

# St. James' Sebastopol & St. Aloysius Redan

Parish Priest: Fr Kevin Maloney, Ph: 5331 4981

Presbytery: 508 Leith St, Redan

## Ascension of the Lord - Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> May 2016

Next week's readings: Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> May 2016

Pentecost Sunday (C)

Acts 2:1-11

Ps 103(104):1, 24, 29-31, 34

Romans 8:8-17

John 14:15-16, 23-26

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Office hours: Monday – Friday 10.00am – 5.00pm

There are two collections. The first (Presbytery collection) is for the support of the parish priest and follows the sermon. The second is for the running of the parish (planned giving, envelopes) and occurs after the Intercessions.

<b>Last Weekend's Collections:</b>	<b>Parish</b>	<b>Sebastopol \$404.00</b>	<b>Redan \$1,206.00(includes direct debits)</b>
	<b>Presbytery</b>	<b>Sebastopol \$295.40</b>	<b>Redan \$574.00</b>

**Baptism Parent Information Evenings for the Parishes of Redan and Sebastopol** - Parents wishing to have their children Baptised in the parishes of Redan and Sebastopol need to attend a Baptism preparation evening. At this meeting the enrolment for the Sacrament and date of celebration will be confirmed. These meetings are held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of the month at 7.00pm in the Redan Parish Centre, 506 Leith Street Redan. The next meeting will be on Thursday **12<sup>th</sup> May 2016**. For any enquiries please contact Bernadette or Pauline at either parish centre.

### Mass Times;

<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>9.30am Redan</b>
	12:05pm Cathedral
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>9.30am Sebastopol</b>
	12:05pm Cathedral
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>9.30am Redan</b>
	12:05pm Cathedral
<b>Friday</b>	<b>NO MASS Sebastopol</b>
	12:05pm Cathedral

### Sacrament of Penance

Cathedral Friday 11.00am Saturday 11.30 am

### Weekend Masses

<b>Cathedral</b>	<b>St Aloysius</b>	<b>St James'</b>
6.30 pm Vigil	6.00 pm Vigil	
8.00 am	9.00 am	10.30 am
10.30 am		
5.00 pm		

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

### Anniversaries:

Mark Cranage, Bernie Cullinan, Eugene Grigg, Des Harty, Maria Jaroszek, Michael Nestor, Len Street, Lauretta Tancredi, Florence Weightman,

### Please remember in your Prayers the following:

Maria Bessems, Norah Best, Julie Delahenty, Joseph Graafmans, Mary Patricia Guinan, Jim Maher, Frank Nolan, John O'Keeffe, Mary Skelton, Leonie Street, Jenny Tan, Grace van Gaans, Connie Vincent, Lynn Whiteley

### Memorial Mass

Bishop Paul Bird invites priests and people to join him at St. Patrick's Cathedral on **Monday May 16 at 12:05 pm** to celebrate a Memorial Mass for Bishop Ronald Mulkearns.

### Mother's Day Blessing

Loving God, as a mother gives life and nourishment to her children, so you watch over your Church. Bless these women, that they may be strengthened as Christian mothers. Let the example of their faith and love shine forth. Grant that we, their sons and daughters, may honour them always with a spirit of profound respect. Grant this through Christ our Lord.  
Amen.

# St. James' Parish Sebastopol

## Opportunities for Prayer

**Monday 10.30am** Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament including Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. Your presence is welcome.

**Wednesday** Rosary will be recited **at 9.00am** before 9.30am Mass.

## Dates to Remember

<b>Monday 9<sup>th</sup> May</b>	<b>7pm</b>	St. Vincent de Paul Society Meeting
<b>Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> May</b>	<b>2.30pm</b>	Good Shepherd Servant Community Prayer Group
<b>Monday 16<sup>th</sup> May</b>	<b>1pm</b>	Parish Craft Group
<b>Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> May</b>	<b>10am</b>	Mercy International Reflective Process Meeting
<b>Friday 20<sup>th</sup> May</b>	<b>10.15am</b>	Liturgy Group Meeting
<b>Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> May</b>	<b>9am</b>	Men's Breakfast
<b>Friday 27<sup>th</sup> May</b>	<b>10.15am</b>	<b>Finance Committee Meeting – NB: Please note change of date</b>

## Filipino Community

Rosary 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of month at 7pm

Good Shepherd Servant Community Prayer Group 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the month at 2.30pm

## First Eucharist (Holy Communion)

This Sunday, we welcome the children and their families preparing for the Sacrament of Eucharist. Over the next three Sundays, they will be participating in a dismissal during Mass and then the families will work together at home on the Diocesan Sacramental Program 'Let the Children Come'.

The Sacrament of Eucharist will be celebrated at St. James' on Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> May. Please keep these children and their families in your prayers.

## 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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## Mass Count starts on weekend April 30/May 1, 2016

Each year in the Diocese of Ballarat, those who attend Masses (or Lay Led Assemblies) are counted. This year it is being conducted in conjunction with the Australian National Church Mass Count which is being conducted over the first four weekends of May. Within the Redan & Sebastopol Parish all who attend Mass at one of our three weekend Masses (6pm, 9am and 10.30 am) will be counted.

