



DARRA JINDALEE CATHOLIC PARISH

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RECONCILIATION TIMES

Darra

Saturday 9:30 am

Jindalee

Saturday 5 pm - 5:45 pm

4th SUNDAY OF ADVENT

22nd December 2024 YEAR C



The scene from today's Gospel follows the account of the Annunciation—that moment when the angel Gabriel came to Mary with God's message. Reflecting on the Annunciation, we realise that God never forces us to do anything. Although God is all-powerful, God never takes away our freedom. Therefore, God has to ask when he wants us to do something. This is why today's gospel is so important. Because God's plan to send his son into the world depended upon the answer of a woman. In order for the saviour to be born, Mary had to say yes. If Mary had said no, God could have asked someone else. But it would have made things different. Jesus would have grown up with another mother and in another home. It is clear that God wanted Mary, so God sent the angel Gabriel to lay out the plan. Mary

listened, asked questions, and finally accepted God's offer and said **yes**.

Normally, when we think about agreeing to something or saying that we are willing to participate in someone else's plan, we say, "Yes, I'll do it. But that is not what Mary said. The text is clear. Mary doesn't say, "I'll do what God wants." She says, "**Let it be done to me according to your word.**" Mary doesn't say, "I'll do it." She says, "I'll let God do it to me." Now, this is a fundamental description of faith. **Faith is not us doing things for God. It is God doing things for us.**

God's grace be with you. Fr Jan.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Parish office will be closed from Wednesday
25 December—Wednesday 1 January 2025

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

A big thank you to everyone that attended the First Saturday of the month Adoration.

There will be No Adoration in January.
Adoration will resume in February 2025.
Blessings for Christmas from Sue and David Martin.

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 21/22 December

Readers

6pm Vigil Jindalee	Farrah Ferrando, Trang Le
7am Darra	Esera Esera, Tiumalu Esera
8am Jindalee	Denis Nolan, Miguel Bernabe
9am Darra	Melanie Samaila, Maria Samaila
5:30pm Jindalee	Jeff Haywood, Lily Pranata
<u>Eucharist Ministers</u>	
6pm Vigil Jindalee	Michael Dacono, Jacques Coulon, Ann Chase
7am Darra	Jose Rosales, Fatu Misi
8am Jindalee	Veronica Lah, Barry Routledge, August Toleafoa
9am Darra	Joseph Samaila, Audrey Chan, Lio Samaila
5:30pm Jindalee	Jeff Haywood, Huu Doan, Darrylyn Edmestone

Altars Servers

6pm Vigil Jindalee	Ryan Le
7am Darra	Nita Misi, volunteer
8am Jindalee	Joshua Buys, Volunteer
9am Darra	Dominic Vitale, Rahma Alsaqat
5:30pm Jindalee	Volunteer please

Cleaners Jindalee

<u>Group 6</u>	Hieu Nguyen, Jo Morton Teresa Arunakumaren
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Darra 28/29 December Fatu and Faailoa Misi

There is still one group needed for Darra cleaners if anyone is interested, please call the parish office on 3715-8517.

Thank you for all you do.

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

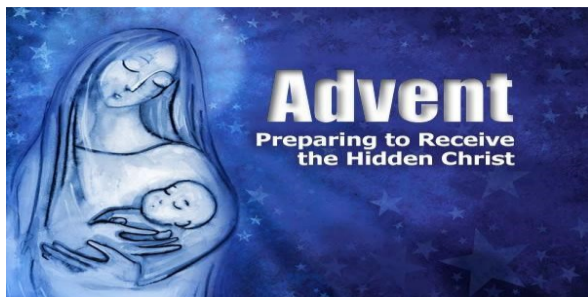
Tuesday 31 December..... 9am Mass Jindalee

Wednesday 1 January9am Mass Darra

CHRISTMAS VIGIL MUSIC REHEARSALS

Twelve Apostles Church

Sunday 22 December 6:30pm—9pm.



Fourth Sunday of Advent

Blessed are you among women. (Luke 1:42)

Jesus thank you for the people in our lives who are with us in our times of need and joy, Amen.

As you light all four Advent candles, take time to name and pray for people who have been a blessing in your lives to your family.

Our mother Mary is full of beauty because she is full of grace.

Vanuatu Earthquake Appeal

Vanuatu has experienced two earthquakes within 24 hours impacting over 116,000 people and causing significant damage to buildings and infrastructure. The main hospital in Port Vila has sustained extensive damage and is overwhelmed by the mass casualties.

There are hundreds of people who have been injured or trapped under rubble and at least 14 people deceased with the death toll expected to continue to rise. People remain fearful of further disaster, as Vanuatu is one of the most susceptible countries to natural disasters such as earthquakes, storm damage, flooding, and tsunamis.

