



St Edward the Confessor Parish

Established 1978

104 Chatswood Road, DAISY HILL. QLD 4127

Readings: Micah 5: 1-4; Hebrews 10: 5-10; Luke 1: 39-44

Next Week: Samuel 1:20-22, 24-28; 1 John 3:1-2, 21-24; Luke 2: 41-52

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18th—19th December 2021

04th Sunday of Advent—Year C/2

'Blessed is the fruit of your womb!'

Christ is coming! The readings this weekend are full of an expectation. God's promise through Micah is fulfilled in the encounter between Mary and Elizabeth, and their faith.

In the **First Reading**, Micah proclaims that the Messiah will come from Bethlehem and lead his flock back to their land in peace. The **Psalms** is a plea to the Shepherd of Israel for this return, and for the sending of the Messiah, the chosen one.

The **Second Reading** from the Letter to the Hebrews emphasises the fact that the Christ who redeemed us took on a human body, like ours.

The **Gospel** helps us gather all these themes: obedience to God's will; faith in his promises; and especially faith in the Incarnation – Jesus our Saviour, already becoming flesh in Mary's womb.

May we journey through these last days of Advent in Mary's company, so that Christ may be born in us.

GOSPEL Luke 1: 39–44 REFLECTION

As I prepare to pray, I give time to slowly becoming aware of my body. I relax and breathe gently. I allow the conviction of God's presence, in and around me, to flood my being. I ask the Spirit to pray within me.

When I'm ready, I take up the text and read it slowly a couple of times. At one level, it is the simple meeting of two pregnant women.

I imagine the scene and quietly watch it unfolding before me. What strikes me most about what I see? And why is that? I look at Elizabeth, see the thrill on her face as her baby moves within her; her joy at meeting Mary; her spiritual insight in seeing her cousin as the 'mother of her Lord'. Do I find small echoes of any of this in my life?

I consider Mary, arriving to help with the ordinary chores of life, but caught up in a unique moment of blessedness. How does this speak to me?

I ponder the deep bond between the two women: their joy, their pride in carrying their precious children, but also their humility, and their consciousness of touching the divine in all their humanity. I may see this encounter as a contemplative moment. I remain silent before them. I speak to the Lord, expressing how I feel.

I pray for all pregnant women as I end my prayer.



Prepared by St Beuno's Outreach in the Diocese of Wrexham



WE REMEMBER

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

Quentin Neville Cooper
and those whose anniversaries are in this
month:

Beverley Wilson
Jean Wiseman
Gertrude Berhardt
Gabriel Lee Hong Chan

*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

*"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."
www.lords-prayer-words.com*

*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***

***Cora Louise Knott
Theodore Michael Gibson
James Robert O'Hara
Izaias Dexter Brugman***

*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.
Next roster: 20.12.2021



Men's Group Meeting "Getting to the Point"

Men's Group meet 1st & 3rd Wednesday of
the month.

Next meeting 02.02.2022

@7:00pm.

For information contact: Ron Ferrall
3290 3110 referrall@optusnet.com.au

PARISH UPDATE

Masses for 01st January 2022

We celebrate New Year's Day Mass on Saturday morning at 9:00am. As
the 1st day of New Year falls on a Saturday please do not confuse Saturday
morning Mass with the Saturday vigil Mass which is for the Sunday Mass
for the Epiphany and is held on Saturday evening at 6:00pm.

Christmas evening there will be NO evening Mass.

Stay safe and stay well,

Fr Joseph

DATES TO REMEMBER

Fr Joseph will be celebrating his 25th Anniversary of his
ordination on 02nd January 2022. As such we will be
holding a celebratory Mass at the 8:30am Mass on 02nd
January 2022 followed by refreshments.



Please join Fr Joseph as he celebrates this magnificent occasion.

COVID 19 Update—from Bishop Ken Howell

I'm writing to provide some important updates on a new Queensland
Government directive that will affect arrangements for Mass and other
liturgies over the Christmas period, and beyond. The directive comes into
effect from **17th December 2021**.

