

St Peter's Parish

Linton, Skipton, Smythesdale, Snake Valley

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Sunday 9th July 2017

14th Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)



Recent Deaths: Jill Doran, Gertrude Pollack, Terence Patrick Scanlon, Rosalie Topp

Anniversaries: Patricia Bowes, Alice Edna Cluff, John Donovan, John Jansan, Jean McInerney, Edmond Murphy, Roger & Ethel O'Bierne, Gary Robson Chris Stevens, Mary Patricia Thorp, Isobel Wright, Sr Cynthia Wright.

Please remember in your prayers those who are unwell, especially Margaret Cranko, Nic Gowans, Fr John Keane, Grace Molloy, Kerrie Mulcahy, Marie Stevens, Milly Yeoman

Next week's readings: *Sunday July 16th 2017* *15th Sunday in Ordinary Time (A,)*

Isaiah 55:10-11 Ps 64:10-14. R. Lk 8:8 Romans 8:18-23 Matthew 13:1-9

Masses: **15th/16th July** 6.30 pm Smythesdale 9.00am Skipton 10.30 am Rokewood
 22nd/23rd July 6.30 pm Snake Valley 8.30am Beaufort 10.30 am Skipton

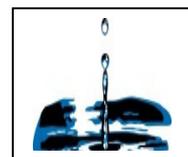
Change of Saturday evening Vigil Mass Time at St Patrick's Cathedral

During the three winter months June, July and August. Vigil Mass will be celebrated at **5.30 pm**

We welcome to our Parish through the Sacrament of Baptism;

Margot Therese Holtham daughter of Adrian & Maryanne

May she grow in faith in her loving family and our Catholic Community.



Euthanasia and Assisted Suicide Proposals

In April this year, the bishops of Victoria published a pastoral letter in response to proposals to introduce legislation allowing euthanasia and assisted suicide. As a follow-up to that letter, a group of lay people has prepared a flyer encouraging people to write to parliamentarians and express their opposition to such legislation. Copies of the flyer have been made available for your consideration. You are invited to write to parliamentarians as suggested.

Australian Catholic Youth Festival (ACYF)

ACYF is in Sydney December 7-9, 2017. A joyful 3 day immersion in faith with 15,000 other young Australians. Young people (yr 9-30yo) are encouraged to go. Go to www.ballarat.catholic.org.au or contact Amanda on 5337 7125 or youth@ballarat.catholic.org.au

Child Safety Standards

New state government legislation has come into effect with the New Year which sets standards for child safety. The Linton parish has appointed Cecelia Rowberry (Smythesdale) as our Safeguarding officer and have a [Child Safety Policy](#) to ensure the safety and wellbeing of children in our care. A [Child Safety Code of Conduct](#) has been adopted for all who work with children in the Parish.

Ballarat Diocese Lay Pastoral Ministry Program – now open for new participants

The Lay Pastoral Ministry Program offers low-cost opportunities for online study and formation for lay workers in the diocese, both employees and volunteers. A wide range of subject areas are offered: Scripture, Sacraments, Social Justice, Youth Ministry, many more. Registration for the July study cycle closes on 10 July - or you can start in September or later in the year. Details on the diocesan website www.ballarat.catholic.org.au (link is on front page), or contact Amanda, ph: 5337 7125 or email amanda.smith@ballarat.catholic.org.au.

Promoting Lay Formation: Cardijn And The YCW In Australia

Commemorating The 50th Anniversaries Of The Deaths Of Cardinal Joseph Cardijn And Fr Frank Lombard. Saturday 29 July 2017 Catholic Theological College 278 Victoria Parade, East Melbourne
Cost \$20 per person: Morning Tea, lunch & afternoon tea Registrations: by Wednesday 26 July
Jill Doncovio, jill.doncovio@ctc.edu.au or 9412 3304. Numbers are strictly limited

19th July National day of Action. Close the Camps. Bring them here

Please join us for an hours vigil to remember the 4th anniversary of the decision that people arriving by boat to seek asylum in Australia would be detained on Manus island and Nauru and never allowed to settle here.

The Manus Island and Nauru centres have been condemned by the UNHCR, the UN Special Rapporteur on Torture, the Australian Human Rights Commission, Amnesty International and many other human rights organisations.

When: Wednesday 19th July

Where: Queen Victoria Square (opposite the Ballarat Town Hall)

Time: 5.00pm - 6.00pm

Bring a candle

The Australian Refugee Action Network including Rural Australians for Refugees and the Grandmothers Against Detention of Refugee Children