



Parish of St Edward the Confessor



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 in the New Parishioners book on the table near the church entrance so that Fr. Marce and a member of our Parish Pastoral Council can formally welcome you. *Thank you.*

CHURCH

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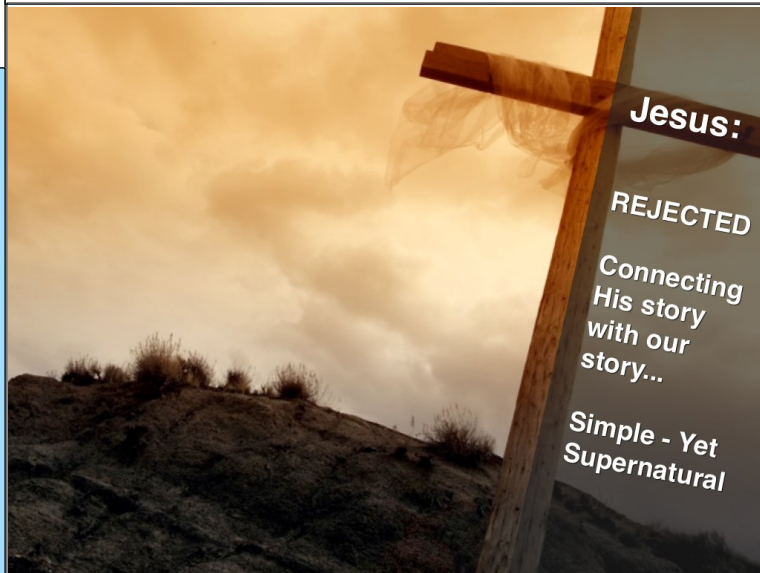
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4th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sunday (Year C)

30th - 31st January 2016

NOT A FAILURE BUT A REFUSAL

by Fr. Marce Singson



In today's gospel we see the amazing reaction on the part of the crowd. In the synagogue in Nazareth, Jesus proclaimed that he was the one the people had been waiting for, that he was the fulfilment of all their hopes. But when he spoke this plain truth to them, they

became angry, and intended to hurl him over the cliff. It does not seem that the people merely *failed* to recognise Jesus for who he was. Rather, the people *refused* to recognise him. The crowd couldn't believe that this hometown boy was a Messiah.

But it was not the first time Jewish history that such a rejection had taken place. Our first reading in this Mass was the Book of the prophet Jeremiah, who was born some 650 years before Jesus was born. When Jeremiah was sent by God to speak the plain truth to his contemporaries, he met stern opposition from the people, the priests and the king himself. The people were guilty of idolatry, and *refused* to accept God preached by Jeremiah. He was imprisoned, humiliated and finally died in exile.

Have times changed very much? Do we as Christians really accept God as he is? It is a real temptation to fashion a God who meets our wants instead of our needs. When there are tragedies in life – a sudden, unexpected death of someone dear to us, being redundant of our job, severe disappointment by our children, when the husband is sick, and the wife is diagnosed with cancer, and the son is into drugs and all falls into our heads at the same time – we wonder why God has abandoned us. We don't want God to treat us badly. After all, we pray to Him always and we are faithful churchgoers on weekends. But Jesus St. Joseph, his foster father, die at an early age, leaving his mother Mary managing alone as a widow- and that without the aid of a Centrelink. And Jesus is our God.

We should know that God will help us. But we cannot fashion a God of our own choosing. We cannot think of a God as nothing more than a supreme "Mr. Fixit." God is good and he will help us. But he will not always give us what we want. He will give us what we need. We cannot afford to drive God out of our lives as the people of today's gospel drove Jesus out of their synagogue, and we have no right to try to fashion a God according to our own plan.

