



# Parish of St Edward the Confessor



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**06th - 07th May 2017**

**4th Sunday of Easter**

## WHO IS JESUS? "I AM THE GATE!"

By: Fr. Marce Singson

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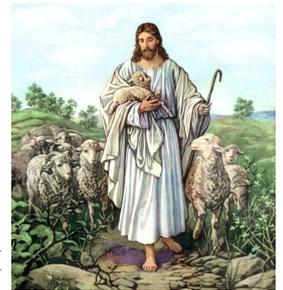
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"I am the gate; whoever enters through me will be saved. He will come in and go out, and find pasture." (John 10:9) At first reading this may sound a rather unusual analogy for Jesus to use. So let us take a step back and consider the context. As we pick up the story from John 9, Jesus has just encountered the man born blind. He heals the man by the power of his spoken word. When the religious leaders demand an explanation and the man testifies to Jesus, they throw him out of the Temple. Rejected by the religious leaders he becomes a follower of Jesus. So Jesus introduces the illustration of the shepherd and the sheep. Jesus is building his flock, finding and saving "the lost sheep of the house of Israel" (Matthew 15:24). But he is also calling sheep from all nations into his flock. "I have other sheep that are not of this sheep pen. I must bring them also. They too will listen to my voice, and there shall be one flock and one shepherd." (John 10:16)

The sheep pen, then as now, is an enclosure open to the elements and the scrutiny of the owner. It is not covered in or roofed over like a barn or shed, it has no door either, just an opening. Its walls are open to the sun, the sky, rain and wind. They are often made of rough stones with a layer of thorn brush along the top. They can be quite dirty, smelly places but their main purpose is to provide protection. At night, after the sheep are in, the shepherd just lays down in the doorway. He becomes the gate. There is no legitimate access to the sheepfold except through him. So anyone who tried to climb over the wall to get in was obviously up to no good. If a predator tries to enter, the shepherd would be disturbed. The shepherd therefore puts his life at risk to protect his sheep in becoming the gate. A hired hand won't but the owner will. The people would have been familiar with the many occasions in the Hebrew scriptures where the Lord God describes himself as a shepherd.

"The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not be in want." (Psalm 23:1 "He tends his flock like a shepherd: He gathers the lambs in his arms and carries them close to his heart; he gently leads those that have young." (Isaiah 40:11) "He who scattered Israel will gather them and will watch over his flock like a shepherd." (Jeremiah 31:10) "As a shepherd looks after his scattered flock when he is with them, so will I look after my sheep... I myself will tend my sheep and have them lie down, declares the Sovereign LORD. I will search for the lost and bring back the strays. I will bind up the injured and strengthen the weak, but the sleek and the strong I will destroy. I will shepherd the flock with justice." (Ezekiel 34:12-16)



So if this imagery would have been familiar to those listening to Jesus, where was he headed? "Jesus used this figure of speech but the Pharisees did not understand what he was telling them." (John 10:6). Because they hadn't got the picture yet, Jesus goes for the jugular – he becomes direct and explicit, "I am the Door" and "I am the Good Shepherd". In quick succession he takes the name of God to himself. He takes the role of God upon himself.

Suddenly the whole illustration makes sense with devastating clarity. Amidst the storms of life, Jesus is saying He is the only one through whom we can be safe and secure. Any other religious leader who does not follow Jesus is really a predator and should be avoided. Jesus is "the" Gate – the gateway to heaven. Jesus is the only way to God. Who is Jesus? "I am the Gate."



## **WE REMEMBER**

In our prayers all who have died recently,

Therese Rasey  
Julie Davitt

and those whose anniversaries are in this month:

Mary Cassidy  
Charlie Tremble  
Francis Michael Dowdle  
Madeleine Fitzsimons  
Dorothea Scully  
May Jiralling Benedit  
Keith Jean-Pierre

*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:

Terry Owsnett  
Darcy Toms  
Rita Blacker  
Sue Neve  
L'ii Tolu  
Glecy Nassif  
Roberto Nassif  
Ma.Teresita Villar  
Neonila Constantino

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:*

Elisha May Priebe  
Lewis Eli Manuel Kaese  
Nathaniel Kevin Chandrasekara

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



## **Men's Group Meeting "Getting to the Point"**

09th & 23rd May 2017  
@ 7.00pm

Venue: Room at the back of the Church.

