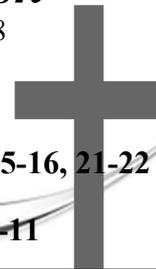




# St Edward the Confessor Parish

Established 1978

104 Chatswood Road, DAISY HILL. QLD 4127



Readings: Is. 40: 1-5, 9-11; Titus 2: 11-14, 3: 4-7; Luke 3: 15-16, 21-22

Next Week: Isaiah 62: 1-5; 1 Cor. 12: 4-11; John 2: 1-11

## Parish Priest

Fr Joseph Vattaparambil CMI

## Parish Office

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## Office Hours

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Kevin Gauder

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St Edwards

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## 08<sup>th</sup>—09<sup>th</sup> January 2022 The Baptism of the Lord— Year C/2



### Key words and phrases

He will baptise you with the Holy Spirit.

You are my Son, the Beloved; my favour  
rests on you.

Come to the water all you who are thirsty.

Listen, and your soul will live.

You will draw water joyfully from the springs of salvation.

When Jesus was baptised he took up his saving mission as the beloved Son. When we are baptised we begin a life of turning from our thoughts and ways to God's thoughts and ways (first reading), becoming God's children (second reading), and continuing Jesus' ministry.

### To the beginning of Advent and the end of the Christmas season

On the first Sunday of Advent we heard Isaiah cry out, 'Oh, that you would tear the heavens open and come down' (first reading). As the Christmas season comes to an end that prayer is fulfilled as Jesus saw the heavens being torn open (gospel).

### To our Catholic culture

We tend to see baptism as a ceremony rather than a lifelong call that commissions us to service.

### Baptism and the end times

In all three synoptic gospels the baptism of Jesus marks the beginning of his public ministry. Earlier in the gospel Mark had described the baptism of John as 'a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins' (1:4). The question naturally arises, 'Why would Jesus undergo such a baptism?' When Matthew recounts the story of the baptism this very question must have been in his mind as he reports, 'John tried to dissuade [Jesus], saying, 'It is I who need baptism from you, and yet you come to me?' Jesus said to him in reply, 'Leave it like this for the time being: it is fitting that we do all that righteousness demands.' (3:14-15), by which Matthew seems to mean that both Jesus and John are fulfilling, each in his own way, what God requires of them.

For Mark the emphasis seems to be less on the forgiveness of sins and more on baptism and on the ministry of John as signs of the end times. Biblical passages such as Jeremiah 31, Ezekiel 36, and Isaiah 40, together with texts from the Dead Sea Scrolls, led people to look for the coming of those days when God would respond to people's repentance by sending a spirit (often a spirit of burning or of fire) to purify God's people. According to Malachi 3 those days would be heralded by a God-sent messenger, namely, Elijah. And so it is that Mark presents John the Baptist as Elijah (1:6), shows the people repenting (1:5), indicates that purification was taking place in the rite of baptism with water, and describes the expected Spirit coming down upon Jesus (1:10). Mark also reports John's proclamation: 'Someone is following me, someone who is more powerful than I am' (1:7). Appropriately, then, Jesus begins his public ministry only after John had been arrested (1:14). In all these ways Mark stresses that, in Jesus, the end days have come, that the day of the Lord has arrived. The baptism of Jesus, then, signals both the beginning of Jesus' ministry and the beginning of the end times.

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## WE REMEMBER

**In our prayers all who have died recently,**

James (Jim) McErlean

and those whose anniversaries are in this month:

Laurel (Joy) Oliver  
Francisca Batalla  
Raymundo Batalla Jr  
Rosalie Batalla

*Eternal rest grant unto them, Lord,  
and let perpetual light shine upon them.  
May they rest in peace. Amen*



## PLEASE PRAY

For all our Sick parishioners and family members:

Cath Fulcher  
Armando Bettiol  
Erika Mehler  
Faaleo Tupi  
Ioane (John) Tolu  
Margaret Wilson  
Carolyn Winter  
Denita Castley  
Cortez family  
Guevarra family

*"May you be wrapped up in God's love,  
Found deep in His everlasting wings,  
Carried and kept, safe and cherished.  
May the healing power of Christ  
Breathe across your being now."*

*Names of sick, 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.*

*Envelopes to request Masses to be offered  
for the sick, dying, deceased or for special  
intentions are available at the back of the  
church.*



## BAPTISM

**We welcome into our Christian  
Community**

**Zara Grace McCanna  
Aiden Xavier Purification**

Phone the parish office on 3299 2000 for  
information regarding baptism.



Thank you to our Care and Concern  
team who have been checking up on and  
taking our seniors the weekly  
Newsletter and communion.  
**Recommence in February 2022**



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

Men's Group meet 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of  
the month.

