

## 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 18 Weekday	7 am	7 am
Tues 19 St Januarius	7 am	7 am
Wed 20 St Andrew Kim	7 am	8:30 am
Thur 21 St Matthew	7 am & 9am	8:30 am
Frid* 22 Weekday	7 am	9:15 am
Sat 23 St Pius	9:15 am	8 am

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

### Lavington: 17th September 2023 - 24th Sunday

6 pm Lect: V. Mertens Cant: B. Collins  
8 am Lect: M. Fletcher Cant: Volunteer  
10am Lect: P. Murphy Cant: Richards  
Cleaners: Boyer family

### Lavington: 24th September 2023 - 25th Sunday

6 pm Lect: H.S.School Cant: M. Brosolo  
8 am Lect: Volunteer Cant: Volunteer  
10am Lect: K. Boyer Cant: Choir  
Cleaners: Evans/Dawsons family

### Jindera: 17th September 2023 - 24th Sunday

9 am Lect: H. Taylor Cant: Choir  
Cleaners: Murphy / Lyall

### Jindera: 24th September 2023 - 25th Sunday

9 am Lect: L. Wright Cant: Choir  
Cleaners: St Martin de Porres' Cleaners

### 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

How precious is your mercy, O God! The children of men seek shelter in the shadow of your wings.

♦ **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, Pat Murray, Anthony Green, Kerry Kirley, Jan Szakacs, Lorraine Mullavey, Anne Jones, Greg Jackson, Shaun Morgan, Pat McCormack, Rodney Blatchford, Frances Blatchford, Natasha Faanunu, Gary Cook, Fr. Reece Beltrame, Emma Meade, Sr. Janice, Leo Sullivan, Fr. Gerald Quinn, Ray Byrnes, 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* - Sr. Stephen, Denise Geraghty, Fr. Steve Bohan, Bert Fletcher, Don Falk, Morna Faehrmann, Kathleen Moore, James Firmager, John Cooper, Fr Terence Mahedy, Sharon Hague, Fr Ron Donoghue, Anne Smith, Harold Black, Jim Lee, Jan Brunner, George Dosenko, Margaret Hunt, Doug Rolls, Rod Taylor, Debbie Davis, Ray Gabriel

♦ **ANNIVERSARIES:** Evelyn Elridge, Terry Cullen, Vivien Randall, Kim Dean, Maria Tremonti, Paul Haddad, Frank Thistleton, Kevin Falk, Kathleen Lechmere, Laurie Brennan, John Ellis, Christina O'Donnell, Jean Brown, Alice Keen, Owen Laundess, Rose Ries, Arthur Riddington, Shirley Brown, Hedwig Vukovic, Kim Dean, Jamie Boswell, Irene Shenele, Annette Gillespie, Molly Bulliman, Jean Rhynehart, Ella Spinelli, Michael Hudson, Geoffrey Northey, Connie Dean, Johanna Poorts, Marie Witt, Maria Carnovale, Frank Westblade



## Holy Spirit Parish, Lavington

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**17th September 2023 - Twenty-fourth Sunday (A)**

**Mass parts in Hymn Book - page 128.**

### First Reading: Ecclesiasticus 27:33

Resentment and anger, these are foul things, and both are found with the sinner. He who exacts vengeance will experience the vengeance of the Lord, who keeps strict account of sin. Forgive your neighbour the hurt he does you, and when you pray, your sins will be forgiven. If a man nurses anger against another, can he then demand compassion from the Lord? Showing no pity for a man like himself, can he then plead for his own sins? Mere creature of flesh, he cherishes resentment; who will forgive him his sins? Remember the last things, and stop hating, remember dissolution and death, and live by the commandments. Remember the commandments, and do not bear your neighbour ill-will; remember the covenant of the Most High, and overlook the offence.

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

**Responsorial Psalm:** The Lord is kind and merciful; slow to anger, and rich in compassion.

### 2nd Reading: St. Paul to Romans 14:7-9

The life and death of each of us has its influence on others; if we live, we live for the Lord; and if we die, we die for the Lord, so that alive or dead we belong to the Lord. This explains why Christ both died and came to life, it was so that he might be Lord both of the dead and of the living.

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

**Alleluia, alleluia!** I give you a new commandment: love one another as I have loved you. **Alleluia!**

### A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew 18: 21-35

Peter went up to Jesus and said, 'Lord, how often must I forgive my brother if he wrongs me? As often as seven times?' Jesus answered, 'Not seven, I tell you, but seventy-seven times. 'And so the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who decided to settle his accounts with his servants.



When the reckoning began, they brought him a man who owed ten thousand talents; but he had no means of paying, so his master gave orders that he should be sold, together with his wife and children and all his possessions, to meet the debt. At this, the servant threw himself down at his master's feet. "Give me time" he said "and I will pay the whole sum." And the servant's master felt so sorry for him that he let him go and cancelled the debt. Now as this servant went out, he happened to meet a fellow servant who owed him one hundred denarii; and he seized him by the throat and began to throttle him. "Pay what you owe me" he said. His fellow servant fell at his feet and implored him, saying, "Give me time and I will pay you." But the other would not agree; on the contrary, he had him thrown into prison till he should pay the debt. His fellow servants were deeply distressed when they saw what had happened, and they went to their master and reported the whole affair to him. Then the master sent for him. "You wicked servant," he said "I cancelled all that debt of yours when you appealed to me. Were you not bound, then, to have pity on your fellow servant just as I had pity on you?" And in his anger the master handed him over to the torturers till he should pay all his debt. And that is how my heavenly Father will deal with you unless you each forgive your brother from your heart.'

