St. James' Sebastopol St. Peter's LintonRd Pl(Encompassing Skipton, Smythesdale and Snake Valley)PdFourth Sunday of Easter Year APdSunday 30th April 2023PdParish Priest: Fr. Eugene McKinnon Presbytery: 508 Leith Street RedanPdPh: 0402 804 104Fd	Parish Coordinators & Safeguarding Officers: Redan - Bernadette Lynch Ph: 0455 212 123 Email: <u>redan@ballarat.catholic.org.au</u> Office hours: Wed & Thurs 9.00am – 4.00pm Sebastopol - Pauline O'Brien Ph: 0428 699 624 Email: <u>sebastopol@ballarat.catholic.org.au</u> Office hours: Tues & Fri 9.00am – 3.00pm For Linton Parish enquiries contact Fr. Eugene McKinnon
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Next Week's Readings: Acts 6:1-7; 1 Peter 2:4-9; John 14:1-12

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

Recent deaths: Ed Baker, Fr. Bob McGuire, Inez Sullivan

Anniversaries: Robert Begelhoe, Bernie Cullinan, Lyn Evans, Kevin Glavarino, Jim Hughes, Agnes Joyce, Margaret Keighery, Maureen Ryan, Frank Stodolny, Andreas Verberne, Fred Weightman,

Please remember in your prayers: Margaret Cooper, Nellie deJong, Constancio Laduan Sr., Peter Kavanagh, Lucas Mactingrao, Shirley Mitchell, Jonathan Rice, Sr. Marie Vagg, Annie Welsch

Centralised Baptism Preparation Session will be held at MacKillop and Glowrey Rooms of St. Patrick's Cathedral Hall on **Thursday 4th May at 10.00am & 5.30pm** Bookings to be made with the Parish Offices.

Mass Counts start on weekend May 6-7

The Annual Diocesan Mass Count will take place over 4 weekends in May. Counting will start on May 6-7 and until the end and continue each week of May.

Project Compassion - Thank you

Caritas Australia would like to **THANK YOU** for supporting Project Compassion 2023. If you still have your Project Compassion box or set of envelopes at home, please bring them back next week or visit <u>caritas.org.au/project-compassion</u> and donate online. **Your generosity will empower the world's most vulnerable communities to grow stronger and lift themselves out of poverty.** Together, we can help vulnerable communities face their challenges today and build a better tomorrow *For All Future Generations*. You can donate through Project Compassion donation boxes/envelopes available from your parish, by visiting <u>caritas.org.au/project-compassion</u>, or by calling 1800 024 413.

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.

WORLD DAY OF VOCATIONS - World Day of Prayer will be observed on Sunday, April 30, 2023 also known as "Good Shepherd Sunday." The purpose of this day is to publicly fulfill the Lord's instruction to, "Pray the Lord of the harvest to send laborers into his harvest" (Mt 9:38; Lk 10:2). We remember young women and men throughout our country and diocese and pray they may be open to hear and respond generously to the Lord's call to marriage, the single life, the priesthood, diaconate, religious life, societies of apostolic life or secular institutes.

VOCATIONS PRAYER - Holy Spirit, stir within us the passion to promote vocations to the single and married life, consecrated life, societies of apostolic life, diocesan priesthood, and permanent diaconate. Inspire us daily to respond to Your call with boundless compassion, abundant generosity, and radical availability. Help us to remember our own baptismal call to rouse us to invite the next generation to hear and respond to Your call. Inspire parents, families, and lay ecclesial ministers to begin a conversation with young Catholics to consider how they will live lives of holiness and sacred service. Nudge inquirers and motivate discerners to learn more about vowed and associate commitment in apostolic life, cloistered life, evangelical life, lay ecclesial ministers, missionary life, monastic life, and societies of apostolic life. Ignite our Church with the confident humility that there is an urgent need for all the baptized to live their vocation in solidarity with those who are poor, neglected, and marginalized.

St. Aloysius' Parish Redan

Collections for previous weekend

Parish \$529.00 Presbytery \$926.00

Opportunity for Prayer at St Aloysius - You are invited to join in saying the rosary, after 9.30am Mass Thursday **Sacramental Program 2023 – Term 2 – Eucharist** - This weekend, we welcome the children and their families who will be preparing and working their way through the Eucharist program over the next four weeks and will be celebrated at Parish Masses on Saturday 3rd & Sunday 4th June, Sunday 11th June and Saturday 17th June *Please keep the children and their families in our prayers.*

Caring Circle - This group will meet on Wednesday 3rd May, 1pm in the Parish Centre. New members always welcome

St. James' Parish Sebastopol

Collections for previous weekend

Parish \$517.00 Presbytery \$372.00

Opportunity for Prayer at St James' - Wednesday at 10.30am Adoration & Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. **Dates to Remember:**

Caring Group Meeting - Tuesday 2nd May at 9.30am. All welcome

Filipino Rosary Group - 1st Wednesday of the month - Wednesday 3rd May at 7.00pm

Men's Breakfast - 3rd Saturday of the month - Saturday 20th May at 9.00am

St Vincent de Paul Meeting - 4th Monday of the month - Monday 22nd May at 4.00pm. All welcome.

Sacrament of Baptism - This Sunday we welcome through the Sacrament of Baptism, Macie Lou Goodes, daughter of Annie and Brent.

"The Church gives the faith to your children through Baptism and you have the task to make it grow..." - Pope Francis. Sacramental Program 2023 – Term 2 – Eucharist

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A big thank you to all involved in the preparation and organisation of our Easter liturgies along with everyone who performed a ministry at these services in making these such prayerful celebrations.

Ballarat Diocesan Information, News and Events

Cathedral Branch Catholic Women's League - Our next meeting will be held in the Mary Glowrey room Wed May 3rd at 1.30pm. Discussion on Father Mc Culloch's visit and afternoon tea. All Welcome.

Visit of Father Robert McCulloch - Father Robert will be in Ballarat on Monday May 8th and will say a 12 midday Mass, at the Cathedral then give a presentation in the Mary Glowrey room immediately after Mass updating us on current events in Pakistan and beyond. A light lunch will be provided. Donation envelopes will be available. Entry - By donation. Inquiries 0401 175 045