



St Edward the Confessor Parish

Established 1978

104 Chatswood Road, DAISY HILL. QLD 4127

Readings: 1 Sam. 16:1, 6-7, 10-13; Eph. 5: 8-14; John 9:1-41

Next Week: Ezekiel 37: 12-14; Romans 8: 8-11; John 11: 1-45

21st —22nd March 2020
4th Sunday of Lent

‘Wake up from your sleep and Christ will shine on you!’

Each year, *Laetare* (‘Rejoice’) Sunday gives encouragement to all those travelling the Lenten road to Holy Week and Easter.



Today’s readings affirm that I do not make this journey alone. I am offered a helping hand by the Lord who is my shepherd and guide (**Psalm**). By leading me on the right path in goodness, he is being true to his name. I want for nothing. Though I may have been walking in darkness, even sometimes feeling as if I am trapped in the valley of the shadow of death, I am now exposed to the light of the Lord.

And the Lord, looking with love at my heart rather than at external appearances (**First Reading**), illuminates me, turning me into light (**Second Reading**).

Jesus curing the man born blind is a well-known piece of scripture (**Gospel**). Perhaps I am like the one without sight who can suddenly see. And finding myself looking at the Son of Man, I can come to believe and to trust in him even more deeply. Reason, indeed, to rejoice today!

GOSPEL John 9: 1–41 (part) REFLECTION

After reading the text, I might like to approach this scene imaginatively. I pay attention to what I notice about the blind man, about Jesus’s response, about the man’s neighbours, the crowds and the Pharisees. Then, what do I sense going on within me?

As I pray the text again, I might imagine myself as the one needing healing. Jesus touches the parts of me he knows need healing. What is his touch like? How do I feel now? When the man had been driven away, Jesus goes to find him.

In prayer, can I let myself be ‘found’ by Jesus? I look at him with my new sight, and I let myself be looked at, allowing my love for him to deepen.

Perhaps I feel ‘sent’, wanting to tell others about him ... If I can, I end my prayer saying very slowly, ‘Lord I believe’ ...

I worship him in whatever way that is comfortable for me.

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

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WE REMEMBER

In our prayers all who have died recently,

Fabiola Beltran

and those whose anniversaries are in this month:

Peter Copson
George Pearce

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



PLEASE PRAY

For all our Sick parishioners and family members:

Peter Gunner
Terry Owsnett
Ray Blacker Snr.

*"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."*

Special Intentions:

God the Father & Holy Trinity for Favours Granted.

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. Thank you.*



BAPTISM

*We welcome into our
Christian community:*

Zachary Lavina

*Please phone the parish office 3299 2000
for information regarding baptism.*

Thank you



VISITATION/COMMUNION FOR THE SICK

Cancelled until further notice.

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



Men's Group Meeting "Getting to the Point"

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

Meetings have been cancelled until further notice.

For information contact:
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PARISH UPDATE

Dates to Remember:

- 05.04.2020 Palm Sunday—Blessing of Palms at all Masses. **Cancelled**
- 06.04.2020 Holy Monday—2nd Rite of Reconciliation—**Cancelled**
- 09.04.2020 Holy Thursday—Mass of the Lords last supper 6:00pm followed by adoration until 9:00pm. **Cancelled**
- 10.04.2020 Good Friday—1:45pm Stations of the Cross **Cancelled**
3:00pm Liturgy of our Lord's Death **Cancelled**
- 11.04.2020 Holy Saturday—Easter Vigil Mass 6:00pm **Cancelled**
- 12.04.2020 Easter Sunday—8:30am Mass. **Cancelled**
- 12.04.2020 Youth United activities i.e. egg hunt @ 9:30am. **Cancelled**
- 25.04.2020 ANZAC Day—9:00am Mass & Celebration. **Cancelled**

Closure

The Archbishop of Brisbane has directed all parishes to follow the guidelines which have now been put into place regarding the COVID-19. The full letter can be read through our webpage

www.stedwardsdaisyhill.org.au.

At present we have cancelled ALL week end Masses (Saturday 6:00pm, Sunday 8:30am and Sunday 6:00pm). However we are still able to offer our week day Masses as per listed on the opposite page. This will continue until directed otherwise.

Reconciliation will continue on Saturday afternoons, again until directed otherwise.

In the letter from the Archbishop there is a live stream link to watch the Masses live-streamed from the Cathedral at archbne.org/bzw on Sundays and weekdays.

Offerings

We will provide offering plates at the front of the Church door for anyone attending the week day Masses and would like to place their planned giving envelopes or any offering you would like to give.

Thank you.

Fr Joseph

Extract from the Archbishop Rev. Mark Coleridge's letter:

"To conclude I offer two prayers which you may wish to pray through this time. The first is one I have written: its words are simple but they may help to guide you in your prayer. May the God to whom we turn in this moment listen to the pleading of our heart and answer as he has so often before, so that love may come from fear, hope from despair and joy from sorrow:

Almighty and all-merciful God, lover of the human race, healer of all our wounds, in whom there is no shadow of death, save us in this time of crisis; grant wisdom and courage to our leaders; watch over all medical people as they tend the sick and work for a cure; stir in us a sense of solidarity beyond all isolation; if our doors are closed, let our hearts be open. By the power of your love destroy the virus of fear, that hope may never die and the light of Easter, the triumph of life, may shine upon us and the whole world. Through Jesus Christ, the Lord risen from the dead, who lives and reigns for ever and ever. Amen.

