

Welcome to St Edward the Confessor Parish

27th—28th January 2018
4th Sunday in Ordinary Time



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HIS AUTHORITY IS FOR OUR BENEFIT

By: Fr. Marce Singson

Last weekend's Gospel reading from St. Mark narrated Jesus' call of his first 4 apostles Peter, Andrew, James and John. Mark wastes no time drawing us into the hurly-burly of Jesus' ministry. Mark immediately presented Jesus into active ministry, and this is the content in today's Gospel reading where Jesus exorcised the man possessed with evil spirit.

The teachers of the law didn't speak with their own authority. They necessarily prefaced their comments with something like "There is a saying that..." or "Rabbi Such-and-Such said..." Even the prophets rightly attributed their pronouncements to "Thus says the Lord..." But Jesus said simply, "I say to you..."

Here was a man, Jesus, who spoke with his own authority, not in the name of another. That alone was amazing. But if that were not amazing enough, Jesus demonstrated his authority when he told an evil spirit what to do, and the evil spirit obeyed.

In Jesus' day, evil spirits were considered, even by many Jewish teachers, to be numerous and powerful, hanging around everywhere and doing whatever they could to inflict trouble and suffering. When someone seemed to be possessed of a demon, the exorcists, whether Jewish or pagan, used complicated magical rites and spells to compel the demon to leave. The power was in the magic, it was believed, so whoever knew the right incantations and ingredients and methods could use them to bring about the unseen conditions that would manipulate the spirit world.

But Jesus was astonishingly different. When the demon-possessed man disrupted the meeting, Jesus simply ordered the demon to leave, and it left. The people in the synagogue had never seen anything like it. Who could have such authority that even the evil spirits have to obey his straightforward word?

When it comes to Jesus' authority in our lives, how do you think he uses it? To help us, or to lord it over us? Many of us live as though we think Jesus uses his authority to lord it over us. We assume his love for us is conditioned on how well we behave. We feel discouraged and fearful that God no longer loves us when we fail to measure up in our obedience.

But Jesus uses his authority to help us, not to destroy us. He drives out the demons, not us. And literal evil spirits are not the only kind of demons Jesus has authority over and drives out for us. Sin itself is an enemy that does us damage and lords it over us. So are our fears and our doubts.

When our sins and fears start a commotion, it's time for us to take them to the one who knows how to handle them. We can take them to Jesus in prayer and trust him to know what to do. Why not take your needs to Jesus? Give your problems to him and trust him to see you through them?



WE REMEMBER

In our prayers all who have died recently,

Tevita Hufanga Tupi
Jennifer Anne Sheffield
Zoe Meimaris

Kristen-Lee Rechena

and those whose anniversaries are in this month:

Paulino Tajon
Vince Di bella

Marian Langdon

John (Jack) McCaffery

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:

Virgilio Lopez
Carmen Stewart

Leomar Gitch Villamayor

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:

Christian Anthony Barrett

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

Thank you



VISITATION/COMMUNION FOR THE SICK

12.02.2018, 19.02.2018 & 26.02.2018

Please contact the office if you require a visitation/ home communion.



Men's Group Meeting "Getting to the Point"

13th February @ 7.00pm

Venue: Room at the back of the Church.

All men welcome. 2nd & 4th Tuesday of the month. Open discussion on:

- Scripture.
- Future meetings.

For information contact:

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PARISH UPDATE

Almost everyone is now back in our parish community after that long Christmas holiday. This is my first parish update for you and I reckon it is very good to put you all in the loop on what's up as we begin this year.

I had a meeting two weeks ago with our school administrators: Rick Sheehan (Principal), Brendan Gellispe (Deputy), Gerald Shegog (APRE) and Sue Guy (Primary Learning Leader) to warmly welcome them to the new school year and to discuss with them with some basic things to maintain the spirit of good team-working. We welcome Gerald as our new APRE. On Friday, January 19, I presided over a special Mass for our teaching staff to spiritually recharge them before they start their teaching mission. We have 555 students enrolled for this year and 78% of them are Catholics.

