



# Holy Spirit Parish, Lavington

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**9th March 2025 - 1st Sunday of Lent**



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## First Reading: Deuteronomy 26:4-10

Moses said to the people: 'The priest shall take the panner from your hand and lay it before the altar of the Lord your God. Then, in the sight of the Lord your God, you must make this pronouncement: "My father was a wandering Aramaean. He went down into Egypt to find refuge there, few in numbers; but there he became a nation, great, mighty, and strong. The Egyptians ill-treated us, they gave us no peace and inflicted harsh slavery on us. But we called on the Lord, the God of our fathers. The Lord heard our voice and saw our misery, our toil and our oppression; and the Lord brought us out of Egypt with mighty hand and outstretched arm, with great terror, and with signs and wonders. He brought us here and gave us this land, a land where milk and honey flow. Here then I bring the first-fruits of the produce of the soil that you, the Lord, have given me." 'You must then lay them before the Lord your God, and bow down in the sight of the Lord your God.'

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

**Responsorial Psalm.** Be with me, Lord, when I am in trouble.

## Second Reading: Romans 10:8-13

Scripture says: The word that is the faith we proclaim is very near to you, it is on your lips and in your heart. If your lips confess that Jesus is Lord and if you believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, then you will be saved. By believing from the heart you are made righteous; by confessing with your lips you are saved. When scripture says: those who believe in him will have no cause for shame, it makes no distinction between Jew and Greek: all belong to the same Lord who is rich enough, however many ask his help, for everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.

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

**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!**

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## A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke 4:1-13

Filled with the Holy Spirit, Jesus left the Jordan and was led by the Spirit through the wilderness, being tempted there by the devil for forty days. During that time he ate nothing and at the end he was hungry. Then the devil said to him, 'If you are the Son of God, tell this stone to turn into a loaf.' But Jesus replied, 'Scripture says: Man does not live on bread alone.' Then leading him to a height, the devil showed him in a moment of time all the kingdoms of the world and said to him, 'I will give you all this power and the glory of these kingdoms, for it has been committed to me and I give it to anyone I choose. Worship me, then, and it shall all be yours.' But Jesus answered him, 'Scripture says: You must worship the Lord your God, and serve him alone.' Then he led him to Jerusalem and made him stand on the parapet of the Temple. 'If you are the Son of God,' he said to him 'throw yourself down from here, for scripture says: He will put his angels in charge of you to guard you, and again: They will hold you up on their hands in case you hurt your foot against a stone.' But Jesus answered him, 'It has been said: You must not put the Lord your God to the test.' Having exhausted all these ways of tempting him, the devil left him, to return at the appointed time.

**The Gospel of the Lord.**

***Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ***

## **WHAT'S HAPPENING:**

**Ordinations to priesthood and diaconate:** Both Fr Byrnes and Fr Perry will attend the ordinations at 10am on Saturday 15th March at St Michael's Cathedral, Wagga. **This will mean that the regular Saturday devotions and Masses which run from 8am onwards at both Holy Spirit and Jindera will be cancelled.** Instead, Fr Byrnes will offer Mass at 7am at Holy Spirit Church for those still wanting weekday Mass on Saturday morning. The Saturday night vigil will be as normal. Everyone is encouraged to attend the ordinations in Wagga.

**Ordination of Bishop-elect Peter Murphy:** The Ordination has been set for 8th May 2025 at Armidale Cathedral. A sheet at entrance to the church for registering your interest in a bus up to Armidale.

### **Autumn Ember Day Reparation Pilgrimage:**

Friday, 14 March. Starting at 6.15pm from Holy Spirit, Lavington and walking to St Patrick's, Albury, praying the Rosary, the Holy Face litany, other prayers and hymns. For more info contact [holyfacedevotionalbury@gmail.com](mailto:holyfacedevotionalbury@gmail.com)

**Young Adult Men's Group (18+):** Next young adult men's group held on the 13th of March at 7pm. Fr Byrnes will speak on living the lenten season with St Joseph.

**Stations of the Cross:** Lavington: 7pm every Friday during lent at Holy Spirit Church. Jindera: 7pm every Friday during lent at St Mary's Church.

