

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

(Encompassing Skipton, Smythesdale and Snake Valley)

**Fifth Sunday of Easter**

**Year A**

**Sunday 7th May 2023**

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**Next Week's Readings: Acts 8:5-8, 14-17; 1 Peter 3:15-18; John 14:15-21**

*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:** Marie Hammond,

**Anniversaries:** Mark Cranage, Ian Dark, Maria Jaroszek, Des Harty, Len Street, Florence Weightman, Nancy 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 1st June at 10.00am & 5.30pm** Bookings to be made with the Parish Offices.

### **Mass Counts start this weekend**

The Annual Diocesan Mass Count will take place over the next 4 weekends, beginning this weekend.

### **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 [caritas.org.au/project-compassion](http://caritas.org.au/project-compassion) 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 [caritas.org.au/project-compassion](http://caritas.org.au/project-compassion), 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.

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

**Collections for previous weekend**

**Parish \$589.00**

**Presbytery \$898.00**

**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.*

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

**Collections for previous weekend**

**Parish \$387.00**

**Presbytery \$391.00**

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

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.

**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 three weeks and will be celebrated on Sunday 4th June, at 10.30am Mass.  
*Please keep the children and their families in our prayers.*

**Plan Giving Envelope #8 - Please contact either Bryan Goble or Pauline in the Parish Office. Thank you.**

**Thank you** - *Our most sincere appreciation to each of you for opening your doors and hearts to us on the occasion of the funeral for our loved sister, Inez. We felt so welcome and we acknowledge such willing assistance in every detail. It means so much that we were able to honour and celebrate Inez with love and dignity. The Sullivan family (Paul & Maureen)*

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

**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

**Week of Prayer for Christian Unity:** May 21-28, 2023 - Resources for the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity are available from <https://www.ncca.org.au/faith-and-unity-resources>

**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. See flyer on the noticeboard.

**Padre Pio** - A film by Abel Ferrara. Commences May 11th at the Regent Cinemas. Contact the box office on 53305512 for further information.

**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 May - for church movements and groups:** *We pray that Church movements and groups may rediscover their mission of evangelisation each day, placing their own charisms at the service of needs in the world. Lord, hear us.*