St. James' Sebastopol & St. Aloysius Redan

Parish Priest: Fr Kevin Maloney, Ph: 5331 4981

Presbytery: 508 Leith St, Redan

The Epiphany of the Lord – Sunday 7th January 2018

Next week's readings: Sunday 14th January 2018 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time (B)

1 Samuel 3:3-10, 19 Psalm 39(40):2, 4, 7-10 1 Corinthians 6:13-15, 17-20 John 1:35-42

Sebastopol Parish Coordinator: Pauline O'Brien, Ph: 5336 1353

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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.

Collections Last Week: Sebastopol: Parish: \$437.55 Presbytery \$302.30 Bishop's Christmas Appeal: \$627.55

Redan: Parish: \$1,054.00 Presbytery: \$615.40 Bishop's Christmas Appeal: \$869.45

Baptism Parent Information Sessions: - Parent information sessions for the Baptism of children will be held on the first Thursday of each month. The next meetings will be on **Thursday 1st February at 10.00 am & 7.00 pm**, in the hall at the back of the Cathedral Presbytery, 3 Lyons St. South, Ballarat. All families wishing to have their children (under 7) baptised are invited to attend one of these preparation sessions so that they can enrol their children for Baptism at these preparation sessions. For any enquiries, please contact Bernadette or Pauline at either parish centre.

Mass Times;

Monday12.05pm CathedralTuesday12.05pm CathedralWednesday12.05pm CathedralThursday9.30am Redan

12.05pm Cathedral **9.30am Sebastopol**

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10.00am 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

Friday

Saturday

Rokewood Every 3rd Sunday at 10.30am

Recent Deaths: Jean Bernet, Doreen Holmes,

Isabel McInerney, Monica Morgan,

Rudi Wstenberger,

Anniversaries:

Oskar Ammon, Francis Armstrong, Shane Atkinson, Charles Bartolo, Lena Browning, Marie Cranage, Shane Everard, Una Murphy, Robert Treganowan,

James Troy

Please remember in your Prayers the following:

Norah Best, John Bond, Marion Davis, Julie Delahenty, Andrew Flood, Jim Maher, Raymon Reed, Lance Vagg, Francis White,

*If you would like a person prayed for, ask for their permission. Names will be included for the duration of ONE MONTH after which more time can be requested.

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:

Sunday 7th January 2.30pm Good Shepherd Community Prayer Group

Saturday 20th January 9am Men's Breakfast

Rosary 2nd Wednesday of month at 7pm

Good Shepherd Servant Community Prayer Group 1st & 3rd Sunday of the month at 2.30pm

St. James' Parish Office

Will be open on Tuesdays during the school holidays.

A Big 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 a wonderful and prayerful time. Many thanks to you all.

Mercy Works Christmas Hamper Results

The winners of the hampers were: Fran Haddrick - 1st prize, Letty Lozano -. 2nd prize, Basil & Annette Murphy - 3rd Prize, Joe & Loreto Martinovic - 4th Prize and Marian Atkinson - 5th Prize. Thank you for your generous support, it was greatly appreciated.

Lenten Program 2018

We will be offering the Archdiocese of Brisbane's Reflections for Lent 'Blessed & Broken'. The sessions will run over 6 weeks commencing on the week of Ash Wednesday (14 February). Lenten prayer and discussions groups have been setup and people can sign up to be part of a group or take the resource home. Please enrol in one the groups on the foyer notice board ASAP so that booklets can be ordered. Cost \$8.

Sacramental Program 2018

Leaflets are available in the foyer after Mass.

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

The Filipino / Australian Community invite you to celebrate with them, the Feast of the Holy Infant Santo Nino on Saturday 27th January at the St. James' Church, Sebastopol. For more information please contact Imelda Ross on 0418 956 493. All are welcome.

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

St. Aloysius Parish Redan

Invitation to pray the Rosary - Thursday morning 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

Will be closed from now until the end of January. Office reopens on the 31st January. Please note: That the Office and Parish Centre have moved to Ryan Hall. Entry to the Office and Parish Centre is via Ripon Street South. People with keys to the old Parish Centre can give them to Fr Maloney or Bernadette when she returns at the end of January. The old Parish Centre is now being let as a private residence.

VOLUNTEERS

Over January, we are seeking volunteers for ministries associated with the celebration of weekend Masses. Please see Fr. Kevin before Mass commences.

Advance Notice – dates for 2018:

Rite of Election: Saturday, February 17, at St Patrick's Cathedral, Ballarat at 12.30pm. Mass of the Oils: Monday, March 26 at St Patrick's Cathedral, Ballarat at 6.30pm.

Seeking a Diocesan Youth and Young Adult Project Worker

Ballarat Diocese will be employing a Project Worker in Youth and Young Adult Ministry in 2018, the Year of Youth. This will initially be a 12 month position, fulltime preferred but not essential. A position description will be available on the diocesan website in January or you can contact youth@ballarat.catholic.org.au to have the position description emailed to you.

Year of Youth 2018 - 2018 is the Year of Youth in Australia starting Advent (3 December 2017). The Year of Youth theme is *Open New Horizons for Spreading Joy*. Year of Youth information is on Ballarat Diocese website www.ballarat.catholic.org.au /Youth and Young Adult pages, or email youth@ballarat.catholic.org.au