



# St Francis of Assisi

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## Gospel Reading

Term 4 Week 2 - 16th October 2015

[Mark 10:35-45 \(shorter form Mark 10:42-45\)](#)

Jesus teaches that those who wish to be great must be the servant of all.

## Family Connection

In the daily routine of family life, power struggles seem unavoidable. Whenever two or more people live together, there will be occasions of disagreement and attempts to exert influence over each other. Today's Gospel can be an invitation to consider how authority is exercised in your household. There is a temptation to exercise our authority in ways that show our power over others. Especially when conflicts emerge, many of us rely upon the power we believe our role gives to us. Jesus teaches us that there is a more persuasive form of leadership. In these daily challenges we have the opportunity to practice and teach the kind of service and leadership Jesus modelled for us in his ministry and in his passion and death.

As you gather as a family, invite family members to participate in a role play in which family roles are reversed. For example, you might assign children the role of parents putting their children to bed with parents acting like the children. Or you may have them role play parents asking for cooperation from children to clean up the family room. When the role play is finished, ask if it was an accurate picture of how this situation usually plays out in your household. Does everyone cooperate when asked? What happens when someone doesn't cooperate? How are the conflicts that emerge resolved? Observe that conflicts based on power struggles in situations such as these seem unavoidable in family life. In today's Gospel, Jesus teaches how Christians are to show their authority over others. Read together today's Gospel, Mark 10:35-45. After reading the Gospel, talk with your family about Jesus' unique message to his disciples about how they are to exercise authority. Talk about ways in which you might apply Jesus' words in your family life.

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## STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAY FRIDAY 30TH OCTOBER

A reminder that our Staff Development Day will be on Friday 30th October. There will be no supervision for students on this day. Sorry for any inconvenience this may cause. The St Francis staff will be working with Father Gerard on our formation goal.



### SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM 2015/2016 GOOD SHEPHERD PARISH PLUMPTON

Enrolment forms for the sacraments of Reconciliation and First Communion are now available at Good Shepherd Church and St Francis School office. Children who are seven years or older are eligible for enrolment in these sacraments. Forms are to be returned on enrolment day (Sunday November 1<sup>st</sup> 10.30am in the Parish Hall [Bingo]) along with a copy of the child's baptismal certificate. Classes will commence on Sunday November 8<sup>th</sup> and continue each Sunday (at 10.30am) until Sunday November 29<sup>th</sup>. Children will make their first reconciliation this year following completion of the 4 lessons. First Holy Communion will then take place early in 2016.

### DATES COMING UP 2015

Mon	19th Oct	Swimming Program Begins
Fri	30th Oct	<b>STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAY</b>
Tue	3rd Nov	Year 4 Excursion
Fri	6th Nov	Swimming Carnival at Stanhope Leisure Centre (Yr 2 - Yr 5)
Fri	13th Nov	Year 1 Excursion

### ILLEGAL U TURNS

Just a reminder to parents that it is illegal to perform a u turn over unbroken white lines. Please remember this when you are picking up or dropping off your children in the car pick up area. There have been a couple of incidents where drivers are doing illegal U-turns and almost hitting pedestrians who are crossing the road.

## ST FRANCIS PRIMARY SCHOOL - ANNUAL FETE

After months of planning, it was so fantastic to see everything and everyone coming together to create a carnival atmosphere at St Francis. Every stall looked amazing! As an added bonus we were blessed with perfect weather.

It was gratifying to see everyone enjoying themselves, smiles on faces and children laughing.

There are so many people to THANK when an event like this happens. In particular, we would like to thank our major sponsors: Bright Beginnings Learning Centre, Kinda Mindi Early Learning Centre.

Congratulations to our stallholders, chocolate wheel, raffle and sponsorship organisers. Without your commitment and support we would not of been able to achieve a fantastic result.

Congratulations to our fabulous Parents and Friends team on the wonderful event held last Saturday. In particular Lena & Jason Camilleri, Kaylene Johnston & Anna Eriksson and all the following volunteers: Toni Baker, CS Saini, Toga Joseph, Ada Canovo, Lisa Clarke, Maraia Naisara, Naomi Smith, Raquel Suarez, Garry Johnston, Natasha Griffiths, Katharine Velasco, Michelle Jansen, Malia Bailey and Sapna Mehta.

