#### SUNDAY MASS TIMES

#### Lavington: 6 pm Vigil, Sunday 8 am, 10 am Sunday 9 am Jindera:

Weekday Mass Times:			Lavington	Jindera
Mon	27	Lent Weekday	7 am	7 am
Tues	28	Lent Weekday	7 am	7 am
Wed	1	Lent Weekday	7 am	8:30 am
Thur	2	Lent Weekday	7 & 9 am	8:30 am
Frid*	3	Lent Ember day	7 am	9:15 am
Sat	4	Lent Weekday	9:15 am	8 am
* Latin Mass E.F Friday 5:30 pm Lavington				

6 pm Lect: V. Mertens Cant: B. Collins 8 am Lect: L. Amarant Cant: L. Amarant 10am Lect: P. Evans Cant: Lav. Choir

Cleaners: Evans / Dawsons family

Lavington: 5th March 2023 - Second Sunday of Lent Mrs Sobani, Stephen Hitchings, Grahame Miles,

6 pm Lect: Filipino Cant: A. Cramer 8 am Lect: M. Fletcher Cant: L. Amarant 10am Lect: B. O'Brien Cant: Lav. Choir

Cleaners: Clergy

Jindera: 26th February 2023 - First Sunday of Lent

9 am Lect: L. Wright Cant: Green Choir

Cleaners: St Martin de Porres

Jindera: 5th March 2023 - Second Sunday of Lent

9 am Lect: Peter Voskulen Cant: Choir

Cleaners: Blood / Carcarello

#### ADORATION / NOVENA Saturday morning

8:00 am: Holy Rosary

8:20 am: Confessions

9:00 am: Novena & Benediction

9:15 am: Holy Mass

ST. VINCENT de PAUL 1st& 3rd Mondays 5pm **\$\phanniversaries**: Nancy Trevascus, MOTHER'S GROUP meets to pray on

Wednesdays at 2 pm - Barb 0419617101.

**LEGION of MARY** - two groups: Tuesday 1pm and Wednesday 3:30 pm - lay missionaries.

MAJELLAN for MUMS - on Tuesday morning 10:45-12pm during school term.

CATECHESIS of the Good Shepherd - Mondays Ursula Gordon, Leo Schneider, Henry contact Cathy or the parish.

Saturday 8:20 - 9am, 5 - 6pm & before all Masses.

#### COMMUNION ANTIPHON

One does not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes forth from the mouth of God.

◆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 <sup>n</sup> Gosstrav. Jason Price. Jan Szakacs. Lorraine Mullavey, Anne Jones, Greg Jackson, Pat McCormack, Joan Sattler, Natasha Faanunu, Lavington: 26th February 2023 - First Sunday of Lent Gary Cook, Fr. Reece Beltrame, Marisa Bertazzo, Emma Meade, Rebecca Moriarty, Leo Sullivan, Dot Higgins, Ray Byrnes, Sr. Stephen, Sr. Scholastica, Elizabeth Young, Melissa Moodie, Marko Ledenko. Sime Ledenko. Ruth Witteveen. Liam Scott, Greg Wright, Carol Collins, Margaret Gawen, Helen Hurst, Norma Oates, Andrew Ryan, Jeffrey Dean, Sr. Frances Kennedy FCJ, Tracy Carter, Jovit Genato, Sheleagh Walker, Gary Harris, Matthew Mander, Anne Weisner, Suesanna Trevaskis, David Williams, Jim Edmondson, Mary Cooper, Brian Cooper.

#### **PROPERTY OF THE RECENTLY DECEASED**

that they may be granted eternal peace, let us pray to the Lord - Dot Higgins, Chris Horsfall, Ivan Hickman, Max Hausler, John Fagan, Margaret Miller, Cardinal George Pell, Jed Oftana, Annie Trezise, Pope Benedict, June Cox, Fr. Andre Nahhas, Sr. Augustine, Sr. Macrina rsm, Greg Fraser, Mathys Joordens, Margaret Scherleitner, John Quinn

