

# Parish of St Edward the Confessor



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share Eucharist with us today. Please leave your details with the Parish Office so that Fr Marce and a member of our Parish Pastoral Council can reach out to you with a formal welcome. Thank you.

### CHURCH

104 Chatswood Road, Daisy Hill, Qld, 4127

Parish Priest Fr. Marce Singson

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# 1st Sunday of Advent

26th - 27th November 2016

### FROM HATE-FILLED HEARTS INTO LOVING HEARTS

Fr. Marce Singson



There is great optimism in this weekend's liturgical readings, with the prophet Isaiah, the Old Testament seer. peering into the future. peaceful Isaiah sees times ahead for his people and country. It will happen, he says, because all will hold the Lord in awe and enthusiastically worship

Him. People everywhere will walk in God's path, and the sign of peace will be given when they "beat their swords into ploughshares and their spears into pruning hooks." There will be no more training for war, for mutual love will cancel it out. Isaiah's visionary proclamation is similar to Martin Luther King's historic "I have a Dream" speech. Both Isaiah and Martin Luther King called for and predicted the end of violence and racism. Yet neither dream has been realised.

We wonder if the people of the world can live in peace with each other, lay down their arms and destroy the weapons of war. Is it an impossible dream? Realistically, it is impossible; but the optimism which springs eternal continues to try to make it happen. The nations of the world have today reversed Isaiah's vision. We are beating the ploughshares into swords and the pruning hooks into spears. Our contemporary "swords" and "spears" have far greater capabilities for destruction and death than ever before. Aside from military build-ups, people in general are armed with "swords" and "spears" and we use them continually against each other. Even those who do not engage in violence with guns and knives, contribute to the

demise of peace by cruel actions and bitter words. We all have our little weapons with which we slash and cut.

Advent season calls for us to beat our hatefilled hearts into loving hearts. We have four weeks of Advent ahead, before we celebrate the birth of our Saviour. This presents us each year with an

exciting challenge to realise the vision of Isaiah. Although difficult to envision, this dream should be tried. Nothing needs to be destroyed – only changed. The first and most important change must begin within ourselves!





### WE REMEMBER

In our prayers all who have died recently,

Les Riding Lil Fogarty

and those whose anniversaries are in this month:

Arthur Castillo Juanita Tajon

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:

Beryl Kowtan Kathleen Hanlon Se Rebobon Maria Teresita Villar Koreti Talatonu

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:

Jordan Junior Collins Lemalu

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



Happy Birthday &
Happy Anniversary
To all the members of our
Parish Community who are
celebrating their
Birthdays and Wedding
Anniversaries in this Month.
Congratulations on your
Special Day and Many
blessings to you.

### **PARISH UPDATE**

### **SCHOOL**

- 1. The renovation of our school library is nearly finished and it looks very good and spacious. Thanks to the very good leadership of Bronwyn.
- 2. Our very good school APRE Danielle Carter, has been offered a new position as acting P-12 Head of Early and Junior Years at Assisi Catholic College, Upper Coomera. We wish Danielle every success in her new position.
- 3. On Tuesday November 29 at 6:30pm is the Graduation Mass in our Church for our 76 year 6 students and we say our formal goodbye to them at this gathering. Then on Friday, December 2 at 10:45am is the Year End Thanksgiving Mass.

### ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

I have created this position or job in our parish to help me oversee the maintenance of the Church, Parish office, Hall and the Presbytery House. I awarded the position to Muriel Mairhofer. She started her new position last Monday November 21.

### **HOT WATER SYSTEM**

A new hot water system was installed at the back of the sanctuary as it is necessary for the cleaning of the Chalices after Mass.

### AIR CONDITIONER

One might notice that on weekdays and especially on weekends, our Blessed Sacrament Chapel is a popular place to visit among churchgoers before the Mass starts for private or personal prayer. The Chapel is hot in summer time and this prompted me to establish a small air conditioning unit.

### COLUMBARIUM

On Tuesday, November 29, is scheduled for the excavation of the soil on site then on the following day, Wednesday, is the concreting of the ground foundation. It seems we are assured that we will hit the target to establish the Columbarium before Christmas. By the way, some people have asked me if our Columbarium is only for our parishioners, or only for deceased Catholics or Christians. My response is that: Heaven is not only for Catholics or for Christians. Hence, I am happy to welcome and accommodate everyone regardless of religion. To date, there are already 36 who have made reservations for niche's and 7 for memorial plaques.

### STEEL GRILLS

Some of you who came to our parish office might have noticed the steel grills we established 3 years ago. And some of you commented that it does not look good to have grills as it blocks a good communication. It looks like a prison cell. I totally agree with you and I have the same feeling. I personally don't like it but I was forced to establish it as advised by many parish priests. The one and only reason for the grills is for the safety of the people working in our office because we had some horrible experiences in the past with some very strange people. The latest one happened 3 weeks ago when 2 men came to our office: one was outside the main door and the other man was inside asking for cash/money from Cheryl for petrol for his car. Like other parishes, we normally don't give cash to anyone and so the man became aggressive to Cheryl. At that time Cheryl was the only one in the office. Thanks to the grills!

