



# DARRA JINDALEE CATHOLIC PARISH

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## RECONCILIATION TIMES

### Darra

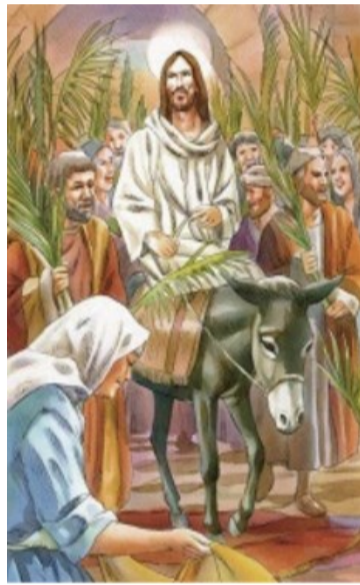
Saturday 9:30 am

### Jindalee

Saturday 5 pm - 5:45 pm

## PALM SUNDAY

SUNDAY 29 MARCH 2026



Matthew's account of the Passion of Jesus Christ highlights the link between the events of Holy Week and the Old Testament prophecies. In this way, Matthew says that Jesus' entire life was to fulfil these prophecies. Jesus enters the Holy City from the side of the Mount of Olives. In the Old Testament, the Messiah was expected to come from this direction. According to Zachariah's prophecy, the Lord Himself will descend there to defend Jerusalem and become king over all the earth (Zach 14:4-9).

Jesus rides into Jerusalem on a donkey to fulfil another Old Testament prophecy (Zach 9:9). According to this prophecy, the king entering Jerusalem will not be a great warrior on horseback or in a chariot.

He will be a humble king of peace, victorious not through weapons and violence, but through humility and gentleness. Entering Jerusalem on a donkey, he announces that he is the Messiah Jerusalem has been waiting for. The crowd enthusiastically welcomes Jesus. People lay their cloaks before Him and spread them out like a royal carpet. They place twigs before Jesus and greet Him as the Son of David, a title that signifies the Messiah. The crowd begins to recite the words of Psalm 118, a hymn commonly sung on the way to the temple during the great feasts – they praise God by singing Hosanna. These words express the plea "Save us." It's remarkable that those who warmly welcome Jesus will turn against Him in a short while. They reject Jesus because He doesn't align with their idea of the Messiah, as the earthly King of the Jews. They failed to listen to the Word and the prophecies. In these days of the Holy Week, let us be good listeners to the Word of God proclaimed so richly in the liturgy of these days.

Happy Birthday Dorothy

Congratulations and blessings for your 100!

We look forward to celebrating with you on Sunday April 19th.



## 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



**Holy Thursday: 2 April**

Jindalee: 6:30pm Mass of the Lord’s Supper

**Good Friday 3 April**

Darra 9am Stations of the Cross  
 Jindalee 9am Stations of the Cross  
 Darra 3pm Commemoration of the Passion  
 Jindalee 3pm Commemoration of the Passion

**Holy Saturday 4 April**

Darra: 10:30am Polish Easter Food Blessing  
 Jindalee 6pm Easter Vigil

**Easter Sunday 5 April**

Darra 7am & 9am Mass  
 Jindalee 8am Mass  
NO 5:30pm

**Easter Monday 6 April Public Holiday**

Jindalee 9am Mass

**Pilgrimage to Marian Valley**



You're warmly invited to join the Darra-Jindalee parish pilgrimage to Marian Valley on **Saturday, 18 of April 2026**. To reserve your spot, please reach out to Babes McGrath at 0418 184 850 or email babesmcgrath2@gmail.com.

Bookings close on **Friday, 10 April**. The bus fare is just \$20, and we would be grateful for any donations to support the Pauline Fathers. Below, you'll find the program for the day. I look forward to sharing this day of prayer and fellowship with parishioners! Fr. Jan

**Jindalee Columbarium:** Last Sunday, a few parishioners approached me and asked about the disappearance of their relatives' plaques. The missing plaques were taken for restoration. Over time, the writing on some plaques had faded and needed repairing. **The plaques haven't been stolen or removed** by vandals. When restored, they will be put back. I thank Chris Guyler for taking care of this task. Gradually, other plaques that require "refreshment" will be taken for restoration. God bless Fr Jan.

