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THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Year A

24th/25th October 2026

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Welcome to the Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time.

Love your Neighbour as Yourself

30th Sunday
Ordinary Time
Year A
Matthew 22:34-40

पड़ोसी को अपने समान प्यार करो
*Love your neighbour
as yourself*



Today's readings speak about the most fundamental laws that must guide our life of faith. They speak about the primacy of Love – love of God and love of one's neighbours as oneself.

The first reading talks about loving the poor. God has a special love for the poor people. Therefore, God demands that we show love to the poor, the alien, the stranger.

The responsorial psalm proclaims God as source of strength and protection. The psalmist describes God in terms of a great warrior and defender. God is the source of strength and the victor over the enemies of those who trust in the Lord. For the true believer, God is in control and the only thing that the believer must do is to acknowledge the supremacy of God.

The second reading talks about loving the word of God and spreading it through life. St. Paul addresses the people of Thessalonika urging them to continue the acts of faith which they have already begun, turning away from idolatrous worship and caring for one another.

The gospel talks about the greatest commandment of love. In the Gospel, Jesus responds to a tricky question posed by the Pharisees. Jesus generalizes and summarizes all the Mosaic Law into two phrases: Complete and total love of God which flows into love and concern for others.

Jesus' summary of the law and commands is truly the measuring stick by which we must act. We must look at how our actions manifest our complete and total love for God and our conscientious decision to care for others. Being a follower of Jesus is an invitation to act like our God Who is Love.

Christian community is a community of love.

Without love it is impossible to establish relationship with others. Without love we cannot serve the Church, defend the poor and the oppressed, without love we can turn into oppressors, without love there no salvation.

The Eucharist is the sacrament of love. Participation in the Eucharist is a sign that we love God, and we take responsibility for the neighbour/poor. It is the sacrament of those who love.

Today we are challenged to be loving people. Ask yourself: Are you a loving person? Is your faith limited to the relation between you and God? How do you view your neighbour? What is your attitude towards them? Are you a good neighbour?

“True faith begins with loving God wholeheartedly and becomes visible in the way we love our neighbour.”

Fr. Akesh Xalxo, Bless you!

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY

A heartfelt thank you to everyone who has generously donated towards painting St Mary's Church, Kingaroy. Your support is greatly appreciated and is helping to preserve our beautiful place of worship.

We would also be very grateful for further donations to help cover the cost of repairing the hole in the Church roof and the shortfall in the grant funding for painting the Hall. Every contribution, large or small, will make a valued difference. Thank you for your continued generosity and support.

Mandy Sullivan, Chair, Finance Council

HAPPY GRANDPARENT'S DAY



Lord, bless all Grandparents with wisdom in their guidance and peace in their hearts. Keep them safe, happy and strong. May they feel cherished and filled with energy to enjoy life and the company of their families.

THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Friday 23rd October	Cooyar	6pm	Vigil
Saturday 24th October	Blackbutt	5pm	Liturgy
	Kumbia	6pm	Vigil
Sunday 25th October	Nanango	8am	Mass
	Kingaroy	10am	Mass

First Reading	Exodus 22:20-26
Responsorial Psalm	I love you, Lord, my strength.
Second Reading	1 Thessalonians 1:5-10
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!
Gospel	Matthew 22:34-40

WEEKDAY MASS OF 30th WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME

Thursday 29th October	Blackbutt	9am	Mass
	Kumbia	5:30pm	Mass
Friday 30th October	Kingaroy Reconciliation	8:30am	
	Kingaroy	9am	Mass
	Nanango	12pm	Mass
	Nanango Reconciliation	12:30pm	
Saturday 31st October	Memorial of the Virgin Mary		
	Kingaroy	9am	Mass

ALL SAINTS DAY

Sunday 1st November	Kumbia	8am	Liturgy
	Nanango	8am	Mass
	Kingaroy	10am	Mass

ALL SOULS' DAY

Monday 2nd November	Kingaroy	7am	Mass
	Nanango	12pm	Mass

The *All-Souls' Remembrance Book* will be at the Entrance of each church. Please write your loved one's names in the book. The remembrance book will be processed at the beginning of November Masses and placed on the Altar.

This year there will be no Remembrance Tree or Slides. During the Prayers of the Faithful there will be one slide with the names of our loved ones who have been lifted up into the hands of Our Heavenly Father over the last year. Should there be any names missing from the slide, please advise the office.

INTERNATIONAL EUCHARISTIC CONGRESS

Dates have been announced for the next International Eucharistic Congress 2028. Catholics can start preparing, with Bishop Richard Umbers announcing the gathering will take place in Sydney from September 24 to October 1, 2028. See more in The Catholic Leader: catholicleader.com.au/news/australia/dates-announced-for-the-international-eucharistic-congress-2028/

Kingaroy Nanango Parishes Collection for last week – \$1493.35. Thank you.

PARISH PRAYERS FOR THIS WEEK

Recently Deceased: Peter Dickenson

Death Anniversaries: Alice Douillard, Roy Knaggs, Christian Lusseau, , Peter Shanahan.

Prayers for the sick:

OLHC Parish - Amelia Cole, Greg Knaggs, Damian Wyvill, Bruce McCarthy, Shirley Warner, Wendy Smith, Kyle Sutherland (Perrett), Kylie Lane, Chris Stevens, Luke Colahan, John Kajewski.

St Mary's Parish - Denise Mann, Liz Mamczur, Ellie Spicer, Joe Smoothy, Judy Stanton, Jo Saunders, Michael Carroll, Therese Hanley, Teresa O'Sullivan, Juliette McCorley, Bruce McCarthy, Rikie Brinkman, Bernice Mahoney, Julianne Cross, Megan Manthey, Lisa Kennedy, Mary O'Neil.

SACRAMENT OF FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

8th November 2026

OLHC Nanango – 8am Mass

St Mary's Catholic Church - 10am Mass



SAFEGUARDING MATTERS

For those in a role that requires Archdiocese of Brisbane Safeguarding.

Could all of those who volunteer in a role that require Archdiocese of Brisbane Safeguarding compliance please go to welcome.brisbanecatholic.org.au and click on the "Parish Volunteers Archelearn Training Portal" button to check if you are fully compliant (if you have forgotten your password or not created one, click on "Forgot your Password? To create a new one). If you are having any difficulty, please contact the Parish Office for assistance.

We thank all our volunteers for the time and talents you give in ministry for the good of the parish.



We are looking for **Expressions of Interest for a Volunteer Local Safeguarding Representative**. If you are able to volunteer or have any questions about the role, please contact the Parish Office.

INVITATION



All parishioners are invited to attend Fr Akesh's Birthday Mass which will held at 9am at St Mary's Catholic Church in Kingaroy on the 7th November 2026, followed by a shared morning tea – Please bring a plate to share.

SCAM ALERT!

Please refer to important information on the notice board.