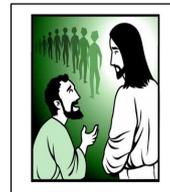


St Peter's Parish Linton, Skipton, Smythesdale, Snake Valley

Please Contact the Cathedral Office 5331 2933

Parish Office: Jacinta Westbrook,

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



Recent Deaths: Gwendoline (Joyce) Baker, Iris Burgess, Maria Daniele, Giesela Gotthold, Maria Merzvinskis, Gerard Molloy, Kevin Molloy, Marian Ward (Dunn)

Anniversaries: Lin Bruty Snr, Francis Curran, Bill Fay, Mary Gallagher, William Leyden, Desmond Troy.

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 16th October 2016* *29th Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)*

Exodus 17:8-13 Ps 120. R. v.2 2 Timothy 3:14-3:2 Luke 18:1-8

Masses: **15th/16th October** 6.30pmSmythesdale 9.00am Skipton 10.30am Rokewood
 22nd/23rd October 6.30pmSnake Valley 8.30am Beaufort 10.30am Skipton

Public Square Rosary

Come and join us in honouring Mary by praying the Rosary and asking our Blessed Mother's intercession to pray for Australia and the world. Saturday October 15th at 11.00am at the rotunda in Sturt St between Dawson & Doveton Streets, Contact Roslyn 5332 2342.

Beyond the Year of Mercy

A retreat afternoon, which is open to all adults, is to be held at St Patrick's Cathedral Hall, on Sunday, October 30th from 1.30pm concluding with 5.00pm Mass. The afternoon will be led by Sr Veronica Lawson, a Sister of Mercy from Ballarat, biblical scholar and author of "*The Blessing of Mercy.*" Register through the Cathedral Office ballarat@ballarat.catholic.org.au or 5331 2933.

Mass of Thanksgiving for the Jubilee Year of Mercy

You are invited to a Mass of Thanksgiving for the blessings of the Holy Year of Mercy to be celebrated at St Patrick's Cathedral, Ballarat by Bishop Paul Bird CSsR on Sunday, November 13, 2016 at 10.30am.

Refugee Concert – Boundless Plains

Fr Andrew Presents Boundless Plains – The Spoken Word

Andrew Hayes is the Catholic parish priest of St Mary's Ararat. Andrew's most recent fundraiser was a concert of his own music which raised funds to build a new mosque in Ararat. This series of fundraisers, for the Asylum Seeker Resource Centre, based in Footscray, will be a recital of Andrew's favourite poetry, featuring the works of Banjo Paterson among others. The recital promises to be high octane, to be poetry as you may not have heard it before. The concert will finish with the sublimely talented Joyce Clery. If you've not seen Joyce in concert you've missed something astonishing. Preshow drinks and nibbles will feature the award winning wines of Best's of Great Western. Donations at the Door \$10 and beyond. Primary Children Free Andrew does ask that you let him know you're coming. Locals can add their names to a list in the church foyers.

Others can email frandrewboundlessplains@gmail.com

Hamilton	Tuesday October 25 @ 7pm	St Mary's Church
Warrnambool	Sunday October 30 @ 4.30pm	St Joseph's Church
Wendouree	Thursday November 3 @ 7pm	OLHC Church
Ararat	Sunday Nov 6 2016 @ 4.30pm	St Mary's Church Ararat

October: Month of Prayer and Fasting for the Family

The Australian Catholic Marriage & Family Council, a Council of the Australian Catholic Bishop's Conference, has proposed particular prayer intentions in support of families this month. For more information visit www.acmfc.org.au. *Today and throughout this week we pray for all families in distress.*

Heavenly Father, grant healing to all families in distress, especially those burdened with strained relationships. Draw close to all families who have experienced violence, upheaval, illness or division: May all who have been wounded find ready comfort and healing.

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.

Grief to Grace – Healing the Wounds of Abuse

A spiritual retreat for anyone who has suffered degradation or violation through physical, emotional, sexual or spiritual abuse. The retreat will be held March 26 – 31, 2017. To request an application contact Anne by emailing info@griegtograces.org.au or phone 0407704539. For more information visit www.griegtograces.org

NET Ministries Australia

A non-profit organisation committed to the evangelisation of Australia's youth. NET exists to encourage young people to love Jesus and embrace the church and since its beginning in 1988, NET has stood firm in the belief that the best way to evangelise a young person is with another young person.

Each year NET calls together around 50 Catholic men and women, aged 18 to 30, to be formed as missionary disciples and commissioned for a year of volunteer youth work. They work in teams in parishes, schools and universities offering themselves as authentic witnesses of the gospel. They run retreats, lead youth groups and host social events among many other things.

NET is currently looking for passionate young men and women who want to have the adventure of a lifetime to join the mission in 2017! Are you one of them? If you're interested in the mission of NET, and want to learn more about how you can be a part of it, go to our website

www.netministries.com.au or find us on Facebook at 'NET Australia'

Information for Parents about Safe Schools Coalition Australia

The Australian Catholic Bishops Commission for Family, Youth and Life have published information for parents regarding the Safe Schools Coalition Australia program being conducted in government schools. More information is available from the diocesan website www.ballarat.catholic.org.au

Loreto College Ballarat 2018 Year & Parent Information Evening

Monday, October 24 from 7.00pm – 8.30pm at Mary's Mount Centre.

Applications for Year 7 2018 Scholarships close: Friday, February 10, 2017

Applications for Year 7 2018 Enrolments close: Friday, February 17, 2017

Open Mornings (including College Tours): Tuesday, October 11 and Monday, October 17 from 9.30am – 11.30am.

College Tours: Thursday, October 6, Thursday, November 3 and Thursday, December 1 at 9.30am.

Please register for Open Mornings and College Tours on the Loreto website www.loreto.vic.edu.au

St Patrick's College 2018 Year 7 Information Evening

When: Wednesday October 26, 2016 **Where:** College Chapel 1431 Sturt Street, Ballarat

Time: Commences at 7.30pm All families are invited to attend the 2018 Year 7 Information evening The evening will be followed by a College Tour as well as Supper and Question time with Teaching staff. **Please register for this event at the following link for your**

attendance: www.trybooking.com/MZJN For further enquiries please contact the Registrar, Caitlin Bennett at cbennett@stpats.vic.edu.au