



# Parish of St Edward the Confessor



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## CHURCH

104 Chatswood Road,  
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Parish Priest  
Fr. Marce Singson

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### Office Hours

9.00am – 2.00pm on Monday,  
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## 3rd Sunday of Advent

10th - 11th December 2016

## THE NEW EXODUS

*Fr. Marce Singson*



One of the most dramatic and impressive vents in the history of the Jews was the Exodus. It confirmed God's unique love for this one nation and showed his determination to protect them. Whenever they doubted God's benevolent friendship, they simply needed to recall the exodus and their sacred trust was re-established. Isaiah, too, was tremendously impressed by the Exodus, but he is even more ecstatic about a future happening – the coming of the Messiah. He foresees this spectacular event as a new and greater Exodus and the Messiah as a new and greater Moses, who will lead the people out of spiritual slavery. Not only those in the bondage of sin, but even the blind and deaf will be released to enjoy the fullness of life.

John the Baptist and Jesus were both aware of the optimistic prophecies of Isaiah. Thus, when John sought the Lord's identification, Jesus simply told the messengers of John to report back to him (John) that the predictions of Isaiah were being fulfilled: the dead were raised up, the poor heard the gospel, the blind were released from darkness, the deaf freed from their silence and the crippled were given their mobility. In short, the long expected Messiah had finally arrived and the new exodus is now in progress. Neither Isaiah nor John realised how completely the "New Moses" would supersede the old.

If we, therefore, begin to doubt God's unique love for us, we need only recall the blood-stained cross at Calvary and the empty tomb. Then our trust in his friendship is re-established. The redemptive acts of Jesus were so profound and earth-shattering that they continue to vibrate through the world. Each day we can hear and feel them, ever inviting us out of bondage and darkness into a new found freedom.



**WE REMEMBER**

In our prayers all who have died recently,

and those whose anniversaries are in this month:

Arthur Castillo  
Juanita Tajon  
Gertrude Berhardt

*Names of recently deceased or anniversaries for the deceased will be displayed for a period of 3 weeks only. For privacy reasons these inserts will only be accepted from a family member. Thank you.*



**PLEASE PRAY**

For all our Sick parishioners and family members:

Maria Teresita Villar  
Koreti Talatonu  
Neonila Constantino  
Kathleen Hanlon  
Karen Kirby

If you would like our community to remember you or a family member in our prayers please complete the information in the register on the table at the back of the Church. These will be displayed for 3 weeks only. **Thank you**



**BAPTISM**

*We welcome into our Christian community:*

Liliana Charlotte Reyes Zhang  
Alejandra Maria Nochez

*Baptism is 7 days a week. Please phone the parish office for information regarding Baptism.*



***Happy Birthday & Happy Anniversary***

**To all the members of our Parish Community who are celebrating their Birthdays and Wedding Anniversaries in the month of December the **special blessing** will be on:**

**December 17th - 18th.**  
**As Christmas falls on the 4th weekend in December 2016.**

**St Edward the Confessor Parish  
Christmas Mass Times:**



**Saturday 24th December  
Christmas Eve  
7.00pm and Midnight**

**Sunday 25th December  
Christmas Day  
8.30am and 6.00pm**

***WISHING YOU AND YOURS A BLESSED CHRISTMAS***



Now is the time to reflect on the Spirit of Christmas and avoid being swept into the retail frenzy.

It is a time to reach out to others, particularly the vulnerable in our community. We are all aware of the homeless, victims of domestic violence, the lonely and just many many in need who just need to know someone cares.

We here at St Edwards community are so generous of our time and reaching out. We have so many committed parishioners going about their volunteering in a quiet way making a great positive difference in the lives of not only our local community but the wider community of Logan. I am so proud to lead our Pastoral Team who have strongly supported me as we have worked with Fr Marce throughout the year to strengthen our spiritual awareness. Our hospitality teams have done a fantastic job in ensuring that each week after Mass our fellowship with one another continues outside as we enjoy drinks and refreshments. It is a joy to see all the smiles on the faces, the chatter and buzz of conversation. Sincere thanks to the many of you who continuously bring donations of food and drinks to share. I know all appreciate the opportunity to catchup after Mass.

