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

(Encompassing Skipton, Smythesdale and Snake Valley)

2nd Sunday of Lent

Sunday 28th February 2021

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Fr. Eugene McKinnon

Next Week's Readings: Exodus 20:1-17; 1 Corinthians 1:22-25; John 2:13-25

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

Parish Arrangements

Just a reminder that all Church gatherings must meet the density quotient of 1 person per 2 square metres. Until further notice, you will need to continue to book in to attend a Mass, please make a booking either by phone. text, or email with the Parish Coordinators. Your name and contact details which will be recorded when you make a booking. Face Masks are now again mandatory in all Churches.

St. Aloysius, Redan St. James, Sebastopol

Thursday 9.30am Friday 9.30am Saturday 6.00pm 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

Project Compassion Sunday - 28th February 2021

Margret, 39, is a teacher at a vocational school for deaf students in the Solomon Islands. She was born deaf, so she knows the challenges it poses to education and employment. Then Tropical Cyclone Harold damaged the school and its vegetable garden as the threat of COVID-19 loomed. Margret's school now has enough water for its students and the capacity to cater for more, and is now planning to boost food security through increased agricultural production. Please donate to Project Compassion 2021 and help people living with disabilities in the Solomon Islands gain access to education and clean water, empowering them with skills to protect our common home. You can donate through Parish boxes and envelopes, by visiting www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion or phoning 1800 024 413.

Recent Deaths: Thea Den Ouden

Anniversaries: Bob Beare, Christine Crawford, Mia Guerts, Carmel Hockley, Dennis Keighery, Joel Nankervis,

Mary Quinn

Please remember in your prayers: Margaret Cooper, Fr. Denis Dennehy, Heather Healy, Gerard Hoogenboom, Constancio Laduan Sr., Corazon Laduan, Lucas Mactingrao, Loreto Martinovic, Jonathon Rice, Louis Sykes, Sr. Patricia Vagg, Jo van Gaans

Thank you to Fr Kevin Maloney - we invite parishioners from the parishes of Linton, Redan and Sebastopol to a thank you dinner for Fr Kevin on **Friday the 12th March**, **6pm at Sebastopol Bowling Club**. For bookings please contact Bernadette & Pauline. We are still accepting donations for Kevin's gift

St. Aloysius' Parish Redan

Collections for previous weekend

Parish: \$ 713.00 Presbytery: \$522.00

Opportunity for Prayer at St Aloysius - You are invited to join in saying the rosary, Thursday at 9am, all welcome.

Sacramental Program 2021 – Term 1 – Sacrament of Penance / Reconciliation

- Baptised Catholics in Grade 4 or older
- Parent enrolment meeting and Session One Thursday 4th March (Venue & time to be advised)
- Celebrated on Tuesday 23rd March and Thursday 25th March 24th, at St Aloysius Church All other information will be given at the parent meeting

Friday Family Group - Friday March 5th at Flying Horse 12pm. please ring Brian or Betty for bookings.new members welcome, 5335 9904

St. James' Parish Sebastopol

Collections for previous weekend

Parish: \$354.00 Presbytery: \$300.00

Opportunity for Prayer at St James' - Wednesday at 10.30am Adoration & Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. **Dates to Remember:** Filipino Rosary Group will recommence on 3rd March 2021 at 7pm

World Day of Prayer Service at St. James' Parish Church - Friday 5th March, 2021 at 2pm

St. James Footy Tipping? - Is there any interest in taking part in a footy tipping competition of 2021? Please contact either Bryan Goble or Pauline in the Office to see if we have enough interest to proceed.

Sacramental Program 2021 – Term 1 – Sacrament of Penance / Reconciliation

Leaflets are available in the foyer after Mass. This Sunday we welcome the children and their parents who will be preparing and working their way through the program over the next three weeks. Celebrated on Wednesday March 24th, at 7.00pm, St. James' Church. Please keep these children in our prayers.

St James SVDP Members, wish to acknowledge and thank St Aloysius, Lumen Christi, staff and students St James, all Parishioners for their generous donations to our recent Christmas Appeal. Receipts were issued if details provided. Special mention to a young man 8yr old Jackson, from Redan who has yearly, saved up & donated a big bag of 5 cent coins, for us to pass on to a person in need. Well done Jackson. Also St James Conference, currently seeking new volunteer members. Restrictions apply to our service delivery due to COVID 19. Eng; Anne* 0409547953.

Ballarat Diocesan Information, News and Events

A Pilgrimage for the Year of St Joseph - The Aussie Camino is a pilgrimage route running from Portland in Victoria to Penola in South Australia, inspired by the life and journeys of Australia's first Saint, Mary of the Cross MacKillop and her mentor Fr Julian Tenison Woods. This year being declared the Year of St Joseph by Pope Francis, is a great opportunity to visit & reflect on the "Josephites or Brown Joeys'; the Sisters of St Joseph of the Sacred Heart, founded by St Mary McKillop in Penola in 1866. On average, you will walk between 20 & 25 km per day (6 to 8 hours) for the 8 days of walking. Fr Justin Driscoll will accompany the pilgrims. 10 Days – Portland to Penola. Departing Ballarat: Friday 30 April 21. Returning Ballarat: Sunday 09 May 21. Maximum of 12 people. Please register your interest & attendance at the Info Session via email to Leonie at Lifestyle Travel Ballarat leonie@lifestyletravel.com.au

World Day of Prayer Services - Friday, March 5, 2021 - 10.00am at Patrick's Cathedral, corner Sturt & Dawson Streets, Ballarat. 2.00pm at St James' Parish Church, corner Albert & Vale Streets, Sebastopol. 7.00pm at Ballarat South Uniting Church, 305 Scott Street, Buninyong. 7.00pm at St John's Anglican Church, 103 Napier Street, Creswick.

The Parishes of St. Aloysius, St. James' & St. Peter's are committed to the care, wellbeing and protection of children, young people and vulnerable adults in our community. We uphold that child protection and the dignity of every person is the responsibility of every adult.