

## 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 30 Christmastide	7 am	7 am
Tues 31 Christmastide	7 am	7 am
Wed 1 Mother of God	9 am	8:30 am
Thur 2 St. Basil & Greg	7 am	8:30 am
Frid 3* Holy Name of Jesus	7 am	9.15 am
Sat 4 Christmastide	9:15 am	8 am

\* Latin Mass 1962 at 5:30 pm Friday

### **Lavington: 29th December - Holy Family Sunday**

6 pm Lect: V. Mertens Cant: B. Collins  
8 am Lect: M. Fletcher Cant: L. Amarat  
10am Lect: A. Cramer Cant: Cunningham Choir  
Cleaner: Boyer family

### **Lavington: 5th January - Epiphany Sunday**

6 pm Lect: Filipino Cant: M. Brosolo  
8 am Lect: M. Hensel Cant: L. Amarat  
10am Lect: P. Murphy Cant: Lavi Choir  
Cleaner: Evans / Dawsons family

### **Jindera: 29th December - Holy Family Sunday**

9 am Lect: C. Lyall Cant: Choir  
Cleaners: Saliba / Garratt

### **Jindera: 5th January - Epiphany Sunday**

9 am Lect: J. Wright Cant: Choir  
Cleaners: Wright / Price

## 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,  
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

**MAJELLAN for MUMS** - on Tuesdays 10:45 am  
during school term: Lavington.

**CATECHESIS** of the Good Shepherd - Mondays  
contact Cathy or the Lavington parish.

**SACRAMENT PENANCE / CONFESSIONS**

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

## COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Our God has appeared on the earth  
and lived among 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 Gosstray, Fr. Jim McGee, Deirdre Miles, Kaye 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 they may be granted eternal peace, let us pray to the Lord for* - Engr Santiago Castro Sr., Kevin Andrews, Rhonda McCormack, 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

• **ANNIVERSARIES:** Anne McGowan, Mary Butler, Marie Sullivan, Noel Guthrie, Ron Howard, June O'Brien, Adeline Bourke, Elsie Findley, Noel Freund, Emma Maras, Alice McMaster, Ana Snoxall, Zeljko Kristo, Walter Berg, Mary Hanna, Karl Fraser, Lyla Gale, Pasha Jankowski, Shirley 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, Jenny Payne, Marj Knorpp.



# Holy Spirit Parish, Lavington

Parish Priest: Fr. P. Murphy Assistant Priest: Fr. M. Perry  
Secretary/Safeguarding Officer: Mrs Susan Voskulen

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29th December 2024 - Holy Family Sunday



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

### **First Reading: Ecclesiasticus 3:2-6, 12-14**

The Lord honours the father in his children, and upholds the rights of a mother over her sons. Whoever respects his father is atoning for his sins, he who honours his mother is like someone amassing a fortune. Whoever respects his father will be happy with children of his own, he shall be heard on the day when he prays. Long life comes to him who honours his father, he who sets his mother at ease is showing obedience to the Lord. My son, support your father in his old age, do not grieve him during his life. Even if his mind should fail, show him sympathy, do not despise him in your health and strength; for kindness to a father shall not be forgotten but will serve as reparation for your sins.

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

**Responsorial Psalm:** O blessed are those who fear the Lord and walk in his ways.

### **Second Reading: Colossians 3:12-21**

You are God's chosen race, his saints; he loves you, and you should be clothed in sincere compassion, in kindness and humility, gentleness and patience. Bear with one another; forgive each other as soon as a quarrel begins. The Lord has forgiven you; now you must do the same. Over all these clothes, to keep them together and complete them, put on love. And may the peace of Christ reign in your hearts, because it is for this that you were called together as parts of one body. Always be thankful. Let the message of Christ, in all its richness, find a home with you. Teach each other, and advise each other, in all wisdom. With gratitude in your hearts sing psalms and hymns and inspired songs to God; and never say or do anything except in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him. Wives, give way to your husbands, as you should in the Lord. Husbands, love your wives and treat them with gentleness. Children, be obedient to

your parents always, because that is what will please the Lord. Parents, never drive your children to resentment or you will make them feel frustrated.

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

**Alleluia, alleluia!** Open our heart, O Lord, to listen to the words of your Son. **Alleluia.**

### **A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke 2: 41-52**

Every year the parents of Jesus used to go to Jerusalem for the feast of the Passover. When he was twelve years old, they went up for the feast as usual. When they were on their way home after the feast, the boy

Jesus stayed behind in Jerusalem without his parents knowing it. They assumed he was with the caravan, and it was only after a day's journey that they went to look for him among their relations and acquaintances. When they failed to find him they went back to Jerusalem looking for him everywhere. Three days later, they found him in the Temple, sitting among the doctors, listening to them, and asking them questions; and all those who heard him were astounded at his intelligence and his replies. They were overcome when they saw him, and his mother said to him, 'My child, why have you done this to us? See how worried your father and I have been, looking for you.' 'Why were you looking for me?' he replied 'Did you not know that I must be busy with my Father's affairs?' But they did not understand what he meant. He then went down with them and came to Nazareth and lived under their authority. His mother stored up all these things in her heart. And Jesus increased in wisdom, in stature, and in favour with God and men.