**EASTER – ADDITIONAL SEATING – TWELVE APOSTLES CHURCH**

Help is needed at **10:30am (not 9am as previously advertised)** on Good Friday to move chairs from the hall to the Church veranda to provide additional seating for the Good Friday Service and Easter Vigil Mass.

Help is also needed after the Easter Vigil to return the chairs to the hall. Please contact Jeff Haywood 0402 402 005 if you can help.

**EASTER - EMERGENCY VEHICLE ACCESS**

To ensure emergency vehicles have clear access to our Churches during our largest attended Masses/Services, parishioner parking is not available in the Jindalee Church keyhole and inside the Darra Church gates from 1:30pm to 4:30pm on Good Friday. The Jindalee Church keyhole will be closed to all vehicles from 5:30pm to 7:30pm on Easter Saturday due to the Easter Fire \*emergency vehicles excepted

Parishioners are welcome to drop off/pick up family and friends at the Church doors on Good Friday. An attendant will be available to assist.

NO Agape Charismatic Prayer Group Meeting on Good Friday 3rd April 2026.

Confidential Prayer Support is available after various Masses. The next opportunity will be: Sunday 12th April after the 5:30pm Mass at Jindalee. Contact Audrey 0435 558 390.

**ROSTER TIMETABLE 28/29 March 2026**

Readers

6pm Vigil Jindalee	Anna Seu, Jeff Haywood
7am Darra	Stephanie Slatyer, Jim Tobin
8am Jindalee	August Toleafoa, Peter Dash
9am Darra	Melanie Samaila, Marj Burley
5:30pm Jindalee	Jeff Haywood, Huu Doan

Eucharist Ministers

6pm Vigil Jindalee	Michael Waterhouse, Philip Cheng, Lissy Fernandes
7am Darra	Nikolao Ropati, Fatu Misi
8am Jindalee	Chris Guyler, Germaine Guyler, Hervoijka Pavic
9am Darra	David Gilbert, Maria Nasalio, Audrey Chan
5:30pm Jindalee	Peter Condon, Rosie Condon,

Altars Servers

6pm Vigil Jindalee	Volunteer please
7am Darra	Mele Liufau Esera
8am Jindalee	Volunteer please
9am Darra	Jacob Samaila, Rahma Alsaqat
5:30pm Jindalee	Marian Weerasinghe

Cleaners Jindalee

Group 8	Margaret Hutchinson, Volunteer
<u>Darra</u> 4/5 April	Fatu & Faailoa Misi

### CHILDREN'S MINISTRY THANK YOU

We wish to extend our gratitude to the ladies of the Sacramental/Children's Ministry Team Emily, Rose, Dorothy, Heather, Cheryl, Emma and Caroline who have faithfully served and journeyed alongside our children and families this year. In a very special way we wish to thank Emily who's witness has inspired many children for the last 6 years to come to know and love Jesus profoundly. Emily will be moving on from this ministry focussing on her calling in the young adults space. God bless you always.



### FAREWELL TO THE NINNES FAMILY

We are saddened to hear the news that the Ninnes family are leaving our parish to follow God's call. For many years their family have been instrumental in supporting Real Talk, Children's and Altar Servers Ministry. We wish them God's choicest blessings for their future ahead.



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

#### THE SICK

Anna, Isabella Seppanen Taylor (Vincent), Suzanna Blacow, Ann Hogan, 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 Auva, 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

Ludwik Falkiewicz, Fr Pierre Rahi, George Nahra (died in Lebanon) Roger Persich, Domencio Chemello, Barry Kirchner, Carolyn George (nee Lynch), Francis Benedict Linjungan, Rosa Pezzenti, Matthew Jansa,

#### ANNIVERSARIES

Stanislawa Borowski, Mervyn Samaratunga, Angelo Bertoni, Sam & Stella Saccasan, Maria Hoang Thi Nu, Maria Hoa Tran, Peter Phu Le, Sevilla Garcia, Celestino Garcia, Calliope Boyatzes, Maria Boyatzes, John Behm, Michael Purcell, Parent & Theresa Ngoc, Maria Vu thi Men, 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:** Sam Saccasan

#### PALM SUNDAY PRAYER

For all who suffer injustice as Jesus did and for those who take up the cross to follow Jesus. May our work to end injustice bring peace, healing and unity in the face of all the challenges facing humanity. Lord, hear us.



