



Parish of St Edward the Confessor

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THE THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT (Year B)

7th & 8th March 2015

FEAR AND TREMBLING

By: Fr. Marce Singson

Soren Kierkegaard is one of my favourite Christian philosophers. I discovered his wisdom during my intensive 4-year studies in Philosophy in the Philippines. He was a prolific 19th century Danish philosopher and theologian. He was one of the most influential thinkers in his time. He wrote the famous book: ***Fear and Trembling*** in 1843. This book is a beautiful meditation on the Old Testament story of Abraham and Isaac. The story has wide appeal and enduring power. The reader cannot help but feel drawn into the tension of the drama. It is a story we read which helps us to read ourselves. Why is this so? The Lord is asking Abraham to make the ultimate sacrifice and hand over to God this dearest and only son, Isaac. After waiting so long and knowing so much heartache, the Lord's promise of a child gave Abraham joy without bounds. Now God wants Isaac back. The agony and struggle are without limits as well. Kierkegaard himself let go of his fiancée Regina in order to do his life's work. Only those who are prepared to let go of those things which hold most dear can be open and ready to do god's work.

Kierkegaard saw in the decision of Abraham, and in his own life, what it really means to be a "knight of faith." To be willing to surrender to the seemingly irrational demands of God (from our human perspective) requires courage and faith. One is willing to make a "leap of faith" in obedience to God's command. We must make a leap of faith into the unknown with all the "fear and trembling" that such a leap involves. There is always an inner struggle. For we can always find good reasons to avoid such a leap and remain secure in our well-ordered world. Such radical trust never comes easily.

Lent is an excellent time for us to examine those things we hold dear and the extent to which we are willing (or unwilling) to let go. The story of Abraham and the reflection of Kierkegaard challenge us to confront ourselves and the many securities we build and the honours we seek. We are so afraid that in letting go of all we hold so dear, we will lose everything and fall into nothingness. We are afraid of not being well-respected or having enough power to make our presence felt.

Lent is a time to practice self-mortification. The evangelist John advises us: "...unless the grain of wheat falls on the ground and dies, it remains only a single grain, but if it dies, it yields a rich harvest." (John 12:24). Lose yourself with me, and you will find yourself. In the process of losing ourselves, we will experience "fear and trembling," but at the end of the day an Easter joy will envelope our whole being, and the fear and trembling will be gone!

WE REMEMBER

In our prayers all who have died recently
and all whose anniversaries occur about
this time

PLEASE PRAY

For all our sick parishioners and
family members:

Carolyn Winter, Edna Buagas, Vincent Sarahena,
Benedicta Alvarez, Michael Abraham, Jeff Jones, Carmel Andrews, Donald Ross, Victor Yerre, Zacarias Beltram, Benedicta Alvarez, Zacarias Manuel, Christopher Hamilton, Tom McCormack, Moira Roberts, Kevin Healy, Michael Abraham, Ekuoti Tupi, Cecilia Tia, Ava Gomes, Joy Moy, Maria Tautua, Franco Milaudi, Kate Muller, Maria de Jesus, Rachael Osypiv, Romeo Lopez, Benjoe Estubo, Shirley Roberts, Pat Mey, Elizabeth Toh, Bruce Walker, Eliza Yunzal, Virgilio Lopez, Fernando Lopez, John Lines, Brendon Vine, Rita Torio, Rani Kreknbech, Henie Sagun, Eugene Sagun, Joseph Hatch, William Hatch, Roberto Lopez Jr. Paula Tauta, Lily Marques, Marie Claire, Mel Raileigh, James Carsen, Carmilita Lopez, Joan Hickey, Sinead McClaulan, Ed Concepcion, Desiree Soliano, Alice & Mike Blackmore, Carmel Andrews, Thelma Nichoson, Alice & Keiran Blackmore, Michael Reyes, Joe Kindermann, Ken Robson, Paulo Roble, Jay Dotta, Elario De Jesu, Cath Futcher Cynthia Abanil, Adelaide Mackenzie, Corazon Darby, Rosa Montgrande, Allan Kingston, Mary McNeil, Val Temple, Tyrone Lamb, Evelyn Legge, Ann Carroll, Peter Chow, Harry Phillips, Margaret Phillips, Maria Fernandez, Glenda Fowler, Denise Risson, Gary Trevena, Eileen Lamarque, Don Newcombe.

