



# St Edward the Confessor Parish

Established 1978

104 Chatswood Road, DAISY HILL. QLD 4127

Readings: Is 40:1-5, 9-11; 2 Pet 3:8-14 Mk 1:1-8  
 Next Week: Is 61:1-2, 10-11; 1 Thess 5:16-24; Jn 1:6-8, 19-28



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## 5<sup>th</sup>— 6<sup>th</sup> December 2020

### Second Sunday of Advent

*‘Prepare in the wilderness a way for the Lord’*

The call to repentance lies at the heart of the Advent season. Like the people in today’s readings, we, too, are called to a change of heart, as we long for a better world where injustice will cease.

Today’s **First Reading** is full of hope and consolation for a nation weary of suffering. God is seen by the prophet Isaiah both as a warrior who fights for his people, and as a shepherd who nourishes and guides them to rest.

The **Psalms** reveals God’s inner ways and intentions; he is a God of peace, mercy, faithfulness and justice, who longs to help us. One of the themes of Advent is that of looking forward to the second coming of Jesus. St Peter advises us to wait patiently. We are to live in a way worthy of our Christian calling; living lives that please God as we allow his peace to fill us. (**Second Reading**)

The **Gospel** underlines how radical John the Baptist was in his calling, just like the Old Testament prophets. His focus was on the need to repent, for people to change their world view and live accordingly. In this way, they will be more open to the teachings of Jesus, so that ‘the glory of the Lord shall be revealed’ (Isaiah 40: 5).

This week, we might ask for the grace of trust, and to receive the deep love of God into our hearts. God is offering us new life in Christ, empowering us to be his instruments for change in a world torn apart by self-serving actions and fear. Perhaps we can make this our prayer: ‘Lord, make us channels of your peace and justice. Amen.’

### GOSPEL Mark 1: 1–11 REFLECTION

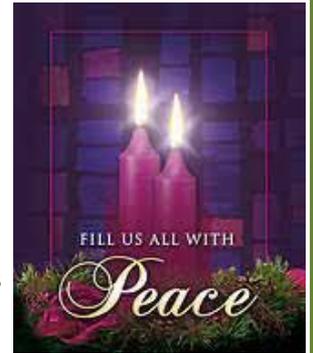
I enter into prayer slowly, humbly aware that God desires my company right now. I ask that his living Spirit might pray in me, with me, through me. I read the text with a receptive mind and spirit. What do I notice ...? What draws my attention ...?

Maybe I sense Jesus’s presence beside me. I ask how scripture spoke to him as he grew in understanding of his calling, perhaps experiencing confusion and uncertainty himself. I allow Jesus to share his very self, and speak intimately to my inner being.

In this time of Advent, perhaps I, too, am drawn to make my way into a ‘wilderness’ to prepare to receive the Lord ...

I beg for God’s help to create a time of quiet preparation to receive the Holy Spirit anew ... asking the Lord to bring to my attention any fears, hurts, or the need for a changed heart.

Whatever arises, I take care not to judge harshly, but allow God’s infinite, healing mercy to wash over and through me. I share with my loving Lord whatever has arisen. I acknowledge and give thanks for my own worth in God’s eyes ... aware that I am his beloved child. I ask for the grace I need to be a messenger of the Good News in my life.





## WE REMEMBER

In our prayers all who have died recently,

Peter Gunner

and those whose anniversaries are in this month:

Anthony Warrilow  
Anthony O'Shea  
Allan Daniels  
Arthur Castillo  
Gil Arreza  
Dila Kabashi

*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:

Angelica Marpa  
Peter George  
Cath Fulcher  
Armando Bettli

*"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."  
www.lords-prayer-words.com*

*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

William Joseph Valentine  
Carter Kym Parks  
Isabelle Maree Parks  
Chloe Flick

Pease phone the parish office on 3299 2000  
for information regarding baptism.  
Thank you.



Thank you to our Care and Concern ladies who have been checking up on and taking our seniors the weekly



## Men's Group Meeting "Getting to the Point"

Men's Group meet 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of the month.

**Next meeting 16.12.2020  
@7:00pm.**

For information contact: Ron Ferrall  
3290 3110 [referrall@optusnet.com.au](mailto:referrall@optusnet.com.au)

## PARISH UPDATE

The steps for the registration to attend Mass is as follows:

[www.stedwardsdaisyhill.org.au](http://www.stedwardsdaisyhill.org.au) and click on the icon provided.

