



# Parish of St Edward the Confessor



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.

## CHURCH

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## The Feast of Epiphany Sunday ( Year C)

**2nd - 3rd January 2016**

### A GIFT TO US

*by Fr. Marce Singson*



The word “epiphany” is a Greek word which means “manifestation.” On this day, Jesus manifested that He was to be the Saviour not only for the Jews but to all humanity. This idea is presented

in today’s second reading (Ephesians 2:2-3,5-6) God’s secret plan...has been revealed by the Spirit...In Christ Jesus the Gentiles are now coheirs with the Jews, members of the same body and sharers of the promise through the preaching of the gospel.” The feast of the Epiphany also manifests *how* Jesus was to be the Saviour of the world. The Church, according to a very ancient tradition, sees the gifts (gold, frankincense and myrrh) of the Magi as symbolic of his mission and his character. Gold was the most precious metal of the day. It was intended to manifest the value and preciousness of the person of Christ; that value is infinite because Jesus is God himself. Frankincense or simply incense, was used in worship, and it was a sign that Jesus would be a priest who would a perfect worship to his Father in heaven. Myrrh was used to embalm bodies in preparation for burial. It symbolised how Jesus would give worship to his Father, that is, by sacrifice, by the offering of his life as a victim.

And so, the Epiphany brings out not so much that Jesus was a receiver of gifts from the Magi, but that he himself was to be a most precious gift to his Father in the worship of sacrifice. He was to save all people by the offering of himself as a victim. Jesus is a gift to us from the Father.

In the Holy Mass, at the time of the consecration of the bread and wine, we hear these words: Take this all of you and eat it, this is my body which will be give up for you.” And for the wine: “Take this all of you and drink from it, this is the Chalice of my Blood...” The body and blood would mean that Jesus has given his whole life for us all. Every Mass, then, Jesus manifests as the Saviour of us all. The Holy Mass continues the sacrificial offering of Jesus. Jesus is our gift. We must remember how precious Jesus is: more precious than gold or anything else we can imagine. We are indeed fortunate in having the perfect gift to offer to God.

For privacy reasons names of sick or recently deceased in these column can only accepted if requested by the sick or their family members

WE REMEMBER



In our prayers all who have died recently, Anthony Michael Hannaby ,John Lines, Maisie Crimean, Barbara Jeffries, Dennis Martin, Pepito Leander, Mike Carroll, Antonio Ferrer, Snr, Ray Manalac, Sheridan Veronica Joan, Juliet Teodosio, Jackie Duncan, Knisler Lloyd, Leslie Oliver, Agnes Hawley, Charles Hawley, Bernado Soriano, Celso Soriano, Procopio Soriano Snr & Jnr, Matias, Ordoyo, Juan Somodio, Manueza Ordoyo, Jose Ordoyo, Eladio Ordoyo, Jhona Ordoyo, Michael Ordoyo, and those whose anniversaries are in this month, Joel D’Cruz



PLEASE PRAY

For all our sick parishioners and family members:

Jason Blackwood, Wilfred Sibayan, Domingo Sibayan, Alfredo Cortez, Eugenio Sagun, Luzviminda Basilio, Igor Hatlow, Susan Thomas, Elaine Rodrigues, Mila Samson, Armando Samson, Gautam Katre, Nancy Soriano, Salvador Reymar Soriano, Barbara Howard, Scott Bearon, Elaine Liddon, Margie Ausling, 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, 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, Allan Kingston, Mary McNeil, Val Temple, Tyrone Lamb, Evelyn Legge, Ann Carroll, Peter Chow, Harry Phillips, Margaret Phillips, Maria Fernandez, Glenda Fowler, Gary Trevena, Eileen Lamarque, Don Newcombe.

BAPTISM

We welcome into our Christian community:

Those baptised during this week. Please pray for these Family as we welcome them into our Faith Community.

No Baptism this week



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

COMMUNION OF THE SICK



Next date for Communion to the Sick is 1st February. Please phone the office if you would like to be added to our Communion list.

MASS TIMES

READINGS

Sunday, 3rd January 2016  
Epiphany of the Lord  
" Mass: 8.30 am  
" Mass: 6 pm

1st Reading  
Psalm  
  
2nd Reading  
Gospel Reading

Isaiah 60: 1-6  
Psalm 71: 1-2, 7-8, 10-13  
Lord, every nation on earth will adore you.  
Ephesians 3: 2-3, 5-6  
Matthew 2: 1-12