For privacy reasons names of sick or recently deceased in these column can only accepted if requested by the sick or their family members

WE REMEMBER

In our prayers all who have died recently, and those whose anniversaries are in this month, Joel D'Cruz, Gavina (Chabeng) Abrique, David Campton



PLEASE PRAY

For all our sick parishioners and family members:

Annie Robinson, Jason Blackwood, Wilfred Sibayan, Domingo Sibayan, Alfredo Cortez, Eugenio Sagun, Luzviminda Basilio, Igor Hatlow, Susan Thomas, Elaine Rodrigues, Mila Samson, Armando Samson, Gautam Katre, Nancy Soriano, Salvador Reyman Soriano, Barbara Howard, Scott Bearon, Elaine Liddon, Margie Ausling, Carolyn Winter, Edna Buagas, Vincent Sarahena, Benedicta Alvarez, Michael Abraham, Jeff Jones, Carmel Andrews, Donald Ross, Victor Yerre, Zacarias Beltram, Benedicta Alvarez, Zacarias Manuel, Christopher Hamilton, Tom McCormack, Kevin Healy, Michael Abraham, Ekuoti Tupi, Cecilia Tia, Ava Gomes, Joy Moy, Maria Tautua, Franco Milaudi, Kate Muller, Maria de Jesus, Rachael Osypiv, Romeo Lopez, Benjoe Estubo, Shirley Roberts, Pat Mey, Elizabeth Toh, Bruce Walker, Eliza Yunzal, Virgilio Lopez, Fernando Lopez, Brendon Vine, Rita Torio, Rani Kreknbech, Henie Sagun, Eugene Sagun, Joseph Hatch, William Hatch, Roberto Lopez Jr. Paula Tauta, Lily Marques, Marie Claire, Mel Raileigh, James Carsen, Carmilita Lopez, Joan Hickey, Sinead McClaulan, Ed Concepcion, Desiree Soliano, Alice & Mike Blackmore, Carmel Andrews, Thelma Nichoson, Alice & Keiran Blackmore, Michael Reyes, Joe Kindermann, Ken Robson, Paulo Roble, Jay Dotta, Elario De Jesu, Cath Fatcher Cynthia Abanil, Adelaide Mackenzie, Corazon Darby, Allan Kingston, Mary McNeil, Val Temple, Tyrone Lamb, Evelyn Legge, Ann Carroll, Peter Chow, Harry Phillips, Margaret Phillips, Maria Fernandez, Glenda Fowler, Gary Trevena, Eileen Lamarque, Don Newcombe.

BAPTISM

We welcome into our Christian community: Those baptised during this week. Please pray for these Family as we welcome them into our Faith Community.



Levi John Kalauta

Baptism 7 days a week. Please phone the Parish Office for information regarding Baptism.

COMMUNION OF THE SICK



Next date for Communion to the Sick is 1st February. Please phone the office if you would like to be added to our Communion list.

MASS TIMES

Sunday, 31st January 2016
4th Sunday in Ordinary Time
.. Mass: 8.30 am
.. Mass: 6 pm

Monday, 1st February 2016
.. Rosary 7.00 am
.. Mass: 7.30 am

Tuesday, 2nd February 2016
The Presentation of The Lord
.. Mass: 7.00 pm
.. Adoration

Wednesday, 3rd February 2016
.. Rosary 7.00 am
.. Mass: 7.30 am

Thursday, 4th February 2016
.. **School Opening Mass**
: 9.00 am **All are welcome**
.. Mass: 7.30 am



Friday, 5th February 2016
St Agatha
.. Rosary 7.00 am
.. Mass: 7.30 am

Saturday, 6th February 2016
Sts Paul Miki & Companions
.. Mass 7.30 am.
.. Reconciliation 5.30 pm
.. Mass: 6 pm

Sunday, 7th February 2016
.. Mass: 8.30 am
.. Mass: 6 pm

READINGS

1st Reading
Psalm
2nd Reading
Gospel Reading
Jeremiah 1: 4-5, 17-19
Psalm 70: 1-6, 15, 17
I will sing of your salvation.
Hebrew 5: 1-6
Mark 10: 46-52

1st Reading
Psalm
Gospel Reading
2 Samuel 15: 13-14, 30; 16-5-13
Psalm 3: 2-8
Mark 5: 1-20

1st Reading
Psalm
Gospel Reading
Malachi 3: 1-4
Psalm: 23: 7-10
Luke 2: 22-40

1st Reading
Psalm
Gospel Reading
2 Samuel 24: 2, 9-17
Psalm 31: 1-2, 5-7
Mark 6: 1-6

1st Reading
Psalm
Gospel Reading
1 Kings 2: 1-4, 10-12
1 Chronicles 29: 10-12
Mark 6: 7-13

1st Reading
Psalm
Gospel Reading
Sirach 47: 2-11
Psalm 17: 31, 47, 50-51
Mark 6: 14-29

