

St Augustine of Hippo was once asked the question: 'What does love look like?' And he gave a simple answer: 'Love has hands to help others. It has feet to hasten to the poor and needy. It has eyes to see misery and want. It has ears to hear the sighs and sorrows of others. That's what love looks like.'

This simple but beautiful description reminds us that love, which has its origins in God, is mediated through our minds, bodies and senses. Christians recognise this love of God in human form most clearly in Jesus. In Jesus God has reached out to embrace us. We in turn are called to embrace our world in love. "This is my commandment: that you love one another" (John 15.17).

Last Wednesday we celebrated Confirmation. Forty three young people were confirmed by Archbishop Christopher Prowse. Congratulations to the newly confirmed and my thanks to all who prepared children for their confirmation and for all involved in the liturgical celebration on the night. Finally, but most sincerely, I want to wish every blessing upon the mothers of our parish and to all those who go about mothering in so many wonderful and beautiful ways.

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***Easter blessings,
Gerard***