- Click on 'Select a Date'
- Scroll down until you find the date you require
- Then click 'Ticket'
- The next screen you can choose the number of tickets you require (1 or 2 etc) if you are living in the same house and have the same surname you can do this on the one booking otherwise you have to do separate bookings for each one. There is a limit of 4 tickets per booking so if there is more than 4 required you need to do separate bookings.
- Click 'see more' to read all the conditions of the booking
- Then click 'Register'
- That will take you to the screen when you can enter your details. In the area 'First name' you can enter all (up to 4) first names (if you have ordered multiple tickets with the one booking) then tab to the surname area. This is for all attendees that have the same
- surname and living at the same address.
- ALL NAMES ARE TO BE REGISTERED
- All the information with a \* is required by the guidelines.
- Once you click 'Register' at the bottom of this page you will receive a confirmation of the booking to your email.



### **Parish Census:**

During the Covid-19 lockdown we were unable to contact many of our parishioners because our parish records are very outdated. Although we pray that history will not repeat, forced closure highlighted a need to hold a census within our parish to allow us to update our database.

We ask you to please complete one form per family and place it in the box provided at the back of the church.

All details are confidential and will not be used for any other purpose.

### **Volunteers for Christmas:**

We are already preparing for our many Christmas Masses. We are asking for volunteers to take up the many positions required to have our celebrations running smoothly. Please add your name on the list provided at the back of the Church.

### **Christmas Mass:**

A reminder that it is essential to book for the Christmas Mass of your choice. The 6pm Christmas Eve Mass is already at capacity and we will unfortunately not be able to welcome any walk-ins. You may either book online or phone the parish office. There is now a New Years Day morning Mass at 8:30am.

### **"Parish Giving App".**

There are different ways in which you can log into this app.

1. By hovering your phone over the QR code (located here and



many areas around the Church as well as our website) which will take you to the Parish Giving site. QR Scanner must be installed on your mobile.

2. Log into <http://parishgiving.brisbanecatholic.org.au/>

3. Get it on Google Play.

<https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.webgatetec.parishgiving>

4. Download on the App Store.

<https://apps.apple.com/us/app/parishgiving/id1505667807?ls=1>

When you first log in you need to create a new profile. Then follow the prompts. You can set it up for a one off donation or a repeat donation. You will then receive an email confirming your registration as well as a receipt for your donation. Parish Giving App Set up steps are available at :

<https://parishgiving.brisbanecatholic.org.au/slides/> and

[https://parishgiving.brisbanecatholic.org.au/slides/giving\\_transaction.html](https://parishgiving.brisbanecatholic.org.au/slides/giving_transaction.html)

Thank you for your support.

A special **Thank you** to Bassania Perrett who has helped us over the past 6 weeks in the office and Church while our Parish Secretary has been on leave.

Have a blessed and safe week.

*Fr Joseph*

# MASS TIMES 7<sup>th</sup> December—13<sup>th</sup> December 2020

Monday, 7 December	Tuesday, 8 December	Wednesday, 9 December	Thursday, 10 December	Friday, 11 December	Saturday, 12 December	Sunday, 13 December
9:00am Mass  St Ambrose, Bishop, Doctor	9:00am MASS  The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary	9:00am MASS  St Juan Diego Cuauhtlatoatzn Hermit	NO MASS  Our Lady of Loreto	9:00am MASS  St Damasus I, Pope	9:00am Mass  Our Lady of Guadalupe  6:00pm Mass	3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Advent 8:30am Mass  6:00pm Mass

**YOUTH  
UNITED.**

IS OFFICIALLY CALLING FOR

**NEW LEADERS FOR 2021!**

ACCEPTING EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST VIA:  
EMAIL - INFO@YOUTHUNITED.LIFE  
IN PERSON - SEE PRIYA OR LINA  
OR, SIGN UP SHEET - LOCATED AT THE BACK OF THE CHURCH



**BOOKINGS ARE  
ESSENTIAL**

**CHRISTMAS MASS TIMES**

24.12.2020 *Christmas Eve*  
6:00pm, 9:00pm  
& 12 Midnight

25.12.2020 *Christmas Day*  
8:30am

01.01.2021 *New Years Day*  
8:30am

## The Advent Wreath

The second of the Advent candles will be lit this week end at each of the Masses.

### The Bethlehem Candle

The second purple or violet candle is called Bethlehem candle and it symbolizes faith and reminds Catholics about the experience of Joseph and Mary in the city of Bethlehem.



## Position Vacant – Administration Assistant



Applications are open for the above position at the Beaudesert Parish. The position is a part-time role of 15 hours per week and will begin in February 2021.

For additional information, please visit the Archdiocese of Brisbane website <https://brisbanecatholic.org.au/> and to careers.

