Maybe they were tired, hungry, or just plain forgot to wash their hands. Whatever it was, the Pharisees thought is was more important to point out to Jesus that some of the disciples were unclean, and disobeyed the law of tradition. Jesus recites the prophet Isaiah.

'This people honours me with their lips, but their hearts are far from me; in vain do they worship me, teaching human precepts as doctrines. 'You abandon the commandment of God and hold to human tradition."

I often wonder about what it is that makes us 'real'. It seems this lesson from Jesus is clear about first looking within to discern the condition of our hearts, because people with dirty hands can have the best love of the other. May our young people being confirmed today take heart in today's Gospel to follow Christ's example of loving people above all else.

May the Holy Spirit guide and strengthen us to do the same. Fr. Peter

Thank you to Bp. Dixie and Bp. Rex for your !
ministry today. ♥

CONGRATULATIONS to those being received & confirmed & today:

Kimberly Kristine Stokes
Anthonette Leigh Capate
Erin Caitlin Ong, Luke Ryan Ong
Kyle Christopher Tan.

I have been attending services at different churches in the region where I am staying in South Australia and I am left asking one very sad question, "Where are all the children and young people?"

As the congregation of Holy Trinity celebrates the confirmation of our beloved youth let us also celebrate the very fact that we have young people interested, involved and passionate about their spiritual lives.

God has put me here even though I wish I were there to be part of the confirmation service.

Know that my love and prayers are always with you.

With much love from Deacon Mary.

CALENDAR DATES:

- September 5, Wednesday, Bible Study, 10:30a.m.
- September 5, Wednesday, Bible Study, 7:00p.m., Rectory
- NEXT WEEK! September 9:
- ⇒ SUNDAY SCHOOL STARTS. Parents are asked to register their children. Forms are now available at the Parish office.
- ⇒ Bp. Arthur will be guest preacher next Sunday 9th Sept at 7:30a.m and 9:30a.m services. A potluck lunch will follow the 9:30a.m service. See Marie Whale regarding a list of food contributions.
- September 22, Saturday, Wedding, 3:00p.m.
- September 30, Sunday, Wedding, 3:30p.m.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Oct. 14. IP (Indigenous People) Sunday. Nov. 11. Remembrance Sunday.

Your prayers are asked for:

The world: We pray for peaceful relationships and a global thinking towards the benefit of all as we seek to share God's recourses.

The church: We give thanks for the gift of God's Holy Spirit, for all being confirmed today. May they be strengthened and encouraged with a deeper trust in way the of Jesus Christ.

The community: We pray for active new ways of thinking to relieve hardship and poverty for the many who struggle in day to day living in our communities.