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# Welcome to St Edward the Confessor Parish

Established 1978

20th—21st April 2019 Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

### THE EMPTY TOMB OF JESUS

The grave of Muhammad, the founder of Islam, is in a mosque in Medina, Saudi Arabia. Millions of Muslims visit it every year during the annual Hajj pilgrimage to Mecca & other Muslim holy sites. The body of Gautama Buddha the founder of Buddhism was cremated & his ashes & other relics were said to have been placed in a few temples or in mound-like structures called *stupas*. It is claimed for example that a tooth of the Buddha is in the *Temple of the Tooth* in Sri Lanka. The grave of Confucius, founder of Confucianism, is in his home town of Qufu in Shandong Province in China. He lies buried along with tens of thousands of his descendants.

The tomb in which Jesus Christ the founder of the Christian faith was buried is located in Jerusalem - but his tomb is empty. Why, because Jesus Christ rose from the dead. The resurrection of Jesus from the dead is so important to our faith that without it there would be no Christianity at all. Without the resurrection the Christian church would never have begun. The Apostle Paul explains just how important it is when he wrote: "...if Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile; you are still in your sins. Then those also who have fallen asleep in Christ are lost. If only for this life we have hope in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied . " (1Corinthians15:17-19) If anyone could disprove the resurrection they would disprove Christianity. One church historian says, the resurrection "...*is either the greatest miracle or the greatest delusion which history records.*"

Some sceptics have said that maybe the body of Jesus was stolen by the Christians. However, this view is even less convincing than the view that the body was stolen by the Jewish authorities. Why would Peter & John run to the tomb that first Easter morning if the disciples had stolen His body?

The only reasonable explanation for the empty tomb is that Jesus did rise from the dead. And if it is true that Jesus did rise from the dead, then this fact has huge implications for our own lives today. We can have confidence that Jesus spoke the truth when He claimed to be the Son of God, co-equal to the Father & when He tells us that He is the only way to God. How will you respond? As you face the evidence, will you see & believe?

### Fr. Marce Singson





### WE REMEMBER

In our prayers all who have died recently,

Kim Rohweder Paul Bedgbie **Richard Soliano** Marivicdada Versoza Manuel Versoza Jnr Carmencita Cabiling

and those whose anniversaries are in this month:

> Peter Copson George Pearce Mary Cassidy

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

*If you would like our community to remember vou or a family member in our prayers please* complete the information in the register on the table at the back of the Church. Thank you



## PLEASE PRAY

For all our Sick parishioners and family members:

BAPTISM

Wardle Family

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Thank you



## Seth Edward Malone

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

Thank you

### VISITATION/COMMUNION FOR T<u>HE SICK</u>

22.04.2019, 13.05.2019 & 20.05.2019

Please contact the office if you require a visitation/ home communion.



200 CARE & CONCERN

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

Men's Group meet every 2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month. Next meeting 23rd April 2019 @ 7.00pm Venue: Room at the back of the Church. For information contact: Ron Ferrall 3290 3110 referrall@optusnet.com.au

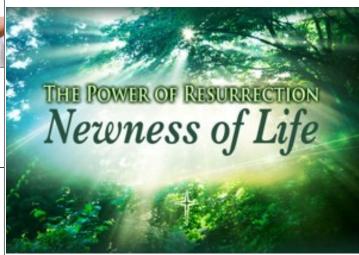
### The Power of Jesus' Resurrection

Believing that God would raise Isaac from the dead is what enabled Abraham to be obedient to sacrifice him (Gen. 22:5; Heb. 11:17-19). Our faith in the resurrection power of God in Christ Jesus will enable us to put to death anything in the flesh that is limiting our ability to love and serve God. Nothing else that we believe will help us as much as recognizing that whatever we give up, or put to death, God will resurrect into something far more beneficial.

In a way, we grow spiritually like organisms that have exoskeletons rather than internal skeletons made of bone. For them to grow, they have to shed their old hard "crust" and grow another, bigger one in its place because what has protected them in the past is now stifling their growth. We develop such "skins" of self-protection-abilities that we depend upon too much, or formerly successful ways of being that are no longer helpful or fruitful. In fact, they are killing us. We must shed the old and trust that God will give us something better in place of it. We must believe that His creativity and resourcefulness is sufficient to provide what we need.

Living in "Newness of Life" The last stage of the pattern Christ gave us is what we might call "the lifestyle of grace." As we continually live in humility, acknowledging our weaknesses and the infirmity of our flesh, we are transformed more and more by grace into the likeness of our Lord and Saviour. We live as those who have been purchased with the price of his life, and allow him to live his life in us through our obedience. By living under his authority, and acknowledging his Lordship over all aspects of our lives, we relinquish our pride, our autonomy, our self-will, and we come to desire to please the Lord more than pleasing others or ourselves.

