St. James' Sebastopol & St. Aloysius Redan

Parish Priest: Fr Kevin Maloney, Ph: 5331 4981

Presbytery: 508 Leith St, Redan

3rd Sunday of Lent - Sunday 28th February 2016

Next week's readings: Sunday 6th March 2016 4th Sunday in Lent (C)

Joshua 5:9-12 Ps 33(34):2-7 2 Corinthians 5:17-21 Luke 15:1-3, 11-32

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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.

Last Weekend's Collections: Parish Sebastopol \$608.70 Redan \$2,347.00(includes credit cards)

Presbytery Sebastopol \$320.30 Redan \$554.50

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 10th March 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: Margaret Ruby Turville, Margaret Whitehouse

Anniversaries:

Christine Crawford, Elwyn (Nicky) Davies, Carmel Hockley, Dennis Keighery, Kevin McGuigan, Joel Nankervis, Mary Quinn,

Please remember in your Prayers the following:

Maria Bessems, Norah Best, Julie Delahenty, Michael Dignan, Joseph Graafmans,

Mary Patricia Guinan, Jim Maher, Frank Nolan, John O'Keeffe, Mary Skelton, Leonie Street, Connie

Vincent, Carolyn Watson, Lynn Whiteley

Lenten Prayer – 3rd Sunday of Lent

Loving Father, So many times I turn away from you and always you welcome me back. Your mercy and love gives me confidence. Thank you for the invitation to share, fast and pray so that you can form a new heart within me. Your powerful compassion for my weaknesses leads me to ask for mercy and await with great hop the Easter joy you share with us.

St. James' Parish Sebastopol

Opportunities for Prayer

Monday 10.30am Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament including Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. Your presence is welcome. (*Please note change of time*)

Wednesday Rosary will be recited at 9.00am before 9.30am Mass.

Dates to Remember

Sunday 28th February 2pm Good Shepherd Servant Community Prayer Group

Monday 29th February 10.30am Adoration (Please note: Change of time)

Tuesday 1st March 9.30am Caring Group Meeting

Wednesday 2nd March10amLenten Session with Sr. Liz DowlingThursday 3rd March7pmParish Pastoral Team Meeting

Friday 4th March

10.30am
Liturgy Group Meeting

Monday 7th March

1pm
Parish Craft Group

Filipino Community

Rosary 2nd Wednesday of month at 7pm Good Shepherd Servant Community Prayer Group 2nd & 4th Sunday of the month at 2pm

Sacrament of Penance / Reconciliation (Confession) - This Sunday, we welcome the children who will be preparing and working their way through the program over the next three weeks. This sacrament will be celebrated on **Tuesday 15th March 2016 at 7pm**. Please keep these children in our prayers.

Sacrament of Baptism - This weekend, we welcome to our Parish through the Sacrament of Baptism, Fletcher William Armstrong, son of Ben and Tanya. May Fletcher grow in faith in his loving family and the Catholic community.

Bereavement Team – we are looking for a few volunteers to join this group, contact Morgan Murphy, 53364712 or Fr Kevin Maloney 53314981

Footy Tipping 2016 – If there are any interested Parishioners please contact Bryan Goble or Pauline in the Parish Office. \$5 Entry.

St. Vincent de Paul Society - Certificate of Service - The Sebastopol Conference has received a certificate recognising 60 years of continuous service to people in need. Congratulations to all current and previous members of our conference on the wonderful contribution they make to our community.

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.

Lenten Prayer & Discussion Group for 2016 –

Theme: Pope Francis' Year of Mercy.

For: Parishioners of Redan & Sebastopol parishes & anyone else interested.

'The Blessing of Mercy' Bible Perspectives and Ecological Challenges by Sr. Veronica Lawson - Cost \$10. Available in the foyer.

