SUNDAY MASS TIMES

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

Weekday Mass Times:	Lavington	Jindera
Mon 16 Advent Weekday	7 am	7 am
Tues 17 Advent Weekday	7 am	7 am
Wed 18 Advent Weekday	7 am	8:30 am
Thur 19 Advent Weekday	7 am	8:30 am
Frid 20* Advent Weekday	7 am	9.15 am
Sat 21 St Peter Canisius	9:15 am	8 am
* Latin Mass 1962 at 5:30 pm Friday		

Lavington: 15th December - 3rd Sunday Advent

6 pm Lect: M. Moriarty Cant: B. Collins 8 am Lect: L. Amarant Cant: L. Amarant 10amLect: P. Evans Cant: Richards Choir Cleaner: Perry famiy

Lavington: 22nd December - 4th Sunday Advent

6 pm Lect: M. Brosolo Cant: M. Brosolo 8 am Lect: P. Griffin Cant: L. Amarant 10amLect: B. O'Brien Cant: Lav. Choir Cleaner: Murphy family

Jindera: 15th December - 3rd Sunday Advent

9 am Lect: L. Wright Cant: Choir

Cleaners: Irwin / Bell

Jindera: 22nd December - 4th Sunday Advent 9 am Lect: B. Green Cant: Choir

Cleaners: Peoples / Stewart

ADORATION / NOVENA

Saturday morning at Holy Spirit Lavington

- 8:00 am: Holy Rosary
- 8:20 am: Confessions
- 9:00 am: Novena & Benediction
- 9:15 am: Holy Mass

ST. VINCENT de PAUL 1st Mondays 5 pm, ANNIVERSARIES: Pasha Jankowski, Shirley contact Paul 0401999915

MOTHER'S GROUP meets to pray on

Wednesdays at 2 pm, contact Barb 0419617101.

LEGION of MARY - two groups: Tuesdays 1pm and Wednesdays 3:30 pm - Lavington

during school term: Lavington.

CATECHESIS of the Good Shepherd - Mondays Eileen Moran, Lisa Malone, Margaret & Annette contact Cathy or the Lavington parish.

SACRAMENT PENANCE / CONFESSIONS Scammell,

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

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Say to the faint of heart: Be strong and do not fear. Behold, our God will come, and He will save us.

◆FOR THE SICK that they may be comforted and helped by God's healing power, let us pray to the Lord - Brian Munk, Lisa Chandra, Annie Gosstrav. Fr. Jim McGee. Deirdre Miles. Kave Hallcroft. Kerry Kirley, Lucas Slee, Jan Szakacs, Angela Collins, Enid Doherty, Lorraine Mullavey, Jeremy Adeney. Anne Jones. Lucas Slee. Pat Mills. Audrey King, Elizabeth Faye, Greg Jackson, Glen Conway, Anna Di Bisceglie, Pat McCormack, Clare Packer, Rodney Blatchford, Frances Blatchford, Natasha Faanunu, Frank Sullivan, Fr. Reece Beltrame, Emma Meade, Leo Sullivan, Ray Byrnes, Elizabeth Young, Melissa Moodie, Maurice Richards, Stephen Hitchings, Grahame Miles, Carol Collins, Norma Oates, Andrew Ryan, Jeffrey Dean, 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 thev may be granted eternal peace, let us pray to the Lord for - Neale Taylor, Lyons Hart, Anne Munk. John Rains, Mike Egan, John Muldoon, Rick Murphy, John Suidgeest, Noreen Langtry, Patricia Saunders, Ardre Menheese, Shane Dickinson, Peter Rudd, Milica Jankovic, Joyce Skerry, Pat Dore, Jacques Birnberg, Travis Connell

Warr, Jenny Payne, Alma Woodward, Viola Gorman, Garry Trent, Pat Stenson, Paul Laws, Sr. M Cabrini rsm, Wendy Murphy, Mary West, Bryan Cullen, Greg Fraser, Lionel Hopkins, Max Collier, Alberto Zanardo, George Taylor, Garry Obst. MAJELLAN for MUMS - on Tuesdays 10:45 am Jenny Payne, Marj Knorpp, Margaret Rooney, Allan Parmenter, Laurence Ries, Fred Wood, Power, Fr. Kevin Flanagan, Allan Turner, Leigh

Holy Spirit Parish, Lavington

Parish Priest: Fr. P. Murphy Assistant Priest: Fr. M. Perry Secretary/Safeguarding Officer: Mrs Susan Voskulen www.holyspiritlavington.org.au; 0260251784 550 Prune St Lavington 15th December 2024 - Third Sunday of Advent

Mass parts in Hymn Book - page 128 First Reading: Zephaniah 3:14-18

Shout for joy, daughter of Zion, Israel, shout aloud! Rejoice, exult with all your heart, daughter of Jerusalem! The Lord has repealed your sentence; he has driven your enemies away. The Lord, the king of Israel, is in your midst: you have no more evil to fear. When that day comes, word will come to Jerusalem: Zion, have no fear, do not let your hands fall limp. The Lord your God is in your midst, a victorious warrior. He will exult with joy over you, he will renew you by his love; he will dance with shouts of joy for you as on a day of festival.

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm: Cry out with joy and gladness: for among you is the great and Holy One of Israel.

