



# Parish of St Edward the Confessor



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## CHURCH

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## Sixth Sunday of Easter

30th April - 01st May 2016

### AUTHORITY, FREEDOM AND LOVE

*by Fr. Marce Singson*



In the early Church there arose a problem about transferring Jewish rules and regulations into the new Christian community. Gentile converts to the Christian community could not see why they had to be coerced into following practices which had nothing to do with the Church founded by Jesus. The matter of circumcision was particularly con-

troversial. When this

problem came to the attention of the apostles and elders in Jerusalem, they discussed the issue at length and came to a conclusion: "It is the decision of the Holy Spirit, and ours too, not to lay on you any burden beyond that which is strictly necessary. And the burden that was laid upon them was a disciplinary thing because of the culture of the time. Hence, the idea that circumcision was necessary for any member of the Christian community was definitely rejected.

This episode in the early Church involved the importance of freedom which human dignity demands. No one in authority should lay on others a burden beyond that which is strictly necessary. We find that many times in life, in our care and concern for those under our authority, there is a tendency to exaggerate the kinds of decisions that must be made. This exaggeration can be found among parents with children, pastors with their parishioners, heads of institutions and schools with their students.

Today we celebrate God's goodness in giving us enlightenment in this troublesome problem. In the Gospel today we will hear the words of Jesus: "Anyone who loves me will be true to my word, and my Father will love him, and we will come and make our dwelling place with him always." Love is the crucial point in regard to the exercise of authority as well as to the submission to authority. Of course it is easy to talk about such love, and very hard to put it into practice. But difficulty is no excuse for not trying, since love is the only answer. Everyone with any kind of authority must ask himself: "Why do I lay down rules and regulations? What is my motive?" On the other hand, when we are subject to authority, we must also ask ourselves questions. When we insist on our freedom, do we have only in mind only our own convenience, our whims, our self-indulgence?

These days, we are suffering turmoil and conflicts in society, in the Church, in schools, and in our own homes (families). In trying to solve our problems of authority and freedom, let us do so with a hopeful attitude. Through the Holy Spirit we can be as successful with the problem of authority and freedom as were the apostles and the early Christians. Then we will know the meaning of the words of Jesus:

**"Peace is my farewell to you, peace is my gift to you."**



**WE REMEMBER**



In our prayers all who have died recently,

Val Temple her funeral will be held on 07th May at 10.30am in our Church

and those whose anniversaries are in this month:

Thelma Jones, Peter Copson,  
George Pearce, Noel D'Cruz,  
Edward Berhardt, Ronald John Fischer,  
Patricia O'Brien, Francisco Gener,  
Charlie Tremble, Keith Jan-Pierre. and  
Madeleine Fitzsimons

*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.*



**PLEASE PRAY**

For all our sick parishioners  
and family members:

Carma O'Reilly,  
Theresa Brady

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:*



**Braxton Jay Kolega  
Briar Lexi Hudson**

**Juan Enrique  
Fernandez**

**Izaak Bo Beavon**

**Allira Kylie Elizabeth Webber**

**Jasmine Veronica Jacobs**

**Daisy Grace Moore**

**Frankie Lennon Moore**

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



**Parish Update**

**An Invitation for Reflection**

Our modern world is starved of silence and Holy Mass should be a privileged moment to escape the hustle and bustle of daily life and, through worship and participation in Christ's eternal sacrifice, become capable of giving an eternal value to these same daily and transitory activities.

To help achieve this, we should foment by all available means the spirit of attentive and active silence in our celebrations and refrain from importing the world's clamor and clatter into their midst.

The gathering rite gives a formal beginning to our Mass and sets the mood. It is helpful to have this start, so that we all know that this is the time to open ourselves more fully to the presence of God and to leave our preoccupation with schedules, plans, and other daily concerns behind.


The General Instruction of the Roman Missal (GIRM 45) directs that *Even before the celebration itself, it is commendable that silence be observed in the church, in the sacristy, in the vesting room, and in adjacent areas, so that all may dispose themselves to carry out the sacred action in a devout and fitting manner.*"One may observe that most of those who come earlier before the Mass starts, they sit down properly and quietly. Do we know what they are doing at that moment? **THEY'RE PRAYING!** Perhaps they pray to God for their worries and concerns in life. But whatever issues they may bring to God in their moment of personal prayer, they deserve to be respected by us. Hence, there is a need to be quiet inside the Church before the Mass. Everyone needs to dispose himself or herself before the Mass because it is a moment of personal encounter between the Divine and human!

