



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.

**23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sunday (Year B)**

5th - 6th September 2015

FAVORITISM

by Fr. Marce Singson

CHURCH

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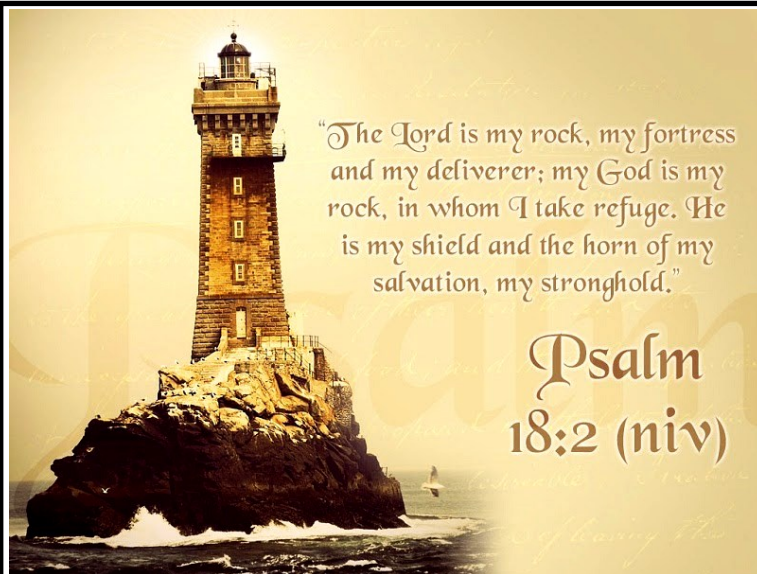
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The physical and the visual are what first grab our attention. We see someone who is beautiful or handsome and we look admiringly at them. We see clothes or cars and houses of friends and we envy. We find ourselves in constant of comparison and judging. In the

presence of some, we feel superior and gifted. In the presence of others, we feel inferior and weak. And so life becomes a see-saw; we go up if others go down, if others are up we go down. Moreover, we judge the moral character of a person by their possessions, social status and reputation. We show deference to the rich and famous. We roll out red carpets for those in power. By contrast, we neglect those of meagre and ordinary means. We leave them to fend themselves.

Favouritism is destructive to all human relationships. Siblings know well the pain that can arise when parents play off one against the other. Teachers who single out certain gifted students for special treatments lose their effectiveness and the respect of the class.

Our second reading today from the Letter of James, says: *“Do not combine faith in Jesus with the making of distinctions between classes of people. Suppose a man comes into your church, beautifully dressed and with a gold ring on, and at the same time a poor man comes in, in shabby clothes, and you take notice of the well-dressed man and say: “Come this way to the best seats.” Then you tell the poor man “Stand over there” or “You may sit on the floor,” Listen, it was those who are poor according to the standard of the world that God chose, to be rich in faith and to be the heirs to the Kingdom which he promised to those who love him.* (James 2:1-5)

Wait a minute! From these words of James, isn't God showing favouritism toward the poor and the lowly? NO. God is simply responding to the needs of the poor because no one else will. God does not stand by indifferently and remain unmoved by the cries of his people. God's response to the poor and the lowly is a necessary element of justice and care. When we are caught up by a situation or crisis in life and we feel helpless and hopeless, we are not alone. God is there,...our refuge and our strength!

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,
Jackie Duncan, Knisler Lloyd, Leslie Oliver, Agnes Hawley, Charles Hawley, Bernardo Soriano, Celso Soriano, Procopio Soriano Snr & Jnr, Matias, Ordoyo, Juan Somodio, Manueza Ordoyo, Jose Ordoyo, Eladio Ordoyo, Jhona Ordoyo, Michael Ordoyo, Dorothy Case, Allison Bailey, Elizabeth Varis, Julio Dabela (Philippines), Fetu Hodgson, Rob Lee, Denice Risson, We also remember the Anniversaries this month Thomas Wilson, Aldo Rivera, Leslie Lamarque, Noel D'Cruz, Joel D'Cruz, Ivan Reddy, Conchita Gallardo, Felicisi Ma Samson, Wilfredo Samson, Moncado Gallego Benita Gallego, Ceferino Gallego, Pablo Gallego, Willy Macawile, Rogelio Espiritu Snr.



PLEASE PRAY

For all our sick parishioners and family members:

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 Osyipiv, 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.