**Volunteer Needed:** To help with **SRE (Special Religious Education)** in public schools. 1hr a week. Please see Fr Byrnes or Cathy Moriarty for more info or to express interest.

**To give away:** HOLT top loader washing machine 5.5kg, near new, contact the parish for more details.

**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](http://sacredcandles.com.au) tel. 0403619044.

**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

## **Temptations of Christ**

- 1). bodily pleasures vs self control
- 2). ego / power vs prayerfulness
- 3). wealth / greed vs generosity

Temptations are not sins, provided we do not consent to them. Christ was tempted but never sinned. He allowed Himself to be tempted so as to teach us HOW to combat them. Sometimes overcoming temptations can even help us to obtain more grace and grow in virtue. All occasions of sin, however, are dangerous in as much as we become more susceptible to sin. For the devil never sleeps, but like a hunter waits silently for his prey, until we are tired, fed up or depressed, then via deceit, fantasy and with feigned compassion he induces us into his snare and sin is chosen.

## **LENT IS A SEASON OF PENANCE**

The penitential season of Lent is the period of forty weekdays - in imitation of the forty days that Jesus fasted and prayed in the wilderness - to prepare us for His Death and Resurrection at Easter. We ask the Holy Spirit who led and sustained Christ in the "desert" to lead us into this season of Lent, giving us the necessary graces to resist temptations and deception.

## **Slippery Steps of Seduction**

(1) neglect of duty, (2) toying with temptation, (3) entertaining doubts, (4) listening to lies, (5) spiritual blindness, (6) corruption of the heart, (7) deception by delusion, (8) decision to choose evil = sin.

Note that these temptations afflict most people in some way during their life:

1. Bodily pleasures,
2. Wealth and possessions,
3. Power and fame.

Can you work out which of the seven capital sins or vices slot into the above temptations? cf. pride, lust, greed, gluttony, sloth, envy, anger.



## The Jubilee Year Prayer

Father in heaven,  
may the *faith* you have given us  
in your son, Jesus Christ, our brother,  
and the flame of *charity* enkindled  
in our hearts by the Holy Spirit,  
reawaken in us the blessed *hope*  
for the coming of your Kingdom.

May your grace transform us  
into tireless cultivators of the seeds of the  
Gospel.

May those seeds transform from within both  
humanity and the whole cosmos  
in the sure expectation  
of a new heaven and a new earth,  
when, with the powers of Evil vanquished,  
your glory will shine eternally.

May the grace of the Jubilee  
reawaken in us, *Pilgrims of Hope*,  
a yearning for the treasures of heaven.

May that same grace spread  
the joy and peace of our Redeemer  
throughout the earth.

To you our God, eternally blessed,  
be glory and praise for ever.

Amen



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### FIND THE WORD PUZZLE

disciple, Lord, Mass, pray, dad, fatherhood, cross,  
God, Catholic, Bible, sin Joseph, headship, soul,  
mercy, host, Lamb, coat

### No-thing Attached

“Pull over, mister,” said the policeman. “You haven’t got any tail lights.” The driver stopped, got out of the car for a look and was speechless with dismay. “Well, it’s bad, but not that bad” said the policeman. Recovering his voice, the driver quavered. “It’s not the tail lights that bother me, but what’s become of my trailer!”

### FROM THE CATECHISM - CCC 539

The evangelists indicate the salvific meaning of this mysterious event [Jesus’ Temptation]: Jesus is the new Adam who remained faithful just where the first Adam had given in to temptation. Jesus fulfills Israel’s vocation perfectly: In contrast to those who had once provoked God during forty years in the desert, Christ reveals himself as God’s servant, totally obedient to the Divine will. In this, Jesus is the devil’s conqueror: He “binds the strong man” to take back his plunder. Jesus’ victory over the tempter in the desert anticipates victory at the passion, the supreme act of obedience of his filial love for the Father.