Monday, 4th January 2016  
" No Mass

1st Reading  
Psalm  
Gospel Reading

1 John 3: 22 - 4: 6  
Psalm 2: 7-8, 10-11  
Matthew 4: 12-17, 23-25

Tuesday, 5th January 2016  
" No Mass

1st Reading  
Psalm  
Gospel Reading

1 John 4: 7-10  
Psalm: 71: 1-4, 7-8  
Mark 6: 34-44

Wednesday, 6th January 2016  
" No Mass

1st Reading  
Psalm  
Gospel Reading

1 John 4: 11-18  
Psalm 71: 1-2, 10-13  
Mark6: 45-52

Thursday, 7th January 2016  
" No mass

1st Reading  
Psalm  
Gospel Reading

1 John 4: 19-5: 4  
Psalm 71: 1-2, 14-15, 17  
Luke 4: 14-22

Friday, 8th January 2016  
" No Mass

1st Reading  
Psalm  
Gospel Reading

1 John 5: 5-13  
Psalm 147: 12-15, 19-20  
Luke 5: 12-16

Saturday, 9th January 2016  
" No morning Mass  
" Reconciliation 5.30 pm  
" Mass: 6 pm

1st Reading  
Psalm  
Gospel Reading

1 John 5: 14-21  
Psalm 149: 1-6, 9  
John 3: 22-30

Sunday, 10th January 2016  
Baptism of Our Lord  
" Mass: 8.30 am  
" Mass: 6 pm

1st Reading  
Psalm  
  
2nd Reading  
Gospel Reading

Isaiah 40: 1-5, 9-11  
Psalm 103: 1-2, 3-4, 24-25, 27-30  
Titus 2: 11-14; 3: 4-7  
Luke 3: 15-16, 21-22



The Little King’s Movement for the Handicapped

Was founded in 1968 under the umbrella of the Franciscan Missionaries of Mary. It provides an opportunity for persons with disability to access a social life, gatherings, and activities to help overcome loneliness and for them to enjoy the advantages of today’s world in company, education and acceptance into a friendly atmosphere, all based on Christian values.

A special emphasis is placed on helping parents as well as the disabled with their personal, spiritual and social lives.

Although based on Catholic beliefs, it is ecumenical and all members and people with disabilities are welcome.

The members of the Little King’s Movement commit themselves to brining to people with disabilities a sense of worth, a sense of being valued and sense of being loved.

There are no Government Subsidies, and most activities are voluntary. ALL ACTIVITIES FOR OUR DISABLED FRIENDS ARE FREE OF CHARGE.

This is a major fundraiser for the year, to be held on 23rd and 24t h January in our Parish. In previous years this parish has been very generous even in the most difficult financial times, for which the Movement is most grateful.



**Question: Why did Jesus need to be Baptized?**

**Why did Jesus allow John to baptize him, although he was without sin?**

To baptize means to immerse. In his baptism, Jesus descended into the sinful history of all mankind. By doing so he established a sign. In order to redeem us from our sins, he would one day be submerged in death but, through his Father's power, reawakened to life.

Sinners soldiers, prostitutes, tax collectors went out to the prophet John the Baptist because they were looking for the "baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins" (Lk 3:3). Strictly speaking, Jesus did not need this baptism, because he was sinless. The fact that he submitted to this baptism shows us two things: Jesus takes *our* sins upon himself. Jesus understands his baptism as an anticipation of his Passion and Resurrection. At this sign of his willingness to die for us, the heavens open: "You are my beloved Son" (Lk 3:22b). (YOUCAT question 86)

**Question: How could Jesus be tempted? // To whom did Jesus promise the kingdom of God?**

**Why was Jesus led into temptation? Could he really be tempted at all?**

Jesus was truly human, and as part of that he was truly susceptible to temptation. In Jesus Christ we do not have the sort of redeemer "who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but one who in every respect has been tempted as we are, yet without sinning" (Heb 4:15).

**To whom does Jesus promise the kingdom of God?**

God wills "all men to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth" (1 Tim 2:4). The "kingdom of God" begins in those who allow themselves to be transformed by God's love. In Jesus' experience these are above all the poor and the lowly.

Even people unaffiliated with the Church find it fascinating that Jesus, with a sort of preferential love, turns first to those who are socially marginalized. In the Sermon on the Mount, it is the poor and the sorrowing, the victims of persecution and violence, all those who seek God with a pure heart, all who seek his mercy, his justice, and his peace, who have prior access to the kingdom of God. Especially invited are sinners also: "Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick; I came not to call the righteous, but sinners" (Mk 2:17). (YOUCAT questions 88-89)

**Question: Did Jesus really work miracles?**

**Did Jesus work miracles, or are they just pious tales?**

Jesus really worked miracles, and so did the apostles. The New Testament authors refer to real incidents.