Lilyanna Rose O'Neil
Ariya Rose Wood
Cherrie Ka Ching Edgar

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 7th September. Please phone the office if you would like to be added to our Communion list.

MASS TIMES

Sunday 6th September 2015
23rd Sunday in Ordinary time
" Mass: 8.30 am
" Mass: 6 pm

Monday, 7th September 2015
" Rosary 7.00 am
" Mass: 7.30 am

Tuesday, 8th September 2015
The nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary
" Mass: 7.00 pm
" Adoration

Wednesday 9th September 2015
" Rosary 7.00 am
" Mass: 7.30 am

Thursday, 10th September 2015
" Mass: 7.30 am

Friday, 11th September 2015
" Rosary 7.00 am
" Mass: 7.30 am

Saturday, 12th September 2015
" Mass: 7.30 am
" Reconciliation 5.00 pm
" Mass 6.00 pm

Sunday 13th September 2015
19th Sunday in Ordinary time
" Mass: 8.30 am
" Mass: 6 pm

READINGS

1st Reading
Psalm
2nd Reading
Gospel Reading
Isaiah 35: 4-7
Psalm 145: 7-10
Praise the Lord, my soul!
James 2: 1-5
Mark 7: 31-37

1st Reading
Psalm
Gospel Reading
Colossians 1: 24 - 2: 3
Psalm 61: 6-7, 9
Luke 6: 6-11

1st Reading
Psalm
Gospel Reading
Micah 5: 1-4
Psalm: 12: 6-7
Matthew 1: 1-16, 18-23

1st Reading
Psalm
Gospel Reading
Colossians 3: 1-11
Psalm 144: 2-3, 10-13
Luke 6: 20-26

1st Reading
Psalm
Gospel Reading
Colossians 3: 12-17
Psalm: 150: 1-6
Luke 6: 27-38

1st Reading
Psalm
Gospel Reading
1 Timothy 1: 1-2, 12-14
Psalm 15: 1-2, 5, 7-8, 11
Luke 6: 39-42

1st Reading
Psalm
Gospel Reading
1 Timothy 1: 15-17
Psalm 112: 1-7
Luke 6: 43-49

1st Reading
Psalm
2nd Reading
Gospel Reading
Isaiah 50: 5-9
Psalm 114: 1-6, 8-9
James 2: 14-18
Mark 8: 27-35



This week there was a constant theme in readings and reflections which reminded us that though we may think that it is us who is pursuing Christ, but the reality is, it is Christ who is pursuing us. This theme was reiterated as we reflected on the lives of St Monica and St Augustine and saw how God used Monica to bring her wayward son back to Him. God's love for us is so great that He never gives up on us as is beautifully expressed in the

poem "The Hound Of Heaven" by Francis Thompson, a rehabilitated alcoholic.
The hound of Heaven

I FLED Him, down the nights and down the days;
I fled Him, down the arches of the years;
I fled Him, down the labyrinthine ways
Of my own mind; and in the mist of tears
I hid from Him, and under running laughter.
Up vistaed hopes I sped;
And shot, precipitated,
Adown Titanic glooms of chasmèd fears,
From those strong Feet that followed,
followed after.
But with unhurrying chase,
And unperturbèd pace,
Deliberate speed, majestic instancy,
They beat—and a Voice beat
More instant than the Feet—

‘All things betray thee, who betrayest Me...’
(For, though I knew His love Who followed,
Yet was I sore adread
Lest, having Him, I must have nought
beside.)

IT IS GOD'S GRIP ON ME
— NOT MY FEEBLE GRIP ON HIM —
THAT KEEPS ME SAFE
IN THE FOLD OF HIS LOVE



CATECHISM of the CATHOLIC CHURCH

Basic questions
answered according to
the Catechism of the
Catholic Church.
Let's get to know our faith.

Question: What does it mean to say that God is TRUTH?

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"God is light and in him is no darkness" (1 Jn 1:5). His Word is truth (Prov 8:7; 2 Sam 7:28), and his Law is truth (Ps 119:142). Jesus himself vouches for God's truth by declaring before Pilate, "For this I was born, and for this I have come into the world, to bear witness to the truth" (Jn 18:37). The truth of God cannot be "proved" or subjected to empirical tests, since science cannot make him an object of investigation. And yet God subjects himself to a special sort of proof. We know that God is truth on the basis of the absolute credibility of Jesus. He is "the way, and the truth, and the life" (Jn 14:6). Anyone who enters into a relationship with him can find this out by putting it to the test. If God were not "true", then faith and reason could not have a dialogue with each other. An agreement is possible, however, because God is truth, and the truth is divine. (YOUCAT question 32)

Question: What does it mean to say that God is LOVE?

