





## DARRA JINDALEE CATHOLIC PARISH

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#### RECONCILIATION TIMES

#### Darra

Saturday 9:30 am

#### Jindalee

Saturday 5 pm - 5:45 pm

## 8th Sunday in Ordinary Time 2nd March 2025 Year C



#### **Disciples or Mask-Wearers?**

In ancient Greece, actors wore masks that concealed their faces—one may say they were 'two-faced'. They were called 'Hypocrites', and we, like Jesus, derive our word and the idea of 'hypocrite' from that.

He could always see through the veneer that people (such as you and me) present to the outside world, and his gaze would (and still can) penetrate to the heart — the core of the personality.

For us, judging the heart of someone is fraught with risk. As Jesus humorously put it, how readily we see the smallest splinter of sawdust in someone else's eye and, in super-critical mode, fail to see the plank of wood that impairs and distorts our vision. We should not rush to judgment.

Only the gaze of God can really penetrate someone's heart. We know that the gaze of Jesus, God, is always a loving gaze that visualises a heart open to salva-

tion. This is one of the reasons why recent Popes have opposed capital punishment. Time must be given for the heart of the convicted criminal to respond to that loving gaze. And it leaves the Final Judgment, even of the murderer, to God.

Listen to the dying moments of Our Lord. His loving gaze penetrated beyond the masks and actions of his tormentors and focused on their hearts. Then he cried out this plea: 'Father, forgive them for they know not what they do.'

We are all conscious of the times we have fallen short of the practice and teaching of our Master despite our praying: 'Forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us.'

We could pause for a moment to pray that the Teacher's loving gaze falls upon us and makes us wholehearted disciples willing 'to be formed by divine teaching'.

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#### MASS TIMES ASH WEDNESDAY 5 MARCH

JINDALEE 6:30 AM and 6:30 PM and DARRA 9AM **Stations of the Cross in Lent** 

Friday evenings 7pm Jindalee and after Saturday 9am Mass Darra

## **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**

## Weekday Mass

Saturday Vigil 6:00 pm Monday 7:00 am Sunday 8:00 am

Tuesday 9:00 am

Sunday 5:30 pm

Dear Parishioners,

Darra Jindalee Parish is blessed to have many parishioners who quietly fulfil ministry roles within our community. Each of us has unique gifts, and throughout our journey in life, we are called to share those gifts.

This sharing can take many forms, from participating in our weekly liturgical practices to reaching out to those who are unable to join us on Sundays and ensuring that our community runs smoothly in response to the challenges we face together.

At the beginning of this year, we noticed an increase in children participating in the Children's Liturgy. Currently, the Children's Liturgy is held at Jindalee and Darra. The number of children at the 9 a.m. Mass in Darra, especially during the Sacramental programs, can be 70+. I am sure everyone appreciates and is happy to see so many children at Mass.

However, to ensure adequate care for these two groups, we need more catechists who would cover the various roles required for this ministry. I am very thankful to the team who are currently involved in the Children's/Sacramental Ministry. Having so many children sometimes requires this team to take double roles to ensure everything runs smoothly. The Children's Liturgy involves not only delivering lessons but also managing the logistics of this ministry.

I appeal to parishioners to help us in this ministry. Attendance of so many children to church on Sunday testifies that our parish is growing and full of "spiritual energy". Please come forward; Darra Jindalee children need you.

Kindly contact our Pastoral Associate Luisa on email <a href="mailto:ym.darjin@bne.catholic.net.au">ym.darjin@bne.catholic.net.au</a> or the parish office. Fr Jan

#### **Thank you**

After the Christmas holiday, our parish's safeguarding officers, Rosie Condon, Ann Chase, Pat Bowness, and Jeff Haywood, were very busy as our parish was nominated to conduct a Safeguarding Self-Assessment. This task was complex and time-consuming, especially in the middle of the Queensland summer.

I am pleased to announce that the Safeguarding Self-Assessment was completed last week and submitted to our Archdiocesan Office for Safeguarding Services. Notably, our parish, Darra Jindalee, was the first among many to submit this assessment. We received a very good score, confirming that our parish is a **SAFE PLACE** for children and vulnerable adults.

I am grateful to Rosie Condon, Ann Chase, Pat Bowness, Luisa Laughren, Babes McGrath, and Jeff Haywood. Jeff Haywood coordinated all tasks to complete all the necessary documents for the audit. Thank you to all parishioners for making our parish a safe environment for children and vulnerable individuals, regardless of age or ethnic background. Fr Jan

Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of fasting and abstinence. In current Catholic practice, fasting means having only one full meal daily. Smaller quantities of food may be eaten at two other meals, but no food should be consumed at any other time during the day.

The present laws took effect in 1966. The rule of fasting applies to people aged 18 to 59, and the law of abstinence from meat applies to everyone aged 14 and older.

