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RECONCILIATION TIMES

Darra

Saturday 9:30 am

Jindalee

Saturday 5 pm – 5:45 pm

4th SUNDAY OF EASTER SUNDAY 26 APRIL 2026



The 4th Sunday of Easter, known as Good Shepherd Sunday, has been celebrated for more than sixty years as **the World Day of Prayer for Vocations** to the Priesthood and Consecrated Life. Let us extend this special day of prayer to the whole week that is ahead of us, so that, even more intensely than usual, we will pray that there will be no shortage of new priests and consecrated persons in the Church who wish to give their lives to the service of God and his people.

In today's Gospel, we see the image of the Good Shepherd who wants to lead his sheep to the fold, so they do not get lost and find the right way. This path leads through the gate, which is Jesus. He presents himself to us in this way, saying: "I am the gate of the sheep" (Jn 10:7). The Risen Lord wants us to choose the right path in our lives, so we do not go astray but enter through this door and find him as our Shepherd.

Inspired by these words, let us join in prayer for courage for those whom Jesus has chosen for a special ministry in the Church, so that they may hear his voice and embrace his call. Perhaps some of us have already included this intention in our prayers during the Holy Mass, remember it during adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, and in the rosary and other prayers. But prayer alone is not enough. It is necessary to create a vocational culture in the family and in the parish.

For this reason, in this year's message, Pope Leo XIV wrote, "I invite everyone — in families, parishes and religious communities, as well as bishops, priests, deacons, catechists, educators and all the faithful — to commit themselves more fully to creating conditions that allow this gift of vocation to be recognised, embraced, nourished, protected and accompanied, so that it may bear abundant fruit".

Easter blessings, Fr Jan

**Please note change of date for Parish Community Meeting:
Monday 11 May at 7pm Jindalee Hall**

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 and friends,

A big thank you to Fr Jan, Fr Paul, Fr Harry and every-one who attended Sunday Mass and morning tea for my 100th last Sunday.



It was a wonderful occasion. Thank you also for the gifts, flowers and cards, and a very special thanks to the organising committee. I am deeply grateful. God bless you all.

Dorothy Russell and Family.

URGENT HELP!

The St Vincent de Paul Darra-Jindalee Conference bread run project is in **urgent** need of help for at least **6 volunteers ASAP**. Please consider making a difference in the lives of the less fortunate members of our community. Should you be interested please contact the parish office on 3715-8517.

On Saturday, March 21, we honoured St Joseph at Darra Church. At this Mass, a donation box was available for parishioners to contribute. On that day, **\$350** was collected. On the morning of Saturday, April 4, during the blessing of the Polish food baskets, parishioners donated **\$265.40**. The total from these two donations, **\$615.40**, was given to the Lebanese Caritas Appeal, which was advertised on Palm Sunday in the Parish newsletter. Thanks very much for your generosity.

ROSTER TIMETABLE 25/26 April 2026

Readers

6pm Vigil Jindalee	Lyn Papa, Babes McGrath
7am Darra	Shona and Emilia Misi
8am Jindalee	Marietta & Cynthia Medina
9am Darra	Dravid Gilbert, Maria Samaila
5:30pm Jindalee	Youth Reader, Marj Burley

Eucharist Ministers

6pm Vigil Jindalee	August Toleafoa, Jeff Haywood, Ann Chase
7am Darra	Fatu Misi, Andre Tranne,
8am Jindalee	Lyn Thomas, Rachel Cleary, Ellen Masters
9am Darra	LP Seow, Maria Nasalio, Lio Samaila
5:30pm Jindalee	Darryln Edmestone, Katrina Bartholomew, James Bradley

Altars Servers

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

Cleaners Jindalee

Group 4	Barbara Melville, Jan McMullen, Hanna & Damian Ridgeway
<u>Darra</u> 2/3 May	Vietnamese Group

Wool Needed If anyone has any spare wool that they can donate, please give to the parish office for Mrs Flavie Vacher who will crochet little blankets, ponchos etc for young children for winter. Thank you so much.



On Saturday, April 18 fifty-three pilgrims from Darra Jindalee and parishioners from the neighbouring parishes visited Marian Valley.

Fr Joseph Ngo, a visitor from Vietnam, also joined us that day. Again, we were blessed with beautiful weather. Surrounded by nature and so many shrines dedicated to different saints, we prayed, reflected, and enjoyed each other's company.

