St Peter's Parish Linton, Skipton, Smythesdale, Snake Valley Please Contact the Cathedral Office 5331 2933

Parish Office: Jacinta Westbrook,

Priests: Frs Justin Driscoll, James Kerr, Anthony Nagothu, Sajan Matthew



Recent Deaths: John Gannon, Veronica (Zella) Kelly, Ronald Oakley, Caroline Sinclair.

Anniversaries: Ted Cahill, John Hurley, Daisy Leyden, Frank McDonald, Chris Steinhus,

Georgia Thornton

Please remember in your prayers those who are unwell,

especially Margaret Cranko, Bill Gordon, Nic Gowans, Fr John Keane, Kerrie Mulcahy

Next week's readings: Sunday 20th November 2016 Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe (C)

2 Samuel 5:1-3 Ps 121:1-5. R. see v.2 Colossians 1:12-20 Luke 23:35-43

Masses:

19th/20th November 6.30pm Smythesdale 9.00am Rokewood 10.30am Skipton
26th/27th November 6.30pm Snake Valley 8.30am Beaufort 10.30am Skipton
Please note the change of times for Rokewood & Skipton due to the Confirmation Mass and 50th
Anniversary celebrations at Skipton on the Feast of Christ the Universal King, November 20th

St John's Skipton 50th Anniversary

Sunday, November 20th 10.30 am Mass with Confirmation, celebrating 50 years since the extensions and renovations to the Church followed by a light luncheon in the Mechanics Hall next to the Church. All are very welcome to share in these celebrations. Enquiries and RSVP to Cath Kavanagh, 5340 2394 or Kathy Heenan, 5340 7230.

140 Years of Ss Michael & John's Parish Horsham

Sunday, November 29th, 10.30 am Mass. contact the Horsham Parish office, 5382 1155.

Ballarat Interfaith Network & the Jewish Christian Muslin Association of Australia

Friendship Walk Sunday November 20th 2.00pm – 4.30pm. Walking from the Mosque in Elsworth St Canadian, for a map of the planned walk go to : walkingmaps.com.au/walk/3332 Register at jcmaballaratfriendshipwalk.eventbrite.com.au More information:

ballaratinterfaithnetwork@gmail.com or phone: Maureen 0418 383 802 or Margaret 0400 650 234

Developing a Culture of Safety

The Linton Parish continues to work towards developing a culture of safety for all, especially Children and Vulnerable adults. Guided by the policy of the Ballarat Diocese for *Safeguarding Children and Vulnerable Adults* and the *Code of Conduct for Working with Children*, Cathedral parishioners who work with children and vulnerable adults are required to have a current Working With Children Check and to have completed the Online training module about protecting children and vulnerable adults. To assist us we are seeking expressions of interest from parishioners who would interested in being the Parish Safeguarding Officer to provide support to other parishioners and ensure that all safeguarding procedures outlined in the Code of Conduct for Caring for Children and the new Child Safe Standards are complied with.

Training will be provided through Michael Myers, the Professional Standards Coordinator for the Diocese of Ballarat. Contact Fr Justin for further information.

Nazareth House Auxiliary Fete

Fete will be held on Saturday, November 19, 2016 at 10.00am at Nazareth House, Mill Street, Ballarat. Stalls, photo booth, BBQ, spinning wheel, Devonshire tea, face painting. All welcome.

Palms Australia – Volunteers

Volunteers are needed in Papua New Guinea, Timor Leste, Samoa and other locations. Teachers, Hairdressers, Plumbers, Builders, Medical Practitioners and more are needed. More info: www.palms.org.au/volunteer/postitions/ or email palms@palms.org.au

Mass at Pootilla Cemetery

Mass will be celebrated at Pootilla Cemetery (Bungaree) on Sunday 13th November, 9.30am. All welcome. Some chairs provided; BYO if possible. Info: ph. 5334 0450.

Asylum Seeker Fundraiser

Sunday, November 20th - 2pm onwards The House of Welcome invites friends and families to our "Gospel In The Garden" Garden Party at 2pm on Sunday, November 20th. Gospel and Celtic music and rap dancers. Cakes, plants, music, singing, games and competitions.

Face painting - Children free. Entry \$20. All welcome.

Inquiries - Carmel 0401 175 045 Email annekav123@yahoo.co.uk

Fundraiser - Library Books for Timor-Leste.

Film- Queen of Katwe (based on a true story), followed by High Afternoon Tea, will be held at the Regent Theatre, Ballarat, on Sunday, 4th December @ 1.45. Funds will be forwarded to the Edmund Rice Community to purchase library books for village schools. Cost \$25 pp. Liz Hanrahan. 0417 347262

2017 Holy Land Pilgrimage

An information evening for those interested in undertaking a two week pilgrimage with Fr Justin to the Holy Land (Israel and Jordan) in June 2017 are invited to gather in the smaller hall at the Cathedral on Thursday November 24th 5.30 pm – 7.00 pm. The pilgrimage is being conducted in conjunction with Leonie Spencer from Lifestyle Travel, Ballarat. Expressions of interest can be directed to Lifestyle Travel, 11 Armstrong St Nth, 5331 8277, info@lifestyletravel.com.au.

Discernment retreat for young women

Nazareth House 218 Mill street, Ballarat, Vic 3350 7.00 pm Friday 2nd to 2.00 pm Sunday 4th December, with Fr Joseph Chua OSCO Cost is by donation Register by: 25th November, 2016 srlinh@hotmail.com or 0450 355 014

Disciples of Jesus Covenant Community.

Summer School Melbourne - 8-15 Jan 2017 — Save the date...registrations opening soon! Join other young people aged 16-35 for a powerful week of teaching, live music, sacraments, prayer, praise and great speakers in the context of a fun and vibrant community away from the noise and distraction of the city. More info: summerschool.org.au

Gordon Cemetery Mass

Mass will be held at the Gordon Cemetery on November 27, 2016 at 2.00pm. There will be no 8.45am Mass on this day, however St Patrick's Church will be the alternative venue in the case of inclement circumstances.



The Diocesan Ecological Sustainability Group (ECOS)

encouraging parishes to spread the word of Laudato Si.

A challenge from *Laudato Si: On care for our common home*. (Pope Francis, 2015): "Let us sing as we go. May our struggles and our concern for this planet never take away the joy of our hope" (LS 244). Although we must be concerned about what is happening to our planet – we must also enjoy and thank God for all that has been created - we must never lose hope in human kind. ACTION: Rediscover your sense of wonder and awe of creation. Walk on the beach. Stop and smell the flowers. Enjoy the feeling of water, dirt, grass under your feet and between your toes.

Pope Francis - A new work of mercy

"Nothing unites us to God more than an act of mercy, for it is by mercy that the Lord forgives our sins and gives us the grace to practise acts of mercy in his name."

To paraphrase Saint James, "we can say that mercy without works is dead ... In our rapidly changing and increasingly globalized world, many new forms of poverty are appearing. In response to them, we need to be creative in developing new and practical forms of charitable outreach as concrete expressions of the way of mercy."