BAPTISMS

Baptism 7 days a week.
Please phone the Parish Office
for information regarding
Baptism.

This weekend we welcome into
our Christian Community
Levi Christopher Michael Godfrey,
Jackson James Campbell,
Zachary Harrison Magoffin,
Rome Jake Plyter, Ashley Sienna
Magoffin, Phoenix Nieves
Krstic-Plyter, Pearl Elise Dywer
& Elisha Isabella de Silva.

Please pray for their families
and friends as we welcome
them into our faith community.

This week at St Eddies

Sunday 8th March

8.30am Mass
6.00pm Mass

Monday 9th March

7.30am Mass

Tuesday 10th March

7.00pm Mass and Adoration

Wednesday 11th March

7.30am Mass

Thursday 12th March

7.30am Mass

Friday 13th March

7.30am Mass

Saturday 14th March

7.30am Mass
5.30pm Reconciliation
6.00pm Mass

Vocation View

Jesus cleaned out the temple
of money changers. He was
angry; He was zealous; He was
authoritative. He was doing
what He had to do, even
though it involved risk, danger,
insult and wonder. Such is a
vocation

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

FIRST READING: Exodus 20:1-17

The Law was given through Moses.

PSALM: 18:8-11

Lord, you have the words of everlasting life.

SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 1:22-25

We are preaching a crucified Christ, a scandal to many, but to those who have been called, the wisdom of God.

GOSPEL READING: John 2:13-25

Destroy this sanctuary, and in three days I will raise it up.

Readings for the rest of the week

Monday 2 Kings 5:1-15 & Luke 4:24-30
Tuesday Dan 3:25:34-43 & Matthew 18:21-35
Wednesday Deut 4:1, 5-9 & Matthew 5:17-19
Thursday Jeremiah 7:23-28 & Luke 11:14-23
Friday Hosea 14:2-10 & Mark 12:28-34
Saturday Hosea 5:15—6:6 & Luke 18:9-14

Readings for next weekend

FORTH SUNDAY OF LENT

FIRST READING: 2 Chron 36:14-16, 19-23

PSALM: Psalm 136

SECOND READING: Eph 2:4-10

GOSPEL READING: John 3:16

ST. EDWARD'S CHURCH Parish

Lenten Journey 2015



Stations of the Cross Every Friday in Lenten Season after the 7:30am Mass.

Lenten Program: March 11, March 18, March 25 and April 1, from 6:45pm to 8:00pm to be held in the church. This will be facilitated by our parishioners: Denise Love and Danny Gablonski. A fee of \$10 for each participant for the materials for the whole program.

March 28-29 Palm Sunday: Weekend Masses will commence at the main door of the Church for the blessing of palms.

April 2, Holy Thursday: Mass of the Lord's Supper at 7:00pm. Washing of the feet within the Mass. Adoration to the Blessed Eucharist at the Chapel will follow immediately after the Mass until 12 midnight.

April 3, Good Friday : 1:45pm: Stations of the Cross on the School Playground.
3:00pm: Commemoration of the Lord's Passion and Death

April 4, Holy Saturday Easter Vigil at 7:00pm. Liturgy will commence along Chatswood Road for the Blessing of new fire.

April 5, Easter Sunday: Masses at 8:30am and 6:00pm.

PASTORAL COUNCIL NEWS

The Elected Members of the PPC for 2015—2017 are:-

Chairperson	Denise Love
Deputy Chairperson	Ann Hannaby
Secretary	Steve Richardson
Parish School Board Rep	Shane McCaffery
Sacramental Program	Rita Blacker
Sacramental Program	Muriel Mairhofer
Sacramental Program	Francis Oliva
Sacramental Program	Sean O'Brien
Logan Deanery Parish Rep	Brian Ridder
Logan Deanery Parish Rep	Jan McMahon

Commissioning Rite will be Sunday April 26th during the 8:30am Mass.