Even the oldest sources tell of numerous miracles, even the raising of the dead, as a confirmation of Jesus' preaching: "But if it is by the Spirit of God that I cast out demons, then the kingdom of God has come upon you" (Mt 12:28). The miracles took place in public; some of the persons involved were known by name, for instance, blind Bartimaeus (Mk 10:46-52) or Peter's mother-in-law (Mt 8:14-15). There were also miracles that in those Jewish circles were considered shocking and outrageous (for example, the cure of a crippled man on the Sabbath, the cure of lepers). Nevertheless they were not disputed by contemporary Judaism. (YOUCAT question 90)

**Question: WHY did Jesus work miracles?**

**But why did Jesus work miracles?**

The miracles that Jesus worked were signs that the kingdom of God was beginning. They expressed his love for mankind and reaffirmed his mission.

Jesus' miracles were not self-aggrandizing displays of magic. He was filled with the power of God's healing love. Through his miracles he showed that he is the Messiah and that the kingdom of God begins in him. Thus it became possible to experience the dawn of the new world: he freed people from hunger (Jn 6:5-15), injustice (Lk 19:8), sickness, and death (Mt 11:5). By driving out demons, he began his victorious advance against the "ruler of this world" (meaning Satan; see Jn 12:31). Nevertheless, Jesus did not remove all misfortune and evil from the world. He directed his attention principally to freeing man from the slavery of sin. His central concern was faith, which he also elicited through miracles. (YOUCAT question 91)

**Question: Why did Jesus call apostles?**


**Why did Jesus call apostles?**

Jesus had a large circle of disciples around him, both men and women. From this circle he selected twelve men whom he called apostles (Lk 6:12-16). The apostles were specially trained by him and entrusted with various commissions: "He sent them out to preach the kingdom of God and to heal" (Lk 9:2). Jesus took only these twelve apostles with him to the Last Supper, where he gave them the command, "Do this in remembrance of me" (Lk 22:19b). The apostles became witnesses of Jesus' Resurrection and guarantors of the truth about him. They continued Jesus' mission after his death. They chose successors for their ministry: the bishops. To this day, the successors of the apostles exercise the authority conferred by Jesus: They govern and teach and celebrate the liturgy. The cohesiveness of the apostles became the foundation for the unity of the Church (apostolic succession). Preeminent once again among the Twelve was Peter, on whom Jesus bestowed special authority: "You are Peter, and on this rock I will build my Church" (Mt 16:18). From Peter's special role among the apostles developed the papal ministry. (YOUCAT question 92)

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| Church Ministers' Rosters for next weekend 9th - 10th January, 2016 |                      |                    |                 |
|---|----------------------|--------------------|-----------------|
|   | Saturday 6.00pm      | Sunday 8.30am      | Sunday 6.00pm   |
| Holy Mass Coordinators  | John Wood            | Shirley D'Mello    | Joey Nicolas    |
| Parish Choirs   | Fabio & Nubia        | Couples for Christ | Glenn & Bambi   |
| Overhead Projectionist  | Volunteer            | Volunteer          | Volunteer       |
| Proclaimers of the Word: 1  | Belinda Castillo     | Esther Isbon       | Colin Clancy    |
| Proclaimers of the Word: 2  | Tristram Garbellotto | Evelina Afoa       | Marian Hoad     |
| Communion Ministers   | Dennes Ganggangan    | Sulianz Paterson   | Jed De Chavez   |
|   | Joseph Weerasinghe   | Isidore Storey     | Ian Seneviratne |
|   | Marj Weerasinghe     | Mary Alphonce      | Eldrin Dee      |
|   |                      | Maricel Tejada     |                 |
|   |                      | Johann Xavier      |                 |
| Altar Servers   | Paul Reddy           | Natalia Isbon      | Drew Tabones    |
|   | Candice Wessling     | Virginia Mirago    | Job Villadolid  |




*We want postage stamps from your Christmas greeting cards...*

The Salesian Missions use the old stamps that are passed on to them to raise funds and 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.





May every day of the new year glow with good cheer and happiness for you and your family.


Happy New Year!

Merry Christmas & a Happy New Year from Daisy Hill and Southside Family Day Care



Our Office will be closed from Thursday 24th December and will re-open on Monday 4th January

**St Eddies Men's Group**



Merry Christmas and Happy New Year

*We are on a Christmas Break*

*Wishing all parishioners a caring and spiritual Christmas*

**St Edward's Seniors Group**


Thank you to the Seniors for a great year this year.


\* I had an enjoyable time with you all.

\* I wish you all a happy and holy Christmas and may God bless you and keep you over this special time.


\* **We will meet again for mass and morning tea on Tuesday 9th February, 2016.**

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**Parish Office hours during the Christmas season**



Office will close from 12.30 pm on 31st December  
And will open at 9.00 am on the 4th January 2016 for the New Year.

We wish you a very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

**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.**

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