To be punctual is part of character building. Punctuality is a virtue! It speaks of our recognition and respect for others created and fashioned in the image and likeness of God. Ideally, we should make it a habit to arrive in church at least 10 minutes before Mass begins. As we compose ourselves, amidst all the worldly distractions, this is a wonderful opportunity to pray and reflect upon what we are about to celebrate. Those who are late should wait to be seated at the appropriate moment so as not to disrupt the attentive listening people to the Word of God. We need to respect the Lord who is speaking to His people, and at the same time, we also need to respect the listeners.

**Fr. Marce**





MASS TIMES 01st - 07th May 2016						
<b>Sunday, 01st May</b> Sixth Sunday of Easter	<b>Monday, 02nd May</b>	<b>Tuesday, 03rd May</b>	<b>Wednesday, 04th May</b>	<b>Thursday, 05th May</b>	<b>Friday, 06th May</b>	<b>Saturday 07th May</b>
8.30am Mass 6.00pm Mass	NO MASS	NO MASS	NO MASS	NO MASS	NO MASS	NO MASS
						5.30pm Reconciliation  6.00pm Mass



Despite Week Three being a short week, it has been busy! One major focus at the moment is the continuation of data gathering for our validation in early June. Each Catholic and ecumenical school is required to have a documented Religious Education Program designed in accordance with the Religious Education Curriculum and approved through an Archdiocesan validation process. Regular monitoring and review of the program and its delivery is aligned with approved cyclical review processes. One great document that is on our website is each year level's synopsis of the Religion curriculum. You can see a brief overview for each year level- <http://goo.gl/suwQhw>

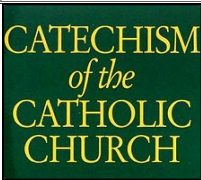
In the classroom we have had:twenty-two enthusiastic students from Years 3, 4 and 5 took part in the first lesson of a new school-based chess programme on Tuesday. During their first lesson of Chess Club, the students learnt about the roles of particular chess pieces and were taught some useful strategies from their chess coach, Craig. The feedback after the first lesson was overwhelmingly positive, as reflected in the following comments from two of our budding Year 5 chess students:“I enjoyed learning about the chess pieces and how they work... I’m really looking forward to next week.” – Billy S. “I enjoyed versing other people and teaching my friends how to play.” – Eunice C. Year Five participated in an excursion to Daisy Hill Koala Park as they investigated habitats. Our Prep classrooms open. We had a large contingent of prospective parents and student visit the school. A highlight was the magnificent Year 6 tour guides. It is such a pleasure to see how articulate, polite and enthusiastic they are in our school. A lovely Year Two Liturgy on forgiveness. Fr Marce is such a wonderful support to the school students, making powerful connections.

Preparation continues for our fete day- you may want to save the date.

Have a great week

**Bronwyn, Brenden and Danielle**



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

*Let's get to know our faith.*

**Question:**

*How does the Church view other religions?*

The Church respects everything in other religions that is good and true. She respects and promotes freedom of religion as a human right. Yet she knows that Jesus Christ is the sole redeemer of all mankind. He alone is "the way, and the truth, and the life" (Jn 14:6).

Whoever seeks God is close to us Christians. There is a special degree of "affinity" to the Muslims. Like Judaism and Christianity, Islam is one of the monotheistic religions ( monotheism). The Muslims, too, revere God the Creator and Abraham as their father in faith. Jesus is considered a great prophet in the Qur'an; Mary, his Mother, as the mother of a prophet. The Church teaches that all men who by no fault of their own do not know Christ and his Church but sincerely seek God and follow the voice of their conscience can attain eternal salvation. However, anyone who has recognized that Jesus Christ is "the way, and the truth, and the life" but is unwilling to follow him cannot find salvation by other paths. This is what is meant by the saying, *Extra ecclesiam nulla salus* (outside of the Church there is no salvation). (YOUCAT question 136)

### Cathedral of St Stephen

invites applications for the part-time position of

## Pastoral Associate

(32 hours per week)

*The successful applicant will:*

- Participate in the community and liturgical life of the parish
- Attend parish events as required
- Collaborate with parish groups in providing care and service to the community.
- Participate in parish meetings as required.
- Work collaboratively with the Parish Office on all parish matters.
- Carry out other duties as required by the Dean.

