St. Aloysius Redan & St. James' Sebastopol

3rd Sunday of Lent Year A Sunday 15th March 2020

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Next Week's Readings: 1 Samuel 16:1, 6-7, 10-13, Ephesians 5:8-14, John 9:1-41

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				Sebastopol		
6.00pm Vigil	9.00am			10.30am		
Cathedral				Rokewood		
6.30pm Vigil	8.00am	10.30am	5.00pm	3 rd Sunday at 10.30am		
Monday	12.05pm Ca	thedral				
Tuesday	12.05pm Ca	thedral				
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Thursday	9.30am Re	dan		12.05pm Cathedral		
Friday	9.30am Sel	bastopol		12.05pm Cathedral		

Saturday 10.00am Cathedral

Sacrament of Penance Cathedral Friday 11.00am Saturday 11.30am

Recent Deaths: Maisie Jean McRostie, Ray Simmons

Anniversaries: Anthony Atkinson, Betty Campbell, Tom Dickson, Antonio Lagao, John van den Hoek, Peggy Holloway, Lorna Nihill, Carmel Porter, Mary Treganowan, Bernie Wilkie,

Please remember in your prayers: Margaret Cooper, Fr. Dennis Dennehy, Winifredo Ferrer, Leonie Street, Sr. Patricia Vagg

BUPA Aged Care - Prayer Service Thursday, 26th March at 10.30am. All Welcome

Baptism Parent/Information Sessions - These sessions are offered to parents wishing to have their children under 7 years of age Baptised. Meetings are held in the Mary Glowrey room in the St. Patrick's Cathedral precinct, 3 Lyons street Sth, Ballarat at either 10.00am or 7.00pm. The next meeting will be held on Thursday April 2nd.

We are committed to the safety, wellbeing and dignity of all children, young people and vulnerable adults.

St. Aloysius Parish Redan

Collections for previous weekend Parish: \$691.00 Presbytery: \$424.00

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

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.

Caring Circle - Anointing Mass will be held on Thursday 26th March, 11.30am followed by light lunch and Easter Fun. Raffle Hamper & rugs for \$1 a ticket, raffle drawn at the lunch. Everyone welcome.

ET Boxes - Boxes for East Timor are in the foyer of the church, they will be collected on the fifth Sunday of March

Roster March 21 / 22

Mass	Leader	Reader	Offertory	Sp Ministers	Welcomer	Projector	Counters	Cleaners
6pm	M Kennedy	K Andrews	N McGuigan	M Poliness J Hopkins	J Hopkins	D Fernandez	Team 2 T Kennedy H Brasier C Liston	Team 1 C Quick M Czurlowski K Buttler N Chapman
9am	T Haintz	M Burns	K Brodie & family	M O'Meara C Orchard	J George	L Hirth		

Children's Liturgy - Annette Hirth

St. James' Parish Sebastopol

Collections for previous weekend Parish: \$731.00 Presbytery: \$326.00

Opportunities for Prayer – Adoration and Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament has now moved to Wednesdays at **10.30am.** All welcome.

Dates to remember:

Sunday 15th March 2.30pm Parish Good Shepherd Servant Community Prayer Group

Monday 16th March1.00pmParish Craft GroupSaturday 21st March9.00amMen's Breakfast

Monday 23rd March 4.00pm St. Vincent de Paul Society Meeting

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

This Sunday, we welcome the children and their parents who will be preparing and working their way through the Reconciliation program for the last week. This sacrament will be celebrated on **Tuesday March 17**th at **7.00pm** at St. James' Church. *Please keep these children and their families in your prayers.*

Sacrament of Baptism - This Sunday, we welcome to our Parish through the Sacrament of Baptism, Lewis Cullen, son of Sean and Jennifer. May Lewis grow in faith in his loving family and the Catholic community.

St. James' Footy Tipping Competition 2020 - \$5 entry. Please contact Bryan Goble or Pauline in the Parish Office to register. Round 1 starts on Thursday 19th March.

Stewardship Program - please collect your new envelopes from the church foyer. Anyone wishing to contribute can contact Pauline in the Parish Office.

Caring Group - Lenten Anointing Mass & Afternoon Tea - will be held on Friday 17th March at 1.30pm. *There will be no 9.30am Mass.* Those needing transport please contact the Redan parish office on 0455 212 123. The Caring Group will provide afternoon tea in the foyer following Mass.