## Mercy Connect Ballarat – Supporting refugee students in local schools - Volunteer mentors needed.

Mercy Works is currently recruiting volunteers to support refugee students in Ballarat Schools through their Mercy Connect Project. The volunteer commitment is for approximately three hours per week for four school terms. Experience working in an educational setting is preferred, but you will receive ongoing training and support. Initial training for new volunteers will be held in June 2016. Contact Paulene Barton - Mercy Connect Project Coordinator on 0417 624 330 or email: [mercyconnectb@gmail.com](mailto:mercyconnectb@gmail.com) for information and application form. Applications close on June 7, 2016.

## Catholic Theological College East Melbourne Annual Knox Lecture

On Monday May 16<sup>th</sup> at 7.30 pm Archbishop Mark Coleridge will present the annual Knox lecture: "From Wandering to Journeying: Thoughts on a Synodal Church". Journey and pilgrimage are important themes in Scripture and throughout Christianity. They provide a background for considering Pope Francis' election in 2013, his decision to convene two Synods in 2014 and 2015, his proclamation of the Year of Mercy in 2016 and his recent publication of the Apostolic Exhortation Amoris Laetitia – seeing all these as part of a process which is far from over. This gives a context for the recent proposal of the Australian Bishops to move towards a Plenary Council for Australia in 2020, seeing the preparation for the Council, its celebration and implementation as part of the same process, which seeks to make the Church more genuinely synodal in the way foreseen by Vatican II and treated more explicitly by Pope Francis. Catholic Leadership Centre East Melbourne RSVP: Wednesday 11May jill.allen@ctc.edu.au 9412 3304.

## Faith Circles | Free weekly small group resource

Faith Circles is a free weekly small group resource based on Pope Francis' Weekly Catechesis, with reflection questions and prayer points on a double-sided A4 sheet.. It will be available to download via email subscription or from the Catholic Diocese of Wollongong website [faithcircles.dow.org.au](http://faithcircles.dow.org.au). Faith Circles is free, no strings attached - we just want Catholics to be nurtured by doing life and faith in groups, not on your own! You can print as many copies as you like.

# St. Aloysius Parish Redan

Invitation to pray the Rosary - Tuesday and Thursday mornings at 9.00am before the 9.30am Mass

**Adoration and Exposition** – 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday of the month, 7.00 pm – 8.00 pm.

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The Sacrament of Eucharist will be celebrated at St. Aloysius on Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> May / Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> May and Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> June / Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> June. Please keep these children and their families in your prayers.

## Family Groups

- This year marks the 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the introduction of Family Groups to the Parish. To mark the occasion the Family Groups will host a meal after the 6.00pm Mass (Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> August 2016) in Ryan Hall. All parishioners are invited to the event. Further notice closer to the event.
- The coordinators for the Parish Family Groups are Mary Poliness & Kate Andrews
- Family group members are invited to a formation weekend on June 9 & 10 at Holy Cross Centre, 207 Serpells Rd Templestowe 3106. \$25 covers all meals and accommodation. Further enquiries: [pfgm.victas@gmail.com](mailto:pfgm.victas@gmail.com) or 03 9846 5094

## We welcome to our Parish through the Sacrament of Baptism;

Elsie Margaret Atterton daughter of Steven & Erin  
May she grow in faith in her loving family and our Catholic Community



## Roster 14<sup>th</sup> /15<sup>th</sup> May

Mass	Leader	Reader	Offertory	Sp Ministers	Welcomer	Projector	Counters	Cleaners
6pm	M Van Ravenstein	S Fugiel	N Conroy	K Andrews B Van Ravenstein	N McGuigan	M Poliness	H Brasier B Weissenfeld	R Keogh S De Natris
9am	A Naus	M Burn	M Flood & Family	N De Jong A Dulfer	J George	T Haintz		M Dignan J Grano

**Children's Liturgy:** Carmel Murphy

## Apostolic Exhortation (papal document)

Pope Francis has published an Apostolic Exhortation on marriage and family life, in which he presents and develops the outcomes of the two Synods on this subject. The title of the Apostolic Exhortation is *Amoris Laetitia*, 'The Joy of Love: On Love in the Family'. The Post-Synodal Apostolic Exhortation was published during a press conference at the Vatican on Friday 8th April 2016.

You can download the text of the Exhortation below or read the summary document and Q&A provided by the Vatican. <https://www.catholic.org.au/synod-2015/blog>

## Diocesan Website

News items recently added to the diocesan website:

- Media Release on Climate change
- *Amoris Laetitia*, 'The Joy of Love: On Love in the Family'
- Launch of Catholic Worship Book II
- Bread 4 Today - a prayer APP for life **Diocesan Website**

## Week of Prayer for Christian Unity Called to proclaim the mighty acts of the Lord – May 8-15

The week of Prayer for Christian Unity is held each year in the week leading up to the Feast of Pentecost. All are invited to Evening Prayer at 5.30 pm in the following Churches in Ballarat:

Tuesday May 10<sup>th</sup> at St John's Lutheran Church Doveton St,

Wednesday May 11<sup>th</sup> at St Patrick's Cathedral

Thursday May 12<sup>th</sup> at Uniting Church Dana St

Friday May 13<sup>th</sup> at Christ Church Anglican Cathedral

Each of the Churches will use the resources prepared by the National Council of Churches.