

# St. James' Sebastopol & St. Aloysius Redan

Parish Priest: Fr Kevin Maloney, Ph: 5331 4981

Presbytery: 508 Leith St, Redan

## Epiphany Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> January 2017

**Next week's readings:** Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> January 2016      2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time (A)  
Isaiah 49:3, 5-6      Ps 39(40):2, 4, 7-10      1 Corinthians 1:1-3      John 1:29-34

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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.

**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> January 2017**. For any enquiries please contact Bernadette or Pauline at either parish centre.

### Mass Times;

**Monday** 12:05pm Cathedral  
**Tuesday** 12:05pm Cathedral  
**Wednesday** 12:05pm Cathedral  
**Thursday** **9.30am Redan**  
12:05pm Cathedral  
**Friday** **9.30am Sebastopol**  
12.05pm Cathedral  
**Saturday** 10.00 am Cathedral

### Sacrament of Penance

Cathedral Friday 11.00am Saturday 11.30 am

### Weekend Masses

Cathedral	St Aloysius	St James'
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**

### Recent Deaths:

Molly Harris

### Anniversaries:

Oskar Ammon, Francis Armstrong, Shane Atkinson, Lena Browning, Marie Cranage, Shane Everard, Una Murphy, James Troy,

### Please remember in your Prayers the following:

Rodney Ball, Maria Bessems, Norah Best, John Bond, Irina Davis, Julie Delahenty, Fletcher Densley, Andrew Flood, Mary Patricia Guinan, Cody Joy, Margaretha Kuzmich, Jim Maher, Michala Murphy, Frank Nolan, John O'Keeffe, Rosellie Ozimek, Sally Patterson, Mary Skelton, Leonie Street, Jenny Tan, Connie Vincent, Lynn Whiteley

### Advance Notice – dates for 2017:

Rite of Election: Saturday, March 4 at St Patrick's Cathedral, Ballarat

Mass of the Oils: Monday, April 10 at St Patrick's Cathedral, Ballarat

# St. James' Parish Sebastopol

## Opportunities for Prayer

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

### Dates to Remember:

<b>Monday 9<sup>th</sup> January</b>	<b>7pm</b>	St. Vincent de Paul Society Meeting
<b>Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> January</b>	<b>9am</b>	Men's Breakfast

### St. James; Parish Office

During the school holidays the Parish office will be open on Tuesdays only between 9.30am – 4.30pm. Fr. Kevin can be contacted at the Redan Presbytery on 53314 981.

### Lost Property

A watch was found in the carpark after Mass. Would the owner please contact the Parish Office. We also have a container of lost property in the foyer including keys, glasses, brochures and jumpers. Would you please check and collect your items. Thank you.

### Thankyou

to all who have setup the nativity scene, decorated the sanctuary, arranged flowers, mowed lawns, washed linen and cleaned for us. Also to all who contributed to our Christmas Masses making them wonderful and prayerful time. Many thanks to you all.

### Feast of the Holy Infant Santo Nino ('Prague')

The Filipino / Australian Community invite you to 9 days Novena commencing on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> January at 7pm in the St. James' Church, Sebastopol. On 29<sup>th</sup> January Sunday at 12.30pm Fluvial parade at Lake Wendouree with the conclusion of the Holy Mass at 2.30pm in St. James' Church, Sebastopol. Fellowship dinner afterwards. All are welcome. For more information please contact Imelda Ross on 0418 956 493.

### Sacramental Program 2017

Leaflets are available in the foyer after Mass.

### 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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# St. Aloysius Parish Redan

**Invitation to pray the Rosary** - Thursday morning 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.

**St. Aloysius Parish Office** – The Parish office will close from Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> December to Monday 30<sup>th</sup> January. The office will re-open on Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> January. For urgent matters please contact Fr Kevin directly 53314981, for any notices for the Sunday Bulletin please contact Jacinta at St. Patricks Cathedral on 53312933. Thank you all for your support and friendship over the past year, Christmas blessings to you and your families. Bernadette

**Ministry Volunteers** – As there are no ministry rosters for the month of January, we are seeking volunteers for each weekend.

**Children's Liturgy:** School Holidays

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## **BUPA Age Care**

Prayer services for BUPA Age Care will recommence on **Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> February at 10.30am.**

## **Lay Pastoral Ministry Program - start in 2017!**

The Ballarat Diocese Lay Pastoral Ministry Program offers low-cost opportunities for online study and formation for lay workers, both employees and volunteers. Details on the diocesan website (link to Program on lower front page) email: [amanda.smith@ballarat.catholic.org.au](mailto:amanda.smith@ballarat.catholic.org.au) or phone 5337 7125

## **Diocesan Communications**

**Diocesan Website** [www.ballarat.catholic.org.au](http://www.ballarat.catholic.org.au). The website contains current news and information on the diocese and parishes and also has a section for members to access resources relevant to diocesan ministries.

**e-News:** e-News is available to all members of the diocese and those associated with and with an interest in the life of the diocese. It is published every two weeks and distributed via email. You can subscribe to receive e-News on the diocesan website [www.ballarat.catholic.org.au](http://www.ballarat.catholic.org.au) or you are welcome to submit items for publication to [enews@ballarat.catholic.org.au](mailto:enews@ballarat.catholic.org.au). News items submitted should have relevance to the life and activity of the parishes and schools of the diocese and include photos where possible.

**Our Diocesan Community:** ODC is published three times per year and delivered to parishes for distribution to those in the diocese. This magazine contains the good news stories of events and people in the diocese. You are welcome to submit items for publication to [odc@ballarat.catholic.org.au](mailto:odc@ballarat.catholic.org.au) and again, news items submitted should have relevance to the life and activity of the parishes and schools of the diocese and include photos where possible.

## **Australian Catholic Youth Festival 2017 leads to Year of Youth 2018**

The Catholic Bishops of Australia invite Catholics across the country to join in celebrating a Year of Youth from the beginning of Advent 2017 to the end of 2018. The theme is, '*Open New Horizons for Spreading Joy: Young People, Faith and Vocational Discernment*'. The emphasis is on local discussion and dialogue in parishes, schools, youth groups and dioceses. The Year of Youth will be launched at the next Australian Catholic Youth Festival in Sydney in December 2017. More information on diocesan website News and Youth and Young Adult pages [www.ballarat.catholic.org.au](http://www.ballarat.catholic.org.au)

## **Mercy Connect Ballarat – Supporting refugee and asylum seeker students in local schools.**

### **Volunteer mentors needed.**

Mercy Works is currently recruiting volunteers to support refugee and asylum seeker 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 February 2017. 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 February 2, 2017.



**The Diocesan Ecological Sustainability Group (ECOS)** are encouraging parishes to spread the word of *Laudato Si*.

"Many things have to change course, but it is we human beings above all who need to change. We lack an awareness of our common origin, of our mutual belonging and of a future to be shared with everyone. This basic awareness would enable the development of new convictions, attitudes and forms of life. A great cultural, spiritual and educational challenge stands before us and it will demand that we set out on the long path of renewal." (Pope Francis, *Laudato Si*' #202)

Our habits to consume are very strong, reinforced by our culture that tells us that our happiness is dependent on owning the latest gadget, product or experience. Make a choice based on your commitment to live simply, in order to create space and time to focus on what is essential: God, relationships, service, and caring for our earth community.