

# St. Aloysius Redan & St. James' Sebastopol

**Sunday 9th February 2020**

**Fifth Week in Ordinary Time Year A**

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**Next Week's Readings:** Sirach 15:15-20 Ps 118 Cor 2:6-10 Mt 5 17-37

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

## Mass Times

### Redan

6.00pm Vigil 9.00am

### Cathedral

6.30pm Vigil 8.00am 10.30am 5.00pm

### Sebastopol

10.30am

### Rokewood

3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday at 10.30am

Monday 12.05pm Cathedral

Tuesday 12.05pm Cathedral

Wednesday 12.05pm Cathedral

Thursday 9.30am Redan

12.05pm Cathedral

Friday 9.30am Sebastopol

12.05pm Cathedral

Saturday 10.00am Cathedral

**Sacrament of Penance Cathedral**

**Friday 11.00am**

**Saturday 11.30am**

**Recent Deaths:** Geoffrey Nicol

**Anniversaries:** Eileen Carroll, Levi Curran, Mychajel Dyhin, Louisa Fay, Sally Hayes, Bridget Keighery

**Ash Wednesday Masses – 26<sup>th</sup> February 2020**

**9.30am – St. James' Sebastopol – School Mass**

**11.45am – St. Aloysius Redan – School Mass**

**6pm – St. James' Sebastopol**

**BUPA Aged Care - Prayer Service Thursday, 13th February at 10.30am. All Welcome**

We are Child Safe Parishes

# St. Aloysius Parish Redan

**Invitation to pray the Rosary** - Thursday morning at 9am before the 9.30am Mass  
**Adoration and Exposition** - 1st & 3rd Friday of the month, 7.00pm-8.00pm

**Sacrament of Penance (Reconciliation)** - Offered to Grade 4 students or older: this sacrament is celebrated before a child's First Communion

- Parent enrolment meeting, *Thursday February 20th at either 10am or 7pm*, St Aloysius Parish Centre
- **Celebrated on Thursday March 19<sup>th</sup> at 7.00pm, St. Aloysius Church**

**Parish Morning tea and Liturgy meeting** - These groups will meet on Thursday 19th March in the Parish Centre. Morning tea at 10am following Mass and the Liturgy team at 10.30am. All are invited to either or both.

## Roster February 15th / 16th

Mass	Leader	Reader	Offertory	Sp Ministers	Welcomer	Projector	Counters	Cleaners
6pm	K Andrews	T Phillips	N McGuigan	M Poliness K Andrews	J Hopkins	E Fernandez	<b>Team 1</b>	<b>Team 3</b>
9am	C Vanderkley	J Burns	A Power & Family	C Orchard M O'Meara	P & A Kennedy	T Haintz	T Kennedy P McGowan N McGuigan C Vanderkley	B & B McCarty M Brown A Yal

**Children's Liturgy** - Annette Hirth

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# St. James' Parish Sebastopol

**Opportunities for Prayer** – 10.30am Adoration and Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. All welcome.

## Dates to Remember:

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| <b>Monday 10<sup>th</sup> February</b>   | <b>4.00pm</b>  | St. Vincent de Paul Society Meeting                             |
| <b>Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> February</b>  | <b>4.00pm</b>  | Sacramental Team Meeting  |
| <b>Friday 14<sup>th</sup> February</b>   | <b>10.15am</b> | Liturgy Group Meeting   |
| <b>Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> February</b> | <b>9.00am</b>  | Men's Breakfast   |
| <b>Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> February</b>   | <b>2.30pm</b>  | Parish Good Shepherd Servant Community Prayer Group             |
| <b>Monday 17<sup>th</sup> February</b>   | <b>1.00pm</b>  | Parish Craft Group  |
| <b>Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> February</b>  | <b>7.00pm</b>  | Parent Information Meeting for Reconciliation                   |
| <b>Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> February</b> | <b>11.00am</b> | Combined Redan & Sebastopol Finance Meeting ( <b>at Redan</b> ) |