This will be followed with sessions by Sr. Liz Dowling on:

Wednesday 2nd March, 10am

Tuesday 8th March, 10am

Wednesdays 16th & 23rd March, 10am

Where: All presentations will be in the St. James Church Foyer

Lenten Visit to the Shrine of Our Lady of Mt Ta Pinu, Bacchus Marsh - The Shrine of Our lady of Mt Ta Pinu at Bacchus Marsh was set up by the Maltese community of Melbourne and is available for group devotion for interested people. Many of us went last year during Lent and had an enjoyable and prayerful day. On Wednesday, March 9th, we will again be making a pilgrimage to the Shrine with the opportunity to pray the 'Way of the Cross' and the Rosary. Fr Kevin will accompany us and will celebrate Mass for us there. We can take a picnic lunch as there is a large undercover area with tea and coffee available for a small donation. There is no entrance fee, however there is a collection during Mass for the upkeep of the Shrine.

We will organise a bus to take us and it will leave the carpark at 9:15 and return around 3pm. The cost will be \$10 payable on the day. To make a booking please contact Anne Porter, 0408170885

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.

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St Aloysius School

The school community have introduced Whole School Prayer every Friday morning at 8.40am in the school auditorium. All parishioners are invited to celebrate this special time with them. Please enter through the school front office

Caring Circle – this group will meet on Wednesday 2nd March at 1pm in the Parish Centre. All new members welcome.

Anointing Mass – this will be held on Tuesday 22nd March at 11am followed by light lunch and some Easter fun. Everyone welcome.

Choir – Practices to prepare for the Easter Celebrations will be held in the Church at 7pm on Monday 7th & 14th March. All Welcome

We welcome to our Parish through the Sacrament of Baptism;

Noah Sebastian Aruliah son of Sean and Shannon

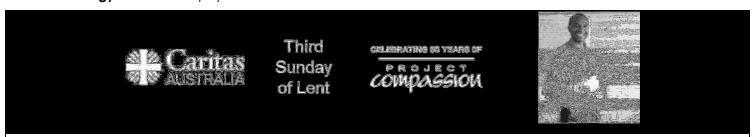
May he grow in faith in his loving family and our Catholic Community



Roster 5th/6th March

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Mass	Leader	Reader	Offertory	Sp Ministers	Welcomer	Projector	Counters	Cleaners		
6pm	M Van Ravenstein	T Phillips	N McGuigan	K Andrews B Van Ravenstein	A Braybrook	M Coughlan	T Kennedy M Coughlan	B & B McCarty		
9am	T Haintz	C Vanderkley	M Flood	A Dulfer M Czurlowski	N Chapman	M Brown	J Moylan	M Brown		

Children's Liturgy: Carmel Murphy



Generational poverty has led to many challenges in Dominic's community in Papua New Guinea, including gender inequality, alcohol abuse and violence Since receiving training in the Caritas Australia supported Community Conversations program, Dominic has learnt communication and problem solving skills to lead his community towards a more peaceful, prosperous future.

Please donate to Project Compassion 2016 and help empower communities in Papua New Guinea to lead their own development and create more harmonious futures. You can donate through Parish boxes and envelopes, by visiting www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion or phoning 1800 024 413.

Mass of the Oils: Monday, March 21, 2016

The Mass of the Oils will be celebrated in St Patrick's Cathedral, Ballarat at 6.30pm on Monday, March 21, 2016. This Mass is a celebration of the whole Church of the Diocese of Ballarat. We celebrate the unity and ministry of the ordained priests in the midst of the entire priestly people of God of the Diocese. This Mass also has special significance for those who will use the blessed oils in 2016 – the sick, those to be baptised and confirmed. All members of the Diocese are invited to participate in this celebration which truly expresses the unity of the Diocesan Church. Ministries required for the Mass of the Oils include Ushers, Readers, Oils Bearers, Presentation of the gifts, Collection of Oils, Musicians and Singers. For further information contact the Pastoral Ministry Office, ph. 5337 7159 or pastoralministry@ballarat.catholic.org.au

Nazareth House Auxiliary St. Patrick's Day Coffee Party - will be held on Thursday 17th March at 1.30pm in the Hall. Entertainment, Entrance Prize & Raffle, Produce & Fancy Goods Stall. \$5 Entry. All welcome.