



# DARRA JINDALEE CATHOLIC PARISH

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## RECONCILIATION TIMES

### Darra

Saturday 9:30 am

### Jindalee

Saturday 5 pm - 5:45 pm

## 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

24 August 2025 Year C



Fewer Catholics are going to Sunday Mass. Statistical studies verify that fact, and we can see it for ourselves. Decline in attendance at Sunday Mass is a complex issue. Listening to homilies emphasising God's boundless mercy and forgiveness, some people justify missing Sunday Mass by citing God's mercy. If God forgives everything, why bother with Mass, commandments, or Jesus's instructions?

In today's Gospel, however, Jesus reminds us that God's mercy is paired with judgment. When asked how many people would be saved and given a place in the Kingdom of Heaven, Jesus does not say to us to trust in God's mercy. Instead, he says, "Try your best to enter by the narrow door, because, I tell you, many will try to enter and will not succeed".

That narrow gate is Jesus. As he tells us in the Gospel of John, "I am the gate. Whoever enters through me will be saved and will come in and go out and find pasture" (Jn 10:9).

Jesus warns us that entering through the "narrow gate" requires more than just a casual association with him. He talks about the master of a house who rejects those who believed they knew him because they ate and drank with him. Jesus tells us that the master will say to such people, "I do not know where you come from. Away from me, all you wicked men!"

We enter through the narrow gate when we spend time with Jesus in prayer and live according to his teachings found in the scriptures and proclaimed by his Church.

And we walk through that narrow gate when we gather with our fellow Catholics to fulfil the command of Jesus to share his life-giving Body and Blood in memory of him. As he warned us, "Unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you do not have life within you" (Jn 6:53).

As we emphasise the mercy and compassion of God, we also need to remember that Jesus never reveals how many people will be saved. Rather, he tells us, "Try your best to enter by the narrow door, because, I tell you, many will try to enter and will not succeed". For us as Catholics, this "trying best" includes going to Sunday Mass.

Based on the reflections of Fr T. Iwanowski

## 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





Dear Parishioners,  
Last Monday, David came to the office with the news that he and Sue are relocating to Aspley to be closer to their children. No one was expecting this sad news, but at the same time, everyone understood “the why” behind this decision.

David and Sue Martin have been part of the Darra Jindalee parish since 1986. These 39 years in the parish have been very busy for the Martins.

As a member and later as chair, David served on the finance council for six years. David has also contributed to the liturgy through the music ministry as a member of the 6pm Mass choir. For many years, Sue and David also served as readers at Jindalee. They have both been part of the Vinnies bread run project for 6 years, from 2020 to the present. Sue managed the piety stall for a time and David has for the last two years been responsible for enquiries related to the columbarium and organising ceremonies for interments.

Devoutly, they organised the first Saturday and 24-hour adoration. I am especially grateful for their commitment and dedication to prayer at the adoration and for bringing others to the Lord present in the Blessed Sacrament. The Martins took part in the recent Corpus Christi processions in Darra.

Sue and David, we thank you very much for your nearly 40 years of devoted service to our parish through your prayer, bringing your gifts and living your faith in such inspiring ways. We are grateful to God for sharing your journey of faith with us. There is sadness in seeing you move to another part of Brisbane, but we hope we will be blessed with your visits from time to time – maybe at the next Corpus Christi procession?

Entrusting you to the care of Our Lady, we wish you all the very best in the future. God bless. Parishioners of Darra Jindalee and Fr. Jan

This coming Wednesday evening provides an opportunity to say farewell and thank you to David and Sue.

Parishioners are invited to come along to dinner as follows:

**Place:** Hotel Monier, 176 Monier Rd, Darra

**Date/Time:** 6:30pm, Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> August, 2025

**RSVP:** Jeff Haywood ph 0402 402 005 or by email to [jhaywood@bigpond.net.au](mailto:jhaywood@bigpond.net.au)

By **10am Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> August** (table booking will be made at that time)  
Parishioners to pay for their own meal and drinks. Thank you.

### Annual Catholic Campaign



When making a gift please put your donation inside the envelope. If you add your details to the envelope you will receive a tax receipt in the mail. You can also give online by scanning the QR code on the envelope.

Thank you for your generosity.



### COME AND SING TO MARY

On the parish calendar for **12 September**, there is a planned hymn-singing evening to Our Lady. The idea of this event is to sing Marian hymns from **various cultural backgrounds**. Darra Jindalee is fortunate to have many parishioners from different heritages.