The Catholic Leader: Keeping faith with you

In this week's issue:

- * 'Miracle' support raises new church on the Gold Coast
- * Archbishop Coleridge and others in the Church say 'it's time for action' on domestic violence
- * Sudanese refugee in Brisbane Catholic community wins New Australian of the Year award
- * Emmanuel Community rejoicing over 40th anniversary
- * Man who had four limbs amputated joins his wife in sharing their inspirational story with Catholic professionals
- * Bishops release pastoral letter for the 2015 Year of Consecrated Life
- * Catholic education leaders have initial talks with new minister Kate Jones

Thursday March 5 here in the Church, 171 parishioners gathered to listen to a *Lenten Reflection* by Fr Trevor Trotter.

Fr Trevor is a Columban Missionary who has lived and worked in many parts of the world. We were fortunate to have his visit to our Parish. He spoke of Pope Francis and his challenge to us to live out the Joy of the Gospel to all Christians. To question ourselves are our "self knowledge"? We enjoyed the opportunity to share our experiences whilst Fr Trevor facilitated an excellent reflection.

He spoke of God's Mercy – what does Mercy mean to you? Are we missionary – are we a disciple –do we judge others?

Do we chase greed or reach out to the marginalized in our community? He suggested, as we prepare for Easter that we let this be a time of renewal and as well as seeking God's forgiveness for our sins seek God's help as we reach out to be missionaries to all. *"They did not become God's Children by natural means, that is, being born as children of a human father, God himself was their Father: John 1:13.*

Upon conclusion of Fr Trevor's reflection, individual confessions were available with Fr Trevor, Fr Marce, Fr Sunil of Woodridge Parish and Fr Francis of Browns Plains.

Denise Love – Chairperson
Pastoral Council

SVDP news.....



This week we welcome Diana Drew, Claire Ritche and Gay Layton as associate members of SVDP. This means they will help us with the various works of the society but do not have to attend the monthly conference. We have others who are still considering their options. We are grateful for their help in the visitation and other activities of the society. We are having many calls requiring food. Consequently our food supplies are very low so again we ask for your help in replenishing the pantry with foods such as rice, pasta, pasta sauce, cereal, long life milk, soup and tinned foods. Thanks in anticipation.

Bianca Nisbet has asked to advertise the SVDP Project - The Multicultural Community Picnic which is on Sunday 29th March from 10am to 12 noon. It is a wonderful new event bringing together all members of our diverse South Brisbane communities to welcome and connect with our newest refugee neighbours. There will be a variety of games for the children - soccer & cricket games, face painting; for parents -

Meet and greet, drinks & snacks - Great family atmosphere. Everyone is welcome. Bring a plate to share or your own picnic and enjoy a morning full of fun activities amongst new friends. Will meet you all there. Till then God be with you.

Maureen Thornton

This week at St Edward's.....

Late last year an opportunity presented for John to attend a professional renewal program entitled LA Congress in Anaheim California in March this year. March is now upon us and next week John will travel with ten other principals and leaders within Brisbane Catholic to the Congress. This event is the largest annual gathering of Roman Catholic educators in the world, bringing together nearly 40,000 people during the four-day weekend. In addition to the Congress time will be spent visiting a number of Catholic schools in the district.



In our first week of Caritas we raised \$198.35. This can buy 40 seedling trays for farmers in FIJI or ten 100litre water containers for families in Niger. We look forward to sharing our outreach in the coming weeks.

We continue to develop leadership skills with our Year 6 cohort. This week our Yr 6 students led a range of activities for our Yr 1 and Yr 2 students. They engaged with ball games and had an opportunity to spend some time reading together. This was a great way to mentor and develop relationships across the school.

