

## SUNDAY MASS TIMES

**Lavington: 6 pm Vigil, Sunday 8 am, 10 am**

**Jindera: Sunday 9 am**

<i>Weekday Mass Times:</i>	<i>Lavington</i>	<i>Jindera</i>
Mon 24 St Charbel	7 am	7 am
Tues 25 St James	7 am	7 am
Wed 26 St Joachim & Anne	7 am	8:30 am
Thur 27 Weekday	7& 9 am	8:30 am
Frid* 28 Weekday	7 am	9:15 am
Sat 29 Sts Martha, Mary, Laz	9:15 am	8 am

\* *Latin Mass E.F Friday 5:30 pm Lavington*

### Lavington: 23rd July 2023 - 16th Sunday O.T

6 pm Lect: H.S.School Cant: B. Collins  
8 am Lect: R. Scott Cant: L. Amarant  
10amLect: A. Cramer Cant: Choir  
Cleaners: Clergy

### Lavington: 30th July 2023 - 17th Sunday O.T

6 pm Lect: M. Moriarty Cant: M. Brosolo  
8 am Lect: C. Tingle Cant: L. Amarant  
10amLect: M. Katalinic Cant: Choir  
Cleaners: O'Brien family

### Jindera: 23rd July 2023 - 16th Sunday O.T

9 am Lect: E. Simpson Cant: Choir  
Cleaners: Joordans / Stewart

### Jindera: 30th July 2023 - 17th Sunday O.T

9 am Lect: K. Williams Cant: Choir  
Cleaners: Chandrasegaran / Meade

### 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 Monday 5pm

**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 contact Cathy or the parish.

### SACRAMENT PENANCE / CONFESSIONS

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

### COMMUNION ANTIPHON

The Lord, the gracious, the merciful, has made a memorial of his wonders he gives food to those who fear him.

♦ **FOR THE SICK** *that they may be comforted and helped by God's healing power, let us pray to the Lord* - Lisa Chandra, Annie Gosstray, Kaye Hallcroft, Anthony Green, Kerry Kirley, Jan Szakacs, Lorraine Mullavey, Anne Jones, Greg Jackson, Pat McCormack, Rodney Blatchford, Frances Blatchford, Natasha Faanunu, Gary Cook, Fr. Reece Beltrame, Emma Meade, Sr. Janice, Leo Sullivan, Fr. Terence Mahedy, Fr. Gerald Quinn, Ray Byrnes, Sr. Stephen, Elizabeth Young, Melissa Moodie, Marko Ledenko, Sime Ledenko, Ruth Witteveen, Mrs Sobani, Stephen Hitchings, Grahame Miles, Liam Scott, Greg Wright, Carol Collins, Margaret Gawen, Norma Oates, Andrew Ryan, Jeffrey Dean, Tracy Carter, Jovit Genato, Sheleagh Walker, Gary Harris, Matthew Mander, Anne Weisner, Suesanne Trevaskis, David Williams, Jim Edmondson, Mary Cooper, Brian Cooper.

♦ **FOR THE RECENTLY DECEASED** *that they may be granted eternal peace, let us pray to the Lord for* - Harold Black, Jim Lee, Jan Brunner, George Dosenko, Margaret Hunt, Doug Rolls, Rod Taylor, Debbie Davis, Ray Gabriel, Pauline Murphy, Marie Fury, Betty Clancy, Felicisima Toledo, Brian Heath, Maree Heath, Joseph Ratcliffe, Marisa Bertazzo, Joan Sattler, Joel Juntong

• **ANNIVERSARIES:** Eve Hetherington, Vera Gervasoni, John Bartlett, Bill Cashen, Victor Anderson, Louis Tocher, Brian Savage, Thomas Collie, Pat Muellner, Fay Krause, Craig Miller, Rupert Herrin, Edward Yudzaky, Di Wood, Lidio Pasquale, Bienvenida Juntong, Kath Fealy, Mark Awburn, Julie Rigby, David Lawless, Tom Leddin, Anne Carlyon, Elizabeth Ellis, Mark West, Mabel Brooks, Brenda Konecnik, Kath Sefton, Desire Favre, Doreen O'Connor, Ruby Edwards, Edith Reaper, Sophia Brndusic



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23rd July 2023 - Sixteenth Sunday (A)

Mass parts in Hymn Book - page 128.

### First Reading: Wisdom 12:13.16-19

There is no god, other than you, who cares for every thing, to whom you might have to prove that you never judged unjustly; Your justice has its source in strength, your sovereignty over all makes you lenient to all. You show your strength when your sovereign power is questioned and you expose the insolence of those who know it; but, disposing of such strength, you are mild in judgement, you govern us with great lenience, for you have only to will, and your power is there. By acting thus you have taught a lesson to your people how the virtuous man must be kindly to his fellow men, and you have given your sons the good hope that after sin you will grant repentance.

**The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God**  
**Responsorial Psalm 85:** Lord, you are good and forgiving.

### Second Reading: Romans 8: 26-27

The Spirit comes to help us in our weakness. For when we cannot choose words in order to pray properly, the Spirit himself expresses our plea in a way that could never be put into words, and God who knows everything in our hearts knows perfectly well what he means, and that the pleas of the saints expressed by the Spirit are according to the mind of God.

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

Alleluia, alleluia! Blessed are you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, you have revealed to little ones the mysteries of the kingdom of heaven. Alleluia!

