

SUNDAY MASS TIMES

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

Jindera: Sunday 9 am (1st Sun 8 am E.F Latin)

<i>Weekday Mass Times:</i>		<i>Lavington</i>	<i>Jindera</i>
Mon	16 Lent weekday	7 am	7 am
Tues	17 St Patrick	7 & 9:15 am	7 am
Wed	18 Lent weekday	7 & 9 am	8:30 am
Thurs	19 St Joseph	7 & 9 am	8:30 am
Frid	20 Lent weekday	7 & 9 am	9:25 am
Sat	21 Lent weekday	9:15 am	8 am

This Weekend: 15th March - 3rd Sunday Lent

6 pm Lect: M. Brosolo Cant. M. Brosolo

8 am Lect: M. Hensel Cant. D. Hicks

9 am Lect: S. Lee Cant.

10amLect: G. Black Cant. Choir

Offert: 6pm volunteer, 8am Schneider, 10 am Mugomoka

Lavington Cleaners: O'Brien family

Jindera Cleaners: Christensen, Ebert, Lee

Next Weekend: 22nd March - 4th Sunday Lent

6 pm Lect: HS School Cant. Sr Scholastica

8 am Lect: C. Hicks Cant. L. Amarant

9 am Lect: M. Green Cant. M. Green

10amLect: P. Evans Cant. Choir

Offert: 6pm HSSchool 8am Fletcher, 10 am Evans

Lavington Cleaners: Katalinic & friend

Jindera Cleaners: Murphy, Chandrasegaran, Clark

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 pm

Craft Work: Wednesdays at 1.30 pm.

ST. VINCENT de PAUL alt. Monday 5.30 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 Tuesdays at 10:45 in Presbytery.

CATECHESIS of the Good Shepherd - Monday Angela tel. 0427063934.

SACRAMENT PENANCE / CONFESSIONS

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

and before all Masses.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON: For anyone who drinks it, says the Lord, the water I shall give will become in him a spring welling up to eternal life.

✠**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, Annie Gosstray, Reg Perry, Kerry Rohrich, Kay Duel, Jan Szakacs, Joan McLaurin, Lorraine Mullavey, Greg Jackson, Pat McCormack, Linda Wilson, Margaret Smith, Joan Sattler, Stan Lechmere, Kateri Byrnes, Jimmy Gavin, Carol Collins, Tony Ratcliffe, George Rowe, Amye Moriarty, Bruce Allworth, Jason Price, Helen Hurst, Cathy Jones, Kym Salt, Ann Lloyd-Donald, Gerard Sullivan, Margaret Smith, Norma Oates, Andrew Ryan, Jeffrey Dean, Helen Wright, Jovit Genato, Barbara Skiba, Sheleagh Walker, Gary Harris, Matthew Mander, Anne Weisner, Suesanna Trevaskis, Jim Edmondson, Mary Cooper, Brian Cooper.

✠**FOR THE RECENTLY DECEASED** & those whose anniversaries occur about now that they may be granted eternal peace, let us pray to the Lord - Paul Hay, Gwen Fenwick, Monica Kaiser, Margot Murray, Pat Scott, Coral Marks, Fr Frank Bell, Steve Korpos, Aldo Gamba, Julie Nicholson, Carlos Astorga, Bernie Killeen, Jacoba Donders, George Mackinlay, Paul Laws, Sr. Cabrini, Faith Bell

✠**ANNIVERSARIES:** Sr Janet Heath osc, Leo Dick, Anton Hausler, Mel Murphy, Beryl Nicholson, William Currie, William Clark, Girlie Costello, Joseph Sparkes, Kevin Mott, William O'Keeffe, John Dale, Olive Upshall, Cathy Hindry, Jacqueline Woods, Robert Woods, Irene Morrow, Wayne Boyd, Kevin Gordon, Bernadette Darcey.



Living Water = Divine Grace

Moses strikes the rock (Christ)



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Priests: Fr. C. Heffernan, Fr. B. Lee

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15th March 2020 - Third Sunday of Lent



Mass parts in Hymn Book - page 128.