**Because of the length of The Passion of the Lord,  
The text of The Gospel has not been included in this newsletter.  
Please listen to the narrative of the Gospel attentively.**

**Sunday 29 Mar 2026**

**Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord Year A**

**A reading from the prophet Isaiah 50:4-7**

The Lord has given me  
a disciple's tongue.  
So that I may know how to reply to the wearied  
he provides me with speech.  
Each morning he wakes me to hear,  
to listen like a disciple.  
The Lord has opened my ear.  
For my part, I made no resistance,  
neither did I turn away.  
I offered my back to those who struck me,  
my cheeks to those who tore at my beard;  
I did not cover my face  
against insult and spittle.  
The Lord comes to my help,  
so that I am untouched by the insults.  
So, too, I set my face like flint;  
I know I shall not be shamed.

**Responsorial Psalm**

**Ps 21:8-9. 17-20. 23-24. R. v.2**

**(R.) My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?**

1. All who see me deride me.  
They curl their lips, they toss their heads.  
'He trusted in the Lord, let him save him;  
let him release him if this is his friend.' (R.)
2. Many dogs have surrounded me,  
a band of the wicked beset me.  
They tear holes in my hands and my feet.  
I can count every one of my bones. (R.)
3. They divide my clothing among them.  
They cast lots for my robe.  
O Lord, do not leave me alone,  
my strength, make haste to help me! (R.)
4. I will tell of your name to my brethren  
and praise you where they are assembled.  
'You who fear the Lord give him praise;  
all sons of Jacob, give him glory.  
Revere him, Israel's sons.' (R.)

**A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Philippians 2:6-11**

His state was divine,  
yet Christ Jesus did not cling  
to his equality with God  
but emptied himself  
to assume the condition of a slave,  
and became as men are,  
and being as all men are,  
he was humbler yet,  
even to accepting death,  
death on a cross.  
But God raised him high  
and gave him the name  
which is above all other names  
so that all beings

in the heavens, on earth and in the underworld,  
should bend the knee at the name of Jesus  
and that every tongue should acclaim  
Jesus Christ as Lord,  
to the glory of God the Father.

**Gospel Acclamation**

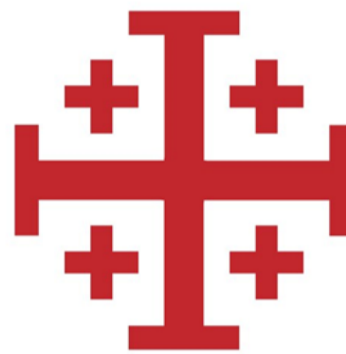
**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!**

Christ became obedient for us even to death  
dying on the cross. Therefore God raised him on high  
and gave him a name above all other names.

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**GODD FRIDAY COLLECTION**



Like last year, on Good Friday, there will  
be a retiring collection held at the end of  
the celebration of the Lord's Passion at  
Darr and Jindalee.

This collection offers an opportunity for  
Catholics to help maintain and restore  
more than 70 churches and shrines con-  
nected with Jesus.

The ongoing wars and conflicts in the Middle East, with the recent war  
in Iran and Lebanon, make this task very challenging.

Your donations collected on Good Friday will be sent directly to the Ho-  
ly Land Commissariat, Australia. Below is a list of some places and oth-  
er entities the Custody of the Holy Land looks after.

Biblical Shrines 74

Schools 22 (7,000+ students)

Parishes 29

'Casa Nova' Guest Houses 4

Other religious centres 19

Orphanages and refuges 6

Charitable programmes: Institutions: Home rental assistance, educa-  
tional scholarships, medical centres, etc. **Your generosity will be  
greatly appreciated by those who, these days, are caught in the mid-  
dle of the war and experience their own personal "Good Fridays".**

**DIVINE MERCY NOVENA**

Day 1, April 3, Fri Darra, 10 am, (after the Stations of the Cross)

Day 2, April 4, Sat Darra, 11 am, (after the blessings of the Polish food)

Day 3, April 5, Sun Darra 3 pm

Day 4, April 6, Mon Darra 6 pm

Day 5, April 7, Tue Darra 6 pm

Day 6, April 8, Wed Darra 6 pm

Day 7, April 9, Thur Darra 6 pm

Day 8, April 10, Fri Darra after the 6 pm Mass

Day 9, April 11, Sat Darra After the 9 am Mass,

**The Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament will follow  
Please join us to pray the novena leading  
to the Divine Mercy Sunday**

**Divine Mercy Hour 3pm**

**Sunday Jindalee Church**

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