For me it has been a blessing to attend Seminars etc , our commissioning in the Cathedral, our Parish retreat with Fr Ray Sanchez and so much more. My involvement with the Sacramental Programme this year was a joy. This commitment will be an even busier one next year.

All around we see improvements in the maintenance of our Church environment, the strong sense of unity with our School and Parish and our strong Mass attendance and, on your behalf, I sincerely thank Fr Marce for his tireless commitment and dedication. To our Pastoral team, thank you to you all for embracing the true meaning of pastoral in this the Year of Mercy as we support Pope Francis to heal the hurt. Thank you to you all. May you and your families experience the joy, peace and blessings of the birth of Jesus Christ.

God Bless  
Denise Love  
Chairperson – Pastoral Council

*A man's heart plans his ways  
but the Lord directs his steps.  
Proverbs 16:9*





# MASS TIMES 11th December - 17th December 2016

| Sunday,<br>11 December   | Monday,<br>12 December   | Tuesday,<br>13 December                                | Wednesday,<br>14 December   | Thursday,<br>15 December | Friday,<br>16 December       | Saturday<br>17 December                                    |
|--|--|--|---|--------------------------|------------------------------|--|
| 8.30am Mass<br>6.00pm Mass<br><br><i>03rd Sunday<br/>of Advent</i> | 7.00am Rosary<br>7.30am Mass<br><br><b>Our Lady of<br/>Guadalupe</b> | 9.00am Seniors<br>Mass<br><br>7.00pm Mass<br>Adoration | 7.00am Rosary<br>7.30am Mass<br><br><b>St John of the<br/>Cross</b> | 7.30am Mass              | 7.00am Rosary<br>7.30am Mass | 7.30am Mass<br><br>5.30pm<br>Reconciliation<br>6.00pm Mass |

## Rose Within



A man planted a rose and watered it faithfully and before it blossomed, he examined it.

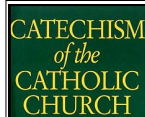
He saw the bud that would soon blossom, but noticed thorns upon the stem and he thought, "How can any beautiful flower come from a plant burdened with so many sharp thorns? Saddened by this thought, he neglected to water the rose, and just before it was ready to bloom... it died.

So it is with many people. Within every soul there is a rose. The God-like qualities planted in us at birth, grow amid the thorns of our faults. Many of us look at ourselves and see only the thorns, the defects.

We despair, thinking that nothing good can possibly come from us. We neglect to water the good within us, and eventually it dies. We never realize our potential.

Some people do not see the rose within themselves; someone else must show it to them. One of the greatest gifts a person can possess is to be able to reach past the thorns of another, and find the rose within them.

This is one of the characteristics of love... to look at a person, know their true faults and accepting that person into your life... all the while recognizing the nobility in their soul. Help others to realize they can overcome their faults. If we show them the "rose" within themselves, they will conquer their thorns. Only then will they blossom many times over.



## Basic questions answered according to the Catechism of the Catholic Church.

### What is the second commandment of God?

The second commandment of God is: Thou shalt not take the name of the Lord thy God in vain.

*Thou shalt not take the name of the Lord thy God in vain; for the Lord will not hold him guiltless that shall take the name of the Lord in vain. (Exodus 20:7)*

### What are we commanded by the second commandment?

By the second commandment we are commanded always to speak with reverence of God, of the saints, and of holy things, and to be truthful in taking oaths and faithful to them and to our vows.

*Blessed be the name of the Lord both now and forever. From the rising of the sun unto its going down, may the name of the Lord be praised. (Psalm 112:2-3)*



## Parish Hospitality Teams

Join us and the Parish Community for a cuppa and refreshments in the covered area at the side of the Church.

*18th December 2016 @ 8.30am Mass*  
Vange Munn's Team

*18th December @ 6.00pm Mass*  
Cheryl McCaffery's Team.

