St Peter's Parish

Communities of Linton, Skipton, Smythesdale and Snake Valley

Sunday April 7th Fifth Sunday in Lent (C)

Parish Office hours: Tuesday - Friday 10.00am - 5.00pm

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Finance Officer - Kerrie McTigue, Admin Officers - Anita Houlihan and Selina Gaden

Linton Parish Safeguarding Officer - Cecelia Rowberry

Palm Sunday Masses April 13th - 14th

6.30pm Vigil Smythesdale, 8.30am Beaufort, 10.30am Snake Valley

Holy Week

Tuesday April 16th Sacrament of Reconciliation at Skipton from 7.00 pm

Holy Thursday Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper 7.30 pm Linton

Good Friday Celebration of the Lord's Passion 3.00 pm Linton

Holy Saturday Easter Vigil Mass 6.30 pm Linton

Easter Sunday Masses, April 21st

8.30 am Beaufort, 9.00 am Skipton, 10.30 am Rokewood

Mass of the Oils: Monday, April 15th, 2019

The Mass of the Oils will be celebrated in St Patrick's Cathedral, Ballarat at 6.30pm on Monday, April 15th, 2019. This Mass is a celebration of the whole Church of the Diocese of Ballarat. We celebrate the unity and ministry of the ordained priests in the midst of the entire priestly people of God of the Diocese. This Mass also has special significance for those who will use the blessed oils in 2019 – the sick, those to be baptised and confirmed. All members of the diocese are invited to participate in this celebration which truly expresses the unity of the Diocesan Church.



St Peter's Parish respectfully acknowledge that the Aboriginal people of Australia are our first nation peoples and the traditional owners and custodians of this land.

Recent Deaths: Adele Byrne, Laurie Elliott, Sharon Kerr, Florijam Mircic, Des Ryan

Anniversaries: Sam Camilleri, Shaun Kelly

Please remember in your prayers those who are unwell, especially Narelle Corbett, Margaret Cranko, Angie Polglaze, Basil Torpy, Milly Yeoman.

Buy Chocolates made without Slavery this Easter

There is now a wide range of slavery-free chocolate and Easter eggs available, including a budget priced range of UTZ certified products in ALDI, Coles and a wide selection at Haighs and OXFAM shops. Chocolatier also produces Fair Trade Easter chocolate. Check the labels on the wrappers. For more information go to www.acrath.org.au/take-action/slavery-free-easter

Lenten Prayer

Throughout the weeks of Lent, parishioners are invited to undertake penitential practices of prayer, fasting and almsgiving. Here are 5 of forty simple suggestions for the 40 days of Lent, shared from the Lenten Programme:

"All I have is yours, forty days to freedom."

- Take 15 minutes to look at the stars and enjoy the cool evening air.
- Buy Easter eggs that only use fair trade chocolate.
- Be the first to empty the dishwasher.
- Fast from worries and have trust in God.
- Sit for a while in the waiting room of a hospital/medical centre and pray for all those who suffer.