St. Aloysius Redan & St. James' Sebastopol

7th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A Sunday 23rd February 2020

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Next Week's Readings: Genesis 2:7-9, 3:1-7, Romans 5:12-19, Matthew 4:1-11

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

RedanSebastopol6.00pm Vigil9.00am10.30amCathedralRokewood

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Monday 12.05pm Cathedral Tuesday 12.05pm Cathedral

Wednesday Ash Wednesday Masses (times below)

Thursday 9.30am Redan 12.05pm Cathedral Friday 9.30am Sebastopol 12.05pm Cathedral

Saturday 10.00am Cathedral

Sacrament of Penance Cathedral Friday 11.00am Saturday 11.30am

Recent Deaths: William Lynch

Anniversaries: Eileen Dawson, Mia Geurts, William Heath, Glenis Ledda, Noreen O'Hehir,

Michael Phillips

Please remember in your prayers: Margaret Cooper, Fr. Dennis Dennehy, Fletcher Densley, Winifredo Ferrer,

Leonie Street, Sr. Patricia Vagg

Ash Wednesday Masses – 26th February 2020 9.30am – St. James' Sebastopol – School Mass 11.45am – St. Aloysius Redan – School Mass 6pm – St. James' Sebastopol

BUPA Aged Care - Prayer Service Thursday, 27th February at 10.30am. All Welcome

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: \$891.00 Presbytery: \$686.00

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.

Stewardship Program - please collect new envelopes from the church foyer.

Roster February 29th / March 1st

Mass	Leader	Reader	Offertory	Sp Ministers	Welcomer	Projector	Counters	Cleaners
6pm	K Andrews	M Kennedy	N McGuigan	B Van Ravenstein J Hopkins	J Hopkins	B Lynch	Team 1 T Kennedy P McGowan N McGuigan C Vanderkley	Team 4 R Keogh C Liston J Grano C Kavanagh
9am	M McDonald	M Ross	A Hirth & Family	M O'Meara A Hirth	L Hirth	A Dulfer		

Children's Liturgy - Colleen Orchard

St. James' Parish Sebastopol

Collections for previous weekend Parish: \$549.00 Presbytery: \$319.00

Opportunities for Prayer – 10.30am Adoration and Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. All welcome.

Monday 24th February 4.00pm St. Vincent de Paul Society Meeting

Sunday 1st March 2.30pm Parish Good Shepherd Servant Community Prayer Group

Monday 2nd March 1.00pm Parish Craft Group

Wednesday 4th March 7.00pm Combined Redan & Sebastopol PPT Meeting (Sebas Foyer)

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 over the next four weeks. This sacrament will be celebrated on Tuesday March 17th at 7.00pm, St. James' Church. *Please keep these children and their families in your prayers.*

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.

World Day of Prayer - Pray for Zimbabwe on Thursday 27th February 10.00am at Rosebank Retirement Village, 19A Charlotte Street Sebastopol 3356. Enquiries Marion on 5336 4685. Everyone is welcome to attend.

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.

Ballarat Diocesan Information, News and Events

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 March 5th.

Combined Redan & Sebastopol Parish Pastoral Team Meeting will be held on <u>Wednesday 4th March</u> at 7.00pm in St. James' Parish Church Foyer.

World Day of Prayer - Friday 6th March 2020 - We are delighted that our service has been prepared by the Christian Community of Zimbabwe on the theme: "Rise, take up your mat and walk!"

10.00am One2One Church of Christ, 121 Gillies Street South, Alfredton

2.00pm St. Matthews Anglican Church, 204 Howitt Street, Wendouree

7.00pm Buninyong Baptist Church at the Uniting Church, Buninyong

7.00pm St. Andrew's Uniting Church, 130 Ballarat Road, Creswick.

menALIVE Ballarat - Gatherings will recommence for 2020 on Friday February 21st and Thursday March 5th at Nazareth House Reading Room ("Nazzy Nook"), Mill Street. The purpose of MenALIVE is to bring men together to renew their faith in God and to encourage them to become an active force of renewal in the Church. No membership required – just your presence. For more information call or text Chris 0437 318 251.

Ecological Theology - You are invited to join 2020 Roundtable Conversations on Ecological Theology with Sr. Veronica Lawson and Fr. Barry Ryan at the Mercy Gathering Room, 16 Gent Street, Ballarat East (side entrance). Wednesday Evening Series: 7.00 – 9.00pm, February 26, March 25, April 22, May 20, June 17, July 15 or Thursday Afternoon Series: 14.00-3.00pm, March 26, April 26, April 23, May 21, June 18, July 16. Registration: veronica.lawson@mercy.org.au (kindly include contact details). Donation \$5 per session (to cover expenses and a contribution to ecological justice).

Plenary Council 2020: National Theme for Discernment – February: - How is God calling us to be a **Christ-centred Church that is Open to Conversion, Renewal and Reform?** Our Parishes will conduct a Listening & Discernment Experience for this theme on Tuesday 25th February - 1.00pm at St. James and 7pm at St. Aloysius. Sign in sheets and a copy of the Snapshot report are available in the foyers of both churches.

Rite of Election - The Rite of Election is an important part of the process of a person's journey to full membership in the Catholic Church community and one which is greatly appreciated by all who participate. This applies to both adults and children of catechetical age. The Rite of Election for catechumens, candidates and children of catechetical age will take place on **SATURDAY**, **FEBRUARY 29**, **2020** at **12.30pm at St Patrick's Cathedral**, **Ballarat**. The presider will be Bishop Paul Bird CSsR.

Choir for the Rite of Election - All are invited to join the choir for the Rite of Election to be held on Saturday, February 29, 2020 at St Patrick's Cathedral 12.30pm.

Pastoral Care at Ballarat Health Services - Following the appointment of Tracy Sillekens to another position, the Cathedral Parish has a vacancy for the position of Pastoral Carer at Ballarat Health Services. The position is part time, 12 hours per week, with flexibility as to when these hours are worked. The successful applicant will offer pastoral care to the Catholic patients and their families at the Hospital. A position description is available from the Cathedral Parish Office. Applications close on Friday March 6th.

St John's Primary School Dennington – Centenary Celebrations - Centenary celebrations for St John's Primary School Dennington will be held on Sunday, March 22, 2020 beginning with Mass at 10.00am and celebrations to follow. If you have any memorabilia or stories, please contact Sharon Easley by text on 0423 361 914 or email 100years@sjdennington.catholic.edu.au.

St Joseph's Church Nullawil Final Mass - All are welcome to attend the Final Mass at St Joseph's Church Nullawil on Sunday, April 5, 2020 at 12.30pm. A light luncheon will follow. For further information please contact Kaylene James, ph. 0428 935270.