**Hospitality Terms are taking a break from 24.12.2016 and will return on 15.01.2017. Wishing everyone a very Holy Christmas.**

## Senior Group Update

**Mass : Tuesday 13th December 2016 at 9.00 am**

At this Mass Fr Marce also holds an Anointing of the Sick. A cuppa Morning tea will be served after Mass. Transport can be arranged if required

Any enquiries please contact:  
Noelene 3208 5304 or 0409 261 639

## Parish Office Closure

Our Parish Office will be unattended on Monday 12.12.2016.

If you wish to contact the office please send an email to: [daisyhill@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:daisyhill@bne.catholic.net.au) and we will contact you on Tuesday 13.12.2016. Thank you.

## Church Ministers' Rosters for next weekend 17th - 18th December 2016

|                                   | Saturday 6.00pm    | Sunday 8.30am    | Sunday 6.00pm   |
|-----------------------------------|--------------------|------------------|-----------------|
| <b>Holy Mass Coordinators</b>     | David & Judi       | Francis Oliva    | Gavin Clancy    |
| <b>Parish Choirs</b>              | Voice of Praise    | St Cecilia       | Voice of Praise |
| <b>Overhead Projectionist</b>     | Volunteers         | Volunteers       | Volunteers      |
| <b>Proclaimers of the Word: 1</b> | Charles Telles     | Kristelle Jaimes | Pesi Silao      |
| <b>Proclaimers of the Word: 2</b> | Ashton D'Mello     | Ethan Ganggangan | Aaron Browell   |
| <b>Communion Ministers</b>        | Lorie Angcay       | Sue Neve         | Pat Ferrer      |
|                                   | Amorita Wessling   | Pete Silagan     | Violet Taulunga |
|                                   | Paul Wessling      | Edna Ganggangan  | Pesi Silao      |
|                                   |                    | Scott Perrett    | Lyn Alitin      |
|                                   |                    | Patrick Villar   | Johanna Roche   |
|                                   |                    | Vange Munn       |                 |
|                                   |                    | Terry or Anthony |                 |
| <b>Alter Servers</b>              | Annabelle Wessling | Grace Bampton    | Elijah Alitin   |
|                                   | Jonathan Wessling  | Simeon Bampton   | Drew Tabones    |



In recent weeks the focus has been on providing hampers for families in our community that live below the poverty line. This has been achieved ( thanks to our group of helpers) and Christmas hampers are ready for delivery on the Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> December. This week our attention turns to the needy in other countries. SVDP Head Office has asked all conferences to participate in the program **"Assist a Student"**, an educational program aimed at breaking the cycle of poverty. The program has been in operation for over twenty years and aims at the education of young people from our neighbouring developing countries. The targeted countries are Cambodia, Bangladesh, Fiji, Pakistan, Indonesia, India, Sri Lanka, Philippines, Vanuatu and Thailand. Each year a country is selected and this year it is Thailand. The cost of educating a student in these countries is \$70.00 Australian dollars and every cent of this goes to the student. Posters and more information are displayed on the notice board at the back of the church. If you would like to assist a student you can pick up a form from the Pity Store.



Coordinators Lyndel and Kellie, attended the professional development, 'Start Them Early', which is a project that aims to facilitate the design of high quality early education services for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children

Our aim is to promote the cultural competence of our Educators, and encourage more Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children to participate in early childhood education and care.

Bringing Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children and families together with early childhood learning providers, increases positive outcomes for all.



**If you would like more information about our service, including becoming an Educator or Childcare enquiries please contact the office on: 3208 0463.**

**Children's Liturgy** takes place during the Sunday 8.30am Mass fortnightly during the school term only. Upcoming Dates for 2017 will be advised as soon as the dates are available.



***We can use your postage stamps from your mail***

The Salesian Missions use the old stamps that are passed on to them to raise funds. This goes towards Salesian Education and relief work in developing nations. Yes, the Post man does not have to stop by often, but on that rare occasion he does, and on that envelope, if there is a stamp, can you please pass this on to us, instead of throwing it in the bin? A small gesture, lending a big helping hand. We have placed a collection box for stamps in the parish office.

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We are also compelled to adhere to the **Policy of the Safeguarding Children & Vulnerable Adults**  
<https://brisbanecatholic.org.au/support/safeguard/>