Cyril Hutchins, Beryl Nicholson, Leo Dick, Ruth Dick, Carmel Burke, Brent Pollard, Lil Munk, Petar Kupresak, Frances Sheely, Mary Riddington, Peter Hawkins, Paul Holmvard, Max Scherleitner, Bervl Nicholson, Hank Pleiter, Tony Laszuk, Bevan, Mary Greene, John Wise, Phyllis SACRAMENT PENANCE / CONFESSIONS Woodward, John Nicholson, Darren Woodward, Esme Allen, Nicola Villani, Joyce Oglesby, Barbara Groch, Dorothy Keighran



# Holy Spirit Parish, Lavington

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26th February 2023 - First Sunday of Lent (A)

#### Mass parts in Hymn Book - page 128. First Reading: Genesis 2:7-9, 3:1-7

The Lord God fashioned man of dust from the soil. Then he breathed into his nostrils a breath of life. and thus man became a living being. The Lord God planted a garden in Eden which is in the east. and there he put the man he had fashioned. The Lord God caused to spring up from the soil every kind of tree, enticing to look at and good to eat, with the tree of life and the tree of the knowledge of good and evil in the middle of the garden. Now the serpent was the most subtle of all the wild beasts that the Lord

God had made. It asked the woman. 'Did

God really say you were not to eat from any

of the trees in the garden?' The woman answered the serpent, 'We may eat the fruit of the trees of the garden. But of the fruit of the tree in the middle of the garden God said, "You must not eat it, nor touch it, under pain of death". 'Then the serpent said to the woman, 'No! You will not die! God knows in fact that on the day you eat it your eves will be opened and you will be like gods. knowing good and evil.' The woman saw that the tree was good to eat and pleasing to the eye, and that it was desirable for the knowledge that it could give. So she took some of its fruit and ate it. She gave some also to her husband who was with her, and he ate it. Then the eyes of both of them were opened and they realised that they were naked. So they sewed fig-leaves together to make themselves loin-cloths.

#### The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Psalm 50: Be merciful O Lord for we have sinned.

#### Second Reading: Romans 5:12, 17-19

Sin entered the world through one man, and through sin death, and thus death has spread through the whole human race because everyone has sinned. If it is certain that death reigned over everyone as the consequence of one man's fall, it is even more certain that one man, Jesus Christ, will cause everyone to reign in life who receives the free gift that he does not deserve, of being made righteous. Again, as one man's fall brought condemnation on everyone, so the good act of one man brings everyone life and makes them justified. As by one man's disobedience many were made sinners, so by one man's obedience many will be made righteous.

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.



Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus **Christ!** No one lives on bread alone. but on every word that comes from the mouth of God. Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

#### A Reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew 4:1-11

Jesus was led by the Spirit out into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. He fasted for forty days and forty nights, after which he was very hungry, and the tempter came and said to him, 'If you are the Son of God, tell these stones to turn into loaves'. But he replied, 'Scripture says: Man does not live on bread alone but on every word that comes from the mouth of God'. The devil then took him to the holy city and made him stand on the parapet of the Temple. 'If you are the Son of God' he said 'throw yourself down; for scripture says: He will put you in his angels charge, and they will support you on their hands in case you hurt your foot against a stone'. Jesus said to him, 'Scripture also says: You must not put the Lord your God to the test'. Next, taking him to a very high mountain, the devil showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their splendour, 'I will give you all these' he said, 'if you fall at my feet and worship me.' Then Jesus replied, 'Be off, Satan! For scripture says: You must worship the Lord your God, and serve him alone.' Then the devil left him, and angels appeared and looked after him.

The Gospel of the Lord Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

#### WHAT'S HAPPENING:

**RCIA**: anyone who would like to become a Catholic - please contact the parish.

**New Rosters:** available in Church.

**Project Compassion**: boxes in the Church - please take one home.

**Debutante Ball**: for young ladies Years 11-12 on 30th & 31st June: meeting North Albury Hall on 8 March 6 pm tel. 0428432732.

<u>Penance in Lent:</u> please take the Bishop's Pastoral on Confession. **Night** Confessions at St. Pat's Church, Friday 24th March from 6pm to Midnight.

<u>Stations of the Cross:</u> every Friday evening at 7.30 pm at Lavington: 7 pm Jindera.

**St. Patrick's Day Concert**: 17th March at 8 pm Jindera Hall by JP Sweeney & Jody Moran.

**Lenten/Easter Group:** Jeff Cavins "Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible Series" from 23rd Feb at 7:30 pm - at Ian Smith's residence, Jindera. 0448441996.