## **SUNDAY MASS TIMES**

**Lavington: 6 pm Vigil, Sunday 8 am, 10 am**

**Jindera: Sunday 9 am**

<b>Weekday Mass Times</b>	<b>Lavington</b>	<b>Jindera</b>
Mon 10 Lent	7am	7am
Tue 11 Lent	7am	7am
Wed 12 Lent	7am	8.30am
Thu 13 Lent	7am	8.30am
Fri 14 Lent	7am	9.15am
Sat 15 Lent	7am	No Mass

*\* Latin Mass 1962 at 5.30pm Friday Holy Spirit*

### **Lavington: 9th March - 1st Sunday of Lent**

6 pm Lect: H.S.School                      Cant: B.Collins  
8 am Lect: P.Griffin                        Cant: Wall Family  
10am Lect: P.Evans                         Cant: Green Choir  
Cleaner: Boyer family

### **Lavington: 16th March - 2nd Sunday of Lent**

6 pm Lect: V.Mertens                        Cant: M.Brosolo  
8 am Lect: M.Fletcher                       Cant: L.Amarant  
10am Lect: B/T.O'Brien                    Cant: Lav Choir  
Cleaner: Evans/Dawsons

### **Jindera: 9th March - 1st Sunday of Lent**

9 am Lect: K.Williams                       Cant: Choir  
Cleaners: Shaw/Green

### **Jindera: 16th March - 2nd Sunday of Lent**

9 am Lect: J.Wright                         Cant: Choir  
Cleaners: Irwin/Bell

## **ADORATION / NOVENA**

Saturday morning at Holy Spirit Lavington (**Not 15th Mar**)

8:00 am: Holy Rosary

8:20 am: Confessions

9:00 am: Novena & Benediction

9:15 am: Holy Mass

**MOTHER'S GROUP** meets to pray on

Thursdays 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 Moriarty.

## **SACRAMENT PENANCE / CONFESSIONS**

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

## **COMMUNION ANTIPHON**

One does not live by bread alone, but by every  
word that comes from the mouth of God.

**FOR THE SICK** *that they may be comforted and helped by God's healing power, let us pray to the Lord* - Kathy Millin, Brian Munk, Lisa Chandra, Annie Gosstray, Deirdre Miles, Kaye Hallcroft, Kerry Kirley, Jan Szakacs, Enid Doherty, Lorraine Mullavey, Jeremy Adeney, Anne Jones, 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* - Genevieve Black, Anta Vidovic, Ben Astorga, Esther Boniface, Lucas Slee, Angela Collins, Fr Jim McGee, Charles Peoples, Pat Mills, Fr Tony Loth, 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, Eng'r Santiago Castro, Shane Dickinson, Peter Rudd, Milica Jankovic

**ANNIVERSARIES:** Joel Leonardo, Sr Janet Heath, Kevin Gordon, Wayne Boyd, Brent Pollard, William Currie, Anna Kristd, Suzanne Bennett, George Sattler, Ian Hogg, Mark West, Nora Davern, Wal Locke, Esme McGrath, Ruth Dick, Leo Dick, Francis Sheely, Beryl Nicholson, Brent Pollard, Lil Munk, Petar Kupresak, Leo Schneider, Max Scherleitner, Beryl Nicholson, Mary Riddington, Peter Hawkins, Paul Holmyard, Ursula Gordon, Nancy Trevascus, Cyril Hutchings, Luigi Grelli, Carmel Burke, John Lynch, Joel Leonardo, Darren Woodward, Esme Allen, Nicola, Villani, Joyce, Oglesby, Henry Bevan, Mary Greene, John Wise, Phyllis Woodward, John Nicholson, Hank Pleiter, Sylvia Zenta, Tony Laszuk, Ursula Gordon, Irene Thomas, Kaganowski Kazimierz, Allan Doyle, Kathleen Senczak, Ann Maree Percy, Nareen Brooker, Mary Allen, Francis Yudzaky, Barbara Groch, John Nicholson, Dorothy Keighran, Pat Mullavey, Geoffrey Allen, Francigka Mastalerz, Reginald Sparkes, Esma Newton, Patrick Miller, Julia Moir, Stephen Ratcliffe, Graeme Cruickshahk, Marie Hanrahan, Rose Harbridge, Bob Cox, David Guy, Florence Murphy, Katherine Sparkes, Jean Willis, Stephen Witt, Louis Mlinaric, William Hore, Carmel McCoy.