

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 9 Immaculate Conc.	7 am	7 am
Tues 10 O. L. of Loreto	7 am	7 am
Wed 11 St Damasus	7 am	8:30 am
Thur 12 O. L. of Guadalupe	7 am	8:30 am
Frid 13* St. Lucy	7 am	9.15 am
Sat 14 St. John of the Cross	9:15 am	8 am

* *Latin Mass 1962 at 5:30 pm Friday*

Lavington: 8th December - 2nd Sunday Advent

6 pm Lect: HS School Cant: M. Brosolo

8 am Lect: C. Tingle Cant: Wall family

10amLect: K. Boyer Cant: Green Choir

Cleaner: Brosolo famiy

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

Jindera: 8th December - 2nd Sunday Advent

9 am Lect: D. Moore Cant: Choir

Cleaners: Shaw / Green

Jindera: 15th December - 3rd Sunday Advent

9 am Lect: L. Wright Cant: Choir

Cleaners: Irwin / Bell

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

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* - Brian Munk, Lisa Chandra, Annie Gosstray, Fr. Jim McGee, Deirdre Miles, Kaye Hallcroft, Kerry Kirley, 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* - Neale Taylor, Lyons Hart, Anne Munk, John Rains, Mike Egan, John Muldoon, Rick Murphy, John Suidgeest, Noreen Langtry, Patricia Saunders, Ared Menheese, Shane Dickinson, Peter Rudd, Milica Jankovic, Joyce Skerry, Pat Dore, Jacques Birnberg, Travis Connell

◆**ANNIVERSARIES:** Bryan Cullen, Greg Fraser, Lionel Hopkins, Max Collier, Alberto Zanardo, George Taylor, Garry Obst, Jenny Payne, Marj Knorpp, Margaret Rooney, Allan Parmenter, Laurence Ries, Fred Wood, Eileen Moran, Lisa Malone, Margaret & Annette Power, Fr. Kevin Flanagan, Allan Turner, Leigh Scammell, Beryl Nicholson, George Wood, Ivy Donnoley, James Freeman, Solange Patterson, Bernadette Gallagher



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8th December 2024 - Second Sunday of Advent



Mass parts in Hymn Book - page 128

First Reading: Baruch 5:1-9

Jerusalem, take off your dress of sorrow and distress, put on the beauty of the glory of God for ever, wrap the cloak of the integrity of God around you, put the diadem of the glory of the Eternal on your head: since God means to show your splendour to every nation under heaven, since the name God gives you for ever will be, 'Peace through integrity, and honour through devotedness.' Arise, Jerusalem, stand on the heights and turn your eyes to the east: see your sons reassembled from west and east at the command of the Holy One, jubilant that God has remembered them. Though they left you on foot, with enemies for an escort, now God brings them back to you like royal princes carried back in glory. For God has decreed the *flattening of each high mountain, of the everlasting hills, the filling of the valleys to make the ground level* so that Israel can walk in safety under the glory of God. And the forests and every fragrant tree will provide shade for Israel at the command of God; for God will guide Israel in joy by the light of his glory with his mercy and integrity for escort.

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm 125: The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy.

Second Reading: Philippians 1:4-11

Every time I pray for all of you, I pray with joy, remembering how you have helped to spread the Good News from the day you first heard it right up to the present. I am quite certain that the One who began this good work in you will see that it is finished when the Day of Christ Jesus comes; and God knows how much I miss you all, loving you as

Christ Jesus loves you. My prayer is that your love for each other may increase more and more and never stop improving your knowledge and deepening your perception so that you can always recognise what is best. This will help you to become pure and blameless, and prepare you for the Day of Christ, when you will reach the perfect goodness which Jesus Christ produces in us for the glory and praise of God.

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 Luke 3:1-6

In the fifteenth year of Tiberius Caesar's reign, when Pontius Pilate was governor of Judaea, Herod tetrarch of Galilee, his brother Philip tetrarch of the lands of Ituraea and Trachonitis, Lysanias tetrarch of Abilene, during the pontificate of Annas and Caiaphas the word of God came to **John** son of Zechariah, in the wilderness. He went through the whole Jordan district proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins, as it is written in the book of the sayings of the prophet Isaiah: Prepare a way for the Lord, make his paths straight. Every valley will be filled in, every mountain and hill be laid low, winding ways will be straightened and rough roads made smooth. And all mankind shall see the salvation of God.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

WHAT'S HAPPENING:

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

Fr Roshin: leaves us this weekend for Finley - we thank him for his efforts & wish him well.

Be Informed: Support & info for families re porn epidemic re. technology: 3 wk course by Integrity Restored, Tues 7:30pm 10th, 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.

Carols by Candlelight: Jindera Village Green on Friday 13th Dec. 7:30 pm

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

Palms Overseas: unique Timorese gifts that also helps the missions.



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

Dawsos 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.

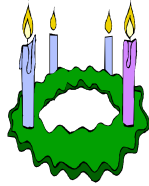
Autoscreen: Buy your next windscreen from Brosolo Brs, Lavington, tel. 60252443

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



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

Immaculate Conception



This Solemnity celebrates one of the four dogmas about Our Lady. At the beginning of her earthly life she was conceived without sin, spotless or immaculate in her mother's womb, called Anne. Thus being free of original sin Mary never sinned throughout her life.

Catholic Quiz

Who is the mother of the:

- a) virginal conception? Ans:
- b) immaculate conception? Ans:

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!

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?

✓**Christmas Poinsettia** The poinsettia plant is of Mexican origin, they call this the "flower of the Holy Night." This is the legend. On a Christmas eve long ago a poor little boy went to Church in great sadness because he had no gift to bring to the Holy Child. He dared not enter the Church and, kneeling on the ground outside the house of God, he prayed: 'I would like to offer some present but I am very poor and dread to approach You with empty hands.' When he finally rose from his knees he saw springing up at his feet a green plant with gorgeous blooms of dazzling red. His prayer had been answered; he broke some of the

beautiful twigs from the plant and joyously entered the church to lay his gift at the foot of the Christ Child. Since then the plant has spread throughout the whole world.

Christmas Tree - Jesse Tree

The family tree of Jesus is often based on Jesse the father of King David. There are fourteen generations down to Christ. The usage of a real tree can be traced back to the eighth century monk St Boniface, who while evangelising Germany replaced the worship of an oak tree with the devotion of a Christmas tree.



Christmas Mass Times

✍ **Holy Spirit, Lavington**
Eve - Tues 24th: 6 pm, 9 pm
Day - Wed 25th: 9 am

✍ **St. Mary's, Jindera**
Eve - Tues 24th: 6 pm
Day - Wed 25th: 9 am

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



KID'S HUMOUR

A little girl was at her first wedding and asked her mother after the event: "Why did the lady change her mind?" Her mother said: "What do you mean?" "Well, she came down the aisle with one man and left with another."