

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

(Encompassing Skipton, Smythesdale and Snake Valley)

## The Transfiguration of the Lord Year A

**Sunday 6th August 2023**

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**Next Week's Readings: 1 Kings 19:9, 11-13; Romans 9:1-5; Matthew 14:22-33**

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

### Parish Mass Times

#### **St. Aloysius, Redan**

Thursday 9.30am

Saturday 5.00pm

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

**Recent deaths:** Dianne Molloy, Fr. Frank Smith CSSR (Exodus Community Wendouree West)

**Anniversaries:** Bill Byvoet, Dawn Dicker, John Everard, Mary Farrugia, Eileen Kennedy, Mary Mullane, Len McEldrew, Wendy & Rod Page, Jula Pavlic, Raymond Quinlan, James Ryan, Gwen Sowter, Ada Thyne,

**Please remember in your prayers:** Margaret Cooper, Shirley Mitchell, Jonathon 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 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

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

**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](mailto:loisknights345@hotmail.com) or ph. 0419 902538.

**World Youth Day 2023: August 1-6, 2023** - More than 3000 Australian pilgrims will attend World Youth Day in Lisbon, Portugal. We pray for the five people from the Diocese of Ballarat attending: Grace Doherty and Anna Whiting (St Mary MacKillop College Swan Hill students); Gerry Vytilingam (St Mary MacKillop College Swan Hill staff member); John-Paul Walker (Linton & Sebastopol Parishes); Laura Bruty (Linton Parish & Australian Catholic University Ballarat Campus).

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 Youth Day Prayer - God, merciful Father, in your Son, Jesus Christ, you have revealed your love and poured it out upon us in the Holy Spirit, the Comforter. We entrust to you today the destiny of the world and of every man and woman. We entrust to you in a special way young people of every language, people and nation: guide and protect them as they walk the complex paths of the world today and give them the grace to reap abundant fruits from their experience of the Lisbon World Youth Day. Amen.*

## **St. Aloysius' Parish Redan**

**Collections for previous weekend**

**Parish \$783.00**

**Presbytery \$862.00**

**Opportunity for Prayer at St Aloysius** - You are invited to join in saying the rosary, after 9.30am Mass Thursday

**Sacramental Program 2023 – Term 3 – Confirmation - Baptised Catholics in Grade 3 and 4 or older** - This weekend, we welcome the children and their families who will be preparing and working their way through the Sacramental program for Confirmation for the next three weeks and will be celebrated during Parish Masses on 26/27th August, 2/3rd September & September 9. *Please keep the children and their families in our prayers.*

**Plan Giving Receipts** have been emailed to those who have provided us with an email address and all other receipts are now available in the foyer. If you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact Bernadette in the Parish Office. Thank you.

## **St. James' Parish Sebastopol**

**Collections for previous weekend**

**Parish \$434.00**

**Presbytery \$407.00**

**Dates to Remember:**

Caring Group Meeting - Tuesday 8th August at 9.30am.

Men's Breakfast - 3rd Saturday of the month - Saturday 19th August at 9.00am.

StVdeP Society Meeting - 4th Monday of the month - Monday 28th August at 4.00pm.

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**Filipino Choir** - Anyone interested in joining the choir please see one of the members regarding practise times.

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**Thank you** - Dear Parishioners thank you for your support and donation to Project Compassion 2023. Your gift will make a difference. Kind Regards Jillian Hogbin Diocesan Director Caritas Ballarat.

**Thank you** to the Nijam family for their donation of 'The Lord is My Shepherd' hand painted banner from Fiji in memory of Peggy Nijam which is on display on the foyer notice board.

**St. James Feast Day** - Around 50 Parishioners celebrated the feast day with lunch at the Flying Horse Bistro and enjoyed a meal and shared each other's company.

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

**Ballarat Diocese Lay Pastoral Ministry Program – Online Study** - The Virtual Learning Community for Faith Formation (VLCFF) is a growing initiative to offer adult religious education and faith formation anytime and anywhere, online. This low-cost (\$50usd) online study and formation for employed or volunteer lay workers in parishes is available through our partner, Dayton University. The next Cycle begins August 28. There are 41 subjects to choose from – find one that interests you! Registrations are open now. Scan the QR code for more information or email [djurdja.klaric@ballarat.catholic.org.au](mailto:djurdja.klaric@ballarat.catholic.org.au) or ph. 5337 7121.

**Praying with Pope Francis** - The Pope's Worldwide Prayer Network (Apostleship of Prayer) is an international movement that is more than 170 years old. Each month, the Pope puts forward a prayer intention and asks Catholics around the world to join him in prayer. These intentions cover all sorts of areas of life, encouraging faith, renewing hope and calling us to loving service. Praying each month 'The Pope Video' forms part of the Pope's Worldwide Prayer Network – view at [www.thepopevideo.org](http://www.thepopevideo.org).

**Pope's intention for August – For World Youth Day:** We pray the World Youth Day in Lisbon will help young people to live and witness the Gospel in their own lives. Lord, hear us.