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Catechizing Corner!

Today's Gospel is a reminder of the two dimensions of Christ's gospel: love of God and love of neighbor. There is often a tension in the church between these two imperatives. When there is imbalance, both suffer. Some people love and worship God with little or no concern for others; concern for others is secondary and "added to what is really important. From that perspective, it is difficult to understand the relevance of the historical commitment of Christians or the demands of the poor, what the Bible calls orphans, widows and aliens.."There are still others who insist that to be Christian is exclusively to have a commitment and a solidarity with others.

Mary Birmingham, Word and Worship Workbook,

Cycle A Paulist Press

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<u>Disciple's Reflection</u> <u>for the</u> <u>Question of the Week</u>

Thirtieth Sunday in **Ordinary Time**

10/29/2023

A Call to Prayer

The Word of God Matthew 22:34-40

Faith Sharing Questions of the week

Closing Prayer

HOLY FAMILY CHURCH

Holy Family is a welcoming Catholic Eucharistic community of disciples of Jesus Christ connecting faith with life and reaching out to those in need!



Begin by calling upon God: In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, Amen.

Let us pause for a moment and listen attentively to this week's passage.

The Word of God Matthew 22: 34-40

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

When the Pharisees heard that Jesus had silenced the Sadducees, they gathered together, and one of them, a scholar of the law tested him by asking, "Teacher, which commandment in the law is the greatest?" He said to him, "You shall love the Lord, your God, with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind. This is the greatest and the first commandment. The second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. The whole law and the prophets depend on these two commandments"

The Gospel of the Lord



Faith Sharing

Questions of the Week:

Children: We show our love for Jesus by loving our friends and family. Share one way that you show your love.

Teen: Jesus tells us that we are to love each other as we love ourselves. Do you love yourself? Can you see the good that God has put within you? Is it easier to love others?

Adult: How are you trying to live Jesus' commandments in your everyday life?

Family: Repeat the two commandments which Jesus teaches today in your own words. How have they become part of your life?



Faithful God, strengthen our faith, hope, and love. May we do with loving hearts what you ask of us and come to share the life you promise. We ask this, as we ask all things, through Christ our Lord, Amen

Gospel Glossary

The **Sadducees** were a group of Jewish leaders who were experts in the law of Moses and who often tried to trick Jesus