#### **World Day of Prayer 2025**

praying for The Cook Islands on Friday 7 March 2025 at 7pm

12 Apostles Church, Jindalee.

We would be grateful to anyone who is able to attend our Parish World Day of Prayer service to please bring a plate to share for supper afterwards.

NB: No Agape Charismatic Prayer Group as we will be attending World Day of Prayer.



#### **PARISH LENTEN PROGRAM 2025**

Come along this Lent and be spiritually refreshed and strengthened by the power of the Holy Spirt.

**Venue: Church of the Twelve Apostles** 

Time: 7pm Stations of the Cross followed by our Parish Lenten

Program. Refreshments afterwards.

**Dates: Fridays** 

14 March God's Love Poured Out
21 March The Breath of God
28 March The Spirit's Witness
4 April The Fruits of the Spirit
11 April The Gifts of the Spirit

These DVD presentations are from the "Wild Goose" series by Fr Dave Pivonka. Enquires Gem and Chris Guyler 0414 481 506

#### **ROSTER TIMETABLE 28/29 Feb 2025**

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6pm Vigil Jindalee Lyn Papa, Trang Le

7am Darra
 8am Jindalee
 9am Darra
 5:30pm Jindalee
 Babes McGrath, Denise O'Malley
 Chris Guyler, August Toleafoa
 Parish school reader, Marj Burley
 Huu Doan, Anthony Fernando

**Eucharist Ministers** 

6pm Vigil Jindalee Alex Wong, August Toleafoa,

Marina Purcell

7am Darra Claire Bellenger, Namulauulu Esera

8am Jindalee Chris Guyler, Barry Routledge

Germaine Guyler

9am Darra Rose Sopena, Rebecca Tasi,

Audrey Chan

5:30pm Jindalee Jeff Haywood, Miguel Bernabe,

Helga Duncan

**Altars Servers** 

6pm Vigil Jindalee Ryan Le

7am Darra Mele Liufau Esera
 8am Jindalee Natalie Dinh, Volunteer
 9am Darra Jacob Samaila, Eli Tasi

5:30pm Jindalee Marian Weerasinghe

<u>Cleaners Jindalee</u>

<u>Group 8</u> Margaret Hutchinson, volunteer

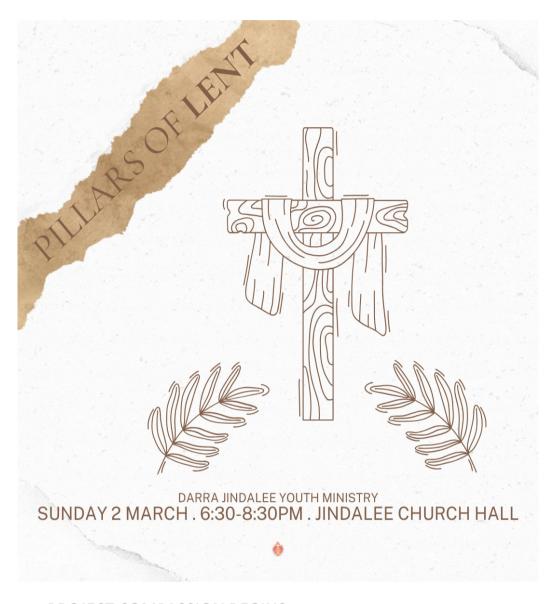
<u>Darra</u> 8/9 March Volunteer, Fatu and Faaiola Misi

#### **SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATON LESSONS**

Sunday 2nd March—Sunday 16 March 2025
Our Lady of the Sacred Heart Church Darra
After the 9am Mass.

#### **RCIA Session 18**

This week our topic is Lent
Tuesday 4 March 7pm—Jindalee Hall.



#### **PROJECT COMPASSION BEGINS**

During Lent, we are called to be good news for the poor.

Project Compassion is a wonderful way to do this.

Giving envelopes and boxes are available in the church foyers.

Alternatively you can donate at projectcompassion.org.au

#### BRISBANE CITY COUNCIL TIP PASSES.

Dear parishioners,

If you have any spare council tip passes would you be so kind to give to the parish office. Thank you.

Confidential **Prayer Support** is available after various Masses, the next opportunity will be: <u>Sunday 9th March after 5.30pm Mass at Jindalee.</u> Call Audrey 0435 558 390.

#### **LENTEN ENRICHMENT 2025 - "METANOIA"**

Reflection Booklets.

Thank you to all those who purchased the booklets.

Hard copies are now sold out. Electronic version can be downloaded from Dow.org.au/shop. Approximate cost \$9.

# WITH OUR PRAYERS WE ENTRUST TO GOD'S MERCY

#### **THE SICK**

Jennifer R. Stephens, Bryan Smith, Antonio Sarmento,
Chanel Beaver, 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), 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 Ucchino, Lee Denton, and for those who have need of our prayers at this time.

