



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 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.**

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31st Sunday in Ordinary Time

29th - 30th October 2016

THE GOD WHO SEARCHES

Fr. Marce Singson



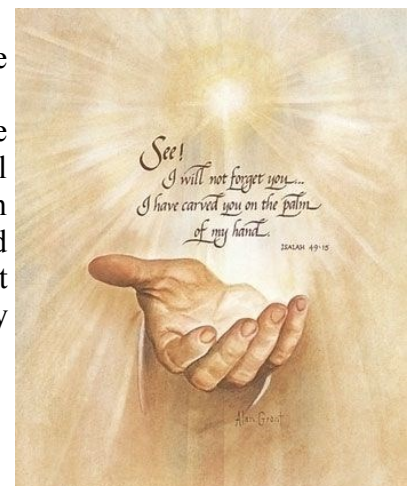
“Zacchaeus, hurry down. I mean to stay at your house today.”
Jesus

The story of Zacchaeus in our Gospel today is a powerful example of God’s forgiving love at work in the ministry of Jesus. Zacchaeus is the chief tax collector, a wealthy man. But he is also widely hated by people. He is considered a sinner. No self-respecting Jew would like to associate with him. We might expect Jesus to also shun such a person. But such is not the case. Jesus searches Zacchaeus (who climbed on a tree to see Jesus because he is of small stature) and takes the lead: “Zacchaeus, hurry down. I mean to stay at your house today.” To speak to such a person is bad enough. But to go to his house and accept his hospitality is shocking. Yet this is exactly what happens. This is the way God searches for us.

Why does Jesus do such a thing? Is he not afraid of giving a bad example? But Jesus makes it clear: “The Son of Man came to search out and save what was lost.” What is a “bad example” by human standards is the gracious and forgiving love of God at work in our lives. Note the reaction of Zacchaeus. He is a changed man. He will not allow group pressure or gossip to keep him from Jesus. He told Jesus: “If I have defrauded anyone I pay him back fourfold.” There is a profound joy and liberation. Salvation has come to Zacchaeus.

The story of Zacchaeus is our story, too. The God who searches out the wealthy tax collector searches for us as well. When we accept our sinfulness, the grace of God will actively work in us. Then we begin to live in a new and liberating life like Zacchaeus. God is involved in a long search for us. That search is going on right now in this Holy Mass.

Will we allow God to find us?





WE REMEMBER

In our prayers all who have died recently,

Maureen O’Brien
Peter Reynolds

and those whose anniversaries are in this month:

Dili Kabishi

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:

Cliff Stacey
Maria Teresita Villar
Geoffery McArthur

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**

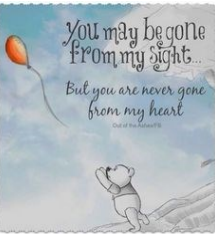


BAPTISM

We welcome into our Christian community:

Charlotte Mackenzie Aishe Beqiri
Jorge Vecino
Taylor Paige Cummings

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



Our parish weekend Holy Masses on **Nov 5 and 6** will be offered for all the deceased members of our families, relatives and friends.

FOUNDBabies gold bracelet was found on the pathway between the 2 school building leading to the school parking. It has a butterfly with the name ‘Jea’ on it. If you have lost it please call the parish office to claim it 3299 2000.

WHY PRAY FOR THE DEAD?

In all funerals that I presided over, people say with some assurance, “he’s in a better place now” or “she’s in heaven,” as if their loved one’s immediate arrival in heaven were a foregone conclusion. In our grief we want to believe our loved ones go right to heaven but the truth is, we don’t exactly know where they go.

The Bible provides evidence that there can be no imperfections in heaven. (Too pure are your eyes to look upon evil, and the sight of misery you cannot endure. (Hab. 1:13). According to the Catechism, most of us who don’t merit hell yet still need purification before we can enter heaven, will pass through a state the Church calls purgatory when we die: *“All who die in God’s grace and friendship, but still imperfectly purified, are indeed assured of their eternal salvation; but after death they undergo purification, so as to achieve the holiness necessary to enter the joy of heaven.”* (CCC 1030).

What is purgatory like? Most of the saints’ descriptions involve fire. St Paul writes:

“If anyone builds on this foundation with gold, silver, precious stones, wood, hay, or straw, the work of each will come to light, for the Day will disclose it. It will be revealed with fire, and the fire [itself] will test the quality of each one’s work. If the work stands that someone built upon the foundation, that person will receive a wage. But if someone’s work is burned up, that one will suffer loss; the person will be saved, but only as through fire.” (1 Cor. 3:12-15)

The fire may be metaphorical, since the souls in purgatory don’t have bodies. What causes them pain is their separation from God, even as they’re also joyful that they will enter heaven. The thought of a loved one suffering is motivation to pray, but there is another reason. There are three states of the Church: those on earth (Church Militant), those who have died and are being purified (Church Suffering) and those who are in glory with God (Church Triumphant). (CCC 954)

In charity, we are called to commend the souls of the faithful departed to God’s mercy and pray for them. We can help them not only through our prayers but also by having Masses offered for their souls. The month of November is dedicated to the Holy Souls in Purgatory. Even if our loved ones are already in heaven, it’s still beneficial to pray because another soul might need the help. Someday we ourselves may need the prayers of the living.



