

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	11	Advent	7 am	No Mass
Tues	12	O. L. Guadalupe	7 am	No Mass
Wed	13	St Lucy	7 am	8:30 am
Thur	14	St John Cross	7 am	8:30 am
Frid*	15	Advent	7 am	9:15 am
Sat	16	Advent	9:15 am	8 am

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

Lavington: 10th December - 2nd Sunday Advent

6 pm Lect: H. Sp. Sch Cant: B. Collins
8 am Lect: L. Amarant Cant: Wall family
10am Lect: P. Murphy Cant: Green Choir
Cleaners: Clergy

Lavington: 17th December - 3rd Sunday Advent

6 pm Lect: V. Mertens Cant: M. Brosolo
8 am Lect: M. Fletcher Cant: L. Amarant
10am Lect: K. Boyer Cant: Richards family
Cleaners: O'Brien family

Jindera: 10th December - 2nd Sunday Advent

9 am Lect: D. Moore Cant: Choir
Cleaners: Doocey / Ryan

Jindera: 17th December - 3rd Sunday Advent

9 am Lect: L. Wright Cant: Choir
Cleaners: Galvin / Moore / Barnes

ADORATION / NOVENA

- 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

Jerusalem arise and stand upon the heights,
and behold the joy which comes to you
from God.

♦ **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, Kerry Kirley, Bishop Frank Carroll, Jan Szakacs, Lorraine Mullavey, Anne Jones, Greg Jackson, Glen Conway, Clare Packer, Pat McCormack, Shaun Morgan, Florence Murphy, Rodney Blatchford, Frances Blatchford, Natasha Faanunu, Joy Roberts, Gary Cook, Fr. Reece Beltrame, Emma Meade, Sr. Janice, Leo Sullivan, Fr. Gerald Quinn, Ray Byrnes, Elizabeth Young, Melissa Moodie, Marko Ledenko, Sime Ledenko, Maurice Richards, Mrs Sobani, Stephen Hitchings, Grahame Miles, Liam Scott, Carol Collins, 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* - Marjorie Scott, Allan Tanner, Ruth Witteveen, Amma Perrone, Helen van der Linden, Joan Scanlan, Kenneth John Tejano, James Sheppard, Anthony Green, Sr. Stephen Mary, Denise Geraghty, Fr. Steve Bohan, Bert Fletcher, Don Falk, Morna Faehrmann, Kathleen Moore, James Firmager, John Cooper

• **ANNIVERSARIES:** John Quinn, Margaret Power, George Taylor, Alfredo Zanoardo Max Collier, Garry Obst, Jenny Payne, Marj Knorpp, Margaret Rooney, Greg Fraser, Pasha Jankowski, Corrie van Lint, Hugh McKenzie-McHarg, Ivy Donnelly, Fred Wood, James Freeman, Allan Parmenter, Bryan Cullen, Eileen Moran, Lionel Hopkins, Christina Bartoszek, Lawrence Ries, Bernadette Gallagher, Kathleen Donnelly, Addie Riley, John Butow, John Dyball



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10th December 2023 - Second Sunday Advent (B)

Mass parts in Hymn Book - page 128

First Reading: Prophet Isaiah 40:1-5

Console my people, console them' says your God. 'Speak to the heart of Jerusalem and call to her that her time of service is ended, that her sin is atoned for, that she has received from the hand of the Lord double punishment for all her crimes.' A voice cries, 'Prepare in the wilderness a way for the Lord. Make a straight highway for our God across the desert. Let every valley be filled in, every mountain and hill be laid low. Let every cliff become a plain, and the ridges a valley; then the glory of the Lord shall be revealed and all mankind shall see it; for the mouth of the Lord has spoken.' Go up on a high mountain, joyful messenger to Zion. Shout with a loud voice, joyful messenger to Jerusalem. Shout without fear, say to the towns of Judah, 'Here is your God.' Here is the Lord coming with power, his arm subduing all things to him. The prize of his victory is with him, his trophies all go before him. He is like a shepherd feeding his flock, gathering lambs in his arms, holding them against his breast and leading to their rest the mother ewes.

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God

Responsorial Psalm: Lord, let us see your kindness, and grant us your salvation.

Second Reading: II Peter 3:8-14

There is one thing, my friends, that you must never forget: that with the Lord, 'a day' can mean a thousand years, and a thousand years is like a day. The Lord is not being slow to carry out his promises, as anybody else might be called slow; but he is being patient with you all, wanting nobody to be lost and everybody to be brought to change his ways. The Day of the Lord will come like a thief, and then with a roar the sky will vanish, the elements will catch fire and fall apart, the earth and all that it contains will be burnt up.

Since everything is coming to an end like this, you should be living holy and saintly lives while you wait and long for the Day of God to come, when the sky will dissolve in flames and the elements melt in the heat. What we are waiting for is what he promised: the new heavens and new earth, the place where righteousness will be at home. So then, my friends, while you are waiting, do your best to live lives without spot or stain so that he will

find you at peace.

