



# DARRA JINDALEE CATHOLIC PARISH

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## RECONCILIATION TIMES

### Darra

Saturday 9:30 am

### Jindalee

Saturday 5 pm - 5:45 pm

## 2nd SUNDAY IN LENT 1 MARCH 2026



The sequence of Gospels for the Sundays of Lent resembles a catechesis on the person of Jesus Christ, our Saviour. A week ago, we read about Jesus' confrontation with Satan in the wilderness. Today, along with the three disciples Peter, John and James, we reflect on Him in the mystery of the Transfiguration. As the previous Sunday highlighted Jesus' humanity, today's Sunday reveals His Divinity.

How can we engage with this mystery? Our Saviour's humanity was displayed in the desert, in His battle against mankind's enemy. His Divinity, however, appears on the mountain summit as Jesus and His disciples step away from the crowd. This setting shows that meaningful moments require time, silence, and solitude.

Lent is the liturgical season during which it is good to find such moments throughout the day when we devote ourselves to prayer and to being alone with Jesus. On a busy day, it can be difficult to do that. Perhaps it is worth returning to the old practice of short phrases of prayer: short but intense prayers that we offer in the midst of our activities, and which, like arrows released from a bow, fly into the sky. We can repeat Peter's confession: "**Lord, it is good to be with you**"; confess with humility: "**Jesus, I trust in You**". Or maybe someone will find in his or her heart the desire for the Jesus Prayer: to repeat, like the monks of old, the words: "**Lord Jesus Christ, Son of the living God, have mercy on me, a sinner**". The mountain of transfiguration is not only a mountain in Galilee — our mountain of transfiguration can be a queue at the medical centre, a crowded bus, or a car in which we go to work. God is waiting for us there. Let us begin to pray again to see Christ in His glory.



## NATIONWIDE EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT HOLY HOUR

Sunday 1 March – 12 Apostles Church Jindalee

In preparation for the International 54th Congress 2028 SYDNEY  
ALL WELCOME.

## 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



**Morning Tea.** Parishioners are invited to morning tea following the 9am Mass and Adoration on **Tuesday, March 10th at 10am in the Jindalee Church Hall.**

**Stations of the Cross** will be conducted every Saturday, immediately after the 9.00 am Mass at Darra starting Sat 21st Feb and ending Sat 28th March.

**Agape Charismatic Prayer Group Meeting** – Friday 6th March, AGAPE will start at **7pm** at Jindalee Church with **Stations of the Cross (throughout the Lenten season)** to be followed by Praise and Worship. All are welcome.

**Confidential Prayer Support** is available after various Masses. The next opportunity will be: **Sunday 8th March, after 8am Mass at Jindalee.** Contact Audrey 0435 558 390.

**ROSTER TIMETABLE 28 Feb/1 March 2026**

**Readers**

6pm Vigil Jindalee Juliana Pinheiro, Leon Fernandes  
 7am Darra Jim Tobin, Denise O'Malley  
 8am Jindalee Jeff Haywood, Anna Seu  
 9am Darra Parish school reader, Audrey Chan  
 5:30pm Jindalee Lily Pranata, Anna Scott

**Eucharist Ministers**

6pm Vigil Jindalee Lissy Fernandes, Christine Alcoseba,  
 7am Darra Thieu Vu, Namulauulu Esera  
 8am Jindalee Chris Guyler, Barry Routledge,  
 Germaine Guyler  
 9am Darra LP Seow, David Gilbert,  
 Tomasi Iosefo  
 5:30pm Jindalee Rosie Condon, Peter Condon,  
 Helga Duncan

**Altars Servers**

6pm Vigil Jindalee Volunteer please  
 7am Darra Mele Liufau Esera, Volunteer Please  
 8am Jindalee Volunteer please  
 9am Darra Ella & Ruby Nines, Mathias Laughren  
 5:30pm Jindalee Marian Weerasinghe

**Cleaners Jindalee**

Group 5 Theresa Thomas, Anne Lambkin  
 Darra 7/8 March Fatu & Faailoa Misi



**2nd Week in Lent**

For all people who lack access to safe and reliable water, that they will be able to receive this basic necessity of life as a result of your generous support for the Project Compassion campaign. We pray to the Lord.