First Reading: Exodus 17: 3-7

Tormented by thirst, the people complained against Moses. 'Why did you bring us out of Egypt?' they said. 'Was it so that I should die of thirst, my children too, and my cattle?' Moses appealed to the Lord. 'How am I to deal with this people?' he said. 'A little more and they will stone me!' The Lord said to Moses, 'Take with you some of the elders of Israel and move on to the forefront of the people; take in your hand the staff with which you struck the river, and go. I shall be standing before you there on the rock, at Horeb. You must strike the rock, and water will flow from it for the people to drink.' This is what Moses did, in the sight of the elders of Israel. The place was named Massah and Meribah because of the grumbling of the sons of Israel and because they put the Lord to the test by saying, 'Is the Lord with us, or not?'

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Resp. Psalm: If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.

Reading from Romans 5: 1-8

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, by faith we are judged righteous and at peace with God, since it is by faith and through Jesus that we have entered this state of grace in which we can boast about looking forward to God's glory. And this hope is not deceptive, because the love of God has been poured into our hearts by the Holy Spirit which has been given us. We were still helpless when at his appointed moment Christ died for sinful men. It is not easy to die even for a good man - though of course for someone really worthy, a man might be prepared to die -

but what proves that God loves us is that Christ died for us while we were still sinners.

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ! Lord you are truly the Saviour of the world; give me living water, that I may never thirst again.

Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!



A Reading from the holy Gospel according to John 4: 5-42

Glory to You O Lord.

Jesus came to the Samaritan town called Sychar, near the land that Jacob gave to his son Joseph. Jacob's well is there and

Jesus, tired by the journey, sat straight down by the well. It was about the sixth hour. When a Samaritan woman came to draw water, Jesus said to her, 'Give me a drink.' His disciples had gone into the town to buy food. The Samaritan woman said to him, 'What? You are a Jew and you ask me, a Samaritan, for a drink?' - Jews, in fact, do not associate with Samaritans. Jesus replied: 'If you only knew what God is offering and who it is that is saying to you: Give me a drink, you would have been the one to ask, and he would have given you living water.' 'You have no bucket, sir,' she answered 'and the well is deep: how could you get this living water? Are you a greater man than our father Jacob who gave us this well and drank from it himself with his sons and his cattle?' Jesus replied: 'Whoever drinks this water will get thirsty again; but anyone who drinks the water that I shall give will never be thirsty again: the water that I shall give will turn into a spring inside him, welling up to eternal life.' 'Sir,' said the woman 'give me some of that water, so that I may never get thirsty and never have to come here again to draw water. P.T.O.

see you are a prophet, sir' said the woman. 'Our fathers worshipped on this mountain, while you say that Jerusalem is the place where one ought to worship.' Jesus said: 'Believe me, woman, the hour is coming when you will worship the Father neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem. You worship what you do not know; we worship what we do know: for salvation comes from the Jews. But the hour will come – in fact it is here already – when true worshippers will worship the Father in spirit and truth: that is the kind of worshiper the Father wants. God is spirit, and those who worship must worship in spirit and truth.' The woman said to him, 'I know that Messiah – that is, Christ – is coming; and when he comes he will tell us everything'. 'I who am speaking to you,' said Jesus 'I am he.' Many Samaritans of that town had believed in him on the strength of the woman's testimony when she said, 'He told me all I have ever done', so, when the Samaritans came up to him, they begged him to stay with them. He stayed for two days, and when he spoke to them many more came to believe; and they said to the woman, 'Now we no longer believe because of what you told us; we have heard him ourselves and we know that he really is the saviour of the world'.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

WHAT'S HAPPENING!

Together: in porch, Lavington's 50th features!

Acies: for Legion of Mary Sun 22nd March, annual commitment ceremony 3 pm in Holy Spirit Church with afternoon tea to follow.

Recollections: by Fr Fitzsimons for men on Wednesday 18th at 7:30 pm St Mary's Jindera; for women on Thursday 19th 7 pm Holy Spirit (6:45 confessions).

Volunteers: Mercy Hospital is seeking volunteers to visit Palliative Care Ward: if interested, training at the end of March; contact Louisa Thompson 60421458.

St Patrick Mass: on Tuesday at Lavington is at 9:15 am with HS School.

Missions-Palms: for overseas missionaries work experience in September at Timor Leste, contact Kevin 02 95605333.

