

St. James' Sebastopol & St. Aloysius Redan

Parish Priest: Fr Kevin Maloney, Ph: 5331 4981

Presbytery: 508 Leith St, Redan

2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time - Sunday 17th January 2016

Next week's readings: Sunday 24th January 2016

3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)

Nehemiah 8:2-6, 8-10

Ps 18(19):8-10, 15

1 Corinthians 12:12-30

Luke 1:1-4, 4:14-21

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Redan Parish Coordinator: Bernadette Lynch, Ph: 5335 9460

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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.

Last Weekend's Collections:	Parish	Sebastopol \$1,213.70	Redan \$788.00
	Presbytery	Sebastopol \$250.95	Redan \$739.30

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 2nd Thursday of the month at 7.00pm in the Redan Parish Centre, 506 Leith Street Redan. The next meeting will be on Thursday **11th February 2016**. For any enquiries please contact Bernadette or Pauline at either parish centre.

Mass Times;

Monday	12:05pm Cathedral
Tuesday	9.30am Redan 12:05pm Cathedral
Wednesday	9.30am Sebastopol 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 3rd Sunday at 10.30am		

Recent Deaths: Peter Conlon, Jack Costa, Kevin Daly, Basil McKay

Anniversaries:

John Attard, Lorna Creati, Kevin Daly, Mary Gallagher, Bridget Lloyd-Jones, Claire Murphy, Tony O'Halloran, Norman Yates, Gertrud Zehner,

Please remember in your Prayers the following:

Maria Bessems, Norah Best, Margaret Cooper, Julie Delahenty, Michael Dignan, Joseph Graafmans, Mary Patricia Guinan, Paddy Kavanagh, Jim Maher, John O'Keefe, Mary Skelton, Leonie Street, Connie Vincent, Carolyn Watson, Lynn Whiteley,

Advance Notice – dates for 2016:

Rite of Election: Saturday, February 13 at St Patrick's Cathedral, Ballarat

Mass of the Oils: Monday, March 21 at St Patrick's Cathedral, Ballarat

St. James' Parish Sebastopol

Opportunities for Prayer

Monday 1.30 pm 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

Thursday 28th January 7pm Parish Pastoral Team Meeting

Friday 29th January 10.15am Liturgy Meeting

Monday 1st February 1pm Parish Craft Group

Tuesday 2nd February 9.30am Caring Group Meeting

Singing practise is on the **1st Wednesday** of the month at 7pm.

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

Sacrament of Baptism

This weekend, we welcome to our Parish through the Sacrament of Baptism, Charles Francis Garner, son of Patrick and Maree. May Charles grow in faith in his loving family and the Catholic community.

Retreats at the Campion Centre of Ignatian Spirituality - Refer to the noticeboard in the foyer for details

Quarterly Plan Giving Receipts are now available in the foyer for collection. With rising costs of postage, could you please provide an email address (if you have one) for future receipts. Ring the Parish office on 5336 1353 or email sebastopol@ballarat.catholic.org.au. Thank you.

Sacramental Program 2016 – leaflets are available in the foyer after Mass.

Sacrament of Penance / Reconciliation - A parent information session for children who wish to receive the Sacrament of Penance will be held on Tuesday 16th February 2016 at 7pm in the foyer. This sacrament is celebrated before a child's First Communion.

Filipino Mass

Will be held on Saturday 30th January at 6pm. Fr. Rene (Filipino priest) from Melbourne will be the celebrant. All welcome.

St. Aloysius Parish Redan

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

Adoration and Exposition – 1st & 3rd Friday of the month, 7.00 pm – 8.00 pm.

St. Aloysius Parish Office - The Parish office will be closed during January. Fr. Kevin can be contacted at the Redan Presbytery on 53314 981 For any notices for the Sunday bulletin please contact Jacinta at St. Patricks Cathedral on 53312933.

4th Friday Family Group

Meeting at Formosa Gardens for lunch from 12pm New members most welcome. For transport ring 0421855881

Roster 23rd/24th January

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

Children's Liturgy: School Holidays

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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 13, 2016 at 12.30PM in St Patrick's Cathedral, Ballarat. The presider will be Bishop Paul Bird CSsR. At the conclusion of the ceremony all are invited to join the Bishop in St Patrick's Hall for a light lunch. For further information contact the Pastoral Ministry Office, ph. 5337 7159 or pastoralministry@ballarat.catholic.org.au

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 February 2016. Contact Paulene Barton - Mercy Connect Project Coordinator on 0417 624 330 or email: mercyconnectb@gmail.com for information and application form. Applications close on February 5, 2016.

Mary MacKillop: From Portland to the Sisters of Saint Joseph and Sainthood

Events are planned on the weekend of Saturday 30 & Sunday 31 January, 2016 to commemorate the 150th anniversary of Mary MacKillop departing Portland in January 1866.

Kimberley Catholic Volunteer Service: Volunteers Workers Wanted

The Diocese of Broome, WA, requires volunteers to assist with the work of the local Church on Aboriginal Missions. There are various important voluntary tasks - administration, building maintenance, gardening, shop staffing, cooking, cleaning, etc. Placements are preferred for a period of 6 months plus. For further details, and an application form, please contact Volunteer Coordinator Anneliese Rohr, ph. 08 9192 1060, email: volunteers@broomediocese.org, web: www.broomediocese.org or mail PO Box 76, Broome WA 6725

Jubilee Year of Mercy

Lord Jesus Christ, you have taught us to be merciful like the heavenly Father, and have told us that whoever sees you sees Him. Show us your face and we will be saved.

Your loving gaze freed Zacchaeus and Matthew from being enslaved by money; the adulteress and Magdalene from seeking happiness only in created things; made Peter weep after his betrayal, and assured Paradise to the repentant thief.

Let us hear, as if addressed to each one of us, the words that you spoke to the Samaritan woman: "If you knew the gift of God!"

You are the visible face of the invisible Father, of the God who manifests his power above all by forgiveness and mercy: let the Church be your visible face in the world, its Lord risen and glorified.

You willed that your ministers would also be clothed in weakness in order that they may feel compassion for those in ignorance and error: let everyone who approaches them feel sought after, loved, and forgiven by God.

Send your Spirit and consecrate every one of us with its anointing, so that the Jubilee of Mercy may be a year of grace from the Lord, and your Church, with renewed enthusiasm, may bring good news to the poor, proclaim liberty to captives and the oppressed, and restore sight to the blind.

We ask this of you, Lord Jesus, through the intercession of Mary, Mother of Mercy; you who live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit for ever and ever. Amen.