Holy Mary, health of the sick, pray for us.

St Joseph, guardian of us all, pray for us. "



MASS TIMES 23rd–29th March 2020

Monday, 23 March	Tuesday, 24 March	Wednesday, 25 March	Thursday, 26 March	Friday, 27 March	Saturday 28 March	Sunday, 29 March
7:00am Rosary 7:30am Mass	6:30pm Stations of the Cross 7:00pm Mass and Adoration	7:30am Mass <i>The Annunciation of the Lord</i>	NO Mass	7:00am Rosary 7:30am Mass	7:30am Mass 5:30pm Reconciliation 6:00pm NO Mass	<i>5th Sunday of Lent</i> 8.30am NO Mass 6.00pm NO Mass



Our garden is flourishing with lettuce just about ready to be eaten! Year 2 planting some more vegetables with Mr. Sheehan.



Rick Sheehan, Principal.

Ph3208 0922

Taking extra precautions
Archdiocese of Brisbane recommends the following changes for parishes in light of coronavirus (COVID-19), effective from March 5, 2020

Parish Hospitality Teams
Hospitality Team

In light of the current health situation it has been decided that the Parish Hospitality on any week end will be cancelled until further notice.

ANZAC DAY Saturday 25th April.
This event has been **CANCELLED.**



Senior Group Update

Seniors Mass and Anointing Of The Sick is **CANCELLED until further notice.**
Seniors Outing: 27th March 2020 **CANCELLED**
Café 63 Springwood,
99 Cinderella Drive, Springwood
(outside Arcare Springwood)
Noelene Magee. Mobile: 0409 261 639
Laura Ferrall. Mobile: 0422 954 946

- Communion**
Parishes should refrain from distributing communion from the chalice. You are encouraged to receive communion on the hand, rather than on the tongue.
- Holy Water**
Holy Water will be temporarily removed from fonts in churches.
- Handshaking and Contact**
At the sign of peace, say, "peace be with you"; and offer a smile or wave, rather than shake hands. Minimise physical contact with others.
- If you're unwell**
People sick with flu-like symptoms should stay home and not attend Mass.
- Handwashing**
All ministers of communion are required to wash their hands before and after distributing communion.



You can find the latest information and health advice from Queensland Government at www.health.qld.gov.au or by calling 13 HEALTH (13 43 25 84)

John Paul College
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Good Friday John Paul College Stations of the Cross Cancelled

Unfortunately due to the COVID-19 situation, John Paul College has decided to cancel Good Friday's Station of the Cross.

While this news will be disappointing for our students, families and the public, these measures are necessary to protect the health and wellbeing of all members of our John Paul College family and local community.
Thank you.

THANKSGIVING DONATIONS
Thank you for supporting our Parish

Your donations for week end 14th–15th March 2020.

Envelopes 1st Collection:	\$ 270.00
Envelopes 2nd Collection:	\$ 589.00
Loose:	\$1,065.70
Credit Card:	\$ 0
Direct Deposit:	\$ 260.00
Grand Total:	\$2,184.70

Children's Liturgy

Children's Liturgy takes place every second Sunday during the 8.30am Mass.
We have a break during School holidays.
Next Liturgy will be **CANCELLED**

SECOND EXTRACT FROM THE ARCHBISHOP REV. MARK COLERIDGE'S LETTER.....

“The second prayer is an ecumenical prayer from the National Council of Churches, who have invited all of us to pray this prayer at 7pm each day, but especially on Sunday 29 March which we will mark as a National Day of Prayer in this time of crisis:

Gracious God, We give thanks anew for your providence and presence. We prayerfully seek your grace, amidst COVID-19 here and overseas. We pray for those in need of healing. We pray for your peace with those who are anxious or grieving. We pray you will continue to strengthen and sustain all those who are serving in response. We pray for your Holy Spirit's discernment amidst the many choices and decisions facing our national, community and medical leaders. We pray we each might see quickly what more we can do to help those who are vulnerable.

This prayer for our nation in the family of nations, with all that is on our hearts, we gather now and pray through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. “



SVDP Helpline: 1800 846 643

Bequests to St. Edwards Parish

The writing of a Will can be a very gratifying knowing that you have looked after your loved ones with your wishes. We would like to invite you to consider making a bequest in your Will to help your Parish with the needs for future projects. Any bequests no matter how big or small would be gratefully received and applied to the growth of our community. **Thank you.**



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. Yes the Postman 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 onto us? We have placed a collection box for stamps in the parish office. **Thank you.**



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 BELONG FAMILY DAYCARE



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Safeguarding Children & Vulnerable Adults
St Edward's Parish Representative

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St Edwards Parish has the responsibility for making our parish aware of the importance of safeguarding children and vulnerable adults. Our Parish Priest, is also assisting in the administration of the Archdiocesan Safeguarding Children & Vulnerable Adults Policy. 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

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