

# Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time (B)

**Gospel text (Mk 12,28-34): One of the scribes came up to Jesus and put a question to him, «Which commandment is the first of all?». Jesus answered, «The first is: ‘Hear, Israel! The Lord, our God, is One Lord; and you shall love the Lord, your God, with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind and with all your strength’. And after this comes another one: ‘You shall love your neighbor as yourself’. There is no commandment greater than these two».**



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**Today Jesus, conversing with a scribe, confirms the tradition received from Moses. But Jesus did not stop there ... because when He instituted the Eucharist He went a step further by perfecting the law of charity.**

**—“I give you a new commandment: that you love one another as I have loved you.”  
The measure of love is God Himself!**