The new directive (*Public Health and Social Measures linked to
vaccination status*) outlines the following **occupancy limits** for places of
worship:

Whichever is greater:

1 person per 2 square metres indoors

OR

100 % of seated venue capacity with ticketed and allocated seating up
to a maximum of 200 people;

These limits apply to Mass, Baptisms and other liturgies. There is no
occupant density limit for outdoor Masses.

In addition to these **occupancy limits**, places of worship must continue to
ensure attendees are **registered via the Check-in Qld app** and operate in
accordance with the COVID Safe Checklist.

There are some different arrangements in place for funerals and weddings.

From **1:00am 18 December**, face masks will be required in Queensland when
you are at indoor shops and retail centres, visiting hospitals, disability
accommodation services and residential aged care facilities, on public
transport, on taxis and ride shares, at an airport, on a plane, or if you have
COVID symptoms.

Masks are strongly advised to be worn in all other indoor settings where it is
not possible to adequately socially distance from others.

In light of this, even though Places of Worship have not been specifically
named, I strongly advise that parishes reinstate the wearing of masks when
possible. A proactive approach to wearing masks will keep our churches safer
for visitors. Please let your parishioners aware that it is strongly advised they
wear masks in Church and at indoor events at parish sites.

Over the weeks ahead, keep safe and if you experiencing flu-like symptoms
please stay home from work. It is also important to keep checking the list of
exposure sites. To stay updated on public health advice please visit
www.covid19.qld.gov.au.

MASS TIMES 20th—26th December 2021

Monday, 20 December	Tuesday, 21 December	Wednesday, 22 December	Thursday, 23 December	Friday, 24 December	Saturday, 25 December	Sunday, 26 December
9:00am Mass	9:00am Mass <i>St Peter Canisius, priest, doctor</i>	9:00am Mass	NO MASS <i>St John of Kanty, priest</i>	9:00am Mass 5:45 Carols 6:00pm Christmas Vigil Mass 11:45pm Carols 12:00am Midnight Christmas Mass	8:15am Carols 8:30am Christmas Mass	<i>The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph</i> 8:00am Rosary 8:30am Mass 6:00pm Mass

CHRISTMAS MASS TIMES

24.12.2021 Christmas Eve
5:45pm Carols
6:00pm, (children to dress up)
&
11:45pm Carols
12:00 Midnight

25.12.2021 Christmas Day
8:15am Carols
8:30am

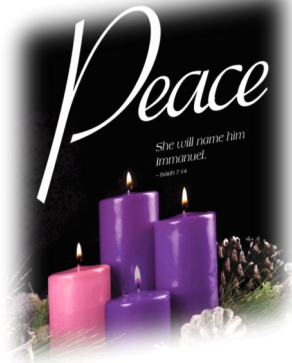
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The Advent Wreath

The fourth of the Advent candles will be lit this week end at each of the Masses.

The Angel's Candle

The last purple candle is the Angel's Candle and represents the peace and justice that the angels and Christ brings to the world. It also can represent purity.



We can use your postage stamps from your mail

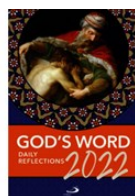
The Salesian Missions use the old stamps that are passed on to them to raise funds. These go towards Salesian Education and relief work in developing nations. We have placed a collection box for stamps in the parish office. **Thank you.**



God's Word 2022:

Daily Reflections Liturgical Diary is available at the SVDP Piety Store for \$15

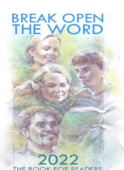
Designed to help you to keep the Word of God close to your heart in your daily life.



BREAK OPEN THE WORD

To ALL readers. The 2022 Break Open the Word issue is now available for purchase.

Available for \$20.00 at SVDP Piety Store.



