

Welcome to St Edward the Confessor Parish

30th—31st December 2017

The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph



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A CHALLENGING TIME FOR FAMILY

By: Fr. Marce Singson

Today we celebrate the Holy Family. Even though we call them the Holy Family that does not mean that they did not have problems and difficulties, just as every family must. To put it another way, as each follower of Jesus has a cross to carry, so also the holy family had to experience the cross in their shared life. To mention just a few examples, we can imagine how misunderstood both Mary and Joseph must have been about the conception of



Jesus before they came to live together. Joseph was even planning to divorce Mary privately before being assured that it was the work of God. Nine months later, the birthplace of Jesus was an animal shelter, since no better lodgings could be found. Then the family had to flee as refugees to Egypt because the child Jesus' life was in danger from king Herod, in much the same way as refugees from war-torn countries have to flee to save their lives.

Later, when Jesus was twelve, they were shocked to lose him for three days and then had to deal with the unsatisfactory explanation that he "had to be about his Father's business." Still, he returned with them to Nazareth and was subject to them, in the quiet rhythm of family life in their village. We do not hear of Joseph any more after that so we presume that he had died before Jesus began his public ministry. Then too, the public life of Jesus must have taken its toll on Mary. In the Temple when he was an infant, old Simeon had predicted that a sword of sorrow would pierce Mary's soul. How she must have been pained to hear his enemies say that Jesus was a glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax-collectors and sinners, and at the end, when Mary watched her son die in public disgrace, on the cross.

What sustained the family of Nazareth through all of these trials and crosses? What holds families together in times of difficulty is love and trust. Whenever families are happy, it is because love is highly prized. A major threat to family life nowadays is that we don't spend enough time together. We are so busy working, socialising, using our electronic gadgets or watching TV that we have no time to talk to each other.

A wealthy, successful woman lived some distance from her old, widowed father. Months passed since she had seen him and when her father called to ask when his daughter might visit, she detailed lots of reasons that kept her too busy to see him, court schedules, meetings, new clients, research, etc. Then the father asked her,



"When I die, do you intend to come to my funeral?" The daughter was indignant. "Dad, I can't believe you've asked that. Of course, I'll come!" To which he replied, "Good. Then forget the funeral and come now. I need you more now than I will then." She got the message and began to see him regularly after that!



WE REMEMBER

In our prayers all who have died recently,

Baby Angel

and those whose anniversaries are in this month:

Beverley Wilson
Jesus Tajon
Laurel (Joy) Oliver
Eddie Royo

*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:

John Francis
Dulcie Francis
Phvl Francis
Kathleen Francis
Neil Talbot
Henie Sagun
Eugenio Sagun

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:

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



VISITATION/COMMUNION FOR THE SICK

08.01.2018 & 15.01.2018

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



Men's Group Meeting "Getting to the Point"

23rd January @ 7.00pm
Venue: Room at the back of the Church.

All men welcome. 2nd & 4th Tuesday of the month. Open discussion on:

- Scripture.
- Future meetings.

For information contact:
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A Grace-Filled 2017!

We have almost reached the end of 2017. It is time to express our thanks to God for the great things He has done in our parish community this past year. Looking back, we recall the many wonderful things that had unfolded through the full support of our wonderful and generous people in our parish.

Major projects that we accomplished include the well-built and elegant security fence along Chatswood Road; the beautiful garden surrounding our church; the serene columbarium which sits facing at the altar of the church; the refreshed parking lines, and many more minor projects. We accomplished them all because of the generosity of our parishioners.

Our parish community is blessed with so many young people and children and most of them are involved in our weekend liturgy either as altar servers, readers and communion ministers. Socio-spiritual bonding events were in abundance: the Holy Week Reflection and individual Confessions; the annual retreat given by Fr. Ray Sanchez; the Women's retreat at Marian Valley; the Ladies High Tea; the Men's BBQ; the Altar Servers at Skyzone Trampoline Park; the so many colourful activities of the Youth United...thanks to Steve and Maria and to some dedicated Pastoral Council members who were the driving force of those wonderful and successful social and spiritual bonding activities. Our hospitality teams, too, have contributed a lot of the social bonding as they work so hard in serving the people after Mass.