Our Lady holds a special place in the hearts of all parishioners, regardless of where we come from. **I invite you to come forward and sing one or two Marian hymns in your own language that comes from your heritage.** Please contact: [darjin@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:darjin@bne.catholic.net.au) or **3715 8517**.

After signing in at the church, we will enjoy mulled wine to keep warm on a chilly September evening. Fr Jan

**Pilgrimage to Marian Valley** Come join the Darra-Jindalee parish pilgrimage to Marian Valley on Saturday, 11 October 2025. For bookings, please get in touch with Babes McGrath at [babesmccgrath2@gmail.com](mailto:babesmccgrath2@gmail.com) or **0418 184 850** — bookings close **on Friday, October 3**. The bus fare is \$20. I look forward to sharing this day of prayer and fellowship with you. Fr. Jan

### ROSTER TIMETABLE 23/24 August 2025

#### Readers

6pm Vigil Jindalee	David Martin, August Toleafoa
7am Darra	Shona Misi, Emilia Misi
8am Jindalee	Jeff Haywood, Anna Seu
9am Darra	Maria Samaila, Melanie Samaila
5:30pm Jindalee	Youth reader, Marian Weerasinghe

#### Eucharist Ministers

6pm Vigil Jindalee	Jeff Haywood, Philip Cheng, Marina Purcell
7am Darra	Claire Bellenger, Nikolao Ropati
8am Jindalee	Chris Guyler, Barry Routledge, Germaine Guyler
9am Darra	Maria Nasalio, Dravid Gilbert, Audrey Chan
5:30pm Jindalee	Helga Duncan, Peter and Rosie Condon

#### Altars Servers

6pm Vigil Jindalee	Volunteer please
7am Darra	Nita Misi
8am Jindalee	Kevin Khuu, volunteer please
9am Darra	Annemaree Dyer, Genevieve Dyer
5:30pm Jindalee	Volunteer

#### Cleaners Jindalee

<u>Group 1</u>	Nhu Huynh Family, Volunteer
<u>Darra</u> 30/31 August	Fatu & Faailoa Misi

**Agape Charismatic Prayer Group Meeting** – Friday 29th August, AGAPE will start at 7:00pm at Jindalee Church with Praise and Worship to be followed by a Games night.  
All are welcome.

Confidential **Prayer Support** is available after various Masses, the next opportunity will be: Sunday 24th August after 8am Mass at Jindalee & then Sunday 14th Sept after 5.30pm Mass at Jindalee.  
Audrey 0435 558 390





**ANNUAL GRANTS PROGRAM**

Our Parish was blessed to be a recipient of the 2024 Annual Grants Program that partially funded the ANOINTED Intergenerational retreat bringing together 90 participants from all generations. These annual retreats have been a spirit filled source for evangelisation, fellowship and renewal. Your generous contributions towards the Annual Catholic Campaign helps support the grassroot works of parishes. Thank you to the amazing Leadership Teams - DJYM, Children’s Ministry, Music Ministry, Prayer Support and Keynote Speakers for encouraging us to be bold and live in our Baptismal anointing daily.

**SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM**

On Sunday 24 August Henry Theodore Bolt will be graced with the Sacrament of Baptism. We warmly welcome their family 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**

Ron Lucas, Gerry Redmond, Reshma Monteiro, Jennifer R. Stephens, Bryan Smith, Antonio Sarmiento, Chanel Beaver, Fr Vince Hobbs, Tom McCracken, Mary Sturgeon, Theresia Fisher, Ron Atkins, Paul Purcell, Savelio Fuiono, Walter Pick, Blin Berhane , 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, Lee Denton, and for those who have need of our prayers at this time.

**RECENTLY DECEASED**

Fr Jerome Watt O.Carm, Datin Fidelia Gomes, Do Trong Thuy

**ANNIVERSARIES**

Mary T.T. Lieu, Mattheo Nguyen The Trinh, Agnes Tu Khanh Vinh, Beato S. Herbolario, Maria Bao, John Basptise Nhat, Constance and Peter Abad, Sylvester Sebastian, Patricia Edge, Ngee Moi Ho, Nancy Stanley, Denis & Evelyn Ong, Bessie McCahill, Rosario Pennisi, Rosa, Joe & Sam Pennisi, Frank & Maria D'Allura, Anne Bonnano, Maureen Neilsen, Aloysius Aseervatham, Alan Hoogewerf

