



DARRA JINDALEE CATHOLIC PARISH

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RECONCILIATION TIMES

Darra

Saturday 9:30 am

Jindalee

Saturday 5 pm - 5:45 pm

3rd SUNDAY OF ADVENT 15th December 2024 YEAR C



We are at the midpoint of Advent. Today, we celebrate **Gaudete Sunday**. The principal theme of the day is joy. According to Paul, joy is one of the fruits of the Spirit (Gal 5:22). Such joy is a religious sentiment, not emotional happiness. Along with gratitude, it is the heart's response to God's goodness.

Zion is told to shout for joy because it has

been saved by God from its enemies and because God is in the midst of the people. The psalm response proclaims the same message; the reading from Philippians announces that the Lord is near. This is cause for joy.

Advent is a time for joy, not primarily because we anticipate the anniversary of Christ's birth, but because God is already in our midst (Immanuel). The readings for this Sunday assure us that God is with us, not as a judge but as a Saviour. We rejoice over the saving acts of God that make us confident of God's care and unafraid of whatever may cross our paths. We rejoice in the peace of God that surpasses all understanding. Advent joy would be like the delight that fills a woman who has just given birth, even if it occurred in the throes of birth pangs. Advent joy springs from the realisation that the presence of God in our midst can transform our lives so that the promises of peace and security will be fulfilled. Advent joy is the way we live in the tension between already and not yet.

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Volunteers – Christmas Eve & Christmas Day Masses

The parish is in need of the following volunteers to help with the Christmas Masses:
Ministers of Holy Communion, Readers and First Aid Jindalee Vigil only.
Please contact Jeff/Marina on 0402402005 or jhaywood@bigpond.net.au

MASS TIMES

Our Lady of the Sacred Heart Church Darra

103 Darra Station Road, Darra

Sunday Masses

Sunday 7:00 am
Sunday 9:00 am

Weekday Mass

Wednesday 9:00 am
Friday 6:00 pm
Saturday 9:00 am

Twelve Apostles Church Jindalee

111 Yallambee Road, Jindalee

Sunday Masses

Saturday Vigil 6:00 pm
Sunday 8:00 am
Sunday 5:30 pm

Weekday Mass

Monday 7:00 am
Tuesday 9:00 am

Christmas Eve Vigil – Jindalee –

Greetings in Multicultural Languages Parishioners are invited to join Fr Jan to give a Christmas greetings in their language of origin at the end of Mass. There is a limit of one person per language/dialect.

Please contact Jeff 0402 402 005 or jhaywood@bigpond.net.au if you would like to give a greeting.

This year an open invitation to give a greeting will not be given on the evening so it is essential to contact Jeff beforehand.

Jindalee Church Christmas Vigil – Help with Additional Seating

Help is needed to set up and return additional seating on the veranda and foyer of the Jindalee Church.

Please meet Jeff at the Church at **10am Tuesday, 24th December** to help with setting up.

It would be appreciated if parishioners could assist in returning the chairs to the hall after the Vigil Mass has concluded.

ROSTER TIMETABLE 14/15 December

Readers

6pm Vigil Jindalee	August Toleafoa, Leon Fernandes
7am Darra	Jim Tobin, Babes McGrath
8am Jindalee	Anna Seu, John Duncombe
9am Darra	Maria Nasalio, Marian Weerasinghe
5:30pm Jindalee	Marie & Anthony Fernando

Eucharist Ministers

6pm Vigil Jindalee	Lissy Fernandes, Michael & Rose Sopena
7am Darra	Claire Bellenger, Andre Tranne
8am Jindalee	Jan McMullen, Miguel Bernabe, Hervojka Pavic
9am Darra	Tomasi Iosefo, LP Seow, Rebecca Tasi
5:30pm Jindalee	Valerie Ng, Huu Doan, Les Danielewski

Altars Servers

6pm Vigil Jindalee	Volunteer
7am Darra	Mele Liufau Esera, Volunteer
8am Jindalee	Kevin Khuu, Volunteer
9am Darra	Ioana Iosefo, Hozanah Iosefo
5:30pm Jindalee	Volunteer please

Cleaners Jindalee

<u>Group 5</u>	Monica Tupicoff, Valerie Ng, Theresa Thomas, Anne Lambkin
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Darra 21/22 December Fatu and Faailoa Misi

New cleaner rosters for 2025 will be sent out in the next two weeks.

Kindly call the parish office if any changes.

We are still looking for one group for the Darra roster.

Thank you to all our cleaners.

2nd Rite of Reconciliation

December 16, Monday 6. 30 pm Jindalee

Individual Confession, Dec 18, Wednesday, Darra from 9am onwards.

Christmas Mass Times

Jindalee

The Twelve Apostles Church

Christmas Eve

Tuesday 24th December

5:30pm Carols/Live Crib

6pm Vigil Mass

Christmas Day

Wednesday 25th December

8am Mass

NB: NO 5:30pm Mass

Darra

Our Lady of the Sacred Heart Church

Christmas Eve

Tuesday 24th December

4: 30pm Vigil Mass

Midnight Mass

11: 30pm Carols

12 Midnight Mass

Christmas Day

Wednesday 25th December

7am and 9am Mass



Thursday 26 December.....No Mass

Normal timetable resumes

Monday 30 December..... 9am Mass Jindalee

Tuesday 31 December..... 9am Mass Jindalee

Wednesday 1 January9am Mass Darra

Last week, Des Lavey emailed many people to inform us that the visa for the Redson family has been granted. Indeed, it is great news to hear during this Advent season. We can say that Redson's long "advent" is over, and his family will soon be together. I thank all who helped financially and with prayers to bring Redson's family to Australia. I thank Des Lavey, who was behind this parish project and coordinated all the work and contributions of so many people.