**WORLD DAY OF PRAYER 2026**  
 Join a prayer service focused on **Nigeria FRIDAY 6TH March 09:30am**  
 Centenary Uniting Church 37 Riverhills Road,  
 Middle Park  
 Contact Dianne 0422 510 303

**24-hour Eucharistic Adoration** at Our Lady of

the Sacred Heart Church, Darra.

The adoration will begin with the **6 pm Mass on Thursday March 19, the Feast of St Joseph, and conclude with Benediction on Friday evening at 6 pm.**

This offers a wonderful opportunity to spend time in front of the Blessed Sacrament during this Lent. At the back of our two churches, there are sheets/cards with the schedule to ensure at least two people are in the church during these 24 hours of adoration.

There are 30-minute intervals to maintain the continuous presence of at least two parishioners. If staying for half an hour is challenging, drop in for 10-15 minutes on your way to shopping, a medical appointment, picking up children from school, etc. **During adoration, there will be an opportunity for Reconciliation (Confession).** During Lent, additional confessions will be offered on Tuesdays (Jindalee) and Wednesdays (Darra) after the 9 am Masses, when the Blessed Sacrament is exposed.



**Rosters - Ministers of Holy Communion, Visiting Ministers, Readers & Altar Servers.**

New rosters will be prepared early next month for the period **1<sup>st</sup> April to 30<sup>th</sup> June 2026.**

Please advise Jeff Haywood ([jhaywood@bigpond.net.au](mailto:jhaywood@bigpond.net.au)) or the Parish Office **before Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> March** of the days you are **not** available to be rostered and the names of anyone on your roster who may have left the parish.

**New volunteers:** Parishioners are always welcome to volunteer for any of these ministries to serve approximately every 4-5 weeks.

Training and support is provided and your help will be greatly appreciated.

Please contact Jeff (0402 402 005) or the Parish Office

**Pilgrimage to Poland, Austria and Hungary September 9—23, 2026**

Pilgrims with Fr Jan will explore the religious sites of Poznan, Warsaw, Niepokalanow, Black Madonna Shrine, Krakow, Divine Mercy Shrine, Wadowice, Wieliczka (salt mine), Vienna, shrines of Melk Krems, Bratislava, Budapest, St Stephens Cathedral, Hungarian Parliament, Gellert Hill and more. Mass will be celebrated daily. 25 people are required for the pilgrimage to go ahead.

The cost is 3580 euros pp excluding air fare and insurance. All inquiries contact parish office.

**RITE OF ELECTION 2026**

Congratulations to our RCIA candidates Adam Fairnazzo, Shauna Barry, Andy Brodersen, Nigel Hess, Talise Samuelu Hill, Emma Wylie and catechumen Sara Broadsmith, who were privileged to join other candidates and catechumens from the Archdiocese and officially enrolled in the book of elect last Sunday. Please join us as we keep all catechumens, candidates, godparents, sponsors and their families in our prayers so they may embrace the full likeness of Christ.



Real Talk Australia hosted a moving evening on Thursday where parishioners attended and heard Danny and Leila Abdallah's incredible story of forgiveness and reconciliation after losing four members in their family to a drunk and drugged driver on February 1st in 2020. By embracing their personal cross they turned their suffering for God's purpose as a witness to the supernatural power of God's love and mercy. As we continue to journey through this penitential season may we look to their example through their faith and the grace that God has granted them to a radical transformation of heart to deeply understand the power of God's healing love and mercy.



