

SUNDAY MASS TIMES

Lavington: Sat.Vigil 6pm; Sunday 8 am, 10 am

Jindera: Sunday 9 am

<i>Weekday Mass Times:</i>		<i>Lavington</i>	<i>Jindera</i>
Mon	1 Lent Weekday	7 am	7 am
Tues	2 Lent Weekday	7 & 9 am	7 am
Wed	3 Lent Weekday	7 & 9 am	8:30 am
Thurs	4 Lent Weekday	7 & 9 am	8:30 am
Frid	5 Lent Weekday	7 & 9 am*	9:20 am
Sat	6 Lent Weekday	9:15 am *	8 am

This Weekend: 31st March - 4th Sunday Lent

6 pm Lect: M. Brosolo Cant. M. Brosolo
8 am Lect: L. Merceica Cant. L. Amarant
9 am Lect: J. Byrnes Cant. C & I Ryan
10amLect: C. Tingle Cant. Choir

Offert: 6 pm Church, 8 am Volunteer, 10 am Evans

Lavington Cleaners: O'Brien

Jindera Cleaners: Ryan, Carcarello, Garratt

Next Weekend: 7th April - 5th Sunday Lent

6 pm Lect: Filipino Cant. Filipino
8 am Lect: M. Hensel Cant. L. Amarant
9 am Lect: J. Richards Cant. S & J Chandraseg.
10amLect: K. Boyer Cant. Choir

Offert: 6 pm Filipino, 8 am Schneider, 10 am O'Brien

Lavington Cleaners: Reichl/Katalinic

Jindera Cleaners: Stewart, Green, Wright

ADORATION / NOVENA Saturday morning

- 8:00 am: Holy Rosary
- 8:20 am: Confessions
- 9:00 am: Novena & Benediction
- 9:15 am: Holy Mass

O'CONNELL GARDENS VILLAGE

Adoration: in the chapel every Monday 10-4:30pm

Craft Work: Wednesdays at 1.30 pm.

ST. VINCENT de PAUL alt. Monday 1.30 pm

MOTHER'S GROUP meets to pray on Mondays at 7.30 pm - contact 60401690

LEGION of MARY - lay missionaries meet: on Tuesday 1 pm, Wednesday 3.30 pm.

MAJELLAN for MUMS - on Tuesday 10:45am.

CATECHESIS of the Good Shepherd - returns 4th Feb. contact Angela tel. 0427063934.

SACRAMENT PENANCE / CONFESSIONS

Saturday 8:20 - 9am, 5 - 6pm

and before all Masses.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON: You must rejoice, my son, for your brother was dead and has come back to life; he was lost and is found.

✠ **FOR THE SICK** that they may be comforted and helped by God's healing power, let us pray to the Lord - Lisa Chandra, Harold Black, Faith Bell, Annie Gosstray, Kerry Rohrich, Kay Duel, Jan Szakacs, Joan McLaurin, Lorraine Mullavey, Greg Jackson, Pat McCormack, Linda Wilson, Stan & Kathleen Lechmere, Sandra Klinge, Carol Collins, Tony Ratcliffe, Mick Dunkerley, Helen Hurst, Cathy Jones, Tim Davern, Brian Schreiber, Gerard Sullivan, Norma Oates, Barry O'Shea, Catherine Mahedy, Andrew Ryan, Jeffrey Dean, Fr. Jim Esler, Helen Wright, Jovit Genato, Barbara Skiba, Sheleagh Walker, Gary Harris, Matthew Mander, Henry Percy, Anne Weisner, Suesanna Trevaskis, Kim Dean, Mary Cooper, Fay, Brian Cooper, Bob Garratt, Ruth Witteveen

✠ **FOR THE RECENTLY DECEASED** and those whose anniversaries occur about now that they may be granted eternal peace, let us pray to the Lord - Bob Garratt, Girlie Costello, Olive Upshall, Bob Mannering, Sr. Marie Frances Boyle ocdm, Fr. Laurie McCarthy cssr, Bob Olive, Sr. Pat Osborne, Jacob Brogan, Marg Johnson

