

Sunday's Gospel - Matthew 22:34-40

When the Pharisees heard that Jesus had silenced the Sadducees they got together and, to disconcert him, one of them put a question, 'Master, which is the greatest commandment of the Law?' Jesus said, '**You must love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind.** This is the greatest and the first commandment. The second resembles it: **You must love your neighbour as yourself.** On these two commandments hang the whole Law, and the Prophets also.

How does the Lord call me to do this in my particular circumstances?

At first, to be a ~~spaceman~~ physicist

- “In the beginning, God created...”
- An exciting life
- Using my talents
- Making a contribution
- Understanding the big picture
- Seeing the light!



Why did I choose to become a teacher?

- I didn't.
- Before I formed you in the womb...I chose you...(Ps 139)
- You did not choose me. No, I chose you. (Jn 15;16)

In 1994...”Would you mind helping at the parish youth group?”

Saying yes took me to 2011 and beyond...
Notice the signs, feelings and possibilities.

1990 – 1994	English degree
1994 – 1995	Jesuit Volunteer year
1995 – 2011	Archdiocese of Glasgow Youth Officer
2011/17	RE/English teacher
2017 onwards	PT English



And now, teaching RE/English

- “In the beginning.....**was the Word**”
- An exciting life – **sharing faith, hope & love**
- Using my talents **and still learning**
- Making a contribution
- Understanding the **biggest** picture
- Seeing **the light!**



The World
is charged with the
Grandeur of God.

(Gerard Manley Hopkins SJ)