**Next meeting 02.02.2022**

**@7:00pm.**

For information contact: Ron Ferrall  
3290 3110 [referrall@optusnet.com.au](mailto:referrall@optusnet.com.au)

## PARISH UPDATE

### Safeguarding Children & Vulnerable Adults—

**St Edward's Parish Representative**

**John Guiton**

Our Safeguarding of Children & Vulnerable Adults Parish Representative John Guiton has decided that he would like to step down from this position as of the beginning of this year.

John has held this position in our parish for several years now. We are very thankful for his dedication and responsibilities to his position and the assistance he has given our office with our yearly audits.

Therefore now we are inviting an expression of interest for a volunteer who would like to take on this position.

- All assistance will be provided in regards to courses/training through the Archdiocese.
- To assist the office with record keeping of our volunteers documents/training.
- Ensuring that all the regulations required for our Parish by Safeguarding is implemented.

If you are interested in this position please email our office at:

[daisyhill@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:daisyhill@bne.catholic.net.au) or any if you have any queries please contact myself, Fr Joseph.

*The Archdiocese of Brisbane has standards of conduct for workers to maintain a safe and healthy environment for children. Our commitment to these standards requires that we conduct working with children checks and background referencing for all persons who will engage in direct and regular involvement with children and young people (0 - 18 years) and/or vulnerable adults. The organisation is fully committed to child safety and has a 0 tolerance to abuse of children or vulnerable adults.*

### **Christmas Celebration**

It was a very special celebration this Christmas. Being able to bring families together. Some of the children in our parish dressed up for the occasion. Thank you parents



### **25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Thank you.**

I was very touched with the special celebration you gave me last week-end. It meant a lot to me.

I would like to personally thank everyone involved in the preparations of the celebration of my 25th Ordination Anniversary.

Thank you all, my parishioners, for welcoming me into your community. I feel you are all my family.

I am truly blessed. The amazing gift of a Papal Blessing from Pope Francis was the highlight to the day. Thank you.

*Stay safe and stay well,*

*Fr Joseph*



Thank you to everyone that has helped bring Advent to Christmas to life.

I know that the spirit is moving at St Eddies, and it is because everyone contributes in their way. We are blessed.

Fr. Joseph's 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Ordination was a special celebration, on the Feast of the Epiphany. Many people were involved since early

December to ensure its success – and it was!

We hope that when his family in India see photos and the Video tape, they too are able to share Fr. Joseph's wonderful moment.

We pray for his continued service in Christ and devotion to our community.

*Liturgy Team*



## MASS TIMES 10<sup>th</sup>—16<sup>th</sup> January 2022

Monday, 10 January	Tuesday, 11 January	Wednesday, 12 January	Thursday, 13 January	Friday, 14 January	Saturday, 15 January	Sunday, 16 January
9:00am Mass	9:00am Mass	9:00am Mass	NO MASS  <i>St Hilary, bishop, doctor</i>	9:00am Mass	9:00am Mass  6:00pm Vigil Mass	<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time</b> 8:00am Rosary 8:30am Mass  6:00pm Mass



**Outside School Hours Care**

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 W: [www.centacarebrisbane.net.au](http://www.centacarebrisbane.net.au)



**Rick Sheehan Principal Phone: 3208 0922**

*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. These go towards Salesian Education and relief work in developing nations. We have placed a collection box for stamps in the parish office. **Thank you.**

**Children's Liturgy**  
 Children's Liturgy takes place each Sunday during the 8:30am Mass. We have a break during the school holidays.

The term 'Children's Liturgy of the Word' refers to the practice of children leaving the Sunday assembly during the Liturgy of the Word and gathering elsewhere to celebrate a separate Liturgy of the Word that is more appropriate to their level of understanding.