What does it mean to say that God is love?

If God is love, then there is nothing created that is not carried and surrounded by his infinite benevolence. God not only declares that he is love, he also proves it: "Greater love has no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends" (Jn 15:13).

No other religion says what Christianity says:

"God is love" (1 Jn 4:8, 16). Faith holds fast to this promise, although the experience of suffering and evil in the world may make people wonder whether God is really loving. Already in the Old Testament God communicates to his people through the words of the prophet Isaiah: "Because you are precious in my eyes, and honored, and I love you, I give men in return for you, peoples in exchange for your life. Fear not, for I am with you" (Is 43:4-5a) and has him say, "Can a woman forget her sucking child, that she should have no compassion on the son of her womb? Even these may forget, yet I will not forget you. Behold, I have graven you on the palms of my hands" (Is 49:15-16a). This talk about divine love does not consist of empty words; Jesus proves this on the Cross, where he gives up his life for his friends. (YOUCAT question 33)

*Material as published in: Catechism in a year/
<https://uno.flocknote.com/list>*

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SCHOOL NEWS

Wellbeing Week is in full swing! The students are enjoying the range of activities that have been planned that allow them to focus on themselves, others and the community. Monday launched with a focus on how we keep ourselves safe and how to recognise staying safe. Show, Share and

Shine Tuesday saw the students embrace sharing and celebrating their learning with parents and grandparents. There has been an additional focus on child protection. While Child Protection Week officially commences this Sunday, our students have been receiving safety messages this week. Our school is committed to teaching children practical and easy-to-understand personal safety strategies to help students keep safe. Two other strategies covered are to "Name the 5" and "Nothing is so bad you can't tell."

Some highlights:

Last Friday morning thirty-three of our students in Year 3-6 headed over to the Queensland Sports & Athletics Centre at Nathan for the annual Catholic Zone 2 Athletics day. Our



students were an absolute standout on the day in so many ways. They looked very professional in their St Edward's athletics attire; they behaved beautifully and to top it all off, performed so well that our school took out the following accolades:

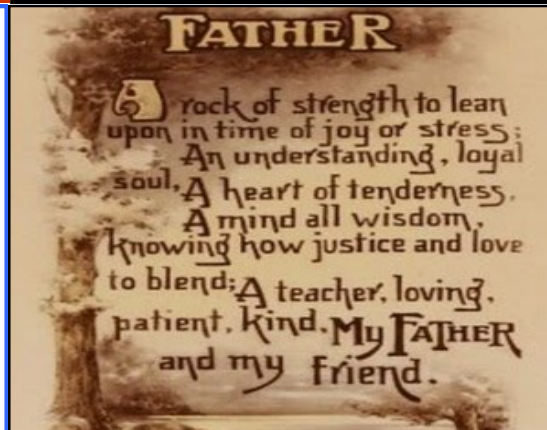
- Zone 2 Champion School trophy
- Zone 2 Division 1 Percentage trophy
- Zone 2 Division 1 Aggregate trophy

Next week the Year Six students will celebrate their grade mass on Thursday 10th September at 9.00am in the church. The focus of their liturgy is "I am a

Believer". This term in class they have been investigating what makes a believer and they are recognising ways in which characters in the Gospel are lead by their faith. All are welcome to join in this event.

We would like to wish all our fathers a nice weekend and hope you have a great special day!

John, Bronwyn and Danielle



Fr Marce and all Fathers and Grand-fathers and Great grandfathers. We wish God's continued blessings as we celebrate the gift of fatherhood. Best wishes to all.

From your Pastoral Council and all Parishioners

Parish updates

Fr Leo Burke celebrates with us....Last Sunday was a great celebration. We celebrated the August birthdays including Fr Marce's and it was super to have Fr Leo Burke join us for a cuppa and cake after the 8.30am Mass. Fr Leo enjoyed catching up with many familiar faces and some of the newer parishioners to Daisy Hill and sharing some of our parish history. He is enjoying his retirement and sends his best wishes to all.