**Sacramental Program 2020** - Leaflets are available in the foyer after Mass.

## Sacramental Program 2020 - Term 1 – Sacrament of Penance / Reconciliation

- Offered to Grade 4 students or older: this sacrament is celebrated before a child's First Communion
- Parent enrolment meeting, *Tuesday February 18th at 7.00pm*, St. James' Church Foyer
- Sunday dismissals, *Sunday February 23<sup>rd</sup>, March 1<sup>st</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup> at 10.30am*, St. James' Church
- **Celebrated on Tuesday March 17<sup>th</sup> at 7.00pm, St. James' Church**

**Prayer after Communion**

*God, my creator, breathe on me, renew me, refresh me, extend my abilities, comfort me in adjusting to changes in health, mobility and activity. Body of Jesus Christ flow through every fibre of my being. Keep me well, and hope filled, always. Holy Spirit use me in my situation, for the good of others.*

*Amen*

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**Ballarat Diocesan Information, News and Events**

**Finance Meeting** - Combined parishes finance group will be held on Thursday 20th February at 11am in St. James Church Foyer.

**Lenten Programs** - are available for purchase in both church foyers. Cost is \$5.00

**Mercy Works recruits volunteers to support students from a refugee/asylum seeker background in Ballarat Schools through their Mercy Connect Project** - The project aims to provide mentoring for young people to optimize their literacy development, academic and social learning. Often this leads to a long term mentoring relationship. Mercy Connect volunteers work with students during school hours and the volunteer commitment is for approximately three hours per week. Experience working in an educational setting is preferred, but volunteers receive on-going training and support. Obtaining a current Working with Children Check is part of the application process. More information contact Donna Stewart, ph. 0417 624 330 or email [mercyconnectb@gmail.com](mailto:mercyconnectb@gmail.com).

**menALIVE Ballarat** - Gatherings will recommence for 2020 on Friday February 21<sup>st</sup> and Thursday March 5<sup>th</sup> at Nazareth House Reading Room (“Nazy Nook”), Mill Street. The purpose of MenALIVE is to bring men together to renew their faith in God and to encourage them to become an active force of renewal in the Church. No membership required – just your presence. For more information call or text Chris 0437 318 251.

**Ecological Theology** - You are invited to join 2020 Roundtable Conversations on Ecological Theology with Sr. Veronica Lawson and Fr. Barry Ryan at the Mercy Gathering Room, 16 Gent Street, Ballarat East (side entrance). Wednesday Evening Series: 7.00 – 9.00pm, February 26, March 25, April 22, May 20, June 17, July 15 or Thursday Afternoon Series: 14.00-3.00pm, March 26, April 26, April 23, May 21, June 18, July 16. Registration: [veronica.lawson@mercy.org.au](mailto:veronica.lawson@mercy.org.au) (kindly include contact details). Donation \$5 per session (to cover expenses and a contribution to ecological justice).

**Rite of Christian Initiation of Children (RCIC)** - Parents of children 7 years and over who are seeking baptism for their child are invited to gather on Tuesday 11th February at 7pm in the Mary Glowrey Room, St. Patrick’s Cathedral precinct, Lyons Street Sth. for an information evening on the process of Christian Initiation for children.

**Plenary Council 2020: National Theme for Discernment – February:** - How is God calling us to be a **Christ-centred Church that is Open to Conversion, Renewal and Reform?** This National Theme for Discernment is inspired by the voices of the People of God who shared a passion for participating in the missionary nature of the Church and desire stronger support, involvement and formation among all the baptised who make up the Church. Our Parishes will conduct a Listening & Discernment Experience for this theme on Tuesday 25th February - 1.00pm at St. James and 7pm at St. Aloysius. Sign in sheets and a copy of the Snapshot report are available in the foyers of both churches.

**Rite of Election** - The Rite of Election is an important part of the process of a person’s journey to full membership in the Catholic Church community and one which is greatly appreciated by all who participate. This applies to both adults and children of catechetical age. The Rite of Election for catechumens, candidates and children of catechetical age will take place on **SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 29, 2020 at 12.30pm at St Patrick's Cathedral, Ballarat.** The presider will be Bishop Paul Bird CSsR.