**The Gospel of the Lord.**

**Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.**

## WHAT'S HAPPENING:

**Together:** newspaper in porch.

**Men's Recollection** with Fr Andrew Paris on this Wed. 20th for men at 7 pm Lavington.

**Women's Recollection** with Fr Andrew Paris on Thurs 21st for women at 7 pm Lavington

**Extra Mass:** this Thursday 9 am - Fr Andrew.

**St Lorenzo Ruiz Mass:** Thursday 28th September at Thurgoona Church 5:30 pm. BYO plate - all invited. Mace sisters 0402090438.

**Funeral:** for St Stephen RSM at Sacred Heart, Nth Albury on Monday 25th Sept 11 am.

**Ordination:** of Deacon Michael Perry to the priesthood on Sat 7th Oct at Cathedral 10 am  
**Congratulations:** to David & Bernadette Richardson on their 50th Wedding Anniversary on 15th September.

**Wanted:** workers for local business: Electrician and Fitter Welder, contact Con 0428752327.

**Tutoring:** private & personal in school subjects, Latin, piano in your home by Lucy Ryan, tel. 0493060714, 0434607134.

**Piano Lessons:** by Lucy Triffett, experienced, gentle, nurturing approach in Nth Albury or can travel to you tel. 0493576822.

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

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

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

**Window Cleaning:** home/bus tel 0491698069

**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 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.

## Art of Forgiveness

God pardons those who pardon others. Resentment and bitterness poison the soul, for only forgiveness can heal. The gospel of forgiveness is the moral power of God to raise us up from sin and selfishness. We are forgiven on repenting by a simple word of God. Yet forgiveness cost Christ, the divine Forgiver, his very life. When the Christian thinks of the agony, the bloody sweat, shame and pain endured by the Lord Jesus to redeem us of our sins, how can we complain? The saga of Christ's suffering always opens the fountains of forgiveness in our own hearts.

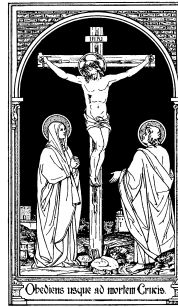
Infinite therefore and inexhaustible is the Father's readiness to receive the prodigal children who return to His home. God's grace attracts us, draws us unto himself. No human sin can prevail over this power or even limit it. Only a lack of good will can limit it, a lack of readiness to be converted and to repent, in other words, persistence in obstinacy, opposing grace and truth, especially in the face of the witness of the cross and resurrection of Christ.

### Sacrament of Penance

*consists of three steps:*

1. Sorrow for sins
2. Confession of all sins
3. Satisfaction / Penance

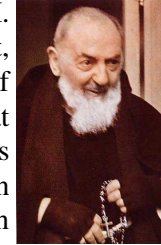
It is being forgiven by God that we are able to forgive others.



"Nothing is sweeter than to think well of others."

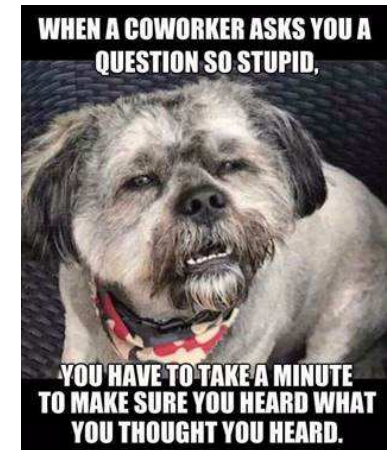
## Saint Padre Pio 23rd September

He was a mystic, stigmatist, miracle worker, a man who lived an intense union with God. He was canonized in 2002 by Pope John Paul II. But, as the Pope pointed out, the greatest example of intense love for God and at the same time for one's neighbor is in the crucifixion of Jesus. "His mission culminates in the Cross of our Redemption, the sign of his indivisible love for the Father and for humanity." So then, there is no reason for anyone to think that love for God can ever be "to excess" or in any way lead a person to neglect his neighbor. On the contrary, true love for God, true prayer, and a longing for the life of heaven inspire people to undergo great labors out of love for their spouse, family and friends. When the going gets tough the tough get going!



### The Cross is eternal love

In this way the cross of Christ, on which the Son, consubstantial with the Father, renders full justice to God, is also a radical revelation of mercy, or rather of the love that goes against what constitutes the very root of evil in the history of man: against sin and death. The cross is like a touch of eternal love upon the most painful wounds of man's earthly existence; it is the total fulfillment of the messianic program that Christ once formulated in the synagogue at Nazareth and then repeated to the messengers sent by John the Baptist.



### LITE HUMOUR

A police officer pulls over to investigate a bloke unloading garbage out of his ute into a ditch. The officer asks: "Why are you dumping garbage in this ditch?" The man replies: "Don't you see the sign?" "Well, yes, but..." Because it reads" the man insists, "Fine for Dumping Garbage."

### FIND THE WORD PUZZLE

Forgiveness, Ten, Spirit, Sorrow, Matthew, Enemy, Francis, Exodus, Vengeance, Christ, Patience, Pope, Church, Love, Pray, Confession, Catholic, Peace

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