Now, Redson must find a suitable rental for a three-bedroom property around Darra for his family. Based on his earnings from regular work for the past two years, he may be eligible for a Queensland rental subsidy. If someone knows of any places available for rent, please contact the parish office.

Settling in a new place can be challenging, such as mixing with local people and discovering where to buy food, clothing, public transport, etc.

I am sure that Redson's wife, 20-year-old son, and 15-year-old daughter will receive a warm welcome upon arrival and then assistance from the parishioners of Darra Jindalee Parish in settling into their new home. Again, many thanks for the kindness you have put into this project. Blessings Fr Jan.



**Darra Jindalee Catholic Parish ID C11220707.
PLASTIC BOTTLES CODE**

Darra Jindalee Parish has joined the environmental project **the Containers for Change**. All the funds will be donated to our parish ministries.

Our goal by the end of the year is \$500. To allocate your donation of 10c to the parish, you need to refer to the depot the member number id below. **We thank all those who have already donated.**



**WITH OUR PRAYERS
WE ENTRUST TO GOD'S MERCY**

THE SICK

Fr Vince Hobbs, Tom McCracken, Mary Sturgeon, Theresia Fisher, Ron Atkins, Richard Sitek, Paul Purcell, Savelio Fuiono, Sevilla Garcia, Walter Pick, Blin Berhane (6 years old), Jeanette Christy, Pauline Lavey, Maria Makerita Auvaa, Amalia Florian, Sr Margaret Mary Danaher (vision) Rita Fenech, Paul Grima, Maha Hachem, Dell Lambert, Peter Henderson, Valma King, Jenny Magee, Graham McBryde, Annette Tanks, Ron Ford, Nina Uccchino, Lee Denton, **and for those who have need of our prayers at this time.**

RECENTLY DECEASED

Seugamalii Mikaele Nasalio, Francis Harris

ANNIVERSARIES

Patrick Maroun, Margaret Chan, John Charles Farry, Adolphe and Yenthie Pavitt, Maria Danielewski, Aida Cruz, Donald Lobo, Joseph Andary, Justin Tran Ham, Peter Nguyen Ba Bac, Mary Ngo, Ernesto Bendico, Amiela & Fred Sroka, Betty Murphy, Royston Abad, K.K. Lim

and pray for: Nicholas Seneviratne, Agnes Perera, Milli Perera, Norbert Silva, Esther Seneviratne, Lawrie De Silva, Dewrupee Senevirathe, Anthony Silva, Nelum Silva, Peter Nguyen Khac Tu, Anna Nguyen Thi Tinh, Joseph Nguyen Hong Thanh, Paul Pham Y, Paul Pham Tuat, Anna Bui Thi Lan, Anna Tran Thi Can, Paul Pham Kim Nhan, Anna Pham Thi Nghia, Anna Pham Thi Huong, Paul Pham Kim Nhan, Elisabeth Nguyen Thi Can, Peter Hoang Su, Maria, Thaddeus NHB, Peter T.V.L, Peter C.V.G, Peter N.V.T, Joseph L.V.T, John the Baptist Di, Huynh Kiem Long, Pham Thi Ky, Huynh Khuong Ninh, Ly Thi Hong Anh, Joseph Ly Van Tai, ancestors, **all souls, all deceased parishioners, deceased relatives and friends of all here present.**

On Wednesday, December 11, Michael Nasalio passed away in his home. In our prayers, we commend Michael to God's mercy. Our prayers are with Maria, Michael's wife and their children, grandchildren and extended family. The farewell and prayers for Michael will be conducted in two parts.

The Vigil attended by the family, friends and parishioners. **at Darra Church on Wednesday 18 December 2024 at 6 pm.** After the Vigil there will be a wake at the School Hall.

Requiem Mass for Michael **at Jindalee Church on Thursday 19 December 2024 at 11 am.**

After the Requiem Mass there will be a wake at the Jindalee Hall, following the burial at Centenary Memorial Gardens. Wake after the burial at the Jindalee Hall.

In the scriptures, by the Spirit,
May we see the Saviour's face,
Hear his word and heed his calling,
Know his will and grow in grace.

Sunday 15 Dec 2024

Third Sunday of Advent Year C

First Reading

A reading from the prophet 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.

Responsorial Psalm Is 12:2-6 R. v.6

(R.) Cry out with joy and gladness: for among you is the great and Holy One of Israel.

1. Truly, God is my salvation,
I trust, I shall not fear.
For the Lord is my strength, my song,
he became my saviour.
With joy you will draw water
from the wells of salvation. (R.)
2. Give thanks to the Lord, give praise to his name!
Make his mighty deeds known to the peoples!
Declare the greatness of his name. (R.)
3. Sing a psalm to the Lord
for he has done glorious deeds,
make them known to all the earth!
People of Zion, sing and shout for joy
for great in your midst is the Holy One of Israel. (R.)

Second Reading

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the 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.

Gospel Acclamation

Isaiah 61:1 (Lk 4:18)

Alleluia, alleluia!

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

Alleluia!

Gospel

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke 3:10-18

When all the people asked John, 'What must we do?' he answered, 'If anyone has two tunics he must share with the man who has none, and the one with something to eat must do the same.' There were tax collectors too who came for baptism, and these said to 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.