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, , 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, Relatives & Friends, All Souls Joseph Ly Van Tai, ancestors, **all souls, all deceased parishioners, deceased relatives and friends of all here present.**

**VACANCY – VISITING COMMUNION MINISTER – SUNDAY MORNINGS**

The Parish is in need of a Visiting Communion Minister to give Communion to parishioners in their homes in the Centenary suburbs. The Visiting Minister would ideally collect the hosts from the Jindalee 8am Mass and serve as a Minister of Holy Communion at that Mass. However other arrangements can be made. If you can spare an hour to visit parishioners on Sunday mornings every 4-5 weeks the Parish will be most grateful and provide you with training and ongoing support. Please contact the Parish Office if you can help.



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 24 Aug 2025**

**Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C**

**First Reading**

**A reading from the prophet Isaiah 66:18-21**

The Lord says this: I am coming to gather the nations of every language. They shall come to witness my glory. I will give them a sign and send some of their survivors to the nations: to Tarshish, Put, Lud, Moshech, Rosh, Tubal, and Javan, to the distant islands that have never heard of me or seen my glory. They will proclaim my glory to the nations. As an offering to the Lord they will bring all your brothers, on horses, in chariots, in litters, on mules, on dromedaries, from all the nations to my holy mountain in Jerusalem, says the Lord, like Israelites bringing oblations in clean vessels to the Temple of the Lord. And of some of them I will make priests and Levites, says the Lord.

**Responsorial Psalm**

**R.) Alleluia!**

1. O praise the Lord, all you nations,  
acclaim him all you peoples! (R.)
2. Strong is his love for us;  
he is faithful for ever. (R.)

**Second Reading**

**A reading from the letter to the Hebrews 12:5-7, 11-13**

Have you forgotten that encouraging text in which you are addressed as sons? My son, when the Lord corrects you, do not treat it lightly; but do not get discouraged when he reprimands you. For the Lord trains the ones that he loves and he punishes all those that he acknowledges as his sons. Suffering is part of your training; God is treating you as his sons. Has there ever been any son whose father did not train him? Of course, any punishment is most painful at the time, and far from pleasant; but later, in those on whom it has been used, it bears fruit in peace and goodness. So hold up your limp arms and steady your trembling knees and smooth out the path you tread; then the injured limb will not be wrenched, it will grow strong again.

**Gospel Acclamation**

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

I am the way, the truth, and the life, says the Lord;  
no one comes to the Father, except through me.

**Alleluia!**

**Gospel**

**A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke 13:22-30**

Through towns and villages Jesus went teaching, making his way to Jerusalem. Someone said to him, 'Sir, will there be only a few saved?' He said to them, 'Try your best to enter by the narrow door, because, I tell you, many will try to enter and will not succeed.

'Once the master of the house has got up and locked the door, you may find yourself knocking on the door, saying, "Lord, open to us" but he will answer, "I do not know where you come from." Then you will find yourself saying, "We once ate and drank in your company; you taught in our streets" but he will reply, "I do not know where you come from. Away from me, all you wicked men!"

'Then there will be weeping and grinding of teeth, when you see Abraham and Isaac and Jacob and all the prophets in the kingdom of God, and yourselves turned outside. And men from east and west, from north and south, will come to take their places at the feast in the kingdom of God.

'Yes, there are those now last who will be first, and those now first who will be last.'

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# HOLY SPIRIT STRENGTH TO DO STRENGTH TO BE

**Friday 5 Sept 2025**  
7.30pm - 9pm  
St Mary Magdalene's Church,  
51 Cecil Road, Bardon  
Love Offering appreciated.

**Saturday 6 Sept 2025**  
9.30am - 4pm  
Church of the Twelve Apostles,  
111 Yallambee, Road, Jindalee  
BYO lunch  
Morning tea provided

**Enquiries: Len 0421 977 849  
or Audrey 0435 558 390**



**Jim Murphy**  
Catholic Lay Evangelist  
and Master Story Teller  
from the USA



**Divine Mercy Hour every Sunday at the  
Twelve Apostles Church 3 pm.  
Praying the Divine Mercy Chaplet and  
reflections based of the Diary of St Faustina**

## MULTICULTURAL MASS

"Migrants, missionaries  
of hope" Pope Francis



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BY ARCHBISHOP  
MARK COLERIDGE**

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**24 AUG 2025** 2PM, QUEEN OF VIETNAMESE MARTYRS  
CATHOLIC CHURCH, 54 FLINT ST, INALA