**CATECHISM of the CATHOLIC CHURCH** **Basic questions answered according to the Catechism of the Catholic Church.**

- Q. What does God reveal to man?**
- A.** God in his goodness and wisdom reveals himself. With deeds and words, he reveals himself and his plan of loving goodness which he decreed from all eternity in Christ. According to this plan, all people by the grace of the Holy Spirit are to share in the divine life as adopted "sons" in the only begotten Son of God.
- Q. What are the first stages of God's Revelation?**
- A.** From the very beginning, God manifested himself to our first parents, Adam and Eve, and invited them to intimate communion with himself. After their fall, he did not cease his revelation to them but promised salvation for all their descendants. After the flood, he made a covenant with Noah, a covenant between himself and all living beings.
- Q. What are the next stages of God's Revelation?**
- A.** God chose Abram, calling him out of his country, making him "the father of a multitude of nations" (Genesis 17:5), and promising to bless in him "all the nations of the earth" (Genesis 12:3). The people descended from Abraham would be the trustee of the divine promise made to the patriarchs. God formed Israel as his chosen people, freeing them from slavery in Egypt, establishing with them the covenant of Mount Sinai, and, through Moses, giving them his law. The prophets proclaimed a radical redemption of the people and a salvation which would include all nations in a new and everlasting covenant. From the people of Israel and from the house of King David, would be born the Messiah, Jesus.
- Q. What is the full and definitive stage of God's Revelation?**
- A.** The full and definitive stage of God's revelation is accomplished in his Word made flesh, Jesus Christ, the mediator and fullness of Revelation. He, being the only-begotten Son of God made man, is the perfect and definitive Word of the Father. In the sending of the Son and the gift of the Spirit, Revelation is now fully complete, although the faith of the Church must gradually grasp its full significance over the course of centuries.
- "In giving us his Son, his only and definitive Word, God spoke everything to us at once in this sole Word, and he has no more to say." (Saint John of the Cross)*

## Church Ministers' Rosters for next weekend 15<sup>th</sup>—16<sup>th</sup> January 2022

	Saturday @ 6:00pm	Sunday @ 8:30am	Sunday @ 6:00pm
<b>Mass Coordinator</b>	David & Judi McLean		Cheryl McCaffery
<b>Marshal</b>	Terry George	Denise Love	Cheryl McCaffery
<b>Parish Choirs</b>	Couples for Christ	St Cecilia	Familia Choir
<b>Overhead Projectionist</b>	<b>Volunteer</b>	Tim Trainor	<b>Volunteer</b>
<b>Usher 1</b>	<b>Volunteer</b>	Brian Ridder/Ed Havelock	Pat McCaffery
<b>Communion Minister</b>	David McLean	Isidore Storey Shirley D'Mello Brian Ridder	Sandra Seneviratne Ian Seneviratne
<b>Proclaimers of the Word: 1</b>	Layla Perrett	Kristelle Jaimes	Jericho Quinones
<b>Proclaimers of the Word: 2</b>	Evie Perrett	Sue Neve	Mattie Sarmiento
<b>Prayers of the Faithful</b>	<b>Volunteer</b>	<b>Volunteer</b>	<b>Volunteer</b>

### THE CATHOLIC LEADER

Keeping Faith with You

January edition of The Catholic Leader is available at the back of our Church for \$4:00.

### WE BELONG FAMILY DAYCARE



**Phone:** (07) 2103 5777 **E:** webelongfdc@gmail.com  
**W:** www.we belong family day care.com

**Safeguarding Children & Vulnerable Adults**  
St Edward's Parish Representative TBA

**Cheryl McCaffery—Assistant**  
**Phone: 07 3299 2000**



Full policy can be obtained at:  
<https://brisbanecatholic.org.au/support/safeguard/>

#### STOPline Service

STOPline is an external service provided for the Archdiocese to receive confidential disclosures. Disclosures can be made anonymously. **P:** 1300 304 550 **E:** AOB@stopline.com.au

#### 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 our Parish Priest and a member of our Parish Pastoral Council can reach out to you with a formal welcome. **Thank you.**



### THANKSGIVING DONATIONS

Weekly budget for our parish... **\$4,000.00**

#### Christmas Masses 24<sup>th</sup>—25<sup>th</sup> December

	Envelopes:	\$ 72.00
	Loose:	<u>\$1,567.75</u>
	<b>Grand Total:</b>	<b>\$ 1,639.75</b>

#### 26<sup>th</sup> December 2021

Envelopes:	\$ 337.35
Loose:	\$ 472.10
Credit Card:	\$ 170.00
Direct Deposit:	\$ 125.00
Eftpos:	\$ 170.00
Parish Giving App:	<u>\$ 68.55</u>
<b>Grand Total:</b>	<b>\$ 1,343.00</b>



#### New Year's Day 01<sup>st</sup> January 2022

Loose:	<u><b>\$ 181.40</b></u>
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#### 01<sup>st</sup>—02<sup>nd</sup> January 2022

Envelopes:	\$ 479.30
Loose:	\$ 932.25
Credit Card:	\$ 327.00
Direct Deposit:	\$ 490.00
Eftpos:	\$ 260.00
Parish Giving App:	<u>\$ 68.55</u>
<b>Grand Total:</b>	<b>\$ 2,557.10</b>



**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](http://www.bne.catholic.net.au) or [www.stedwardsdaisyhill.org.au](http://www.stedwardsdaisyhill.org.au)  
We are also compelled to adhere to the **Policy of the Safeguarding Children & Vulnerable Adults**  
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