✠ **ANNIVERSARIES:** Steven Logue, Brendan Lynch, Marietta Palczas, Terrence Keaton, Richard Harris, James Triffitt, Kath Leahy, Michael Mitchell, Patricia Dates, Carmen Dosenko, Joe Stephens, Geoff Milton, Jack Murray, Dennis Gooding, Peter McCoola, Colleen O'Reilly, Ed Maher, Barrie Hore, Jack Dempsey

✠ **PRAYER FOR RAIN:** Blessed are You, O God, Creator of the universe, You are the giver and provider of all life. Grant, O Lord, gentle rains to the drought stricken regions of our land. Give us the wisdom not to take your gifts and graces for granted. We ask this through Christ Our Lord. Amen



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31st March 2019 - Fourth Sunday of Lent C



Mass parts in Hymn Book - page 162. First Reading: Joshua 5:9-12

The Lord said to Joshua, 'Today I have taken the shame of Egypt away from you.' Hence that place has been called Gilgal until now. The Israelites pitched their camp at Gilgal and kept the Passover there on the fourteenth day of the month, at evening in the plain of Jericho. On the morrow of the Passover they tasted the produce of that country, unleavened bread and roasted ears of corn, that same day. From that time, from their first eating of the produce of that country, the manna stopped falling. And having manna no longer, the Israelites fed from that year onwards on what the land of Canaan yielded.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm: Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.

Second Reading: 2nd Corinthians 5:17

For anyone who is in Christ, there is a new creation; the old creation has gone, and now the new one is here. It is all God's work. It was God who reconciled us to himself through Christ and gave us the work of handing on this reconciliation. In other words, God in Christ was reconciling the world to himself, not holding men's faults against them, and he has entrusted to us the news that they are reconciled. So we are ambassadors for Christ; it is as though God were appealing through us, and the appeal that we make in Christ's name is: be reconciled to God. For our sake God made the sinless one into sin, so that in him we might become the goodness of God.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

I will rise and go to my Father and tell him: Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you.

Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

A reading from the Gospel according to Luke 15: 11-32 Glory to You O Lord



The tax collectors and the sinners were all seeking the company of Jesus to hear what he had to say, and the Pharisees and the scribes complained. 'This

man' they said 'welcomes sinners and eats with them.' So he spoke this parable to them: He also said, 'A man had two sons. The younger said to his father, "Father, let me have the share of the estate that would come to me." So the father divided the property between them. A few

days later, the younger son got together everything he had and left for a distant country where he squandered his money on a life of debauchery. 'When he had spent it all, that country experienced a severe famine, and now he began to feel the pinch, so he hired himself out to one of the local inhabitants who put him on his farm to feed the pigs. And he would willingly have filled his belly with the husks the pigs were eating but no one offered him anything. Then he came to his senses and said, "How many of my father's paid servants have more food than they want, and here am I dying of hunger! I will leave this place and go to my father and say: Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you; I no longer deserve to be called your son; treat me as one of your paid servants." So he left the place and went back to his father. 'While he was still a long way off, his father saw him and was moved with pity. He ran to the boy, clasped him in his arms and kissed him tenderly. Then his son said, "Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you. I no longer deserve to be called your son." But the father said to his servants, "Quick! Bring out the best robe and put it on him; put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet. Bring the calf we have been fattening, and kill it; we are going to have a feast, a celebration, because this son of mine was dead and

And they began to celebrate. 'Now the elder son was out in the fields, and on his way back, as he drew near the house, he could hear music and dancing. Calling one of the servants he asked what it was all about. "Your brother has come" replied the servant "and your father has killed the calf we had fattened because he has got him back safe and sound." He was angry then and refused to go in, and his father came out to plead with him; but he answered his father, "Look, all these years I have slaved for you and never once disobeyed your orders, yet you never offered me so much as a kid for me to celebrate with my friends. But, for this son of yours, when he comes back after swallowing up your property – he and his women – you kill the calf we had been fattening." The father said, "My son, you are with me always and all I have is yours. But it was only right we should celebrate and rejoice, because your brother here was dead and has come to life; he was lost and is found."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

■ **WHAT'S HAPPENING!**

Pub Dinner: this Wednesday at Northside Hotel from 6 pm - all welcome.