The 2021 school year is now closed and when the activities slow down we will have an opportunity to reflect on the year that has been. My prayer is that during this Advent and Christmas, New Year and holiday season that you and your families have some downtime, some rest and rejuvenation time. I know that children need that. They need time to stop and simply pass the time of day, to be in the present. My thanks to all staff, parents, and friends of St Eddies for making it another year of love, growth and I trust this year one of peace. May the deeper meaning of Christmas have a chance to be present in your families. For those leaving "The Hill", may the years ahead bless you.

May the joy and peace of God's presence be with you.

Rick Sheehan

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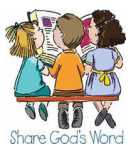
E: daisyhilloshe@bne.centacare.net.au

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Children's Liturgy

Children's Liturgy takes place each Sunday during the 8:30am Mass.



We have a break during the school holidays.

CHRISTMAS EVE MASS

All children who are attending Christmas Eve 6:00pm Mass are invited to come to the front of the altar before Mass commences to join in singing the Christmas carols before Mass. They are also welcome to come dressed as part of the nativity scene. The children will then be asked to join in singing 'Away in a Manger' which will be sung after the gospel. You may like to practice this with your children at home beforehand. Looking forward to seeing you all at the Mass.

The Children's Liturgy team.

Church Ministers' Rosters for next weekend 24th—26th December 2021

	Friday @ 6:00 pm	Friday @ 12:00 Midnight	Saturday @ 8:30am	Sunday @ 8:30am	Sunday @ 6:00pm
Mass Coordinator					Miriam Silva
Marshal	Brian Ridder	Visesio Afoa	Denise Love	Denise Love	Volunteer
Parish Choirs	Spiritus	Couples for Christ	St Cecilia	Jaimes Family Choir	Volunteer
Overhead Projectionist	Tim Trainor	Tim Trainor	Volunteer	Tim Trainor	Volunteer
Usher 1		Cheryl McCaffery	Ed Havelock	Brian Ridder	Volunteer
Communion Minister	Laura Ferrall Brian Ridder Ana Fidow	Nix Arreza Visesio Afoa Jan McMahon	John Guiton Denise Love	Ana Fidow Carmel Burgess Jayne Neylan	Miriam Silva Nix Arreza
Proclaimers of the Word: 1	Maria Richardson -Beck	Sue Neve	Rose George	Sue Neve	Volunteer
Proclaimers of the Word: 2	Bassania Perrett	Matthew Sarmiento	Jurolbe Pereira	Kathleen Layton	Volunteer
Prayers of the Faithful	Miriam Silva	Lina Afoa	Denise Guiton	Volunteer	Nieva Hageman

THE CATHOLIC LEADER

Keeping Faith with You

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

Seniors Christmas Mass for 2020.

Thank you Noelene, Laura and Marie for all your hard work you have put into caring for our seniors. We are truly blessed.



THANKSGIVING DONATIONS 11th—12th December 2021



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

Envelopes:	\$ 601.80
Loose:	\$ 709.70
Credit Card:	\$ 50.00
Direct Deposit:	\$ 155.00
Eftpos:	\$ 210.00
Parish Giving App:	\$ 68.55
Grand Total:	\$ 1,795.05

Thank you.



Safeguarding Children & Vulnerable Adults
St Edward's Parish Representative
John Guiton 0499 105 146
St Edward's Parish Representative
Cheryl McCaffery—Assistant
Phone: 07 3299 2000



Full policy can be obtained at:

<https://brisbanecatholic.org.au/support/safeguard/>

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Senior Group Update

Seniors Mass: 08th February 2022 @ 9:00am

Join us for light refreshments after Mass in the hospitality area.



Contact: **Noelene Magee.**
Mobile: 0409 261 639

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.**



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 or www.stedwardsdaisyhill.org.au
We are also compelled to adhere to the **Policy of the Safeguarding Children & Vulnerable Adults**
<https://brisbanecatholic.org.au/support/safeguard/>