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God

Alleluia, alleluia! Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his paths: all people shall see the salvation of God. **Alleluia.**

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark 1: 1-8 Glory to You O Lord.

The beginning of the Good News about Jesus Christ, the Son of God. It is written in the book of the prophet Isaiah: Look, I am going to send my messenger before you; he will prepare your way. A voice cries in the wilderness: Prepare a way for the Lord, make his paths straight. And so it was that John the Baptist appeared in the wilderness, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. All Judaea and all the people of Jerusalem made their way to him, and as they were baptised by him in the river Jordan they confessed their sins. John wore a garment of camel-skin, and he lived on locusts and wild honey. In the course of his preaching he said, 'Someone is following me, someone who is more powerful than I am, and I am not fit to kneel down and undo the strap of his sandals. I have baptised you with water, but he will baptise you with the Holy Spirit.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

WHAT'S HAPPENING:

Together: paper available at door.

Comitium: Legion of Mary members meet on this Monday 4 pm in Meeting Room.

Graduation: Year 6 students at HSS on Thursday 14th at 6 pm.

Carols by Candlelight: Jindera Village Green on Friday 15th Dec. 7:30 pm

Gerogery Carols: on Sunday 17th at 7 pm.

Lessons & Carols: at St Mary's Church Tuesday 19th December 7 pm.

Columban Calendars available in the narthex \$8 - to be put on the plate.

Immaculata Mission School 2024: for 15-35 yrs, in January at Armidale, need to register: great event to learn & live the faith.

Wanted: Farm Worker: cattle / sheep property at Holbrook, call Daniel Shaw 0402289811.

Wanted - Accommodation: on a farm or small cottage in Jindera from the end of Jan. 2024 tel. Christa 0456713686.

Cremation Wall: St. Mary's Jindera: respectful and ideal location for one's beloved ashes.

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

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

Window Cleaning: home/bus tel 0491698069

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

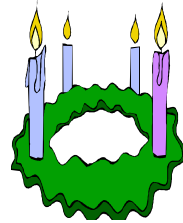
By The Book on 3/326 Griffith Rd. open Tues-Sat morning. A **large range** of books. Ideal present for everyone; tel. 60253132.

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

Autoscreen: Buy your next windscreen from Brosolo Bms, 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.



ADVENT WREATH

is a sign of preparation.

Second Sunday - the 2nd violet candle is lit which is a sign of hope. Here's a *Prayer of Hope*.

O my God, relying on Your promises, I hope that through the infinite merits of Jesus Christ, You will grant me pardon of my sins and the graces necessary to serve You in this life and to obtain eternal happiness in the next. Amen



Christmas Mass Times

✠ **Holy Spirit, Lavington**

Eve - Sun 24th: 6 pm, 9 pm

Day - Mon 25th: 9 am

✠ **St. Mary's, Jindera**

Eve - Sun 24th: 6 pm

Day - Mon 25th: 9 am

Who will YOU invite to Christmas Mass this year ?

Our Lady of Guadalupe

Sat 12 Dec

Our Lady of Guadalupe, whose shrine near Mexico

City attracts far more pilgrims than any other Marian shrine on earth, and still baffles science.

Our Lady is still gradually revealing her message through features of the holy Image; 1)

that it's scientifically impossible for the image's cactus-fiber to have lasted more than a few years, let alone nearly 500 years; 2) that Mary's image is intact despite a nitric acid spill (1778) and an atheist's bomb (1921); 3) that the colors not being paint are a complete mystery; 4) how Mary's eyes seem like living eyes; 5) that some experts say you can see the reflections of St. Juan Diego and others in her eyes; 6) that the temperature of her Image always remains stable regardless of the air temperature; 7) that the stars on Mary's mantle are those that were above Mexico City on the day of the miracle; 8) that many believe Mary is pregnant; 9) that her Image brought the conversion of nine million Indians in less than a decade; 10) that what the Aztecs saw in the Image ended their satanic human sacrifices. What an amazing image!

Hearty Humour

A small shop owner, much to the surprise of the locals, suddenly decorated his front window with a lovely new blind. His neighbour asked him: "How much did you pay for the nice new blind?" The owner replied: "The customers paid for it." "What do you mean?" he asked. "Well, I put out the front a box marked 'For the blind' and the money just came in."



The Wise Men or Magi could see the star but Herod could not. Why not? And what gifts did they bring?



Saint John the Baptist

CCC 523 St. John the Baptist is the Lord's immediate precursor or forerunner, sent to prepare his way. "Prophet of the Most High", John surpasses all the prophets, of whom he is the last. He inaugurates the Gospel of hope, he welcomes the coming of Christ. Are we prepared to welcome Christ, Our Lord, this Christmas? How can we witness to the truth?



FIND THE WORD PUZZLE

Religion , Faith, Magi, Christmas, Bethlehem, Saviour, Star, Herod, Angels, Gloria, Nazareth, Isaiah, Emmanuel, King, David, Jesse, Gaudete, Heaven, Peace

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