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

Ballarat Diocesan Information, News and Events

Dates to Remember:

Anointing Mass (Redan) – Thursday 26th March at 11.30am – light lunch to follow Anointing Mass (Sebastopol) – Friday 27th March at 1.30pm – afternoon tea to follow Lenten Penitential Service – Wednesday 1st April at 7pm – St. Aloysius Redan Mass of Oils – Monday 6th April at 6.30pm – St. Patrick's Cathedral

Saturday evening Mass – Just a reminder that with the ending of daylight saving Mass on Saturday evening at St. Aloysius will revert to 5pm starting on Saturday 18th April.

Combined Redan & Sebastopol Stations of the Cross - will be held at St. James', Sebastopol on Tuesday 31st March at 10.00am, followed by morning tea.

Choir for Mass of the Oils 2020 - Singers and musicians are invited to join the music group for the Mass of the Oils on Monday, April 6, 2020. Practice times are Sunday, March 29 and Sunday, April 5 from 6.00pm – 7.00pm (following 5.00pm Mass). Please contact Julie Boyd in the Pastoral Ministry Office to register your interest julie.boyd@ballarat.catholic.org.au or ph. 5337 7159.

The Difference You Make - Mercy Connect invites you to a night with Mohamed Semra, a young Sudanese leader working to shatter stigma and misconceptions surrounding African migrants and refugees. The evening is open to all and part of the professional development provided to Mercy Connect Volunteers. Wednesday, March 18, 2020, Sisters of Mercy 151 Victoria Street, Ballarat East at 7.30pm. Please RSVP by March 2, 2020. Any questions and RSVPs to Donna Stewart at Mercy Connect mercyconnectb@gmail.com.

Nazareth House Auxiliary St Patrick's Day Celebrations - Tuesday March 17, 2020 at 218 Mill Street Ballarat, 1.30pm. Musical entertainment, afternoon tea, lucky door prize, cake and produce stalls. Entry \$10.00. For further information contact Margaret, ph. 0419003415.

Ballarat Cares with A Hall Full of Help Friday 27th March 10am - 3pm WHERE: St Patrick's Hall Dawson Street Sth, Ballarat. A wide range of organisations within Ballarat provide assistance and advice for the those in need in our community. Enjoy a unique opportunity to discover the available help all under one roof. Meals Programs, No Interest Loans, Mental Health Assistance, Crisis Accommodation, Utility Hardship Assistance, Migrant and Refugee Support, Legal Help, NDIS, Relationship and Parenting Support, Grief Counselling & more. *Morning & Afternoon Information Sessions - Utility Energy (power, gas & water) Support. Free entry and sausage sizzle - Coffee Van on site. Entry off Dawson or Lyons St (parking available but restrictions apply).

Third Sunday of Lent - 15th March 2020 - Barry, with the support of a program from Caritas Australia's partner, Red Dust Healing, Barry has overcome many of life's challenges. He is now an inspirational father to his four girls and a leader in his community. **Please donate to Project Compassion 2020 if you are able.** You can donate through Parish boxes and envelopes, by visiting www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion or phoning 1800 024 413.

"Lifeboat" Client - St Simon's Parish Rowville has a chair which needs to be delivered to a person in Ballarat. If anyone has a SUV, Ute or trailer and is going to Melbourne and is able to assist kindly contact Fr. Kevin Dillon on 0421777360

Plenary Council 2020: National Theme for Discernment – March: How is God calling us to be a Christ-centred Church that is a **joyful, hope-filled and servant community?** Our Parishes will be conducting a Listening & Discernment Experience for this theme in St. Aloysius Parish Centre, Wednesday 18th March, 7pm -9pm. Please sign in on the sheet in the Church Foyer and take a snapshot to read before hand.

St Patrick's Eve Celebration - Join the Ballarat Irish Association for a buffet supper, a stimulating guest speaker and musical entertainment on Monday, March 16, 2020 at 6.30pm at the Ballarat Welcome Centre, 25-39 Barkly Street, Bakery Hill. Cost is \$25.00. For enquiries and/or bookings contact Marlene ph. 0402 447546.

Clergy Appointments:-

Fr. Eric Bryant from the Parish of Stawell has retired.

Fr. Michael McKinnon from the parish of Mildura is heading to Peru.

Fr. Andrew Hayes, parish priest of Ararat will also be Parish Priest of Stawell.

Fr Matthew Thomas to become Parish Priest of the Parishes of Mildura, Merbein and Red Cliffs.

Fr Anthony Nagothu to become Administrator of the Parishes of Robinvale and Ouyen.

Fr. Jim McKay will move to Charlton.

Fr. Peter Jose has returned to be with family in India.