Again, I sincerely thank all those who bring food to share for our cuppa on Sundays. Let's always be mindful of the needy as we celebrate our fellowship around the table of plenty. Pause and give thanks to God.

I thoroughly recommend Fr Ray Sanchez to you -see separate notice.

Denise Love
Pastoral Council

UPCOMING PARISH HOSPITALITY EVENTS

Sunday 13 September:
Sausage Sizzle after 8.30 am Mass

Sunday 20 September:
Soup & Sweets after 6pm Mass

Church Ministers' Rosters for next weekend 12th and 13th September 2015

Ministries	Saturday 6.00pm	Sunday 8.30am	Sunday 6.00pm
Holy Mass Coordinators	John Wood	Shirley D'Mello	Joey Nicolas
Parish Choirs	Fabio's Choir	Freon and Weng	CFC Choir
Overhead Projectionist	Volunteer	Volunteer	Volunteer
Proclaimers of the Word: 1	Belinda Castillo	Sarah Stoneley	Apolo Taulunga
Proclaimers of the Word: 2	Chloe Rattansey	Ester Isbon	Jun Quinones
Communion Ministers	Anita Peres	Sulianz Paterson	Jed De Chavez
	Joseph Weerasinghe	Isidore Storey	Ian Seneviratne
	Marj Weerasinghe	Katrina Beavon	Eldrin Dee
		Maricel Tejada	
		Ray Hughes	

The Catholic Leader: Keeping faith with you

In this week's issue:

- * Archbishop reflects on changing face of the Church in Brisbane and around the world at annual Multicultural Mass
 - * Young Brisbane man continues fight to have his wife released from detention in Darwin while Townsville parishioners celebrate the release of one of their own
 - * Racing chaplain remembers Bart Cummings as a man of faith as well as a great racehorse trainer
 - * Annual Catholic Campaign rolls out with grassroots stories of how simple generosity is making a huge difference around archdiocese
 - * Marriage talk raises debate among ACU students
 - * Religious sister turns to Catholic Psychiatric Pastoral Care for chance to do 'God's work'
 - * Breath-taking flight over desert wilderness opens Jesuit's imagination to life-changing journey of mystery with Aboriginal people
 - * Rosies searching for new place to meet homeless in Brisbane
 - * Brisbane retreat centre for children turns 20
 - * Archbishop challenges youth leaders to reach out to the unchurched
- PLUS: A regional focus on Northern NSW

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.
Call : 32992000 or email: daisyhill@bne.catholic.net.au

Date Claimer: 12th September 2015

St Edward's Parish Annual Retreat

'Jesus' - Who is he really?

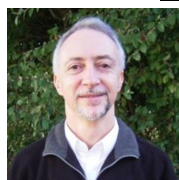
Retreat conducted by Rev Fr Ray Sanchez cp
At St Edward the Confessor Church

All are welcome

The retreat will begin from 9 am till 12.30 pm.
Morning Tea & lunch will be organised.

RSVP: Put your names on list provided at the back of the church
or

Parish Office: Call: 32992000
email: daisyhill@bne.catholic.net.au



COLLECTIONS ON WEEKENDS

We sincerely thank you, our Parishioners
for your contribution towards the Parish Planned Giving
Program and the Loose collection.

We collected \$3330.20

God bless you for your generosity.

Contact the Parish Office if you wish to join.
Please update our records of any change.



Seniors Group Mass

8th September 9.00 am

Please join in our Mass to celebrate God's strength

A warm 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

At St Edwards Catholic Church

All are welcome.



2016 Columban Art Calendar
Now available at the Parish Office
\$9 only

St Eddies Men's Group

Next meeting – 9 Sep (2nd Wed)

We are a spiritual men's shed and
all men are most welcome.

Contact Danny – 32082305



Get a head start on your Christmas Shopping
Join for a day of fun and friendship

Shopping Bus Tour

Departure 7.45 am - return approx. 4.30 pm
On 19th September 2015

Leaving from St Edward's 104 Chatswood Rd, Daisy Hill
Entry \$40, Fundraiser for Rescue Mission for Children Inc.

See full notice on Notice board or Parish Website
Contact Josephine Cullen 0419733878/ Carmel Burgess 0413000387
RSVP by 7th September



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