It was an enjoyable day for all of us, filled with prayer, reflection, singing, and socialising. Many thanks to the parishioners who handled the logistics and preparation for this pilgrimage. Thank you to all who joined me that day. God bless, Fr Jan



Last Sunday, April 19, parishioners from Darra Jindalee gathered to celebrate Dorothy's 100th birthday. This joyous occasion began with the Eucharist. We thank God for Dorothy's presence in our parish and for her generous contribution to the parish ministries. I thank Fr Paul Goodland and Harry Moore for their presence as we honoured Dorothy on this special day. Many thanks also to those who prepared the Eucharistic liturgy that day: readers, altar servers, musicians, cantors, and Eucharistic ministers.

After our Eucharist, we moved to the Parish Hall to continue Dorothy's 100 years. The morning tea was beautifully prepared by the parishioners of the catering team. The hall looked magnificent, perfectly suited to the occasion. At the morning tea, there was plenty of food, coffee, tea and sweets, but above all, a joyous atmosphere. Towards the end, after travelling through Dorothy's life with photos and shared stories, there were the congratulatory speeches, and of course, the cutting of the birthday cake. I thank all those involved in preparing this joyous event, during which we honoured Dorothy and had the opportunity to catch up with friends and other parishioners. Easter blessings, Fr Jan

Agape Charismatic Prayer Group Meeting Friday 1st May, AGAPE will start at 7:00pm at Jindalee Church with Praise and Worship to be followed by Healing Ministry.

Confidential Prayer Support is on **Saturday 25th April** after **6pm Mass** at Jindalee and then on **Sunday 3rd May** after **8am Mass** Jindalee.

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KEYNOTE SPEAKERS



FR RAY SANCHEZ

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SCHEDULE

"I HAVE COME TO CAST FIRE UPON THE EARTH, AND WOULD THAT IT WERE ALREADY KINDLED!"

DAY 1

DAY 2



7:00AM ROSARY
8:00AM BREAKFAST
9:30AM PRAISE & WORSHIP
10:00AM MASS
10:45AM MORNING TEA
11:00AM SESSION ONE
12:30PM LUNCH
1:30PM GROUP ACTIVITIES
2:15PM SESSION TWO
3:15PM AFTERNOON TEA
3:30PM STATIONS OF THE CROSS
4:00PM FREE TIME
6:00PM DINNER
7:00PM ADORATION/CONFESSION
9:30PM BOND FIRE
10:00PM LIGHTS OUT

DAY 3

7:00AM	ROSARY
7:30AM	BREAKFAST
8:00AM	VACATE CABINS
9:00AM	PRaise & WORSHIP
9:20AM	REFLECTION
9:30AM	MASS
10:30AM	FINAL SESSION & MT
11:15AM	AFFIRMATIONS
12:00PM	LUNCH
1:00PM	DEPARTURE
3:00PM	ARRIVAL AT HALL

On Saturday 26 April Mikel Olmos
will be graced with the Sacrament of Baptism.
We warmly welcome their family to the Darra Jindalee parish
and entrust them in to Our Lady's motherly care.

WE ENTRUST TO GOD'S MERCY

THE SICK

Lou Wilkinson, Des Lavey, Reshma Monteiro, Anna, Isabella Seppanen Taylor (Vincent), Justin Duncombe, Clare Caverswall, Patricia Curnow, Alojzija Rutar, Fr Barry Grayson, Annalie DJ. Herbolario. Jonathon Caldwell, Ron Lucas, Gerry Redmond, Jennifer R. Stephens, Antonio Sarmento, Chanel Beaver, Fr Vince Hobbs, Tom McCracken, Mary Sturgeon, Theresia Fisher, Paul Purcell, Savelio Fuiono, Walter Pick, Blin Berhane, Pauline Lavey, Maria Makerita Auvaa, Sr Margaret Mary Danaher (vision) Rita Fenech, Maha Hachem, Peter Henderson, Jenny Magee, Graham McBryde, Annette Tanks, Ron Ford, Lee Denton, **and for those who have need of our prayers at this time.**

RECENTLY DECEASED

Barbara Louise Mainman Waterhouse, Sheila Shaw, Suzanna Zofia,
Maria Nguyen thi Thoa, Eric Dane, Ilaitia Turagabeci Prasad, Roger
Persich (40 days)