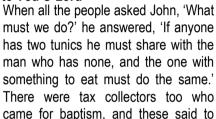
Second Reading: Philippians 4: 4-7

I want you to be happy, always happy in the Lord; I repeat, what I want is your happiness. Let your tolerance be evident to everyone: the Lord is very near. There is no need to worry; but if there is anything you need, pray for it, asking God for it with prayer and thanksgiving, and that peace of God, which is so much greater than we can understand, will guard your hearts and your thoughts, in Christ Jesus.

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Alleluia, alleluia! The Spirit of the Lord is upon me; he sent me to bring the Good News to the poor. Alleluia!

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke 3: 10-18 Glory to You O Lord



him, 'Master, what must we do?' He said to them, 'Exact no more than your rate.' Some soldiers asked him in their turn. 'What about us? What must we do?' He said to them. 'No intimidation! No extortion! Be content with your pay!' A feeling of expectancy had grown among the people, who were beginning to think that John might be the Christ, so John declared before them all, 'I baptise you with water, but someone is coming, someone who is more powerful than I am, and I am not fit to undo the strap of his sandals; he will baptise you with the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing-fan is in his hand to clear his threshing-floor and to gather the wheat into his barn; but the chaff he will burn in a fire that will never go out.' As well as this, there were many other things he said to exhort the people and to announce the Good News to them.

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

WHAT'S HAPPENING:

<u>Census</u>: of the parish in Advent - please fill in card & return in box provided.

<u>Be Informed:</u> Support & info for families re porn epidemic re. technology: 3 wk course by Integrity Restored, Tues 7:30pm 17th Dec. Esencia Urana Rd, ph. Dennis 0427586847.

Room Wanted: Albury accom. for 50 yr man basic needs, tel. Dom 0418876085.

House Wanted: for Sisters of the Morning Star in February 2025 for mission work in the Albury area, contact Maria 0448453964.

Lessons & Carols: at St Mary's Church Sunday 22nd December 7 pm - supper follows.

<u>Palms Overseas</u>: unique Timorese gifts that also helps the missions.

<u>Volunteers</u>: wanted to work in the St Vincent de Paul shop on Urana Rd, tel Nichole 0403429818 <u>Worker Available</u>: young man for any type of labour / trades assistant in local community. Excellent references contact Seth 0456713686.

<u>Handyman Available:</u> renovations for small jobs, tel Brendan McCabe 0427539588.

Adoration Chapel: needs more support and people to fill the early hours, tel. 0478416635

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

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.

<u>Jindera Storage Sheds:</u> 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 BSB 640-000

1st Collection:

Holy Spirit Presbytery 111031654

2nd Collection: Holy Spirit Parish 111056699

Christmas Mass Times

Mely Spirit, Lavington

Eve - Tues 24th: 6 pm, 9 pm

Day - Wed 25th: 9 am

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

ADVENT WREATH

is a sign of preparation, the pink (rose) candle is lit on the Third Sunday

Gaudete Sunday

- the 3rd candle is a sign of joy: *gaudete* is Latin for rejoice. True joy of the heart comes from God. Lasting joy only exists in heaven. Instructions to obtain JOY this Christmas - follow this order of priorities:

1st place J = Jesus 2nd place O = Others 3rd place Y = Yourself



Who will YOU invite to Christmas Mass this year ?

ORIGINS of the CHRISTMAS CRIB

St. Francis spent the Christmas of 1223 at Grecchio in the valley of Rieti, Italy where he formulated the idea of building a crib. He said: "I would like to make a memorial of the Child Jesus who was born at Bethlehem and in some way behold with bodily eyes the hardships of His infant state, lying on hay in a manger with the ox and ass standing by."

Accordingly a "crib" was set up at the hermitage, and the peasants crowded into Midnight Mass, at which St. Francis served as Deacon and preached on the mystery of Christmas. From this time on the custom of crib-making to express the Christian sentiments of Bethlehem grew in popularity.

How to make a Christmas Cake

- 1 cup of thanks to God;
- 1 cup of good thoughts;
- 3 cups of forgiveness;
- 1 cup of kind deeds;
- 1 cup of consideration;
- 2 cups of well beaten thoughts;
- 2 cups of sacrifice for others;

Mix thoroughly with tears and joy, sorrow and sympathy for others. Fold in 4 cups of prayer and add grace to lighten the texture of other ingredients. Bake well at a high degree of human kindness and serve with a warm smile. It may last all year!

LITTLE HUMOUR

The Catechist was describing how Lot's wife looked back and turned into a pillar of salt, when little Sam said: 'My mommy looked back once when she was driving and turned into a telephone pole!"



What was the star that guided the Magi westward? Look up this fascinating website

www.bethlehemstar.net

Christmas in Heaven

I see the countless Christmas trees below. With tiny lights like Heaven stars, Reflecting on the snow. All is grand so wipe away that tear For I am spending Christmas With Jesus Christ this year. I hear the hymns that people hold so dear Yet the sounds of music can't compare With the Christmas chants up here. I know how much you miss me I see the pain inside your heart. But I am not so far away - only just apart. Please love and help each other. As God the Father said to do. Being mindful of the blessings He has for you. Have a holy Christmas & wipe away the tear. For I am spending Christmas With Jesus Christ this year.

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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