## Dear Parents and Carers,

Out of his great love for us, God created us to be happy with him forever. In this Sunday's Gospel, we hear about a wealthy young man whose love of money and possessions were stopping him finding true happiness.

So Jesus lovingly challenges him: if he wants to have the true, lasting happiness for which he is asking, then he must give God first place in his life. The young man went away sad because he was putting his trust in his wealth rather than trusting God to bring him happiness.

## Wednesday 9th October 2024

Living in the way that Jesus taught us, knowing that we are loved forever by God and responding to that love by loving others leads to everlasting happiness. St Gianna Beretta Molla also reminds us, "The secret of happiness is to live moment by moment, being thankful to God, accepting all that he sends."

Enjoy hearing your child's thoughts about this Sunday's Gospel and this Wednesday's word, which is **HAPPINESS**.

Dom Henry Wansbrough 🎩

A Word from Pope Francis

"Jesus is a teacher of truth who shows us the way to happiness."





A man ran up to Jesus, knelt before him and asked, "Good master, what must I do to inherit eternal life - to live forever with God?" Jesus answered, "You know the ten commandments." And the man said, "Yes Master, and

I have kept all these from my earliest days." Jesus looked steadily at him and loved him and said, "There is one thing you lack. Go and sell everything you own and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me." The young man went away sad, for he was a man of great wealth. Then Jesus said to his disciples, "How hard it is for those who have riches to enter the kingdom of God." "In that case," they said, "who can be saved?" Jesus gazed at them. "For people," Jesus said, "it is impossible, but not for God: because everything is possible for God."

> Adapted from Mark 10:17-30 The 28th Sunday of Ordinary Time, Year B

Getting to know Jesus makes life joyful. Learn more about this Sunday's Gospel in your local Parish Church: all are very warmly invited.

2024 The Year of Prayer: Family Time Prayer & Share

In this Sunday's Gospel, the wealthy man was looking for true happiness. We all want to be happy, to have a sense of well-being and inner joy. Jesus reminds us that, if we want to be truly happy, wealth and possessions are not as important as following him and caring for those around us.

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