1st Reading
Psalm
Gospel Reading
1 Kings 3: 4-13
Psalm 118: 9-14
Mark 6: 30-34

1st Reading
Psalm
2nd Reading
Gospel Reading
Isaiah 6: 1-8
Psalm 137: 1-5, 7-8
1 Corinthians 15: 1-11
Luke 5: 1-11

PARISH UPDATE

School: The first day of our school (St. Edward's Primary) last Wednesday Jan 27 went so smoothly. Parents as well as students were so excited as seen on their faces. Last Thursday, Jan 28, was my first official meeting with the school administrators (Bronwyn, Brendan and Danielle) and we discussed the school's plans and undertakings for the rest of the year. As of this writing, there are 538 students enrolled in our school. We also have some new faces in our teaching staff. I will welcome them all, including our new students and their parents, during our School Opening Mass on Thursday Feb 4 at 9am in our Church.

Additional Church Pews and Chairs: One might have noticed that we added rows of pews plus individual chairs in our Church to accommodate the swelling number of churchgoers on weekends. Interestingly, even our Sunday 6pm mass that had only 50 to 60 people in the first few months of 2013 is now already competing in number of churchgoers with our Sunday 8:30am mass. People today are just hungry and thirsty of the living Word of God, and their souls are yearning for it.

Hospitality: In connection with number 2, it always amazes how people take time to catch up with their friends and acquaintances after the mass with a cup of tea or coffee, with some cakes, cookies and biscuits. This is very good because after we shared our communion as one people inside the House of God, we continue and manifest that communion at the hospitality area. And I would like to thank everyone for not rushing back home after the mass. Above all, I also would like to express my sincere thanks to our hospitality teams. They made an enormous effort to serve God's people. I am very grateful to them.

Lenten Programme: To be spiritually prepared for Easter, our parish will run a series of spiritual discussion and sharing on the Theme: Being Lost...Being Found! This Lenten Programme will run for 5 Wednesdays and will kick off on Feb 17, Wednesday to be held in our Church from 7:00pm to 8:00pm. Everyone is invited, and those who are interested may put their names at the main door of the Church.

Sacramental Programme: We have sent our invitation letter about the programme to all our neighbouring state schools including John Paul College. We have already accepted 8 applicants as of this writing. Candidates/applicants will be in full swing once we release our invitation letter to the parents of our school children.

St. Edward's Outside School Hours Care: They have 14 very good and able OSCH Staff this school year and so far there are 129 registered students under their care.

St Edward's Family Day Care: They have employed 30 educators to take care of 140 children.

Fr. Marce

CATECHISM of the CATHOLIC CHURCH

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

Let's get to know our faith.

Question: What does it mean to say that Jesus ascended into Heaven?

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With Jesus, one of us has arrived home with God and remains there forever. In his Son, God is close to us men in a human way.

Moreover, Jesus says in the Gospel of John, "And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all men to myself" (Jn 12:32).

In the New Testament, the Ascension of Christ marks the end of forty days during which the risen Lord was especially close to his disciples. At the end of this time, Christ, together with his whole humanity, enters into the glory of God. Sacred Scripture expresses this through the images of "cloud" and "heaven" or sky. "Man", says Pope Benedict XVI, "finds room in God." Jesus Christ is now with the Father, and from there he will come one day "to judge the living and the dead". Christ's Ascension into heaven means that Jesus is no longer visible on earth yet is still present. (YOUCAT question 109)

Question: Why is Jesus Christ the Lord of the whole world?

Why is Jesus Christ the Lord of the whole world?

Jesus Christ is Lord of the world and Lord of history because everything was made for his sake. All men were redeemed by him and will be judged by him.

He is *over us*, and the only One to whom we bend the knee in worship; he is *with us* as Head of his Church, in which the kingdom

of God begins even now; he is *ahead of us* as Lord of history, in whom the powers of darkness are definitively overcome and the destinies of the world are brought to perfection according to God's plan; he *comes to meet us* in glory, on a day we do not know, to renew and perfect the world. We can experience his nearness especially in God's Word, in the reception of the sacraments, in caring for the poor, and wherever "two or three are gathered in my name" (see Mt 18:20). (YOUCAT question 110)

Question: - What happens at the end of the world?

What will it be like when the world comes to an end?