MASS TIMES 27th November - 03rd December 2016						
Sunday, 27 November 8.30am Mass 6.00pm Mass 1st Sunday of Advent	Monday, 28 November 7.00am Rosary 7.30am Mass	Tuesday, 29 November NO MASS	Wednesday, 30 November 7.00am Rosary 7.30am Mass St Andrew,	Thursday, 01 December 7.30am Mass	Friday, 02 December 7.00am Rosary 7.30am Mass	Saturday 03 December 7.30am Mass 5.30pm Reconciliation 6.00pm Mass
1200000			Apostle			St Francis Xavier



We congratulated to our school captains for 2017. Annabelle Wessling and Alister Wardlaw were voted in by their student peers after presenting leadership speeches. All speeches by all the student counsellor candidates were highly impressive and we know that we have some very talented leaders at St Edward's.

This week the students and staff have enjoyed wellbeing activities and opportunities to reflect on the year. Students and staff have thoroughly enjoyed the jigsaw theme, with the week piecing together well!!! Some highlights were the puzzle challenge, find a piece of a puzzle treasure hunt and of course the Christmas play and carols on Thursday night. We were proud to read some of the student's reflections about their successful moments and how they are lived our learning behaviours...here are a few examples.

The library renovations are progressing well, with internal walls being out up. Here



are a few snaps of the work so far. It should be completed by the end of the year, ready for 2017! With only a week of school for 2016 to go we invite you to our end of year mass on Friday. Please feel free to join as we celebrate a great year and send off our Year 6 students and leaving staff



Have a great week Bronwyn, Brendan and Danielle

# My 2016 Successful Moments! What were some of your read accounted to some the your and what harring betweeners between the your and what harring to detect the your and what harring the your and what harring to detect the your and what harring to detect the your and what harring the your and your and your and you and your and you

### **Parish Hospitality Teams**

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

27th November 2016 @ 6.00pm Sunday Mass Sorry Cancelled



04th December 2016 @ 8.30am Mass Al Silagan's Term

14th December 2016 @ 8.30am Mass
Denise Love's Term

### **Senior Group Update**

Mass: Tuesday 13th December 2016 at 9.00 am At this Mass Fr Marce also holds an Anointing of the Sick. A cuppa Morning tea will be served after Mass. Transport can be arranged if required



# Outing: Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> December. CHRISTMAS BREAKUP LUNCHEON.

Bus trip to Beaudesert. Cost \$30 for the bus.

Morning tea provided. Lunch at the Beaudesert RSL Services Club, 23-25 William Street, Beaudesert. Lunch Price is \$20 per person. After lunch, time to stroll through the town. Then back on the bus for more site seeing. Meeting at the church at 8:45am returning about 3pm. Numbers to me by Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> November. No refund on bookings after the 29<sup>th</sup>.

Any enquiries please contact: Noelene 3208 5304 or 0409 261 639

Church Ministers' Rosters for next weekend 03rd - 04th December 2016						
	Saturday 6.00pm	Sunday 8.30am	Sunday 6.00pm			
Holy Mass Coordinators	Iona & Ronet D'Mello	Brian Ridder	Jeanne Medina			
Parish Choirs	Spiritus	St Cecilia	El Shaddai			
Overhead Projectionist	Volunteers	Volunteers	Volunteers			
Proclaimers of the Word: 1	JR Bandola	Ella Villar	Celi Arezza			
Proclaimers of the Word: 2	Sharon Biasillo	Vange Munn	Marinel or Marian			
Communion Ministers	Muriel Mairhofer	Steven Richardson	Cheryl McCaffery			
	Chriselle D'Mello	John Guiton	Nix Arezza			
	Glenn Hallorina	Maria Richardson-Beck	Sean O'Brien			
		Reece Healy	Ferdie Alitin			
		Chi Gardner	Ica Medina			
		Sio Afoa				
		Ed Havelock				
Alter Servers	Annabelle Wessling	Shannon Oporto	Caleb O'Brien			
	Jonathan Wessling	Virginia Mirago	Ella O'Brien			

The St Vincent de Paul Conference Daisy Hill is continuing its Christmas Appeal this week. We are doing 60 hampers to give to families with children; unfortunately we are not in a position to

give a hamper to every family we visited. We seek your generosity in helping to fill these baskets with Christmas foods. (no toys) At each of the Masses the SVDP donation box is out in the front of the church and next to it is a table with a list of the foods we would like. Please take one and choose what you would like to donate. We would also like some help with the packing of the hampers on Monday 28th November starting at 9.00am. A couple of hours of your time would be greatly appreciated. Our requests are many but let us close the Jubilee Year of Mercy by living the Corporal Works of Mercy. Thank you sincerely for your continued SVDP support.



## 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.



Celebrating the Joy of Christmas! Educators, families and children of Daisy Hill and Southside Family Day Care, came together at Play Sessions to share the joy of Christmas!











If you would like more information about our service, including becoming an Educator or Childcare enquiries please contact the office on: 3208 0463.



Children's Liturgy takes place during the Sunday Children's 8.30am Mass. Upcoming Dates are:

Liturgy November 27th; December 4th. Children's Liturgy Breakup

The Children's Liturgy breakup for this year will be held on Sunday 4th December during the 8.30am Mass. Children are invited to come to Mass dressed as a biblical character e.g. angel, shephard, Mary, Joseph or three wise men etc. There will be a shared morning tea for the children after Mass at the back of the church. It would be appreciated if you could provide a small plate to share with the children. There will be a small gift for the children who are able to attend the liturgy. We are looking forward to enjoying our Christmas breakup with your family. The Children's Liturgy team.

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