Latin Mass* E.F. on next Friday 5:30 pm & Saturday at 7 am at Holy Spirit Church.

FORMED this website known as Catholic Netflix is now **free** for the whole **year** thanks to anon. benefactor. To login; [https:// formed.org](https://formed.org) enter access code VJ3GHW & details; for films, documentaries, talks on all things Catholic.

Young Adults: for Lenten discussion meet at Esencia Cafe on Wednesday nights from 7pm.tel. Jo 0468546969

St. Vincent de Paul: any unwanted furniture at home please contact Tony 0429674933

NACF Conference 12-14th April; variety of speakers, family activities - see flyer in porch.

Adoration Chapel: needs extra volunteers. Please be generous with your prayer-time, tel. 0478416635.

Dawso's for all electrical needs; Electrical Contracting, tel. Daniel 0438732976.

Sacramental Candles: ideal as special gifts, check out the website: sacredcandles.com.au tel. 0403619044

By The Book on 3/326 Griffith Rd. open Tues -Sat morning. A **large range** of Christian books available. Ideal present for everyone.

Autoscreen: Buy your next windscreen from Brosolo Brs, Lavington, tel. 60252443

SJM Computer Tutoring & Support: one-on-one in your home call Sean McDermott 60250506 or 0419146406.

Accounting: *Suryan* Chandrasegaran of Albury Accounting Pty Ltd for all tax and accounting needs on 60412010



**Rembrandt's Prodigal Son
The Prodigal Son**

By Saint John Paul II

The prodigal son decides to return to his father's house no longer by virtue of his right as a son, but as an employee reveals an awareness of a deeper loss: To be a hired servant in his own father's house is certainly a great humiliation & source of shame. Nevertheless, the prodigal son is ready to undergo that humiliation and shame. He realizes that he no longer has any right except to be an employee in his father's house. And it is with this decision that he

sets out. In the parable of the prodigal son, the term "justice" is not used even once; just as in the original text the term "mercy" is not used either. Mercy - as Christ has presented it in the parable of the prodigal son - has the interior form of the love that in the New Testament is called *agape*. This love is able to reach down to every prodigal son, to every human misery, and above all to every form of moral misery, to sin. When this happens, the person who is the object of mercy does not feel humiliated, but rather found again and "restored to value."

The father first and foremost expresses to him his joy that he has been "found again" and that he has "returned to life." This joy indicates a good that has remained intact: even if he is a prodigal, a son does not cease to be truly his father's son; it also indicates a good that has been found again, which in the case of the prodigal son was his return to the truth about himself.

- sandals = adopted son & not a servant
- ring = heir again to the kingdom
- cloak = wrapped in God's grace.

God seeks out his children, who are lost; we are all sinners in need of a Saviour.

IN A NUTSHELL

Natural disaster happen. No one is to blame for them. People suffer and die in violent crimes and accidents. Such tragedies and sudden deaths can be a 'wake up' call for us. Where is God in all this? How do we live our lives? God is well aware of our sufferings,



and gives us opportunities to make a new start, to grow in love and good works.

Next Friday

What will you be doing at 7.30 pm?

- BOX WATCH [code for TV] or
- CROSS WATCH



There are ONLY a few weeks in Lent.

Stations of the Cross

Fridays at 7.30 pm / Jindera 7 pm



HAPPY HUMOUR

One day the first grade teacher was reading the story of Chicken Little to her class. She came to the part of the story where Chicken Little tried to warn the farmer... She read, "...and so Chicken Little went up to the farmer and said: 'The sky is falling, the sky is falling!'" The teacher paused then asked the class, "And what do you think that Farmer said?" A little girl raised her hand and said: "I think he said: Wow! A talking chicken!" The teacher was tongue-tied!

Brenda & Bob were going out to Mass. The taxi arrived on time, but when they were leaving the house the cat ran in. As Brenda was getting into the taxi - and not wanting the driver to know that the house would be empty - she said to the driver: "We need to wait just a minute while my husband says goodnight to my mother." Some minutes later, Bob arrives and closing the car door says: "Sorry I took so long but that stupid creature was hiding under the bed and I had to poke her several times with the broom handle before I could drag her out!"