Days before Christmas, a generous family gifted our parish with five brand new kneelers. The kneelers are now being used in our chapel.

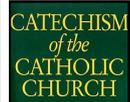
The Sacrament of Confirmation for children on March 15 is the first major activity of our community. Bishop Ken Howell, the auxiliary Bishop of Brisbane, will preside over the liturgy.

Our parish presbytery house is now three years old. But there are still some things to do because at that time we ran out of budget. Hence, this time we are improving the whole lawn area and the gardening and also tiling the pergola. This is our first major project for this year.

We refurbished our parish hall, now occupied by OSCH, with brand new toilet bowls and wash basins.

Lenten season comes early this year. It will kick off on 14th February, Wednesday, and our Mass will be at 6:45pm.

Fr. Marce



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

Q. What is the plan of God for man?

God, infinitely perfect and blessed in himself, in a plan of sheer goodness freely created man to make him share in his own blessed life. In the fullness of time, God the Father sent his Son as the Redeemer and Savior of mankind, fallen into sin, thus calling all into his Church and, through the work of the Holy Spirit, making them adopted children and heirs of his eternal happiness.

"You are great, O Lord, and greatly to be praised [...] You have made us for yourself and our heart is restless until it rests in you." (Saint Augustine)

Q. Why does man have a desire for God?

God himself, in creating man in his own image, has written upon his heart the desire to see him. Even if this desire is often ignored, God never ceases to draw man to himself because only in God will he find and live the fullness of truth and happiness for which he never stops searching. By nature and by vocation, therefore, man is a religious being, capable of entering into communion with God. This intimate and vital bond with God confers on man his fundamental dignity.

MASS TIMES 28th January—03rd February 2018

Sunday, 28 January	Monday, 29 January	Tuesday, 30 January	Wednesday, 31 January	Thursday, 01 February	Friday, 02 February	Saturday 03 February
8.30am Mass 6.00pm Mass <i>4th Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	7:00 Rosary 7:30am Mass	7:30am Mass	7:00pm Mass Adoration <i>St John Bosco</i>	7:30am Mass	7:00am Rosary 7:30am Mass <i>The Presentation of the Lord</i>	7:30am Mass 5.30pm Reconciliation 6.00pm Mass



The school year began on Tuesday with a great deal of excitement and energy. It was a buzz of excitement as children returned and caught up with their friends.

The Prep students were particularly excited and it was great to see so many parents and grandparents at school with them on their first day.

We welcome Gerald Shegog as our new APRE, Roslyn Jenner as Guidance Counsellor and Caitlin Chesmar and Mikayla Sologinkin as new teachers.

This year we are celebrating our 40 years and 150 years of the Presentation Sisters in Australia. Nano Nagle will be a focus for our reflections this year.

Our mantra this year from our school motto is 'Let Peace Light our Way'. May we all be blessed with the peace of God this year.



Rick Sheehan
Principal



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

*04.02.2018 @ 8:30am Mass
Cecilio Sebial's Team*

*11.02.2018 @ 8:30am Mass
Emma Talatonu's Team*

*18.02.2018 @ 8:30am Mass
Rose George's Team*

Birthday & Anniversary Celebrations 24th—25th February 2018



Senior Group Update



Mass : 13th February 2018
@ 9:00am.

At this Mass Father also will have an Anointing Of The Sick. Join us for morning tea afterwards in the hospitality area.

Noelene 3208 5304 or 0409 261 639

St Edward's Sacramental Program



Commences with Confirmation on Thursday 15th March 2018 at 6:00pm.

Applications can be obtained from the back of the Church or from our website.

Applications for Confirmation 2018 close Friday 23 February 2018.

Monday 12 March 2018 @ 6.00pm - Spiritual Conference and Rehearsal for parents/guardians/students.

For more information contact the Parish office on 3299 2000 or email daisyhill@bne.catholic.net.au

Sacramental Coordinator
Denise Love.

IMPORTANT AMENDMENT TO PARISH TIMETABLE

On our 2018 timetable it shows that the School Opening Mass will be celebrated on Friday 09th February.