On a personal note I would like to especially thank Lena who took the overall lead for organising the Fete. Her dedication, persistence and overall calm way she went about ensuring the Fete would be successful was very much appreciated.

Thanks to the teachers and staff for your support and help on the day. The St Francis staff did a marvellous job scaring all the visitors to the very first Haunted House.

Lastly thanks to all our families who supported the Fete in the time leading up to the big day and on the day. Without everyone's generosity, the day would not have been so successful. Thank you to those who stayed and helped clean up to ensure the site was ready for the school to use on Monday.





**MERIT AWARDS**

- KA Isabella Tugade, Ethan Krishn & Akira Kendell  
 KS Harlow Erceg, Sienna Ribaya & Jaymes Aquino  
 1B Giselle Velasco & Caidence Tompkin-French  
 1S Myesha Lakhia & Mackenzie Herod  
 2B Momoh Konneh & Zoe Duff  
 2W Luka Jukic & Aryan Dayal  
 3A Jor Anyay & Katie McLean  
 3Z Diesel Baker & Drew Wasylinka  
 4H Nicholas Velasco & Ryan Noldt  
 4G Azriel Tawatao & Ethan Pascual  
 5C Jaiden Acallar & Bernalyn Padua  
 5I Stephanie Abela & Brendon Po  
 6D Vinaal Lal & Georgia Kocsis  
 6S Jiro Canlas & Alyssandra Nacorda

**SILVER AWARDS**

- 1B Kenzie Scibberas & Giselle Velasco  
 3A Rochelle Pereyra & Brittney O'Connell  
 3Z Chelsy Evangelista, Deng Koul, Charlize Santos, Andrew Klemenic, Chloe Winters, Jessica Tajhya, Diesel Baker, Alessandra Guevarra, Brianna Gauci, Shannon Conran, Brayden Dasig, Jaylen Mallawaratchy & Jheromel Alfonso  
 4G Caitlyn Dela Cruz, Isabella Espineda & Ferdinand Cordoba  
 4H Kristina Manay & Catriona Forneste  
 6S Bridie O'Kelly & Miguel Tuazon

**BRONZE AWARDS**

- KS Emmanuella Momoh, Ayaan Arya, William Duff, Preston De Silva, Dhjarra Annand, Aubrei Zdravec  
 1B Jaxson Jansen & Thomas Valentine  
 2B Elijah Hanna, Declan Keating, Alicia Emery, Jarrell Yusores & Chris Joseph  
 2W Nysha Prasad, Georgene Ghneim & Rafael Bueno  
 3Z Rajeev Swamy, Julian Ursua, Sara Kennedy & Courtney O'Connell  
 4H Ryan Noldt & Lucas Kimiora

**SCHOOL FEES**

Thank you to those families who have finalised school fees for 2015. All families who are on an arrangement this year, your fees are to be finalised no later than the 13<sup>th</sup> November. If you are unsure on the amount owing, please contact the office for assistance. Reminder letters for remaining balances will be sent home in the coming weeks. We would appreciate your prompt payment so that preparation may begin for 2016.

**WANDERERS CUP**

On Tuesday, the senior boys and girls soccer team played a full day of soccer at the Wanderers Cup Finals Day. This gala day boasted the best teams from all of the previous Wanderers Cup gala days around Sydney. They worked very hard as a team, playing four games against some very tough opposition. Unfortunately we could only register a draw from the four games. Congratulations on their great effort and sportsmanship on the day. Thank you to all the parents who came to support and help with the team.

**BASKETBALL GALA DAY**

On Monday this week a highly competitive group of basketball players from St. Francis of Assisi competed in the Diocesan Basketball Gala day. We had 6 teams compete comprising of students from Years 3 to 6. St Francis of Assisi showed that they were a force to be reckoned with, with several of our teams challenging for the title.

Each team showed great sportsmanship and competitiveness. A special mention to our Year 6 boys Basketball team who went through the day undefeated.

Thankyou to all the students for your effort and good behaviour. Thank you to the parents who supported and helped out on the day, whether it be coaching or scoring.





**THE SWIMMING PROGRAM BEGINS ON MONDAY 19TH OCTOBER.  
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