

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

(Encompassing Skipton, Smythesdale and Snake Valley)

31st Sunday in Ordinary Time

Year A

Sunday 5th November 2023

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Next Week's Readings: Wisdom 6:12-16; 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18; Matthew 25:1-13

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 6.00pm

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: Delyse Lowe

Anniversaries: Maryann Armeni, Wendy Commons (Dark), Nina Fatouros, Maria Graffmans, Nora Irvin, Verna Loader, Kathleen Marsh, David Mitchel, Mikayla Murphy, Frank Robbie, Gregory Spicer, Libby Sullivan, Matthew Sullivan, Mary Taranto, Theo van den Hoek, Laurina van Gaans,

Please remember in your prayers: Margaret Cooper, Leila Hudson, Maggie Mitchell, Jonathon Rice, 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.

Diocesan e-News - Read about news and events of the diocese in the latest edition of e-News

<https://www.ballarat.catholic.org.au/news-events/e-news/>

Finance Meeting- will be held on Thursday 9th November, 5.00pm in the St Aloysius Parish Centre, this group will meet with the Diocesan Pastoral Planning Panel to look at the proposed changes in the Looking Forward document in regards to the structure of the Linton, Redan and Sebastopol Parishes.

Pope's intention for November – For the Pope: *We pray for the Holy Father. As he fulfils his mission, may he continue to accompany the flock entrusted to him, with the help of the Holy Spirit. Lord, hear us.*

St. Aloysius' Parish Redan

Collections for previous weekend

Parish \$1,980.00

Presbytery \$682.00

Opportunity for Prayer at St Aloysius - Rosary will be prayed every Thursdays after 9.30am Mass

Memorial Masses- This weekend, we welcome all visitors and parishioners to our Remembrance Mass. This will be a time when we can all pray for and remember with love, the members of our families who have died. Please write the names of those family members who you would like remembered in the Masses, the list is in the foyer of the Church. *Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace.*

St. James' Parish Sebastopol

Collections for previous weekend Parish \$372.00

Presbytery \$394.00

Dates to Remember: Men's Breakfast - 3rd Saturday of the month - Saturday 18th November at 9.00am

Caring Group Meeting - please note change of date to **Tuesday 21st November at 9.30am**. All welcome

StVdeP Meeting - 4th Monday of the month - Monday 27th November at 4.00pm. All welcome

St. James Parish Office Closure - The Parish office at Sebastopol is currently closed and **will reopen on Friday 17th November**. Please contact Fr. Eugene on 0402 802 104. Thank you.

Remembrance Mass - This Sunday, we welcome all visitors and parishioners to our Remembrance Mass. This will be a time when we can all pray for and remember with love, the members of our families who have died.

Morning tea will follow in the foyer. All welcome. 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.*

Plant Sale - our final plant sale for the year will be held on Sunday 12th November in the foyer.

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 to support the implementation of the Choral and Organ Scholarships. The role is part time – approximately one day a fortnight. If you would like 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.

Nazareth House Auxiliary Monster Garage Sale - Will be held on Saturday, November 18, 2023 at 218 Mill Street, Ballarat at 10.00am. Furniture, books, prints, cake and gift stall, morning tea. Cash only. Contact Margaret, ph. 0419003415.

An Urgent Prayer for Peace - *God of compassion, we turn to you with heavy hearts as we consider the needs of your family. Israelis and Palestinians, we are all your people, each of us loved by You and called to live in peace and justice. We lament the dreadful loss of life, destruction of property and loss of human dignity. We are pained by so much suffering. We beg you to bring healing to this ancient place. Help your people find a way forward. Enable everyone to look each other in the eye, and embrace each other as sisters and brothers, as they find your image in every face. We ask that courage and grace will help create a wiser and more gentle future, where everyone has a home. God of wisdom, come to our aid. Amen* By Michael McGirr / Caritas Australia

Parish of Bungaree - All are welcome to Mass at the Pootilla Cemetery on Sunday, November 12, at 9.30am.

Parish of Gordon - All are welcome to Mass at the Gordon Cemetery on Sunday, November 19, at 11.00am.

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/celebrating-the-end-of-an-era-at-st-brendans-primary-school-dunnstown/>



Laudato Si'



Environmental education should facilitate making the leap towards the transcendent which gives ecological ethics its deepest meaning #210

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"Love Natural Resources" Did you know? Animal, plants, water and soil...these are some of the things we use from the earth. We must take good care of them so that the planet stays as we found it.