I have welcomed more than 60 new faces in our parish in the year 2017. Most of them came from our neighbouring parishes. They decided St. Edward's Parish as their new spiritual oasis. And the counting of new faces continues because these people also invite and bring their friends to our parish, like Andrew who after encountering Jesus, immediately went home and told his brother Peter: *"We have seen the Messiah, the One whom the Prophets proclaimed."* And Andrew invited and brought his brother Peter to Jesus. I am always delighted to observe that the number of attendance of Sunday morning Mass has gone beyond 500; and the Sunday evening Mass attendance has swelled to more than 300. In effect, our parish is full of life and financially healthy. By the way, until now my heart is still in jubilation and grateful for the almost 800 people who showed up at our Mass of all Nations celebration last Oct 15 despite the heavy rain.

This past year we administered 114 baptisms; 89 Confirmation; 132 First Communion; 8 funerals and 4 weddings. The hospitality and friendliness of our parish has become known and popular that even parents from distant suburbs preferred to have their children baptised in our church. This is the reason why we reached 114 baptisms.

The rapport between school and parish is always outstanding. And we have a very harmonious team-working with the Pastoral and the Finance Councils. It was so delightful to see almost 200 parish volunteers who showed up for the Thanksgiving Mass and Dinner last December 7, with overflowing foods and drinks. That gathering was our Parish way of saying: *"Thank you Volunteers for giving life to our community through your dedicated service."*

The year 2017 had been replete with so many blessings from God through the goodness and generosity of our parishioners. THANK YOU, O LORD, for that grace-filled year!

And now a new year is about to unfold..., 2018! And so what is there to fear? Our best assurance to move on through the days of this new year is that GOD IS ALWAYS WITH US! And so we look forward and move on with so much hopeful faith and gratitude once again for His continuing blessings for this New Year and the years to come. Amen!

HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ALL!

Fr. Marce

MASS TIMES 31st December 2017—06th January 2018

Sunday, 31 December	Monday, 01 January	Tuesday, 02 January	Wednesday, 03 January	Thursday, 04 January	Friday, 05 January	Saturday 06 January
8.30am Mass 6.00pm Mass <i>The Holy Family, Jesus, Mary and Joseph</i>	New Year's Day 8.30am Mass	NO MASS	NO MASS	NO MASS	NO MASS	NO MORNING MASS 5.30pm Reconciliation 6.00pm Mass

PARISH OFFICE NOTICE:

Our office will be closed between 02nd January 2018 to 05th January 2018. If you need to contact someone urgently please call the office on 3299 2000 and leave a message. A member of our team will be clearing the messages on a regular basis.

Thank 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.

07.01.2018 @ 8.30am Mass
Korina & Tina's Team

14.01.2018 @ 8.30am Mass
Rose George's Team

21.01.2018 @ 8.30am Mass
Al Silagan's Team

28.01.2018 @ 8.30am Mass
Denise Love's Team

Birthday & Anniversary Celebrations 27th—28th January 2018

Appointment announcements made by Archbishop Mark Coleridge

- **Fr Bryan Roe** as Parish Priest of the newly established St Benedict's Parish in North Lakes, Mango Hill and Griffin, for a term of 6 years with effect from 3 December 2017.
- **Fr Geoffrey Agu** as Parish Priest of Petrie for a term of 6 years with effect from 3 February 2018.
- **Fr David Pascoe** as Parish Priest of Caboolture for a term of 6 years with effect from 6 January 2018.
- **Fr Dantus Thottathil MCBS** as Administrator of Stanley River with effect from 24 February 2018.
- **Fr Stephen Camiolo** as Administrator of Sunnybank for a term of 3 years with effect from 6 January 2018. Fr Stephen will work alongside the Parish Priest, Fr Dan Ryan.
- **Fr Chukwudi Chinaka** as Administrator of Kingaroy Nanango for a term of 2 years with effect from 6 January 2018.
- **Fr Bryan Pipins SJ** as Associate Pastor of Caloundra for a term of 1 year with effect from 6 January 2018.
- **Fr Saji George CMI** as Associate Pastor of Burleigh Heads for a term of 3 years with effect from 6 January 2018.
- **Fr Prema Kumar Rethnamony** as Associate Pastor of Clayfield for a term of 3 years with effect from 1 January 2018.
- **Fr Emmanuel Ayankudy CMI** as Associate Pastor of Maroochydore for a term of 3 years with effect from 6 January 2018.
- **Fr Michael Carroll SM** as Coordinator of Priest Hospital Chaplains with effect from 1 January 2018 for a term of three years.
- **Fr Elie Francis** as Chaplain to Lady Cilento Children's Hospital and Assistant Chaplain to The Wesley Hospital with effect from 3 January for a term of 3 years.