**The Gospel of the Lord.**

**Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.**



## WHAT'S HAPPENING:

**New Year's Eve:** Tuesday night Holy Hour 8-9 pm in Holy Spirit Church to ask God's blessings for 2024 - we do need them!

**New Year's Day Mass:** in honour of the Solemnity of the Mother of God on **Wednesday 9 am** Lavington - Jindera at **8:30 am**.

**Census:** of the parish - please fill in the card & return in box provided.

**Columban Calendars** (\$8 each) from the Holy Spirit Church and St Mary's, Jindera.

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

**Gala Dinner:** with Matt Fradd Commercial Club on Sat. 1st February 2025

**Volunteers:** wanted to work in the St Vincent de Paul shop on Urana Rd, tel Nichole 0403429818

**Worker Available:** young man for any type of labour / trades assistant in local community. Excellent references contact Seth 0456713686.

**Handyman Available:** renovations for small jobs, tel Brendan McCabe 0427539588.

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

**Dawsons** 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.

**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 BSB 640-000

## 1st Collection:

Holy Spirit Presbytery 111031654

**2nd Collection:** Holy Spirit Parish 111056699

## THE HOLY FAMILY & FAMILIES

CCC 2207 The family is the original cell of social life. It is the natural society in which husband and wife are called to give themselves in love and in the gift of life. Authority, stability, and a life of relationships within the family constitute the foundations for freedom, security, and fraternity within society.

CCC 2215 Respect for parents derives from gratitude toward those who, by the gift of life, their love and their work, have brought their children into the world and enabled them to grow in stature, wisdom, and grace.

## Mary, Mother of God January 1st

There are FOUR Christian doctrines about Mary the Mother of Jesus:

1. Mary is ever Virgin;
2. Mary is the Mother of God;
3. Immaculate Conception of Mary;
4. Assumption of Mary into Heaven.

On the first day of the year, New Year's Day, we celebrate the Solemnity of Mary as the *Mother of God*. Of all the teachings concerning Our Lady this one, that she is the Mother of God, is primary and fundamental to the others. It was because she was chosen to be the Mother of Jesus, truly God and truly Man, that Mary was conceived without original sin; and that she remained a virgin while the Holy Spirit overshadowed her with a miraculous conception; and that she was assumed into heaven.

The belief that Mary is the Mother of the Lord God is based on the earliest teachings [original Greek term was *Theotokos* = God bearer] and is located in



the Bible when Elizabeth greets Mary as the "Mother of my Lord" Luke 1:43.

Some people, however, think that *Mother of God* asserts that a creature is greater than God, the Creator. Mary is the Mother NOT of God the Father, but of God's Son, Jesus, who took His humanity from her. To claim that Mary is ONLY the mother of Jesus is to imply that Jesus is not divine.



## All the best for 2025 !

And it will be the BEST if we keep our resolutions: we need to make at least two -

- One for the Body** - eat better, exercise daily, smile more often, drink less ...
- One for the Soul** - pray the Rosary, go to daily Mass, Benediction, Confession.

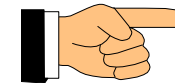
## DOG HUMOUR

Naomi's dishwasher stopped working so she called in a repairman. She was working, so she left a note for the repairman: "Key under the mat. Fix the dishwasher & leave bill. Don't worry about our dog 'Spike' but whatever you do, don't talk to the parrot."

When the repairman arrived, he saw the massive dog and backed away. Since the dog just laid there, he slowly began working. The parrot, however, talked and talked... Finally, the man could not stand the chatter of the ugly bird and said: "Shut up, you stupid bird!" At which the parrot responded: "Get him Spike!"

## PARADOXICAL TIMES

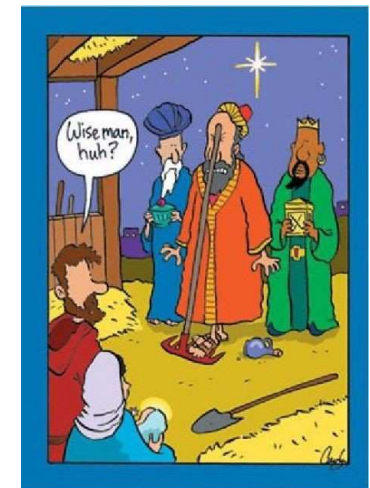
The paradox of our time in history is that we spend more, but have less; we buy more, but enjoy it less. We have bigger houses and smaller families; more conveniences, but less time; we have more degrees, but less sense; more knowledge, but less judgment; more experts, but less solutions; more medicine, but less wellness. We have multiplied our possessions, but reduced our values. We've learned how to make a living, but not a life; we've added years to life, not life to years.



## Thank You for the Christmas Dues!

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

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