Our Practise Peace: Change our World continues to be a focus in the school. The upper school students have been exploring the meaning of the paper crane symbol. After reading the book *Sadako and the Thousand Paper Cranes*, they learnt how people all over the world fold paper cranes and send them to the Sadako's monument in Hiroshima, in memory of Sadako and all children killed through wars. The Year 6's have set themselves a challenge to make 1000 paper Cranes by August and join this movementWe will keep you informed of their target.

Kind Regards, The School Admin Team,
John, Bronwyn and Danielle

Church Ministers' Rosters for next weekend 14th & 15th March 2015 (2nd Sat & 3rd Sun)

	Saturday 6.00pm	Sunday 8.30am	Sunday 6.00pm
Holy Mass Coordinators:	John Wood	Francis Olivia	Chris Croon
Parish Choirs :	Fabio's	Frankie's	Glenn & Bambi
Overhead Projectionist:	<i>Volunteer</i>	<i>Volunteer</i>	<i>Volunteer</i>
Proclaimers of the Word: 1	Belinda Castillo	Bernadette O'Neil	Violet Taulunga
: 2	Chloe Rattansey	Kevin Morgan	Pesi Silao
Communion Ministers :	Neville Peres	Sue Neve	Ruel Nate
	Anita Peres	Clare Morgan	Violet Taulunga
	Joseph Weerasinghe	Noel De Jesus	Niko or Pesi Silao
		Scott Perrett	
		Danny Gablonski	

- ◆ Other Parish Rosters for the month of March - Plant watering: Ann Mackay - Washing Purifiers: Rita Blacker
- ◆ Next Children's Liturgy 22.03.15 1st group = Anita 2nd Group = Sharon



If you are new to the Parish or are visiting, *Welcome!*

We are glad you have come to share Eucharist with us Today. Please leave your details in the New Parishioners book on the table near the church entrance so that Fr. Marce and a member of our Parish Pastoral Council can formally welcome you.

Thank you

REMINDER –

Lenten Programme “Rich in Mercy”

Wednesday evenings in the Church 6.45pm-8pm with Cuppa upon arrival.

Still Books available for purchase \$10

The group enjoy reflecting and preparing for Easter.

Date Claimers

Living Biblically in a Secular World Wed.18 March 9:00pm Francis Rush Centre, Archbishop Mark Coleridge

Chrism Mass - Archbishop Mark Coleridge invites you to the Annual Chrism Mass to be held in the Cathedral of St Stephen on Thursday 26 March 2015 commencing at 7.30pm. This is a celebration for the entire Archdiocese and all are welcome.

COLLECTIONS ON WEEKENDS

We thank most sincerely all Parishioners who contribute to the Planned-Giving Program and the Loose money collections. Last weekend we received a total amount of \$2,301.65
May God bless your generosity.

St Eddie's Men's Group

Next meeting will be 22 April 15 (4th Wednesday)
All men are encouraged to attend the parish Lenten Program commencing 25th February 15
Danny on 3208 2305 All welcome!

The Little Black Books

The Little Black Book your companion for Lent are now available at the back of the Church, for a donation of \$5.00.



Seniors News .

Healing and Seniors Mass 10th March 2015 for more Information contact Noelene Magee on 3208 5304 or 0409 261 639 All welcome!

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM 2015

St. Edward's Parish is happy to inform you that we are now accepting applicants / candidates for our 2015 Parish Sacramental Program

(Reconciliation, Confirmation and First Communion).

Application forms can be collected from the back of the church, the Parish office or can be downloaded from our Parish website:- www.stewardsdaisyhill.org.au

Applications close Friday 13th March 2015



We here at the Parish of St Edward the Confessor, as part of the Archdiocese of Brisbane MUST ABIDE BY AND ADHERE TO THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE PRIVACY ACT AND THE AUSTRALIAN PRIVACY PRINCIPLES.

The Privacy Act impacts upon us all today and if you wish to peruse the Compliance Requirements and the Privacy Act, please go to the Archdiocesan Website www.bne.catholic.net.au or www.stewardsdaisyhill.org.au