We know that his wisdom is vast, and his spirit is within us, enabling us to live every minute as if we have been raised from the dead. What joy was set before Jesus, enabling him to go to the Cross knowing that he would be raised again to glory. So too we can face our lives with joy, knowing that our God and our Lord will give us grace to overcome our trials, and resurrection power to be raised from the various "deaths" we are called to die.



This has been a basic exploration of a practical perspective on the resurrection of Jesus Christ. As his resurrection is the most important fact of the life of Jesus Christ, so living in the power of his resurrection is the most important key to

enjoying the abundant life that he promised. This is not a life without trials, but one full of deliverance and the overcoming of obstacles. It is also a life marked by the joy that comes from being loved by One so wise and wonderful, who can be trusted to the uttermost.

Fr. Marce

MASS TIMES 21st—27th April						
Sunday, 21 April	Monday, 22 April	Tuesday, 23 April	Wednesday, 24 April	Thursday, 25 April	Friday, 26 April	Saturday 20 April
8.30am Mass 6.00pm Mass <i>Easter Sunday of</i> <i>the Resurrection</i> <i>of the Lord</i>	NO MASS	NO MASS	7:00pm Mass Adoration	<i>ANZAC DAY</i> 9:00am Mass	7:00am Rosary 7:30am Mass	7:30am Mass 5:30pm Reconciliation 6:00pm Mass
ANZAC Day Hospitality Parish Hospitality Tooms						



NZAC Day is a national day of remembrance in

Australia and New Zealand that broadly commemorates all Australians and New Zealanders "who served and died in all wars, conflicts, and peacekeeping operations" and "the contribution and suffering of all those who served".

Observed on the 25 April each year, ANZAC day was originally to honour the members of the Australian and New Zealand Army Corps (ANZAC) who fought at Gallipoli against the Ottoman Empire during World War 1. ANZAC Day is also observed in the Cook Islands, Niue, Pitcairn Islands, Tonga, and previously also as a national holiday in Papua New Guinea and Samoa. It is unofficially recognised and observed in Newfoundland, as they were the independent dominion and the Royal Newfoundland Regiment was the only North American unit to fight at Gallipoli.

At the end of 1915, the Allied forces were evacuated after both sides had suffered heavy casualties and endured great hardships. The Allied casualties included 21,255 from the United Kingdom, an estimated 10,000 dead soldiers from France, 8,709 from Australia, 2721 from New Zealand, and 1358 from British India.

ANZAC Day marks the anniversary of the first campaign that led to major casualties for Australian and New Zealand forces during the First world war. The acronym ANZAC stands for Australian and New Zealand Army Corps, whose soldiers were known as ANZACS.

ANZAC Day remains one of the most important national occasions of both Australia and New Zealand, a rare instance of two sovereign countries not only sharing the same Remembrance Day, but making reference to both countries in its name.

The actions of the Australian and New Zealand troops during the campaign bequeathed an intangible but powerful legacy. The creation of what became known as an "ANZAC legend" became an important part of national identity in both countries.

We gather, as we shall always gather, not to glorify war, but to remind ourselves that we value who we are and the freedoms we possess, and to acknowledge the courage and sacrifice of those who contributed so much in shaping the identity of this proud nation, and those that continue to serve.

Tim Trainor 2019



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

27.04.2019 @ 6:00pm Mass Anita & Neville Peres's Team

28.04.2019 @ 8:30am Mass Nanete Atkinson & Ludy Barr's Team

> 28.04.2019 @ 6:00pm Mass Cheryl McCaffery's Team

05.05.2019 @ 8:30am Mass Anastasia Fidow's Team



Birthday & Anniversary Blessing will be 27th—28th April.



**Senior Group Update Mass** 14 May @ 9:00am.



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

**Seniors Lunch:** Friday 26<sup>th</sup> April 2019 Lunch for this month we are going to the newly renovated Club Waterford, Kingston Rd, Waterford.



Lunch is at 12 noon. Meet at the church at 11:30am. Numbers to me by Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> April.

Noelene Magee

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### St Edward's Sacramental Program **Reconciliation:** Thursday 02nd May 2019

Children who received confirmation in 2017 will be ready to receive the Sacrament of

Reconciliation this year.

Applications Close: Friday 26 April 2019 Monday 29 April 2019 @ 6.00pm Spiritual Conference and Rehearsal for parents/ guardians/students.

For more information contact the Parish office on 3299 2000 or website: www.stedwardsdaisyhill.org.au

