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Next Week's Readings: Acts 1:1-11; Ephesians 1:17-23 or Hebrews 9:24-28, 10:19-23; Luke 24:46-53

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 Spake Vall

St Brigid's, Snake Valley Saturday 6.30pm **St Peter's, Linton** Sunday 9.00am Sunday 10.30am St John´s, Skipton

St. James, Sebastopol

Sunday 10.30am

Friday 9.30am

Recent Deaths: Martin Hayes, Maureen Ryan (Tasmania)

Anniversaries: Gerard Britt, Peter Coad, Lawrence Devitt, Michael Everard, Betty Hucker, Margaret Kelly, Constancio Laduan, Jr., Leo O'Connor, Jack Ryan, Jan Verberne, Johanna Wilson, Beryl Wheeler, Please remember in your prayers: Margaret Cooper, Nellie deJong, Jason Ferido, Constancio Laduan Sr., Cath Kavanagh, Peter Kavanagh, Lucas Mactingrao, Chris Rigg, Dane Soriano, Elmer Tabios, Thea Van Ravenstein

Centralised Baptism Preparation Session will be held at MacKillop and Glowrey Rooms of St. Patrick's Cathedral Hall on **Thursday 2nd June 2022 at 10.00am & 5.30pm**. Bookings to be made with Parish Offices.

Mass Counts start on weekend 7-8 May - The Annual Diocesan Mass Count will take place over 4 weekends in May. Counting will start on 7-8 May and continue each weekend until the end of May.

Advance Notice: Ordinations to the Priesthood - Deacons Matt Restall and Bill Lowry will be ordained priests for the Diocese of Ballarat on Friday, July 22, 2022 at St Patrick's Cathedral Ballarat 7.00pm. Bill's thanksgiving mass will be celebrated at St. James on Saturday 23rd July at 9.00am. All welcome

National Volunteers Week: May 16-22, 2022 The theme for NVW 2022 is *Better Together*. Volunteering brings people together; it builds communities and creates a better society for everyone. Together, through volunteering, we are changing communities for the better. We are, *Better Together*.

Prayer for Volunteers

We pray for all those who volunteer in our parishes. May we value the many talents and gifts that God has given to these people. We thank them for generously offering their time to parish ministries. For all these gifts, given out of your love, we thank you, God of all goodness. Amen.

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.

St. Aloysius' Parish Redan

Collections for previous weekend

Parish \$402.00 Presbytery \$793.00

Opportunity for Prayer at St Aloysius - You are invited to join in saying the rosary **AFTER** Thursday 9.30am Mass **Sacramental Program 2022 – Term 2 – Sacrament of Eucharist / First Communion:** This weekend, we again welcome the children and their families who are preparing for First Eucharist. Celebrations will be on Saturday 4th June at 6.00pm and Sunday 5th June, at 2.00pm, both celebrations will be in the school Auditorium. Please keep the children and their families in our prayers. Saturday 5.00pm and Sunday 9.00am will still be celebrated in the Church as normal.

St. James' Parish Sebastopol

Collections for previous weekend

Parish \$687.00 Presbytery \$371.00

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

St Vincent de Paul Society Meeting - Monday 23rd May at 4.00pm. New members welcome. Contact Krys on 0411451320 or Anne on 0409547953.

Sacramental Program 2022 – Term 2 – Sacrament of Eucharist / First Communion: This weekend, we welcome the children and their families who will be preparing and working their way through the Eucharist program over the next two weeks and will be celebrated on Sunday 5th June, at 10.30am Mass. Please keep the children and their families in our prayers.

Ballarat Diocesan Information, News and Events

Walking in the Spirit - The People of God are invited to make a prayerful journey towards the Second Assembly of the Plenary Council through the "Walking in the Spirit" prayer campaign. "Walking in the Spirit" began on April 17 and runs until the Second Assembly, which opens on Sunday, July 3. Resources have been created for use by individuals, families, schools, parishes and other Catholic communities. Find out more at www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/walkinginthespirit/

"The Legion of Mary will host a 'Day of Reflection' on Friday, 27 May 2022 in honor of Our Lady Help of Christians, Patroness of Australia. Father Nathan Rawlins of St Peter's Parish, Epping, will be the Keynote Speaker for the day. All members of the Legion of Mary Family, active, auxiliary and past members, including parishioners from all Parishes of Ballarat, are cordially invited to participate in this event. The day will start at 9.15 am and finish at 3.15 pm and will be held in the St Patrick's Cathedral Parish Ballarat MacKillop/Glowrey Rooms.

Laudato Si' Week: May 16-24, 2022 is a celebration of Pope Francis' encyclical Laudato Si' and a call to action for Catholics around the world to care for our common home. You can participate through prayer, action and reflection with the new resources for parishes, schools, organisations and individuals created by the ACBC Office for Justice, Ecology and Peace. Go to <u>www.socialjustice.catholic.org.au</u>

Common Prayer for the 7th Anniversary of Laudato Si'

Loving God, Creator of heaven and earth and all that is in them,

You created us in your own image and made us stewards of all your creation.

You blessed us with the sun, water and bountiful land so that all might be nourished.

Open our minds and touch our hearts, so that we may attend to your gift of creation.

Help us to be conscious that our common home belongs not only to us, but to all of your creatures and to all future generations, and that it is our responsibility to preserve it.

May we help each person secure the food and resources that they need.

Be present to those in need in these trying times, especially the poorest and those most at risk of being left behind.

Transform our fear and feelings of isolation into hope and fraternity so that we may experience a true conversion of heart.

Help us to show creative solidarity in addressing the consequences of this global pandemic.

Make us courageous to embrace the changes that are needed in search of the common good.

Now more than ever may we feel that we are all interconnected and interdependent.

Enable us to listen and respond to the cry of the earth and the cry of the poor.

May the present sufferings be the birth pangs of a more fraternal and sustainable world.

Under the loving gaze of Mary Help of Christians, we make this prayer through Christ our Lord. Amen.