Father,
have mercy on us.
For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
You alone are the most High,
Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM – SUNG

Micah's Theme

Refrain:

**Hear then, what God asks of you,
to live justly, to love tenderly,
and to walk humbly with your God.**

I have come that you may have life
and have it to the full. **R**

Ask and you shall receive,
knock and it shall be yours. **R**

Father, your kingdom come,
may your will be done. **R**

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GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Celtic Alleluia

Alleluia, Alleluia! Alleluia, Alleluia!

The Word of the Lord lasts for ever.
What is the Word that is living?
It is brought to us
through his Son Jesus Christ.

Alleluia, Alleluia! Alleluia, Alleluia!

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GIFTS PROCESSION

A New Commandment

A new commandment
I give unto you
that you love one another
as I have loved you,
that you love one another
as I have loved you.

By this shall others know
that you are my disciples
if you have love one for another.
By this shall others know
that you are my disciples
if you have love one for another.

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MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

We proclaim your death Lord,
and profess your Resurrection
until you come again.

COMMUNION PROCESSION

Where There is Charity and Love

Antiphon:

**Where there is charity and love,
there the God of love abides.**

The love of Christ
has gathered us as one,
rejoice in him
with joy which he imparts.
Let us revere and love the living God
and love each other
with unfeigning hearts. **Ant**

And so,
when we are gathered here as one,
let quarrels die
and envious rancour cease.
Be our resolve all bitterness to shun
and in our midst be Christ,
his love and peace. **Ant**

Oh, lead us, Master,
by your saving grace,
to where the blessed glory
in your sight.
There let us see and love you
face to face,
gathered once more in
everlasting light. **Ant**

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REFLECTION HYMN

As Gentle as Silence

Oh, the love of my Lord is the essence
of all that I love here on earth.
All the beauty I see
has been given to me,
and his giving is gentle as silence.

Every day, every hour, every moment
has been blessed
by the strength of his love.
At the turn of each tide,
he is there at my side,
and his touch is as gentle as silence.

There've been times
when I've turned from his presence,
and I've walked other paths,
other ways.
But I've called on his name
in the dark of my shame,
and his mercy was gentle as silence.

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RECESSIONAL HYMN

They'll Know We Are Christians

We are one in the Spirit,
we are one in the Lord.
We are one in the Spirit,
we are one in the Lord,
and we pray that all unity
may one day be restored

Refrain:

**And they'll know we are Christians
by our love, by our love,
yes they'll know we are Christians
by our love**

We will walk with each other,
we will walk hand in hand.
We will walk with each other,
we will walk hand in hand
and together we'll spread the news
that God is in our land **R**

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APOSTLES CREED

**I believe in God,
the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ, his only Son,
our Lord,**

**Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
(all bow)**

**born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried;**

**He descended into hell;
on the third day he rose again
from the dead;**

**He ascended into heaven;
and is seated at the right hand of
God the Father almighty;**

**From there he will come to judge
the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
The holy catholic church,
The communion of saints,
The forgiveness of sins,**

**The resurrection of the body,
And life everlasting.**

Amen