

Getting Ready for Sunday!



Matthew 5:17-37

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
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The Pharisees were questioning Jesus-some trying to understand His teaching and others were trying to catch Him out and proven wrong!

Jesus did not come to get rid of the Old Covenant, but instead to be the New Covenant! Jesus is the Promised Messiah!

He was not going to get rid of the Commandments, but He was going to show how to live them well!

Today's Gospel proclaims a message about the Commandments which relates to our lives in a real way in Christian times.

Can you see the connections?

Do not think that I have come to abolish the law or the prophets; I have come not to abolish but to fulfil. For truly I tell you, until heaven and earth pass away, not one letter, not one stroke of a letter, will pass from the law until all is accomplished.





Therefore, whoever breaks one of the least of these commandments, and teaches others to do the same, will be called least in the kingdom of heaven; but whoever does them and teaches them will be called great in the kingdom of heaven

ALWAYS do what you know is right and encourage others to do the same!



For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven.

It's not enough to talk
about what needs to be
done: but **JUST DO
IT!**



You have heard that it was said to those of ancient times, “You shall not murder”; and “whoever murders shall be liable to judgement.” But I say to you that if you are angry with a brother or sister, you will be liable to judgement; and if you insult a brother or sister, you will be liable to the council; and if you say, “You fool”, you will be liable to the hell of fire.

*Do not kill the spirit
of others by gossip,
bullying, lies, taunts,
put-downs!*

*Don't call others
names that kill their
humanity and self-
esteem!*

Do not kill

*Do not kill someone's
human value by
insulting them.*

So when you are offering your gift at the altar, if you remember that your brother or sister has something against you, leave your gift there before the altar and go; first be reconciled to your brother or sister, and then come and offer your gift.



There is no point going to Mass, or praying unless you are willing to forgive those who have hurt you!

Come to terms quickly with your accuser while you are on the way to court with him, or your accuser may hand you over to the judge, and the judge to the guard, and you will be thrown into prison. Truly I tell you, you will never get out until you have paid the last penny.

If you have done something wrong, own up and make it right again!



‘You have heard that it was said, “You shall not commit adultery.” But I say to you that everyone who looks at a woman with lust has already committed adultery with her in his heart.

Treat yourself and
others with respect at all
times!



If your right eye causes you to sin, tear it out and throw it away; it is better for you to lose one of your members than for your whole body to be thrown into hell. And if your right hand causes you to sin, cut it off and throw it away; it is better for you to lose one of your members than for your whole body to go into hell.

Let go of all that takes you
away from sharing and
knowing God's love!

Let go of anger if it causes
to hurt others!

Let go of jealousy, wanting
what others have, always being
in competition if it causes you to
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It was also said, “Whoever divorces his wife, let him give her a certificate of divorce.” But I say to you that anyone who divorces his wife, except on the ground of unchastity, causes her to commit adultery; and whoever marries a divorced woman commits adultery.

Marriage is a precious
gift that needs to be
treated well!
Be faithful in
marriage and in
friendship!



Again, you have heard that it was said to those of ancient times, “You shall not swear falsely, but carry out the vows you have made to the Lord.”



Do not take God's name with disrespect!

But I say to you, Do not swear at all, either by heaven, for it is the throne of God, or by the earth, for it is his footstool, or by Jerusalem, for it is the city of the great King. And do not swear by your head, for you cannot make one hair white or black.



Let your word be “Yes, Yes” or “No, No”; anything more than this comes from the evil one.



Be honest in all that you say and do!

Bible Search

Read Matthew 5:17-37 in your family Bible-this is the Gospel reading at Mass this Sunday.



Consider



How can you do what is right today?

Praying to Jesus



Pray for the grace to know what is the right thing to do each day.