### A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew 31:24-43

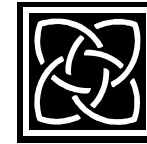
*Glory to you O Lord*

Jesus put a parable before the crowds, 'The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a man who sowed good seed in his field. While everybody was asleep his enemy came, sowed darnel all among the wheat, and made

off. When the new wheat sprouted and ripened, the darnel appeared as well. The owner's servants went to him and said, "Sir, was it not good seed that you sowed in your field? If so, where does the darnel come from?" "Some enemy has done this" he answered. And the servants said, "Do you want us to go and weed it out?" But he said, "No, because when you weed out the darnel you might pull up the wheat with it. Let them both grow till the harvest; and at harvest time I shall say to the reapers: First collect the darnel and tie it in bundles to be burnt, then gather the wheat into my barn."

### The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.**



## WHAT'S HAPPENING:

**Requiem Mass:** for Harold Black on this Monday 11 am: grant eternal rest to him.

**Grandparents & Elderly:** we pray for them in our families and parish communities.

**WYD Pilgrims:** we pray for those on their way to Lisbon for WYD with Pope Francis.

**SMMC Gala Dinner:** at the Commercial Club on Saturday 5th August.

**Aid Church in Need:** promotional appeal in the parish 29-30 July by Anne Reeves at Lavington. And the 6th August at Jindera 9 am.

**Members Appeal:** St. Vincent de Paul seeking new members for their Conference.

**Palms Mission:** professional trades wanted in Africa, Asia, Pacific - 35 positions available for generous workers, 0295605333. see the website.

**Memorial Wall:** at St Mary's Cemetery, Jindera, ideal location for one's beloved remains: inexpensive yet dignified place of rest for the ashes. It is a requirement of the Church that the remains are respectfully interred. Contact the parish for details.

**Christian Counsellor:** local Natalie Sobolewski 0448758294, natsob45@gmail.com

**Natural Family Planning:** easy to learn with a friendly tutor via zoom; www.billings.life

**CleanHeartOnline:** to assist families for tech. addiction: <https://cleanheart.online/resources>.

**Dawsos** for all electrical needs; Electrical Contracting, tel. Daniel 0438732976.

**Sacramental Candles:** ideal as special gifts, check out the website: [sacredcandles.com.au](http://sacredcandles.com.au) tel. 0403619044

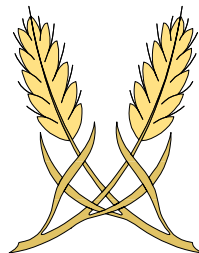
**By The Book** on 3/326 Griffith Rd. open Tues-Sat morning. A large range of books. Ideal present for everyone; tel. 60253132.

**Jindera Storage Sheds:** spaces available. Contact Ian Ritchie Real Estate 60259260.

**Autoscreen:** 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.

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



## DARNEL & WHEAT BAD & GOOD

Last week the Parable of the Sower reminded us of God's ubiquitous grace and how it is squandered. This Parable of the Darnel, or the weeds sown among the wheat, is related but markedly diverse. One may say that the 'weed sower' represents evil. There has always been and always will be people bent upon evil, individuals seeking to cause ruin and chaos by sowing seeds of distrust, deceit and disdain.

God who is all knowing does not want evil to exist, nor is he the cause of evil. God tolerates it as we have to tolerate bad weather. Unlike the weather, however, God alone can draw good blessings out of evil situations. Many people can look back on ugly patches of their lives and see that, in time, some good came from those events or tragedies.

What is surprising about the parable is not that evil is tolerated but that it is permitted to exist alongside goodness for so long. "Let them (wheat and darnel) grow until harvest time..." God is patient - we are not! He gives even the most wretched soul so much time to repent and seek forgiveness. One such example of divine patience was Dr Bernard Nathanson, ex Jew and atheist, and a famous American Gynaecologist, who had established the largest and most

efficient abortion clinic in the USA. In his latter years he became a pro-life champion and was baptized and received into the Catholic Church. His autobiography "The Hand of God" provides much insight into his once evil mindset. He died in 2011.

## Final Analysis

People are often unreasonable, illogical, and self-centered; forgive them anyway.

If you are kind, people may accuse you of selfish, ulterior motives; Be kind anyway.

If you are honest and frank, people may cheat you; Be honest and frank anyway.

What you spend years building, someone could destroy overnight; Build anyway.

If you find serenity and happiness, there may be jealousy; Be happy anyway.

Give the world the best you have, and it may never be enough; Give the world the best you've got anyway.

You see, in the final analysis, it is between you and God; It was never between you and them anyway.

- Saint Mother Teresa -



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## FIND THE WORD PUZZLE

Matthew, Mark, Barn, Luke, John, Gospel, Harvest, Darnel, Spirit, Martha, Wisdom, Wheat, Truth, Eve, Pope, Gelato, Enemy, Vatican, Francis, New, Testament.

## CONFESSIONAL HUMOUR

A man with a nagging conscience couldn't bear it any longer, so he went to confession. He admits that he had been stealing timber from the Timber-mill where he worked for years. "How much did you take?" the priest asked. "Well, I took enough to build my own house... then my son's new home... then, my daughter's place..." "This is very serious," the priest said, "I shall have to make this a hefty penance. Have you ever done a retreat?" "No, Father, I haven't" the man replied, "but if you get me the plans, I can get the timber.



Thanks to Aunt Faye (See Genesis 18:1-15) 11-15-1999  
ABRAHAM AND I ARE NOT INTERESTED IN A CONDO COMMUNITY ... WE NEED A PLACE THAT WOULD BE NICE FOR RAISING CHILDREN