St Therese's Relics: Martin Mission - relics of St Therese and her parents St Louis and St Zelie

Martin at St Pat's March 31 from 7 pm (8 pm Mass) till 11 am 1st April.

Debutante Purity Ball: for young ladies over 16 yrs on 13th June at Holy Spirit. Lessons begin 22 March, contact Donalee 0403619044

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

Plenary Council 2020: Pray for a successful outcome of the Council that more people may be evangelised & welcomed home into the Church.

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

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

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

By The Book on 3/326 Griffith Rd. open Tues -Sat morning. A large range of books available. Ideal present for everyone. tel 60253132.

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

SAMARITAN WOMAN AT THE WELL

Any conversion involves stages. The bigger the conversion the greater the incremental stages of grace needed. Note these for the Samaritan Woman.

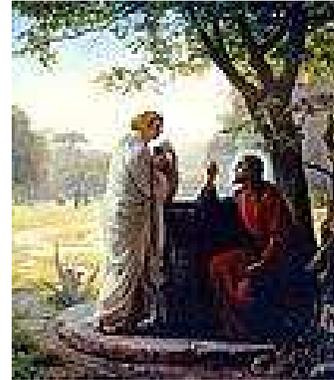
- 1). *Encounter with the Lord.*
- 2). *Gradual awareness of the truth.*
- 3). *Thirst for God's grace.*

An encounter with God consists of truth, authority and respect. The Samaritan woman's respect increased with her appreciation of Christ's authority. When the Lord talked of eternal truths she stopped calling him a Jew and referred to him as Lord, after which she calls him Christ.

LIVING WATER = GOD'S GRACE

Water was chosen because it has 3 properties:

- a). washes and cleanses
 - b). refreshes and cools
 - c). quenches thirst
- ❖ **God's Sanctifying Grace**
- a). washes the soul from its sins
 - b). cools the vices and passions
 - c). quenches the soul's thirst for truth.



Carrot, Egg, Coffee Saga

A young woman went to her mother and complained how tough her life was. She was tired of fighting and struggling. Her mother took her to the kitchen and boiled up in three pots a carrot, an egg and some coffee. She then asked her to feel the carrots and noted that they were soft. The mother then asked the daughter to take an egg and break it. Finally, the mother asked the daughter to sip the coffee. The daughter smiled, as she tasted its rich aroma she asked, "What does it mean, mum?"

Her mother explained that each of these objects had faced the same adversity: boiling water. Each reacted differently. The carrot went in strong, hard and unrelenting. However, after being subjected to the boiling water, it softened and became weak. The egg had been fragile but after sitting through the boiling water, its insides became hardened. The ground coffee beans were unique, however. Once boiled they changed the water.

"Which are you?" she asked her daughter. "When adversity knocks on your door, how

do you respond? Are you a carrot, an egg or a coffee bean? Am I the carrot that seems strong, but with pain and adversity becomes soft and loses strength? Am I the egg that starts with a malleable heart, but changes with the heat? After a death, a breakup, a financial hardship or some other trial, have I become hard? Does my shell look the same, but on the inside do I have a hardened heart? Or am I like the coffee, when adversity strikes, I immerse myself in the situation so as to change it."

On the feast of St Joseph 10 Tips for Dads

1. Plan your work and put your family first.
2. Sit down and eat as a family once a day.
3. Reserve one night each week for family.
4. Develop an attitude of gratitude.
5. Fun is for all the family.
6. Turn off TV and all electronics.
7. Daddy dates - one on one with dad.
8. Participate in children's activities.
9. Adopt a family hobby or activity.
10. Pray together.

GOOD MANNERS

A man sat down at an expensive restaurant and tied the napkin around his neck. The manager most dismayed at the poor etiquette sent a waiter to tactfully remedy the dilemma. He approached the man and asked: "Pardon me, but is it a shave or haircut, sir?"

A tourist visiting Vietnam was eating the local cuisine and thoroughly enjoyed the stew of the day. Complimenting the staff as he left, he jokingly said: "The stew was great, I hope you didn't kill a dog to make it!" The owner replied: "oh no sir, we don't kill dogs, no we found this one dead".

On Friday

What will you be doing at 7.30 pm?

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

There are ONLY a few weeks in Lent. *Stations of the Cross, Fridays at 7.30 pm Lavington: 7 pm Jindera.*

