### St Peter's Parish

Communities of Linton, Skipton, Smythesdale and Snake Valley

# Sunday December 22<sup>nd</sup> 2019 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Advent (A)

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Masses November December 28th/29th

Smythesdale Linton Skipton Redan Sebastopol

6.30pm Vigil 9.00am 10.30am 6.00pm Vigil 9.00am 10.30am

New Year's Day Mass Times Redan 10.00am Cathedral 10.00am

Next week's readings for the Feast of the Holy Family (A)

Sirach 3:2-6. 12-14 Ps 127:1-5 Colossians 3:12-21 Matthew 2:13-15, 19-23

**Recent Deaths:** Leon Kelly, Doreen O'Brien

**Anniversaries:** Sr. Marie Emmanuel Cook rsm, Sr. Joan D'Orsa rsm, Ronald Leslie Edgar,

Ronald Mark Edgar, Nancy Hand, Kathleen Murphy, Pamela Tellefson

Please remember in your prayers those who are unwell, especially

Margaret Cranko, Brendan Mulcahy, Angie Polglaze, Basil Torpy, Milly Yeoman

St Peter's Parish respectfully acknowledge that the Aboriginal people of Australia are our first nation peoples and the traditional owners and custodians of this land.

#### **Christmas Mass Eve and Christmas Day Masses**

#### Christmas Eve Masses - Tuesday 24th December

- St. Aloysius Redan—6pm (School Auditorium) celebrant Fr. Kevin Maloney
- St. James' Sebastopol—7.30pm (Carols at 7pm) celebrant Fr. Lovin Lolo
- 8.00pm, Linton, St Peter's Church. celebrant Fr. Kevin Maloney

#### Christmas Day Masses- Wednesday 25th December

- St. Aloysius Redan—9am celebrant Bishop Peter Connors
- St. James' Sebastopol—9am celebrant Fr. Lovin Lolo
- 9.00am, Skipton, St John's Church celebrant Fr. Kevin Maloney

## Please note there will be no weekday Masses on Thursday 26th December or Friday 27th December at St. James, Sebastopol or St. Aloysius', Redan

As the Parish Office will be closed between Christmas and New Year, there will be no Parish Bulletin next weekend.

## A Special Thank You to the Parishioners from Fr. John Hodgson CSsR, Provincial, Redemptorists of Oceania

As Provincial of the Redemptorist Congregation, I extend a heartfelt thanks to the parish for all your kindness in welcoming Fr Lovin Lolo CSsR among you as an Assistant Priest. He will share with you many things for which he is grateful because in welcoming Lolo as a newly ordained priest you have played an important part in his introduction to priesthood, and it is often said that the first appointment after ordination is remembered so fondly.

May God bless each one of you as together we await the Birth of our Redeemer. May the New Year be a blessed one for our world and your parish.

#### **Young Adult Retreat**

Looking for a young adults retreat that will change your life? Registration is now open for next year's "Summer School of Evangelisation" (January 12<sup>th</sup>-19<sup>th</sup>, 2020). This unique event held in Bacchus Marsh will be a powerful week of encountering God, where you can experience great speakers, uplifting worship, beautiful liturgies and a vibrant community of 16-35 year olds looking to deepen their faith in Christ. The Ballarat Diocesan Youth Ministry is offering financial support to help cover the costs of attending this week-long camp. Anyone interested can contact Patrick on 5337-7160 or email patrick.kennedy@ballarat.catholic.org.au for more information.