Senior Group Update
No January Mass or activity
Mass : 13th February 2018
@ 9:00am.

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

Noelene 3208 5304 or 0409 261 639



St Edward's Sacramental Program

Commences with Confirmation on Thursday 15th March 2018 at 6:00pm.

Applications can be obtained from the back of the Church or from our website.

Applications for Confirmation 2018 close Friday 23 February 2018.

Monday 12 March 2018 @ 6.00pm - Spiritual Conference and Rehearsal for parents/guardians/students.

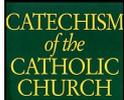
For more information contact the Parish office on 3299 2000 or email daisyhill@bne.catholic.net.au

Sacramental Coordinator
Denise Love.



Church Ministers' Rosters for next weekend 06th—07th January 2018

	Saturday 6.00pm	Sunday 8.30am	Sunday 6.00pm
Holy Mass Coordinators	Muriel Fitzsimons	Brian Ridder	Jeanne Medina
Parish Choirs	Voices of Praise	St Cecilia	El Shaddai
Overhead Projectionist	Volunteer	Volunteer	Volunteer
Proclaimers of the Word: 1	Julian Indika	Xyle Sebial	Jericho Quinones
Proclaimers of the Word:	Jonathan Wessling	Chalani Welgama	Elana Alitin
Communion Ministers	Muriel Fitzsimons	Steve Richardson	Cheryl McCaffery
	Eve Douglas	John Guiton	Nix Arezza
	Edmund Lai	Greg Gregorio	Sean O'Brien
	Axl Sonido	Reece Healy	Ason Medina
	Volunteer	Lewes or Katie Peddell	Ica Medina
		Sio Afoa	
		Ed havelock	
Altar Servers	Candice Wessling	Shannon Oporto	Caleb O'Brien
	Layla Perrett	Virginia Mirago	Ella O'Brien
Children's Liturgy			



Basic questions answered according to the Catechism of the Catholic Church.

Q. What does the Church ask for when she prays "Thy Kingdom come"?

The Church prays for the final coming of the Kingdom of God through Christ's return in glory. The Church prays also that the Kingdom of God increase from now on through people's sanctification in the Spirit and through their commitment to the service of justice and peace in keeping with the Beatitudes. This petition is the cry of the Spirit and the Bride: "Come, Lord Jesus" (Revelation 22:20).

Q. Why pray "Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven"?

The will of the Father is that "all men be saved" (1 Timothy 2:4). For this Jesus came: to perfectly fulfill the saving will of his Father. We pray God our Father to unite our will to that of his son after the example of the Blessed Virgin Mary and the saints. We ask that this loving plan be fully realized on earth as it is already in heaven. It is through prayer that we can discern "what is the will of God" (Romans 12:2) and have the "steadfastness to do it" (Hebrews 10:36).

Q. What is the sense of the petition "Give us this day our daily bread"?

Asking God with the filial trust of children for the daily nourishment which is necessary for us all we recognize how good God is, beyond all goodness. We ask also for the grace to know how to act so that justice and solidarity may allow the abundance of some to remedy the needs of others.



Safeguarding Children & Vulnerable Adults
John Wood 0408 296 422
St Edward's Parish Representative



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



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.



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