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

(Encompassing Skipton, Smythesdale and Snake Valley)

31st Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Sunday 31st October 2021

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Fr. Eugene McKinnon

Next Week's Readings: 1 Kings 17:10-16; Hebrews 9-24-28; Mark 12:38-44

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

When vaccination status is unknown, the new government regulations will permit gatherings of up to 30 people for religious ceremonies, with 1 person per 4 square metres.

Therefore the following applies to our Parish Churches

Mass booking for every Mass is required.

Redan: Thur 9.30am, Sat 6.00pm, Sun 9.00am - 30 people - vaccination status not required

Linton: Sun 9.00am - 20 people - vaccination status not required **Skipton:** Sun 10.30am - 24 people - vaccination status not required **Snake Valley:** Sat 6.30pm - 24 people - vaccination status not required

Sebastopol: Fri 9.30am, Sun 10.30am - 80 people - 16 years and over must have evidence of a double

vaccination certificate upon entry

These numbers will increase on November 24th, at this date the above Masses will be for those 12+ who have been double vaccinated.

From Nov 5th, the Parishes of the Ballarat Region are offering six extra Masses for parishioners with no vaccination status required - Thirty people will be able to attend and it will be a requirement to book in with the respective parish.

These Masses will commence on Monday November 8th

Monday 10.00am St Patrick's Cathedral 5331 2933 Tuesday 9.30am St Michael's Bungaree 5334 0450 0455 212 123 Wednesday St Aloysius' Redan 9.30am **Thursday OLHC Wendouree** 10.00am 5339 2302 Saturday St Alipius' Ballarat East 5332 6611 9.30am

ALL SAINTS DAY MASS - Monday 1st November (Mass booking required)

Redan - 9.30am vaccination status not required

Sebastopol - 10.30am vaccination status not required

Recent Deaths: Meta Randsdorp

Anniversaries: Maryann Armeni, Herman Beckers, Nina Fatouros, Lyla Gallagher, Nora Irvin, Helena Iwanowski, Denise Norton, Mons. Henry Nolan, Richard Reid, Libby & Matthew Sullivan, Leonard Tardrew,

Please remember in your prayers: Helen Casanova, Margaret Cooper, Gerard Hoogenboom, Kath Kavanagh, Constancio Laduan Sr., Lucas Mactingrao, Chris Rigg, Louis Sykes,

Baptism Preparation - The centralised preparation sessions for Baptism taking place on the first Thursday of each month have been discontinued for now. Please contact the Parish Office for more details.

World Mission Sunday - October 24, 2021

Catholic Mission Australia has launched its annual World Mission Month Appeal, focusing on the work of the Good Shepherd Sisters in Thailand supporting children from vulnerable and disadvantaged backgrounds through the Kindergarten Centre. Envelopes are available in the check in areas of the Churches.

CDF has developed an online payments system, you can contribute to the first or second collection this way. CDF pay for Parishes, for the Diocese of Ballarat, https://ballarat.cdfpay.org.au/ If you have any queries regarding Planned Giving, please phone our Finance Officer Kerrie McTigue, on 53 312 933 or via email: ballarat.catholic.org.au

St. Aloysius' Parish Redan

Collections for previous weekend Parish: \$875.00 Presbytery: \$306.00

Opportunity for Prayer at St Aloysius - You are invited to join in saying the rosary, Thursday at 9am, all welcome. **Sacrament of Confirmation:** This Sacrament will be celebrated in November, more details to follow

Caring Circle - Next meeting Wednesday 3rd Nov, in the Parish Centre. All Welcome

St. James' Parish Sebastopol

Vale Margaret 'Peggy' Nijam

Peggy was a long time Parishioner and served as the Pastoral Associate at St. James for 1988-1992. Peggy's funeral Mass was celebrated on Friday 22nd October by Fr. Justin Driscoll and can be viewed via this link https://youtu.be/Yrrvp0sOH7g. The Nijam family left flowers and a note thanking Parishioners for all the love and support shown to Peggy and their family over the many years.

Collections for previous weekend Parish: \$675.00 Presbytery: \$213.00

Opportunity for Prayer at St James' - Wednesdays at 10.30am Adoration & Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. Dates to Remember: Parish Craft Group will be held on Monday 1st November at 1.00pm

Filipino Rosary will be held on Wednesday 3rd November at 7.00pm

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Ballarat Diocesan Information, News and Events

Upcoming Forum: Listening, learning...change Cry of the Earth Cry of the Poor – a Ballarat response to the Australian Catholic Bishops Social Justice Statement will be held on Saturday, November 6, 2021 from 10.00am – 3.00pm. This free event can be attended via some parish hubs (COVID restrictions depending) or independently via the Zoom platform. Register through Eventbrite

https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/listening-learningchange-tickets-185567857457?aff=ebdssbonlinesearch&kee p_tld=1. Brochures are available through your parish.

Synod of Bishops - Catholics across Australia are invited to participate in a period of local consultation for the next international Synod of Bishops: theme, "For a Synodal Church: Communion, Participation and Mission". You are invited to use a guided, prayerful reflection method to consider a series of questions and make submissions via an online portal. Those submissions will help the Bishops develop a national report to support the global process leading to an international gathering in 2023. https://www.catholic.org.au/synodalchurch

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.