*The Archdiocese of Brisbane has standards of conduct for workers to maintain a safe and healthy environment for children. Our commitment to these standards requires that we conduct working with children checks and background referencing for all persons who will engage in direct and regular involvement with children and young people (0 - 18 years) and/or vulnerable adults. The organisation is fully committed to child safety and has a 0 tolerance to abuse of children or vulnerable adults.*

**CATECHISM  
of the  
CATHOLIC  
CHURCH**

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

### Q: What is prayer?

Prayer is the raising of one's mind and heart to God, or the petition of good things from him in accord with his will. It is always the gift of God who comes to encounter man. Christian prayer is the personal and living relationship of the children of God with their Father who is infinitely good, with his Son Jesus Christ, and with the Holy Spirit who dwells in their hearts.

### Q: Why is there a universal call to prayer?

Because through creation God first calls every being from nothingness. Even after the Fall man continues to be capable of recognizing his Creator and retains a desire for the One who has called him into existence. All religions, and the whole history of salvation in particular, bear witness to this human desire for God. It is God first of all, however, who ceaselessly draws every person to the mysterious encounter known as prayer.

### Q: How is Abraham a model of prayer?

Abraham is a model of prayer because he walked in the presence of God, heard and obeyed him. His prayer was a battle of faith because he continued to believe in the fidelity of God even in times of trial. Besides, after having received in his own tent the visit of the Lord who confided his plan to him, Abraham dared to intercede for sinners with bold confidence.

### Q: How does Moses pray?

The prayer of Moses was typical of contemplative prayer. God, who called to Moses from the burning bush, lingered in conversations with him often and at length, "face to face, like a man with his friend" (*Exodus 33:11*). In this intimacy with God, Moses attained the strength to intercede tenaciously for this people: his prayer thus prefigured the intercession of the one mediator, Christ Jesus.

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## Church Ministers' Rosters for next weekend 12<sup>th</sup> December—13<sup>th</sup> December 2020

	Saturday @ 6:00pm	Sunday @ 8:30am	Sunday @ 6:00pm
Marshal	Terry George	Denise Love	Pat McCaffery
Parish Choirs	Sanctus	Stuart's Choir	Spanish Choir
Overhead Projectionist	Rose George	Tim Trainor	Volunteer
Usher 1	Rose George	Brian Ridder	Cheryl McCaffery
Communion Minister	Donna Smith	Isidore Storey	Sandhya Seneviratne
Proclaimers of the Word: 1	Candice Wessling	Ella O'Neill	Charmi Cortez
Proclaimers of the Word: 2	Annabelle Wessling	Tom O'Neill	Kerrie Richardson
Prayers of the Faithful	Volunteer	Volunteer	Jurulbe Pereira



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 W: [www.centacarebrisbane.net.au](http://www.centacarebrisbane.net.au)



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 W: [www.daisyhillfdc.com.au/](http://www.daisyhillfdc.com.au/)



The St Edward's School Community wish all parishioners a very blessed and holy Christmas. May you enjoy family time and may the Christ Child be present with you.  
**Rick Sheehan**  
 Principal. Ph3208 0922

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 W: [www.daisyhillfdc.com.au/](http://www.daisyhillfdc.com.au/)



**THANKSGIVING DONATIONS**  
 Thank you for supporting our Parish

Your donations for week end 28<sup>th</sup>—29<sup>th</sup> November 2020.

Envelopes:	\$ 427.10	
Loose:	\$ 474.25	
Parish Giving App:	\$ 118.38	
Credit Card:	\$ 195.00	
Direct Deposit:	\$ 284.22	
<b>Grand Total:</b>	<b>\$1,498.95</b>	<b>Thank you.</b>




**Safeguarding Children & Vulnerable Adults**  
 St Edward's Parish Representative  
**John Guiton 0499 105 146**  
 St Edward's Parish Representative  
**Cheryl McCaffery—Assistant**  
 Phone: 07 3299 2000



Full policy can be obtained at:  
<https://brisbanecatholic.org.au/support/safeguard/>  
**STOPline Service**

**Advent Prayer**  
 Loving God, accompany me on my journey through Advent.  
 As I move through my daily tasks and responsibilities, renew my *hope* in you, and in your will for my life. Help me to watch for your coming in unexpected ways, to hold fast to your word and to your promise, and to trust that you are leading me at every moment. Grant my prayer through Jesus Christ, your Son and my Hope. *Amen.*

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

**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 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](http://www.bne.catholic.net.au) or [www.stedwardsdaisyhill.org.au](http://www.stedwardsdaisyhill.org.au)  
 We are also compelled to adhere to the **Policy of the Safeguarding Children & Vulnerable Adults**  
<https://brisbanecatholic.org.au/support/safeguard/>