This appeal will provide support to our on the ground partners who are ready to respond to the humanitarian requirements by providing emergency shelter, food and other essentials, psychosocial support, and recovery efforts.

Please **Donate today:** <http://www.caritas.org.au/vanuatu>



Thank you to the Darra Jindalee Parish parishioners for bringing hope to helpless and homeless individuals and young people in Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia. \$2,057.00 was donated from the parish

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 you for your support.**



SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

On Saturday 28 December, **Aaliyah Render, Thomas Field, James Field and Alexandra Field** will be graced with the Sacrament of Baptism.

We warmly welcome their families to the Darra Jindalee Parish and entrust the family into Our Lady's motherly care.

WITH OUR PRAYERS WE ENTRUST TO GOD'S MERCY

THE SICK

Fr Vince Hobbs, James (Seamus) Brannigan, 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 Auva, 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 Uchino, Lee Denton, **and for those who have need of our prayers at this time.**

RECENTLY DECEASED

Seugamalii Mikaele Nasalio, Rosemary Martha Turner, Janet Fakhry, Achamma James,

ANNIVERSARIES

Chris Cook, Jack Glasheen, Joseph Tran Ngoc Chuyen, Robert White, Violet Tan (27 Dec.) Brett Jackson, Michael Toohey, Peter Ngo, Joseph Han, Patrick Maroun, Margaret Chan, John Charles Farry, Adolphe and Yenthie Pavitt, Maria Danielewski, Aida Cruz, **and pray for:** Joseph T.N. Chuyen, Joseph N.X. Ky, 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.**

A Requiem Mass will be held at the 12 Apostles Church on Friday 27 December at 11am for the late Mrs Rosemary Martha Turner, former parishioner of Darra Jindalee parish. Parishioners welcome to attend.

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 22 Dec 2024

Fourth Sunday of Advent Year C

First Reading

A reading from the prophet Micah 5:1-4

The Lord says this:

You, Bethlehem Ephrathah,
the least of the clans of Judah,
out of you will be born for me
the one who is to rule over Israel;
his origin goes back to the distant past,
to the days of old.

The Lord is therefore going to abandon them
till the time when she who is to give birth gives birth.

Then the remnant of his brothers will come back
to the sons of Israel.

He will stand and feed his flock
with the power of the Lord,

with the majesty of the name of his God.

They will live secure, for from then on he will extend his power
to the ends of the land.

He himself will be peace.

This is the word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 79:2-3. 15-16. 18-19. R. v.4

**(R.) Lord, make us turn to you;
let us see your face and we shall be saved.**

1. O Shepherd of Israel, hear us,
shine forth from your cherubim throne.
O Lord, rouse up your might,
O Lord, come to our help. **(R.)**
2. God of hosts, turn again, we implore,
look down from heaven and see.
Visit this vine and protect it,
the vine your right hand has planted. **(R.)**
3. May your hand be on the man you have chosen,
the man you have given your strength.
And we shall never forsake you again:
give us life that we may call upon your name. **(R.)**

Second Reading

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews 10:5-10

This is what Christ said, on coming into the world:

You who wanted no sacrifice or oblation,
prepared a body for me.

You took no pleasure in holocausts or sacrifices for sin;
then I said,

just as I was commanded in the scroll of the book,
'God, here I am! I am coming to obey your will.'

Notice that he says first: You did not want what the Law lays down as the things to be offered, that is: the sacrifices, the oblations, the holocausts and the sacrifices for sin, and you took no pleasure in them; and then he says: Here I am! I am coming to obey your will. He is abolishing the first sort to replace it with the second. And this will was for us to be made holy by the offering of his body made once and for all by Jesus Christ.

This is the word of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation

Luke 1:38

Alleluia, alleluia!

I am the servant of the Lord:
may his will for me be done.

Alleluia!

Gospel

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke 1:39-45

Mary set out and went as quickly as she could to a town in the hill country of Judah. She went into Zechariah's house and greeted Elizabeth. Now as soon as Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the child leapt in her womb and Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit. She gave a loud cry and said, 'Of all women you are the most blessed, and blessed is the fruit of your womb. Why should I be honoured with a visit from the mother of my Lord? For the moment your greeting reached my ears, the child in my womb leapt for joy. Yes, blessed is she who believed that the promise made her by the Lord would be fulfilled.'

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A huge 'Thank-You' to our parishioners, benefactors and friends for your monetary and goods donations to our Christmas Appeal 2024. Your donations will go a long way in helping us to achieve our mission of aspiring to live the gospel message by serving Christ in the poor with love, respect, justice, hope and joy. We are extremely thankful for your support and commitment to our cause, and hope to continue to have your support in the future. We wish you all a safe and Blessed Christmas and all the best for the New Year.

~ St Vincent de Paul Darra-Jindalee Conference ~