When the world comes to an end, Christ comes for all to see. The dramatic upheavals (Lk 18:8; Mt 24:3-14) that are foretold in Sacred Scripture the wickedness that will be plainly manifest, the trials and persecutions that will put the faith of many to the test these are only the dark side of the new reality: God's definitive victory over evil will be visible. God's glory, truth, and justice will stand out brilliantly. With Christ's coming there will be "a new heaven and a new earth". "He will wipe away every tear from their eyes, and death shall be no more, neither shall there be mourning nor crying nor pain any more, for the former things have passed away" (Rev 21:4).

What will it be like when Christ judges us and the whole world?

Even Christ cannot help someone who does not want to know anything about love; such a person judges himself.

Because Jesus Christ is "the way, and the truth, and the life" (Jn 14:6), he will show what is of lasting value in God's sight and what is not. Held up to the standard of his life, the full truth about all people, things, thoughts, and events will come to light. (YOUCAT questions 111 & 112)

Material as published in: Catechism in a year/ <https://uno.flocknote.com/list>



Welcome back to St Edward's for 2016!

I hope all are refreshed after the Christmas break. The children have all settled in well for the first day! It's always lovely to welcome back the parents and kids on the first day - mostly smiling, full of holiday stories, enjoying reconnecting with friends and the anticipation of a positive year ahead... We say a

special welcome to the many new families who begin here for the first time in 2016. Last week staff completed various professional development opportunities around Religion and spirituality, curriculum and child protection. Many thanks to all school staff who have worked tirelessly to get ready for this year.

Our theme for this year is "Let Love Live"

New Staff – This year has seen a number of new staff welcomed into community.

We welcome Brendan Gillespie to the role of Assistant Principal Administration. Brendan is well known to many in our community as he was a much loved and respected teacher on staff here for 7 years, transferring 2 years ago to Our Lady of Lourdes at Sunnybank. Brendan has completed acting administration positions both here and at Sunnybank. Welcome to Mrs. Donna Swan to the front office. Donna joins us from St Joseph's at Kangaroo Point. Donna will be at the student entrance and has new enrolments as one of her tasks. Mrs. Maureen Gladman will also be joining the office staff on Thursdays and Fridays each week. We welcome Mrs. Sandie Wands to Year 1W. Sandie is an experienced teacher who joins us from St Sebastian's Yeronga. Miss Renee Kelly (Year 6) and Miss Tamara Green (Year 4) join us as graduate teachers. Both are also well known to this school as they completed their internships with us. It's an exciting time for them both as they begin their teaching careers. We welcome Mrs. Sarah Stoneley to a full time teaching role in Prep Blue. Sarah has been on staff here for many years. It is great that she has joined us in the full time capacity. Mrs. Jenny Dunn accepted a teaching position at the Gold Coast over the holidays and we take this chance on behalf of the school community to thank her. Mrs. Rachael Lovett our school guidance counsellor has also taken up a new position at Star of the Sea at Cleveland. Rachael had been at St Edward's for 13 years and will be very missed by our community. Rachael will be here for the next 3 Fridays as part of a transition out for the students she was working with. Mrs. Melissa Browning will be joining us from the 15th of February working onsite Monday thru Wednesday. Currently Melissa is working at St John's at Nambour and is a registered psychologist with public sector and school experience. We also welcome back the following school officers -Anna O'Brien, Trish Anderson and Sandra Torluccio - all well known in our community as they take up work in various classrooms around the school.

We look forward to sharing in 2016 the exciting learning...

Have a good week

Bronwyn, Brendan and Danielle



Church Ministers' Rosters for next weekend 6th - 7th February 2016

	Saturday 6.00pm	Sunday 8.30am	Sunday 6.00pm
Holy Mass Coordinators	Iona & Ronet D'Mello	Brian Ridder	Jeanne Medina
Parish Choirs	Spiritus Choir	Frankie's Choir	El Shaddai Choir
Overhead Projectionist	Volunteer	Volunteer	Volunteer
Proclaimers of the Word: 1	J R Bandola	Ella Villar	Celi Arezza
Proclaimers of the Word: 2	Marinel or Marian	Vange Munn	Sharon Biasillo
Communion Ministers	Keiko Ueda	Steven Richardson	Cheryl McCaffery
	Chriselle D'Mello	John Guiton	Nix Arezza
	Kerwin Reddy	Maria Beck-Richardson	Sean O'Brien
		Reece Healy	
		Chi Gardner	
Altar Servers	Annabelle Wessling	Shannon Oporto	Christine Ferrer
	Jonathan Wessling	Virginia Mirago	Caleb O'Brien



