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

(Encompassing Skipton, Smythesdale and Snake Valley) 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Sunday 19th November 2023

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For Linton Parish enquiries contact Fr. Eugene McKinnon

Next Week's Readings: Ezekiel 34:11-12, 15-17; 1 Corinthians 15:20-26, 28; Matthew 25:31-46

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, 23rd Nov. 11.00am Anointing Mass Saturday 6.00pm		St. James, Sebastopol Friday 9.30am Sunday 10.30am			
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			St. Brigid's, Snake Valley	St. Peter's, Linton	St. John's, Skipton
Saturday 6.30pm	Sunday 9.00am	Sunday 10.30am			

Recent deaths: Gwen Breen, Jean Dumaresq, Katharine Gibbons-John

Anniversaries: Kathleen Buttler, Lyndsay Cahill, Fred Chaffey, Adrianna Cook, Elnora Cudia, Gary Elliott, Molly Finn, Bill Forbes, Debbie Hudson, Adrian Joore, Frank Kermond, Gerard McCarty, Robyn Phillips, Maxwell Rae, Anne-Marie Smerdon, Kathleen Smith, Christopher Storey, Sr. Connie Walsh rsm,

Please remember in your prayers: Margaret Cooper, Leila Hudson, Maggie Mitchell, Koha Tracey, Annie Welsch

Centralised Baptism Preparation Session will be held at MacKillop and Glowrey Rooms of St. Patrick's Cathedral Hall on **Thursday 7th December at 10.00am & 5.30pm.** Bookings to be made with the Parish Offices.

Ordination to the Diaconate- Seminarian Cay Trinh will be ordained Deacon for the Diocese of Ballarat on Saturday, December 16, 2023 at St Patrick's Cathedral Ballarat at 10.00am. All welcome to attend.

Vicar General Appointment - Bishop Paul Bird is pleased to announce that he has appointed **Fr Marcello Colasante** to be the new Vicar General of our Diocese. Fr Marcello will continue in his service as Parish Priest of Ballarat North and Wendouree. He will begin in the role of Vicar General on November 20.

World Day of the Poor – Sunday, November 19, 2023 - The call to serve the poor has been greatly emphasised under the papacy of Pope Francis, who established the World Day of the Poor in 2017. The Holy Father's message for 2023 is "Do not turn your face away from anyone who is poor" (Tob 4:7). The Church is encouraged to "go forth", beyond its own walls, to encounter poverty "in the multiple meanings in which it manifests itself in today's world." Read the Pope's message on the diocesan website <u>www.ballarat.catholic.org.au</u>

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.

Prayer for World Day of the Poor - Loving Father your risen Son sent us out into the world as ambassadors for the kingdom of God; inspire us with your Spirit of compassion, justice and truth to declare the Good News to those who are poor, to work for the relief, defence and liberation of all who are trapped in oppressive circumstances. We make this our prayer through Christ our Lord. Amen

St. Aloysius' Parish Redan

Collections for previous weekend

Parish \$904.00 Presbytery \$740.00

Opportunity for Prayer at St Aloysius - Rosary will be prayed every Thursdays after 9.30am Mass **Anointing Mass** - This Mass will be celebrated this Thursday 23rd November, 11am. Followed by a take away lunch provided by St Aloysius School. Please write your name on the list in the church foyer for catering numbers.

St. James' Parish Sebastopol

Collections for previous weekend

Parish \$323.00 Presbytery \$413.00

Dates to Remember: Caring Group Meeting - **Tuesday 21st November at 9.30am**. All welcome StVdeP Meeting - **please note change of date** - Monday 4th December at 4.00pm. Meeting and afternoon tea. **Sacrament of Baptism -** This Sunday we welcome through the Sacrament of Baptism, Billie Mae Waller, daughter of Mikaela and James. Billie Mae is wearing a 120 year old baptism gown worn by her Great, great, great, grandfather. *"The Church gives the faith to your children through Baptism and you have the task to make it grow..." - Pope Francis.* **November Prayers for our Deceased Loved Ones -** In November, we traditionally place a special emphasis on praying for those who have died. Our Book of Remembrance is available for all to include the names of our loved

ones. Parishioners wishing to have a Mass celebrated can use the envelopes in the foyer.

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen. **Final Plant Sale** - We managed to sell quite a few plants last Sunday raising \$157.00. Many thanks to our buyers and all our plant donors. Leftover plants are being donated to Nazareth House Monster Garage Sale. Overall, our plant sales for the year have raised \$520.00 all money going to St. James Parish. Again thanks to our great St. James community.

Ballarat Diocesan Information, News and Events

Administrative Assistant position – St Patrick's Cathedral Choral and Organ Scholarships - St Patrick's Cathedral is seeking applicants for an Administrative Assistant. The role is part time, further information or apply for this position, forward a cover letter and Resume to the Choir Director, Vincent Sully at vincenzo101923@gmail.com by cob Friday 24 November, any enquiries call 0407 310 115.

Celebrating the "End of an Era" at St Brendan's Primary School, Dunnstown - All are invited to celebrate the 'End of an Era' at St Brendan's Primary School, Dunnstown on Saturday, November 25, 2023. Please feel free to pass this invitation on to anyone that you think may be interested. More information is available from the diocesan website

https://www.ballarat.catholic.org.au/pnews/celebarting-the-end-of-an-era-at-st-brendans-primary-school-dunnstown/.

150th Anniversary of the Diocese of Ballarat - Significant Catholic Person/People from your Parish - In preparation for the Ballarat Diocese's 150 year Anniversary in 2024, the anniversary committee for the Mass of the Oils are searching for 1 or 2 significant Catholics from your parish for a display to be presented in the Hall after the Mass on Monday, March 25, 2024. This could be a well-known person who has achieved success in their chosen field or it could be someone who has left a legacy in your parish, as a benefactor, contributor or historian. Please provide names and supporting information and photo to jane.collins@ballarat.catholic.org.au before February 5, 2024.

Making a Scene at Christmas - Over 500 Christmas Nativities from more than 60 countries will be displayed at the Bridge Mall Ballarat and at the Catholic Diocesan Archives from Tues, Dec 5 – Frid, Dec 22, 2023. For more information on the Ballarat Bridge Mall display, please contact Fiona Tonkin

Fiona.tonkin@ballarat.catholic.org.au. Everyone welcome. Entry is a gold coin donation.

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