The 3 Masses in our parish next weekend (November 05 - 6) will be offered for the departed members of our families, relatives and friends.

Fr. Marce

MASS TIMES 30th October - 05th November 2016

Sunday, 30th October	Monday, 31st October	Tuesday, 01st November	Wednesday, 02nd November	Thursday, 03rd November	Friday, 04th November	Saturday 05th November
8.30am Mass 6.00pm Mass <i>31th Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	7.00am Rosary 7.30am Mass	9.00am Mass Yurana Nursing Home 7.00pm Mass Adoration	7.00am Rosary 7.30am Mass <i>The Commemoration of All the Faithful departed (All Souls Day)</i>	7.30am Mass	7.00am Rosary 7.30am Mass <i>St Charles Borromeo</i>	7.30am Mass 5.30pm Reconciliation 6.00pm Mass



A highlight this week was the commencement of the library building renovations. The centre entrance to the school and behind the library have been fenced off. Staff and students are watching the demolition and will be watching the transformation eagerly over the next few weeks.

On Wednesday our Prep students celebrated Grandparents Day with a liturgy and morning tea. We were blessed to have a large turn out as our students loved the chance to share with families the wonderful learning they are involved in.

Our last Grade 4-6 Gala Sports Day for the year was held on Thursday. These are huge days to organise, where 250 children from schools in the area are placed into sport teams, locations/fields are organised, buses booked, draws and supervision organised. We are grateful to our sports teacher -Mrs. Lia Weston and class teachers in Years 4-6 for supporting these events. Thursday provided T Ball and T20 Blast Cricket activities for students.

We finished the week with the opportunity on Friday to say thanks to all the teachers at St Edward's with a breakfast and recognition at assembly. They work tirelessly, focusing on learning and inspiring students to progress, building resources and finding opportunities for students to grow and learn.

We are thankful and grateful for a wonderful team of teachers. We hope you have a great week
Bronwyn, Brendan and Danielle



ANNOUNCEMENT

Archbishop's Office has announced the appointments of Priests to their new parishes.

- **Fr Nigel Sequeira** as Parish Priest of Grovely and Mitchelton for a term of six years with effect from 31 December 2016.
- **Fr Biju Thomas CMI** as Parish Priest of Gayndah for a term of six years with effect from 3 December 2016.
- **Fr Isidore Enyinnaya** as Parish Priest of Nerang for a term of six years with effect from 3 December 2016.
- **Fr Michael Carroll SM** as Chaplain to the Royal Brisbane Hospital and St Andrew's Hospital with effect from 1 January 2017.
- **Fr Bryan Roe** as Priest in Charge of the Mango Hill and North Lakes region of the Redcliffe parish with effect from 1 October 2016.



Parish Hospitality Teams

Join us and the Parish Community for a cuppa and refreshments in the covered area at the side of the Church. Every Sunday morning after the 8.30am Mass then the 4th weekend of the month on Saturday (team needed) and Sunday.

06th November 2016

Al Silagan's Team

13th November 2016

Denise Love's Team

20th November 2016

Vange Munn's Team

Senior Group Update

Mass : Tuesday 08th November 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 01st November 2016

Melbourne Cup Luncheon. Chatswood Hills Tavern, corner Chatswood Rd and Magellan Rd, Springwood. We will meet at the tavern at 11:30am. Lunch menu to be advised. Purchase your own lunch on the day.

Numbers to Noelene by Tuesday 25th October.. Any enquiries please contact: Noelene 3208 5304 or 0409 261 639

Church Ministers' Rosters for next weekend 05th - 06th November 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 Beck-Richardson	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



Pope Francis launched the 50th World Communication Day on the 8th May 2016 and announced that it would run until the conclusion of the Year Of Mercy on Sunday 20th November 2016. For this celebration he has chosen the theme – **Communication and Mercy** – and invites us to reflect on this relationship, stating that he would like all people of good will to rediscover the power of mercy to heal wounded relationships and restore peace and harmony to families and communities. In his article, **Communication and Mercy: A Fruitful Encounter** he states that Communication has the power to build bridges, to enable encounter and inclusion, and thus enrich society. He speaks of the importance of selecting words and actions with care and mercy in an effort to avoid misunderstanding, to heal wounded memories and to build peace and harmony. He maintains that the words of Christians ought to be a constant encouragement to communion and should never try to rupture relationships and communication even in those cases where they must firmly condemn evil.



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.



Farewell Roshindhri

It is with great sadness that we bid farewell to Roshindhri. Roshindhri has been with our service for almost 5 years and has made a valuable contribution to the staff, educators and families. Roshindhri has made connections with the local community and the parish during this time and has had a positive impact in the field of early childhood. We are pleased to say that others will now benefit from her skills and knowledge however we will miss her dearly and wish her all the very best in her new position.



For information on Childcare please call our office:
3208 0463



Children's Liturgy takes place during the Sunday 8.30am Mass. Upcoming Dates are:
October 30th; November 13th & 27th; December 4th.

CARE AND CONCERN

If you are aware of a sick parishioner who may appreciate a visit or a meal or requires transport to medical appointments. Please contact the Parish Office so a member of our Care and Concern or Pastoral Council can respond.

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