Little Books for Lent

The Little Books are pocket-size publications, based upon the writings of Bishop Ken Untener, previously of the Diocese of Saginaw, Michigan, USA. These booklets provide a quotation from Scripture with a brief spiritual reflection upon that Scripture. Also provided is a daily 'buffet table' with a variety of thoughts about the Liturgical Season, the feast of the day and various traditions and customs. The Little Book reflections are intended to take about Six Minutes a day.

Cost of each book: \$4 only, available at the back of the Church.



The beginning of a new year usually brings changes, some good others not so good, as is the case with the Daisy Hill Conference. Bob and Donna Smith are resigning from the conference after three years of generous giving of time and talent. Bob, as treasurer, kept the conference afloat while Donna kept the Piety Store stocked and in good order. Thank you both for your time and energy. The following people have been elected by the Conference to take up these positions:

Mark D' Mello - Treasurer
Cely Hughes - The Piety Store.
Deputy - to be elected

We are currently looking for some new members either as conference members or associate members. A conference member means you attend the monthly meetings(**Currently held on the first Monday of the month**) and are eligible to hold office. You are most welcome to attend these meetings without making a commitment. In fact people advised to attend some meetings before committing. An associate member can, but usually does not, attend meetings and cannot hold office. They assist when needed e.g. preparing Christmas hampers, helping with the visitation and other activities. At present visitation is where help is most needed as many of our members are working and unavailable during the day. It would be appreciated if you could help for a few hours one day a week. You will always have a companion with you for every task. If you are interested please contact me on 32901959.

Thought for the week.

Mercy is a wellspring of joy, serenity and peace. Our salvation depends on it.

(Pope Francis)



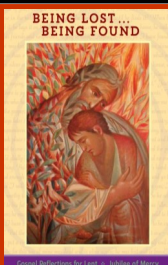
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Lenten Program 2016 - All are welcome

All parishioners are invited to:
"Being Lost Being Found"

A program designed by the Archdiocese which awakens and prepares you for the coming Holy Week.

Dates : Starting Wed 17th Feb
and continues for the following 4 Wednesdays

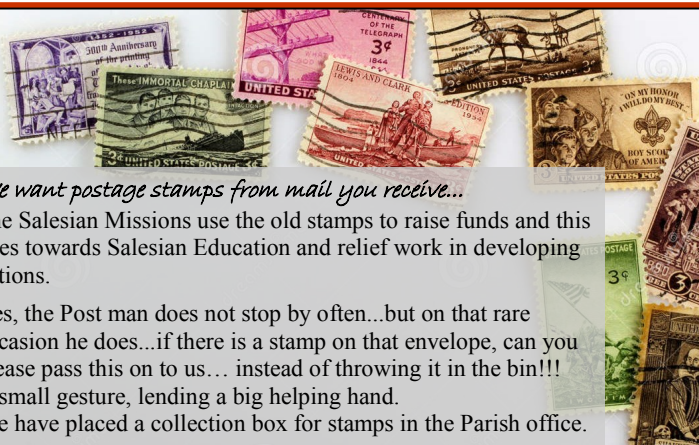
Time and Location – 7-8 PM in the church

Tea and coffee will be available before the sessions

There will be a cost of \$5 for your personal copy

Books now available in the Vinnies Stall

Please record your interest on the form at the rear of the church



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A small gesture, lending a big helping hand.

We have placed a collection box for stamps in the Parish office.

Sacramental Program Update: Closing Date for Applications to enrol for the Sacramental Program 2016 is 12th February 2016.

Please visit our Parish Website: www.stedwardsdaisyhill.org.au, to access and download electronic application forms and online payment options.

General Rehearsal for the Sacrament of Confirmation to be held on the 26th April

Sacrament of Confirmation will be held on the 28th April, 2016 at 6 pm.

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.

The Privacy Act impacts upon us all today and if you wish to peruse the Compliance Requirements and the Privacy Act, please go to the Archdiocesan Website www.bne.catholic.net.au or www.stedwardsdaisyhill.org.au