St. Aloysius' Redan St. James' Sebastopol St. Peter's Linton

(Encompassing Skipton, Smythesdale and Snake Valley)

4th Sunday of Lent

Sunday 14th March 2021

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Fr. Eugene McKinnon

Next Week's Readings: Jeremiah 31:31-34, Hebrews 5:7-9; John 12:20-33

The parishes acknowledge that the Aboriginal people of Australia are our first nation people and the traditional owners and custodians of this land.

Parish Arrangements

Just a reminder that all Church gatherings must meet the density quotient of 1 person per 2 square metres. Until further notice, you will need to continue to book in to attend a Mass, please make a booking either by <u>phone</u>, <u>text</u>, <u>or email</u> with the Parish Coordinators. Your name and contact details which will be recorded when you make a booking.

St. Aloysius, Redan St. James, Sebastopol

Thursday 9.30am
Saturday 6.00pm
Sunday 9.00am
Friday 9.30am
Sunday 10.30am

St Brigid's, Snake ValleySt Peter's, LintonSt John's, SkiptonSaturday 6.30pmSunday 9.00amSunday 10.30am

Project Compassion Sunday - 14th March 2021

Oliva, 22, didn't have the opportunity to go to school, and was embarrassed that she was unable to read, write or count. Her business was losing money because she couldn't add up. Then Oliva enrolled in Caritas Australia's literacy and numeracy classes. She also set up a home classroom to teach her neighbours for free, because they were too shy to attend larger classes. Oliva has now graduated, attendance at her classes is growing, her kiosk is thriving and she is helping her children with their homework. She aims to become a pastor and run for leadership in the next local election - to help her community to 'Be More.' Please donate to Project Compassion 2021 and support people like Oliva's gain access to education to build a brighter future and live in communities that upholds everyone's dignity. You can donate through Parish boxes and envelopes, by visiting www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion or phoning 1800 024 413.

Recent Deaths: Sheila Forster

Anniversaries: Anthony Atkinson, Betty Campbell, Tom Dickson, James Everard, John van den Hoek,

Peggy Holloway, Patrick Walsh, Bernie Wilkie,

Please remember in your prayers: Margaret Cooper, Fr. Denis Dennehy, Heather Healy, Gerard

Hoogenboom, Constancio Laduan Sr., Corazon Laduan, Lucas Mactingrao, Loreto Martinovic, Jonathon Rice,

Louis Sykes,

Sr. Patricia Vagg, Jo van Gaans

Lenten Anointing Masses - This year the Anointing Masses will be held on:

Thursday 25th March, 9.30am, St Aloysius Church Friday 26th March, 9.30am, St James Church

Due to the ongoing COVID regulations, morning tea will follow the St James Mass at Sebastopol Bowling Club at your own cost.

Easter Ceremonies 2021 - *Bookings are essential

Holy Thursday April 1st - Mass of the Lord's Supper - St. Aloysius - 7pm Good Friday April 2nd - Celebration of the Lord's Passion - St. James' - 3pm

Holy Saturday April 3rd - Easter Vigil - St. Aloysius - 7pm

Easter Sunday April 4th - Mass St. Aloysius - 9am

Easter Sunday April 4th - Mass at St. James with blessing of Paschal candle & renewal of Baptismal

promises - 10.30am

Centralised Baptism Preparation Session will be held at MacKillop and Glowrey Rooms of St. Patrick's Cathedral Hall on Thursday 8th April 2021 at 10.00am & 5.30pm. Bookings to be made with Parish Offices.

St. Aloysius' Parish Redan

Collections for previous weekend

Parish: \$598.00 Presbytery: \$327.00

Opportunity for Prayer at St Aloysius - You are invited to join in saying the rosary, Thursday at 9am, all welcome.

Sacramental Program 2021 – Term 1 – Sacrament of Penance / Reconciliation

- Baptised Catholics in Grade 4 or older
- Celebrated on Tuesday 23rd March and Thursday 25th March 24th, 5.30pm at St Aloysius Church

St. James' Parish Sebastopol

Collections for previous weekend

Parish: \$277.00 Presbytery: \$236.00

Opportunity for Prayer at St James' - Wednesday at 10.30am Adoration & Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. Dates to Remember: Filipino Rosary Group - 1st Wednesday of month at 7pm St. James Footy Tipping - will commence on Thursday 18th March. \$5 entry fee. Please email or phone selections/tips to Bryan Goble on 0420 473 393 or bryangoble47@gmail.com or the Parish Office on 0428 699 624 or sebastopol@ballarat.catholic.org.au. If selections/tips are not received by the first game of the round, you will be allocated the 'away' teams.

Sacramental Program 2021 – Term 1 – Sacrament of Penance / Reconciliation

This Sunday we welcome the children and their parents who will be preparing and working their way through the program over the next two weeks. Celebrated on Wednesday March 24th, at 7.00pm, St. James' Church. Please keep these children in our prayers.

World Day of Prayer Service - The 2pm service on Friday 5th March was held at St. James Parish Church with 30 people attending. The World Day of Prayer Committee were thrilled with the generous giving to the Trauma Healing Program in Vanuatu, breaking all records of previous giving, with St. James Parish Church contributing \$520.20. Thank you for your contribution towards making World Day of Prayer such a wonderful success with a beautiful service so well appreciated and presented. Max White

Ballarat Diocesan Information, News and Events

The Mass of the Oils will be celebrated in St Patrick's Cathedral, Ballarat at 6.30pm on Monday, March 29. COVID-19 restrictions allow a maximum of 300 people in the Cathedral (this number includes clergy). Therefore to assist the diocese in observing this limit, parishes are asked to nominate up to five representatives to attend from each parish. Please contact the Parish Offices to arrange your booking.

The Parishes of St. Aloysius, St. James' & St. Peter's are committed to the care, wellbeing and protection of children, young people and vulnerable adults in our community. We uphold that child protection and the dignity of every person is the responsibility of every adult.