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

**THE SICK**

Justin Duncombe, Clare Caverswall, Patricia Curnow, Alojzija Rutar, Fr Barry Grayson, Annalie DJ. Herbolario. Jonathon Caldwell, 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 Mak-erita Auvaa, Sr Margaret Mary Danaher (vision) Rita Fenech, Maha Hachem, Peter Henderson, Jenny Magee, Graham McBryde, An-nette Tanks, Ron Ford, Lee Denton, **and for those who have need of our prayers at this time.**

**RECENTLY DECEASED**

Rosa Pezzenti, Matthew Jansa, Laurie Jordan, Andre Nguyen van Cau, Tephano Tran dinh Hoe, Anthony Maira Pham Van Ring, Pauliina Yogam Smathar, Perry Cecilo, Chibble Tabet, John Gurr, Robert Taylor

**ANNIVERSARIES**

Colleen Radnedge, Carmel Orford, Kazimierz Borowski, John Ong Ha Vu, John Uchino, Kevin Brown, Ernest Rutar, Paul Do Xuan Hoe, Anna Pham Thi Hien, Kevin Brown, Anna Nguyen Thi Nhu, Agnes Tu Khanh Vinh, Matteo Nguyen The Trinh, Dominic Vu duy Han, Peter Nguyen Khac Tu, Anna Nguyen Thi Tinh, Joseph Nguyen Hong Thanh, Peter 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, Paul Nguyen Tuyen Phuong, Huynh Kiem Long, Pham Thi Ky, Huynh Khuong Ninh, Ly Thi Hong Anh, Joseph Ly Van Tai, **and pray for: all souls, all deceased parishioners, deceased relatives and friends of all here present.**

**Birthday Anniversary:** Eileen Williams  
Special intention for Charles - for healing from cancer.

**Contact Savio Dsouza on 0450 358 717**

**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 01 Mar 2026**

**Second Sunday of Lent Year A**

**First Reading**

**A reading from the book of Genesis 12:1-4**

The Lord said to Abram, 'Leave your country, your family and your father's house, for the land I will show you. I will make you a great nation; I will bless you and make your name so famous that it will be used as a blessing.

'I will bless those who bless you:  
I will curse those who slight you.  
All the tribes of the earth  
shall bless themselves by you.'

So Abram went as the Lord told him.

**Responsorial Psalm**

**Ps 32:4-5. 18-20. 22. R. v.22**

**(R.) Lord, let your mercy be on us,  
as we place our trust in you.**

1. The word of the Lord is faithful  
and all his works to be trusted.  
The Lord loves justice and right  
and fills the earth with his love. (R.)
2. The Lord looks on those who revere him,  
on those who hope in his love,  
to rescue their souls from death,  
to keep them alive in famine. (R.)
3. Our soul is waiting for the Lord.  
The Lord is our help and our shield.  
May your love be upon us, O Lord,  
as we place all our hope in you. (R.)

**Second Reading**

**A reading from the second letter of St Paul to 2 Timothy 1:8-10**

With me, bear the hardships for the sake of the Good News, relying on the power of God who has saved us and called us to be holy – not because of anything we ourselves have done but for his own purpose and by his own grace. This grace had already been granted to us, in Christ Jesus, before the beginning of time, but it has only been revealed by the Appearing of our saviour Christ Jesus. He abolished death, and he has proclaimed life and immortality through the Good News.

**Gospel Acclamation**

Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!  
From the shining cloud the Father's voice is heard:  
this is my beloved Son, hear him.  
Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

**Gospel**

**A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew 17:1-9**

Jesus took with him Peter and James and his brother John and led them up a high mountain where they could be alone. There in their presence he was transfigured; his face shone like the sun and his clothes became as white as the light. Suddenly Moses and Elijah appeared to them; they were talking with him. Then Peter spoke to Jesus. 'Lord,' he said 'it is wonderful for us to be here; if you wish, I will make three tents here, one for you, one for Moses and one for Elijah.' He was still speaking when suddenly a bright cloud covered them with shadow, and from the cloud there came a voice which said, 'This is my Son, the Beloved; he enjoys my favour. Listen to him.' When they heard this, the disciples fell on their faces, overcome with fear. But Jesus came up and touched them. 'Stand up,' he said 'do not be afraid.' And when they raised their eyes they saw no one but only Jesus.

As they came down from the mountain Jesus gave them this order. 'Tell no one about the vision until the Son of Man has risen from the dead.'

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**Divine Mercy Hour 3pm**

**Sunday Jindalee Church**

**All parishioners are welcome to join in prayer**

**Monthly Adoration the first Friday of the month  
March 6 after the 6 pm Mass at Darra.**

**During Adoration an opportunity for confession.**