

Lectio Divina

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- **Read and re-read**, out loud and slowly the Gospel
 - **Meditate** on reading as being spoken to you, an experience in your life
 - **Pray** - Thanksgiving – Repentance – Petition
 - **Action** – Attitude (Call to change / to act / to do)
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November 4th 2012

31st Sunday Ordinary Time – Year B – Mark 12:28-34

In this week's gospel we see Jesus in dialogue with the scribe about which in his view is the first commandment. Jesus answers him by telling him about two commandments – Love God and love your neighbour as yourself. He was saying there is no real love of God without love of neighbour and no lasting love of neighbour without love of God.

How do we put this commandment into practice? Who is my neighbour? Do we really feel Jesus believes in us and loves us? This is the message he wants us to bring to and share with our neighbour.

Prayer:

Lord we thank you for the people who like Jesus brought us back to basics when we felt confused and pulled in many directions.

Forgive us Lord for when we did not take the time to notice when people were in need of a listening ear or were in a great state of sadness or loneliness.

Lord help us as your family to enter into dialogue with people who have many questions in a way that will encourage them just like Jesus did, not in a defensive or confrontational way.