ANNIVERSARIES

Philippa Mary MacKenzie, Jozef Sonthany, Astrid Edenton,, Annette Ward, Phyllis Hoogewerf, Frances Thompson, John Anthony Farry, Therese Bich Hue, Bonaventura Tri Tran, Peter, Catherine and Mary Tan, Rosalind and Gregg De Mello, Gavin Giorgio, Betty Thomas, Boutros Nahas, Harry Leszczynski, Jozef Marczak, Maria Marczak, **and pray for:** Barry Cumner, Jan, Miecia and Zygyuch, Anthony Leszczynski, Monteiro and Singh family, 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.**

A Memorial Service will be held for the late

Barbara Louise Mainman Waterhouse

Monday May 4th at 11am

St Catherine's Anglican Community Hall.

All Welcome.

Michael Waterhouse thanks all parishioners for their prayers.

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 26 Apr 2026

Fourth Sunday of Easter Year A

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles 2:14. 36-41

On the day of Pentecost Peter stood up with the Eleven and addressed the crowd with a loud voice: 'The whole House of Israel can be certain that God has made this Jesus whom you crucified both Lord and Christ.'

Hearing this, they were cut to the heart and said to Peter and the apostles, 'What must we do, brothers?' 'You must repent,' Peter answered 'and every one of you must be baptised in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins, and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. The promise that was made is for you and your children, and for all those who are far away, for all those whom the Lord our God will call to himself.' He spoke to them for a long time using many arguments, and he urged them, 'Save yourselves from this perverse generation.' They were convinced by his arguments, and they accepted what he said and were baptised. That very day about three thousand were added to their number.

Ps 22:1-6. R. v.1

**(R.) The Lord is my shepherd;
there is nothing I shall want.**

1. The Lord is my shepherd;
there is nothing I shall want.
Fresh and green are the pastures
where he gives me repose.
Near restful waters he leads me,
to revive my drooping spirit. (R.)

2. He guides me along the right path;
he is true to his name.
If I should walk in the valley of darkness
no evil would I fear.
You are there with your crook and your staff;
with these you give me comfort. (R.)

3. You have prepared a banquet for me
in the sight of my foes.
My head you have anointed with oil;
my cup is overflowing. (R.)

4. Surely goodness and kindness shall follow me
all the days of my life.
In the Lord's own house shall I dwell
for ever and ever. (R.)

A reading from the first letter of St Peter 1 2:20-25

The merit, in the sight of God, is in bearing punishment patiently when you are punished after doing your duty.

This, in fact, is what you were called to do, because Christ suffered for you and left an example for you to follow the way he took. He had not done anything wrong, and there had been no perjury in his mouth. He was insulted and did not retaliate with insults; when he was tortured he made no threats but he put his trust in the righteous judge. He was bearing our faults in his own body on the cross, so that we might die to our faults and live for holiness; through his wounds you have been healed. You had gone astray like sheep but

now you have come back to the shepherd and guardian of your souls.
Alleluia, alleluia!

I am the good shepherd, says the Lord;
I know my sheep, and mine know me.
Alleluia!

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John 10:1-10

Jesus said: 'I tell you most solemnly, anyone who does not enter the sheepfold through the gate, but gets in some other way is a thief and a brigand. The one who enters through the gate is the shepherd of the flock; the gatekeeper lets him in, the sheep hear his voice, one by one he calls his own sheep and leads them out. When he has brought out his flock, he goes ahead of them, and the sheep follow because they know his voice. They never follow a stranger but run away from him: they do not recognise the voice of strangers.'

Jesus told them this parable but they failed to understand what he meant by telling it to them.

So Jesus spoke to them again:

'I tell you most solemnly,
I am the gate of the sheepfold.
All others who have come
are thieves and brigands;
but the sheep took no notice of them.
I am the gate.
Anyone who enters through me will be safe:
he will go freely in and out
and be sure of finding pasture.
The thief comes
only to steal and kill and destroy.
I have come
so that they may have life
and have it to the full.'

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A Mass including the Sacrament of the Sick will be held on **Tuesday, April 28, at 9:00 a.m. at the Twelve Apostles Church, Jindalee**.
Please inform any parishioners who might need to receive this Sacrament about this Mass. Thank you!

**First Friday Adoration on May 1 Darra
after the 6 pm Mass will be held until 10 pm.**

The Blessed Sacrament will be exposed.
During the exposition, the Sacrament of Reconciliation
(Confession) will be available.

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