<u>Lenten Retreat Day:</u> by *Anima Women's Network*, Saturday 11th March, 8-3:30 pm St Mary's Church Jindera, contact Sarah anima@animanetwork.org.

World Day of Prayer: on the 3rd March at St. Peter's Urana Rd 10 am to pray for world peace. Contact Mary Fletcher 0407935765 or Lorraine. Palms Aust: Be a missionary in Africa, Asia, Pacific by sharing your skills with those who have less. www.palms.org.au, 0295605333.

<u>Holy Face Devotions</u>: St. Mary's Jindera on Tuesdays at 3:25 pm

<u>**Dawsos**</u> for all electrical needs; Electrical Contracting, tel. Daniel 0438732976.

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

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

<u>Jindera Storage Sheds:</u> spaces available. Contact Ian Ritchie Real Estate 60259260.

<u>Autoscreen</u>: Buy your next windscreen from Brosolo Brs, Lavington, tel. 60252443

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

<u>Planned Giving</u>: Direct Deposit to Hume Bank BSB 640000. 1st Collection: Holy Spirit Presbytery 111031654. 2nd Collection: Holy Spirit Parish 111056699.

# Temptations of Christ

- 1). bodily pleasures *vs* self control 2). ego / power *vs* prayerfulness
- 3). wealth / greed vs generosity



Temptations are not sins, provided we do not consent to them. Christ was tempted but never sinned. He allowed Himself to be tempted so as to teach us **HOW** to combat them.

In this **Season of Penance** the common practice of *penance* is fulfilled by performing the following:

- (a). **prayer:** daily Mass, Rosary, Stations of the Cross, Holy Hour in the Adoration Chapel;
- (b). **self-denial:** not eating meat, sweets, beer, not watching TV, Internet, play station, etc.
- (c). **helping others**: the poor (project compassion box), emptying some cupboards with goods for the poor, visiting the sick, elderly, lonely etc.

Sometimes overcoming temptations can even help us to obtain more grace and grow in virtue. All occasions of sin, however, are dangerous in as much as we become more susceptible to sin. For the devil never sleeps, but like a hunter waits silently for his prey, until we are tired, fed up or depressed, then via deceit, fantasy and with feigned compassion he induces us into his snare and sin is chosen.

# Slippery Steps of Seduction:

- (1) neglect of duty,
- (2) toying with temptation,
- (3) entertaining doubts,
- (4) listening to lies,
- (5) spiritual blindness,
- (6) corruption of the heart,
- (7) deception by delusion,
- (8) decision to chose evil  $= \sin$ .

### **LENT IS A SEASON OF PENANCE**

The penitential season of Lent is a period of forty weekdays - in imitation of the forty days that Jesus fasted and prayed in the wilderness - to prepare us for His Death and Resurrection at Easter. We ask the Holy Spirit who led and sustained Christ in the "desert" to lead us into this season of Lent, giving us the necessary graces to resist temptations.

The Garden of Eden account of the Fall



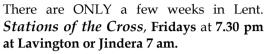
did happen, as
Adam and Eve
really existed,
however, the
story is rich in
metaphors and
Hebrew idioms
i.e. there were
no apples or
snakes noted but
there were
'trees', a 'dragon'
and free will.

# **Next Friday**

What will you be doing at 7.30 pm?

BOX WATCH [code word for TV] or





### WHERE IS GOD!

Two brothers were being naughty in Lent, taking things that were not theirs and fighting. The parents being fed up sent them to the old Irish priest at the Presbytery. They were ushered into the office one at a time, the oldest first, and sat down on the other side of the large desk and finally the priest said: "You are in real trouble. We know what you have been up to and so does Heaven, for that matter." He paused to let that sink in and said with a loud voice: "Now, tell me boy where is God!" At that the boy jumped out of the chair and bolted for the door. Once out, he sprinted past his brother yelling: "Quick, get out of here, they have lost God...and they think that we have taken Him!"

**Q.** What is black when you buy it, red when you use it and grey when you throw it away? **Ans.** Charcoals used to burn incense!



MY SOUL, YOU SAY ... CAN I GET DELUXE?