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

(Encompassing Skipton, Smythesdale and Snake Valley)

21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

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## Sunday 28th August 2023

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For Linton Parish enquiries contact Fr. Eugene McKinnon

#### Next Week's Readings: Jeremiah 20:7-9; Romans 12:1-2; Matthew 16:21-27

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

<b>St. Aloysius, Redan</b> Thursday 9.30am		<b>St. James, Sebastopol</b> Friday 9.30am
Saturday 5.00pm Sunday 9.00am		Sunday 10.30am
St. Brigid's, Snake Valley Saturday 6.30pm	<b>St. Peter's, Linton</b> Sunday 9.00am	<b>St. John´s, Skipton</b> Sunday 10.30am

Recent deaths: Fr. Steve Bohan, Peter Eyers, Gavin Frawley,

**Anniversaries:** Kevin Bond, Alita Dall, Marlene Dall, Val Dickson, Jessie Downing, Maureen Everard, Sr. M. Genevieve rsm, Malachy Hayes, James Hevey, Bettina Kembski, Homer Landiza, Sr. Barbara Lemke rsm, Owen O'Donoghue, Nellie Pearson, Marion Pratesi, Robolfo S. Puyaoan, Martin Riesewyk, Pauline Rowe, Val Rosenow, Les Skelton, John Thomas,

**Please remember in your prayers:** Margaret Cooper, Maggie Mitchell, Shirley 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 7th September 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 <a href="https://www.ballarat.catholic.org.au/news-events/e-news/">https://www.ballarat.catholic.org.au/news-events/e-news/</a>

**Social Justice Statement 2023-2024** - The Australian bishops' have launched the 2023-2024 Social Justice Statement, "Listen, Learn, Love: A New Engagement with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples". Copies of the statement and resources are available from the diocesan website

<u>https://www.ballarat.catholic.org.au/services-agencies-2/welfare/social-justice/social-justice-statement/</u>. Social Justice Sunday will be celebrated on August 27. **Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults RCIA** - For anyone interested from all our Parishes, there will be an information/enquiry meeting on Tuesday 12th September, 5.30pm in St Aloysius Parish Centre, Ripon Street Redan (between the school and Church). This meeting is for anyone over the age of 16 who is considering becoming a Catholic. This is the initial enquiry meeting, you will be given all relevant information, no commitment needs to be made at this stage. If you require further information please contact Bernadette at the St Aloysius Parish Office on 0455 212 123.

**St. Vincent de Paul Society Winter Appeal Thank you** - Our conference would like to thank you for the continued support you give us and the people in need that we assist. We have received generous monetary donations and food donations over the past few weeks from many parishioners. These donations assist us greatly to continue doing our "good works". Parishioners may still donate, envelopes are available at the Piety counter at St. James and may be left in the box there or on the collection plates or at the parish offices. God bless you all. Krys

## St. Aloysius' Parish Redan

### Collections for previous weekend

Parish \$963.00 Presbytery \$1005.00

**Opportunity for Prayer at St Aloysius** - You are invited to join in saying the rosary, after 9.30am Mass Thursday **Sacrament of Confirmation** This weekend, we welcome the first group of children and their families who are celebrating the Sacrament of Confirmation. The next celebrations will be on the 2/3rd September & September 9. *We pray that the Holy Spirit continues to strengthen and guide them through-out their lives.* 

## St. James' Parish Sebastopol

#### Collections for previous weekend Parish \$540.00 Presbytery \$334.00 Dates to Remember:

Filipino Rosary Group - 1st Wednesday of the month - Wednesday 6th September at 7.00pm. St. Vincent de Paul Society Meeting - Monday 18th September at 4.00pm. No August meeting.

**Sacrament of Confirmation** - This Sunday, we welcome the children and their parents for the celebration of the Sacrament of Confirmation. Congratulations to George Amante, Emilio Bazzano, Gracie Bridges, Luka Bridges, Eliza Frawley, Chelsea Hucker, Elsie Jarvis, Lily McDonald, Ethan Respall, Althea Siazar, Khalil Siazar, Marshall Ubongen and Payton Zadow.

We pray that the Holy Spirit continues to strengthen and guide them through-out their lives.

**Filipino Choir** - Anyone interested in joining the choir please see one of the members regarding practise times. **Plant Sale last Sunday a big thank you** to our super sales-lady Ros Connellan who single handedly sold over \$100 worth of plants (I think she enjoyed it). Also a big thank you to Fr. Eugene for letting me set up in the foyer. Our next 1 or 2 sales will be towards the end of October/early November. Anyone wishing to donate plants can drop them off to St. James late Sept/early Oct and Joe will look after them or ring Joe for a pick up on 0413 564 522. Thank you to our congregation for your support.

# **Ballarat Diocesan Information, News and Events**

### Ballarat Clergy Support Fund- Collection for Sick and Retired Priests – next weekend

Creating a secure retirement future for the priests of the diocese is a duty and care in which we can all participate. Seventeen retired priests are currently supported by this Fund. Some live privately, some are retired in units in Ballarat or elsewhere, others live in supported accommodation. A credit card facility is available for your convenience, and contributions over \$2.00 are tax-deductible. CARING FOR THOSE WHO CARED FOR US – THE CHURCH COMMUNITY'S RESPONSIBILITY

**The Sisters of Saint Joseph have prepared an Australian Pilgrimage,** "In the Footsteps of Mary MacKillop" commencing in Melbourne on 17 October, journeying through Victoria and South Australia, and ending at Mary MacKillop Place, North Sydney on 28 October 2023. During the pilgrimage we visit many places associated with Mary MacKillop's life and ministry. I am happy to answer any questions and provide an itinerary and application form, and may be contacted at <u>national.pilgrimage@mmp.org.au</u> or on 89124818. Sr. Annie Bond.