All men welcome. Open discussion on:

- Scripture.
- Future meetings.



**St Edwards Ladies High Tea**

Last Sunday, St Edward's hosted its very first Ladies High Tea!

72 ladies were treated to a 5 star silver class service!

On arrival, our ladies were welcomed with the beautiful sounds of a Harpist, who has played for the Queen herself!

Ladies were welcomed into the Church for a formal welcome and spiritual reflection led by Fr Marce.

The official commencement of the High Tea began after the cutting of the red ribbon by Fr Marce and waiters serving our ladies a glass of champagne for the official opening.

Our ladies got to enjoy some world class savoury delicacies as well as some mouthwatering sweet treats, all served by our amazing waiters!

Each table was individually personalised with decorations and fine china, definitely a conversation starter for the ladies!

Lucky door prizes were on offer, as well as each lady taking home a very special gift to continue their spiritual journey at home!

The afternoon was filled with laughter from every table, new friendships and many happy memories!

This would have not been possible without the help of our volunteers who made this experience for our ladies world class!

Thank you to all who made everyone feel so special and brought the love of Jesus to everyone there!

Steven Richardson  
Chairperson of the Parish Pastoral Council



## **YOU ARE OFFICIALLY INVITED TO OUR WOMEN'S DAY RETREAT**

JOIN US FOR FELLOWSHIP WITH THE WOMEN OF ST EDWARD'S, WHILE WE DISCOVER OUR JOURNEY, PURPOSE AND THE PLANS GOD HAS FOR US.

YOU WILL BE ENCOURAGED, REFRESHED AND STRENGTHENED WITH AN INSPIRING GUEST SPEAKER FROM EVANGELISATION BRISBANE WHILST TAKING IN ALL OF THE BEAUTIFUL SURROUNDINGS OF MARION VALLEY.

THROUGHOUT THE DAY WE WILL ENJOY SOME LOVELY FOOD, REFRESHMENTS AND YOUR VERY OWN GIFT BAG TO TAKE HOME.

TRANSPORT IS AVAILABLE FOR ALL THOSE WISHING TO ATTEND THE WOMEN'S RETREAT.

**COST - \$25.00 (INCLUDES REFRESHMENTS AND TRANSPORT).**

**WHEN - SATURDAY 10TH OF JUNE**  
BUS LEAVES THE PARISH AT 8.00 AM AND RETURNS AT 5.00 PM.

PLEASE **RSVP** TO MARIA ON 0425 626 144 OR THE PARISH OFFICE BY **28TH OF MAY**

## MASS TIMES 07th - 13th May 2017

Sunday, 07 May	Monday, 08 May	Tuesday, 09 May	Wednesday, 10 May	Thursday, 11 May	Friday, 12 May	Saturday 13 May
8.30am Mass 6.00pm Mass  <i>4th Sunday of Easter</i>	7.00am Rosary 7.30am Mass	7.30am Mass  9.00 Mass - Seniors	7.00pm Mass Adoration	7.30am Mass	7.00am Rosary 7.30am Mass	7.30am Mass  5.30pm Reconciliation  6.00pm Mass



On Thursday night St Edward's teachers gathered for a Twilight Professional Learning. The purpose of the twilight event was to deepen our understanding of our motto for 2017:

*"Together we Grow in communion with God , others and all of creation"*

Kris Rowlands from Brisbane Catholic Education facilitated our reflections and dialogue on the theology of creation and community.

We are all called to be a community of disciples nurturing community and all of creation.

Rick Sheehan  
Principal.



