

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

(Encompassing Skipton, Smythesdale and Snake Valley)

27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Year A

Sunday 8th October 2023

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Next Week's Readings: Isaiah 25:6-10; Philippians 4:12-14, 19-20; Matthew 22:1-14

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

Parish Mass Times

St. Aloysius, Redan

Thursday 9.30am Lay Led Assembly with Communion

Saturday 6.00pm

Sunday 9.00am

St. Brigid's, Snake Valley

Saturday 6.30pm

St. Peter's, Linton

Sunday 9.00am

St. James, Sebastopol

Friday 9.30am

Sunday 10.30am

St. John's, Skipton

Sunday 10.30am

Daylight Saving Mass Time Change - St. Aloysius Saturday night Mass will be at 6pm from Saturday 7th October.

Recent deaths: Paulina Boquida, Shirley Mitchell

Anniversaries: Dorothy Carter (Vagg), Margaret Everard, Alex Harris, Bev Hemsley-Clark, Neil Laduan, Eric Mahoney, Noel Perera, Bernard Walsh, Richard Zimmermann,

Please remember in your prayers: Margaret Cooper, Constancio Laduan Sr., Maggie Mitchell,, Jonathon Rice, Annie Welsch

Centralised Baptism Preparation Session will be held at MacKillop and Glowrey Rooms of St. Patrick's Cathedral Hall on **Thursday 2nd November at 10.00am & 5.30pm**. Bookings to be made with the Parish Offices.

Diocesan e-News - Read about news and events of the diocese in the latest edition of e-News

<https://www.ballarat.catholic.org.au/news-events/e-news/>

Fr. Eugene is on annual leave until Friday 22nd October. If you require a priest please contact the Ballarat Cathedral on 5331 2933. Arrangements while Fr Eugene is away are as follows:

Thursday morning at St Aloysius on Thursdays 12th & 19th October will be a Lay Led Assembly with Communion

Friday morning Mass at St James will continue during this time celebrated by Fr Eric Bryant

St. James Sunday Morning Mass will continue at 10.30am celebrated by Fr Eric Bryant

St. Aloysius weekend Masses: 14th/15th (6pm Mass) Oct. Lay Led Assembly with Communion

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

Faithful invited to pray for Synod of Bishops - The Vatican is asking all baptised people, regardless of whether they will be in Rome, to participate in October's assembly of the Synod of Bishops with their prayers. More information available from the diocesan website <https://www.ballarat.catholic.org.au/for-a-synodal-church-communion-participation-and-mission/>

Prayer for the Synod - *We stand before You, Holy Spirit, as we gather together in Your name. With You alone to guide us, make Yourself at home in our hearts; teach us the way we must go and how we are to pursue it. We are weak and sinful; do not let us promote disorder. Do not let ignorance lead us down the wrong path nor partiality influence our actions. Let us find in You our unity so that we may journey together to eternal life and not stray from the way of truth and what is right. All this we ask of You, who are at work in every place and time, in the communion of the Father and the Son, forever and ever. Amen.*

St. Aloysius' Parish Redan

Collections for previous weekend

Parish \$687.00

Presbytery \$613.00

Opportunity for Prayer at St Aloysius - Rosary for the next three Thursdays after the Lay Led assembly

Formation opportunity - There will be an opportunity for those who are in the ministry of children's liturgy or dismissals for the Sacramental program on Thursday 26th October, at 10.00am either at 5.30pm, at St Aloysius Parish Centre, Ripon Street Redan. The meeting is open to anyone who may be interested in becoming a part of this ministry, all welcome

St. James' Parish Sebastopol

Collections for previous weekend

Parish \$375.00

Presbytery \$347.00

Dates to Remember: Men's Breakfast - 3rd Saturday of the month - Saturday 21st October at 9.00am.

St. Vincent de Paul Society Meeting - 4th Monday of the month - Monday 23rd October at 4.00pm. All welcome

Plant Sale - Due to this unseasonal warm weather I have had to bring forward the plant sale we were having at the end of this month, so we will have it on Sunday 8th October. There is an outside chance of another one early November depending on what we have left. Joe.

Ballarat Diocesan Information, News and Events

Diocesan Social Justice Statement launch - The Ballarat Diocesan Social Justice Commission have released presentations for the diocesan launch of the Social Justice Statement 2023. The BDSJC ask parishioners to view the Acknowledgement of Country and Prayer be viewed. See link:

<https://vimeo.com/866995880/5dd369b97d?share=copy>

Sacred Heart College Ballarat Reunion - A reunion of SHC Ballarat East class of 1965 plus anyone who attended SHC, will be held on Sunday, October 15, 2023 at GC's Ballarat from 11.00am – 3.00pm. To attend email loisknights345@hotmail.com or ph. 0419 902538

Wisdom at the Cathedral - All are welcome to the final talk for the year in the Cathedral parish's series Wisdom at the Cathedral. Sister Rosie Drum, MGL, will speak on *The Holy Spirit: Not Just a Fluffy White Dove*. The talk and discussion time will go for an hour and will be followed by a cup of tea. 7pm sharp, Thursday 19 October in the MacKillop/Glowrey rooms. Entry by donation. For all enquiries please contact Fiona Bradley on fionalouisebradley@gmail.com.

Season of Creation: September 1 - October 4, 2023 - Every year from September 1 - October 4, Catholic Earthcare Australia (Caritas and the Australian Bishops Conference) joins with Christian communities globally to celebrate the Season of Creation, to celebrate the gift of our common home. Resources for the Season of Creation are available from the diocesan website

<https://www.ballarat.catholic.org.au/services-agencies-2/welfare/catholic-earthcare-ballarat-diocese/season-of-creation-2023/>



Laudato Si'



Environmental education should facilitate making the leap towards the transcendent which gives ecological ethics its deepest meaning #210

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"Be Food Smart" Did you know?
One in five bags that we take home from the Supermarket ends up in landfill. To see how much food you waste and to find ways to avoid it, keep a diary for a week and record all the food wasted in your house.