*Specific responsibilities include:*

The successful applicant will be responsible for coordinating a range of pastoral activities and programs and will assist in developing and implementing parish activities such as Sacramental Programs, Liturgical Ministry, and Adult Faith Education. This position will report to the Dean

To apply for this position, please email your current resume and a covering letter outlining your suitability for the position to [pascoed@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:pascoed@bne.catholic.net.au). For more information contact the Cathedral office on 3224 3030.

Applications should include the name of two (2) referees, one of which preferably should be a Parish Priest.

**Applications close Monday 16 May 2016**

**Church Ministers' Rosters for next weekend 07th - 08th May 2016**

	Saturday 6.00pm	Sunday 8.30am	Sunday 6.00pm
Holy Mass Coordinators	Iona & Ronet D'Mello	Shirley D'Mello	Joey Nicolas
Parish Choirs	Spiritus	Couples for Christ	Voice of Praise
Overhead Projectionist	Volunteer	Volunteer	Volunteer
Proclaimers of the Word: 1	JR Bandola	Esther Isbon	Colin Clancy
Proclaimers of the Word: 2	Marinel/Marian	Evelina Afoa	Claire Nicolson
Communion Ministers	Keiko Ueda	Suylianz Paterson	Jed De Chavaz
	Chriselle D'Mello	Isidore Storey	Ian Seneviratne
	Glenn Hallorina	Mary Alphonse	Eldrin Dee
		Maricel Tejada	
		Johann Xavier	
		Denise Love	
		Francis Oliva	
Alter Servers	Annabelle Wessling	KC Sebil	Job Villadolid
	Jonathan Wessling	Kim Silagan	Christine Ferrer

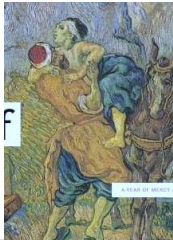


As we continue to explore the qualities of Mercy, we find this description in the play "The Merchant of Venice" by William Shakespeare.

The Quality of Mercy  
The quality of mercy is not strained,  
It dropeth as the gentle rain from heaven  
Upon the place beneath. It is twice blessed:  
It blesseth him that gives and him that takes...

It is an attitude of God Himself  
And earthly power doth then show likest God's  
When mercy seasons justice.....  
In the course of justice, none of us  
Should see salvation: we do pray for mercy:  
and that same prayer doth teach us to  
render The deeds of Mercy.


Shakespeare is telling that mercy is an attribute of God and without it we cannot be saved as we are all sinners. It is only when we seek mercy that we learn to be merciful.



What a fun filled day at Daisy Hill and Southside Family Day Care. We were very fortunate to have Nicole from Logan City Council Libraries hold story time for us this week. It was a very interactive session, with the children being able to join in with the story telling experience. In addition, Peter our multicultural worker shared with the children his extensive knowledge of kites from around the world. Each child made their very own kite to take home. Fortunately for us, we had perfect kite flying weather and Educators and children participated in the joy of kite flying.

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

**Senior Group Update**  
**Mass : Tuesday 10th May 9.00 am**  
At this Mass Fr also holds an Anointing of the Sick.  
A cuppa Morning tea will be served after Mass.  
Come along and meet fellow Parishioners.  
Transport can be arranged if required  
Enquiries to Noelene 32085304 or 0409261639  
**All are welcome.**

 **Children's Liturgy** takes place during the Sunday 8.30am Mass. Upcoming Dates are:  
01st May    15th May    29th May  
12th June

**CARE AND CONCERN**  
If you are aware of a sick parishioner who may appreciate a visit or a meal or requires transport to medical appointments. Please contact the Parish Office so a member of our Care and Concern or Pastoral Council can respond.

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**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](http://www.bne.catholic.net.au) or [www.stewardsdaisyhill.org.au](http://www.stewardsdaisyhill.org.au)