However that day now clashes with another important day in the school calendar so it will now be held on Friday 16th February.

Thank you.

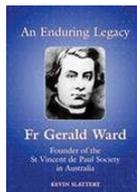
Church Ministers' Rosters for next weekend 03rd — 04rd February 2018

	Saturday 6.00pm	Sunday 8.30am	Sunday 6.00pm
Holy Mass Coordinators	Iona & Ronet	Brian Ridder	Jeanne Medina
Parish Choirs	Spiritus	St Cecilia	Samoan
Overhead Projectionist	Volunteer	Volunteer	Volunteer
Proclaimers of the Word: 1	Julian Chandrasekara	Xyle Sebial	Jericho Quinones
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Communion Ministers	Muriel Fitzsimons	Steve Richardson	Cheryl McCaffery
	Paula Vaise	John Guiton	Nix Arezza
	Edmund Lai	Greg Gregorio	Sean O'Brien
	Alx Sonido	Reece Healy	Ason Medina
	Eve Douglas	Lewes or Katie Peddell	Ica Medina
		Sio Afoa	
		Ed Havelock	
Altar Servers	Candice Wessling	Shannon Oporto	Caleb O'Brien
	Layla Perrett	Virginia Mirago	Ella O'Brien
Children's Liturgy		Anita Peres & Sharon Biasillo	



St Vincent de Paul Society comes to Australia

Last week we looked at the beginnings of the St Vincent DePaul Society; this week we reflect on the beginnings and development of the society in Australia. The first conference in Australia was founded by Fr Gerard Ward at St Francis' Church, Melbourne, on the 5th March 1854, a mere 21 years after the Society's first conference meeting in Paris. He was ordained in 1839 in London where in his work as a priest he saw the good works of the society and worked with the Society in relieving the sufferings of the Irish immigrants who were fleeing from the famine in their homeland. In 1850 he responded to an appeal from the bishop of Melbourne for more clergy and migrated to Australia. He was appointed to St Francis parish in Melbourne and helped the many people who suffered greatly from prolonged droughts and severe bush fires. The discovery of gold at Ballarat and Clunes played havoc with the family unit. Families were split as thousands of men – many of them husbands and fathers - headed for the gold fields hoping to strike it rich. The wives and children left behind faced a desperate struggle to survive. Later he was transferred to St Mary's, Geelong and then to Williamstown – the poorest districts in Victoria. Living conditions had greatly deteriorated, cost of living had risen steeply, sanitation was poor and there was a lack of clean water and crime increased dramatically. The challenge was there and Fr Gerard responded the best way possible: by founding the first conference of the Society of St Vincent de Paul and becoming the nation's first conference president. Today the Society is in every state in Australia with the mission to live the gospel message by serving Christ in the poor with love and



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. We have placed a collection box for stamps in the parish office.



Children's Liturgy Children's Liturgy takes place every second Sunday during the 8.30am Mass. We have a break during School holidays.



February 04 & 18; March 04 & 18; April 22; May 06 & 20
June 03 & 17.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER— 02nd March 2018
SURINAME—
Theme "ALL GOD'S CREATION IS VERY GOOD"

St. Edward's Parish is the host for the World Day of Prayer. Suriname is a small country on the northeastern coast of South America. It's defined by vast swaths of tropical rainforest, Dutch colonial architecture and a melting-pot culture. On its Atlantic coast is the capital, Paramaribo, where palm gardens grow near Fort Zeelandia, a 17th-century trading post. Paramaribo is also home to Saint Peter and Paul Basilica, a towering wood cathedral consecrated in 1885.

If you are from this region or know of anyone who is, please contact our office. 07 3299 2000.



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 with the parish office on 3299 2000 so that Fr. Marce and a member of our Parish Pastoral Council can reach out to you with a formal welcome. **Thank you**

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. Archdiocesan Website www.bne.catholic.net.au or www.stewardsdaisyhill.org.au
We are also compelled to adhere to the **Policy of the Safeguarding Children & Vulnerable Adults**
<https://brisbanecatholic.org.au/support/safeguard/>