#### **RECENTLY DECEASED**

Fr Leo Burke, Sr Christa Marie Therese Murphy SSpS, George Imad, Andre Nguyen Cau, Clarry Kitzelman, Elio Pozza, Joseph Tu Khanh Lam, Achamma James, John Kattakayan, Lynne Prosser, Georgia Taylor, Elaine Milne, Stephen Tran Dinh Hoe, Fr Finian Perkins OFM, Brother Matt McKeown, Dr Ailbhe Cunningham, John the Baptist Lam Vi Trung, Lolita Tan Ocampino

#### **ANNIVERSARIES**

Albert & Eileen Cumner, Betty Mahony, Ernest Rutar,
Carmel Margaret Orford, Kyrstyna Nowicka, Cathy Bertoni,
Brian Thomas, Joan Ong Ha Vu,

and pray for: 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.



#### **PARISH CALENDAR 2025**

In addition to the weekly newsletter, the Parish Calendar for 2025 has been printed.

The calendar includes the major upcoming events and liturgical celebrations for the year that we will have in our Parish. I hope it will assist parishioners in planning and organising their family and personal schedules around the Feast celebrations and events scheduled for 2025. **Fr Jan** 

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 02 Mar 2025 Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time C

#### **First Reading**

#### A reading from the book of Ecclesiasticus 27:4-7

In a shaken sieve the rubbish is left behind, so too the defects of a man appear in his talk.

The kiln tests the work of the potter, the test of a man is in his conversation.

The orchard where the tree grows is judged on the quality of its fruit, similarly a man's words betray what he feels.

Do not praise a man before he has spoken, since this is the test of men.

#### **Responsorial Psalm**

Ps 91:2-3. 13-16. R. See v.2

#### (R.) Lord, it is good to give thanks to you.

It is good to give thanks to the Lord to make music to your name, O Most High, to proclaim your love in the morning and your truth in the watches of the night. (R.)

The just will flourish like the palm-tree and grow like a Lebanon cedar. (R.)

Planted in the house of the Lord they will flourish in the courts of our God, still bearing fruit when they are old, still full of sap, still green, to proclaim that the Lord is just. In him, my rock, there is no wrong. (R.)

#### **Second Reading**

# A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians 15:54-58

When this perishable nature has put on imperishability, and when this mortal nature has put on immortality, then the words of scripture will come true: Death is swallowed up in victory. Death, where is your victory? Death, where is your sting? Now the sting of death is sin, and sin gets its power from the Law. So let us thank God for giving us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

Never give in then, my dear brothers, never admit defeat; keep on working at the Lord's work always, knowing that, in the Lord, you cannot be labouring in vain.

#### **Gospel Acclamation**

#### Philippians 2:15-16

Alleluia, alleluia!
Shine on the world like bright stars;
you are offering it the word of life.
Alleluia!

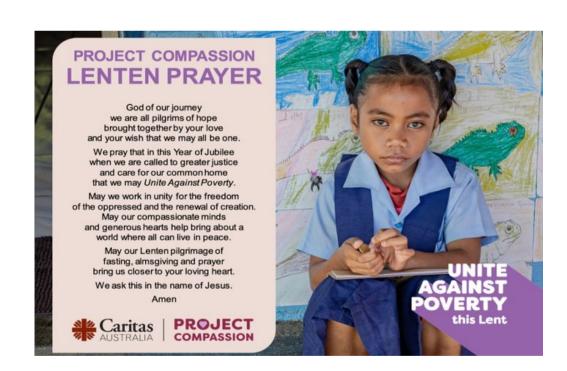
#### Gospel

#### A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke 6:39-45

Jesus told a parable to his disciples, 'Can one blind man guide an other? Surely both will fall into a pit? The disciple is not superior to his teacher; the fully trained disciple will always be like his teacher. Why do you observe the splinter in your brother's eye and never notice the plank in your own? How can you say to your brother, "Brother, let me take out the splinter that is in your eye," when you cannot see the plank in your own? Hypocrite! Take the plank out of your own eye first, and then you will see clearly enough to take out the splinter that is in your brother's eye.

'There is no sound tree that produces rotten fruit, nor again a rotten tree that produces sound fruit. For every tree can be told by its own fruit: people do not pick figs from thorns, nor gather grapes from brambles. A good man draws what is good from the store of goodness in his heart; a bad man draws what is bad from the store of badness. For a man's words flow out of what fills his heart.'

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Funeral details for **Mrs Elaine Milne** former parishioner and member of the choir, will be held on Monday 3rd March @10:30am at Centenary Memorial Gardens Chapel.

Fr Jan will be Celebrant.