# MEN'S EVENT

IRON  
SHARPENS  
IRON  
SO ONE  
MAN  
SHARPENS  
ANOTHER

PROVERBS 27:17

Join us for the  
St Edward's  
Men's BBQ  
21st May @ 2.00 PM  
St Edward's Parish

PLEASE REGISTER @ THE NOTICE BOARD  
FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT STEVE  
0401 696 696



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

**14.05.2017 @ 8.30am Mass**  
Al Silagan's Team

**21.05.2017 @ 8.30am Mass**  
Denise Love's Team

**28.05.2017 @ 6.00pm Mass**  
Anita & Neville Peres Team

**28.05.2017 @ 8.30am Mass**  
Vange Munn's Team

### Senior Group Update

**Mass : 09th May 2017 at 9.00 am**

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



**Friday 19th May 2017**  
Georges Grill Seafood & Burgers  
Is where we are going for lunch.  
Cornubia Shopping Centre  
Cnr Bryants and Redland Bay Rd,  
Loganholme.

Meet at the church at 11:30am.  
Numbers to me by Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> May

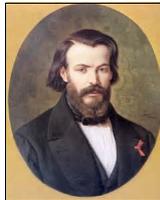
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## Church Ministers' Rosters for next weekend 13th - 14th May 2017

	Saturday 6.00pm	Sunday 8.30am	Sunday 6.00pm
<b>Holy Mass Coordinators</b>	John Wood	Steve/Maria	Joey Nicolas
<b>Parish Choirs</b>	Voices of Praise	Sunshine Coast	Voices of Praise
<b>Overhead Projectionist</b>	Volunteer	Volunteer	Volunteer
<b>Proclaimers of the Word: 1</b>	Belinda Castillo	Esther Isbon	Isabelle McCaffery
<b>Proclaimers of the Word: 2</b>	Tristram Garbellotto	Evelina Afoa	Ella O'Brien
<b>Communion Ministers</b>	Jan McMahon	Sulianz Patterson	Jed De Chavez
	Donna Smith	Isidore Storey	Ian Seneviratne
	David McLean	Mary Alphonse	Eldrin Dee
		Maricel Tejada	Anna O'Brien
		Johann Xavier	Shane McCaffery
		Denise Love	
		Francis Oliva	
<b>Altar Servers</b>	Candice Wessling	KC Sebil	Job Villadolid
	Annabelle Wessling	Kim Silagan	Christine Ferrer
<b>Children's Liturgy</b>		Clare Reabow & Sharon Biasillo	



The 204th anniversary of the birth of Blessed Frederic Ozanam, founder of the St Vincent de Paul Society, was celebrated on the April 23<sup>rd</sup>. As part of the celebration we share a reflection of Frederic's legacy...



Frederic was a man of **faith**. He understood the importance of prayer and spiritual advice.

Frederic was a man of **love**. His love for God and the church was strengthened because of his relationships with those experiencing deep poverty, his confreres and his family.

Frederic was a man of **hope**. He saw the importance of a legacy of justice and advocacy for the disadvantaged in society.

Understanding the charisma of Blessed Frederic Ozanam is part of deepening our personal faith, depth for love of those we care for, and being a voice for those not heard. I hope these charismas are expressed in our SVDP work experiences which need to be practical, relational, engaging and responding in love. He once wrote

*“ All my life I have followed the poetry of love in preference to the poetry anger. I will not change now”.*



***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.

### CATECHISM of the CATHOLIC CHURCH

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

**Q. Why does the Profession of Faith begin with the words, "I believe in God"?**

The Profession of Faith begins with these words because the affirmation "I believe in God" is most important, the source of all the other truths about man and about the world, and about the entire life of everyone who believes in God.

**Q. Why does one profess belief that there is only one God?**

Belief in the one God is professed because he has revealed himself to the people of Israel as the only One when he said, "Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God is one Lord" (*Deuteronomy* 6:4) and "there is no other" (*Isaiah* 45:22). Jesus himself confirmed that God is "the one Lord" (*Mark* 12:29). To confess that Jesus and the Holy Spirit are also God and Lord does not introduce any division into the one God

**Q. In what way is God the truth?**

God is Truth itself and as such he can neither deceive nor be deceived. He is "light, and in him there is no darkness" (1 *John* 1:5). The eternal Son of God, the incarnation of wisdom, was sent into the world "to bear witness to the Truth" (*John* 18:37).



### Children's Liturgy

Term 2 dates are:  
14 and 28 May, and 11 June



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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.**

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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/>