

St. James' Sebastopol & St. Aloysius Redan

Parish Priest: Fr Kevin Maloney, Ph: 5331 4981

Presbytery: 508 Leith St, Redan

16th Sunday of Ordinary Time – Sunday 23rd July 2017

Next week's readings: Sunday 30th July 2017

17th Sunday of Ordinary Time (A)

1 Kings 3:5, 7-12

Ps 118(119):57, 72, 76-77, 127-130

Romans 8:28-30

Matthew 13:44-52

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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.

Centralised Baptism Preparation / Baptism Parent Information Sessions:

Clergy, Staff & Baptism Coordinators from the Parishes St. Columba's Ballarat North, Our Lady Help of Christians Wendouree, St. Alipius Ballarat East, St. Patrick's Cathedral, St. Aloysius Redan and St. James' Sebastopol have been meeting to discuss the centralisation of the Baptism preparation process.

Commencing on the **Thursday 3rd August at 10.00 am & 7.00 pm** and monthly thereafter on the first Thursday of each month, all families wishing to have their children (under 7) baptised will be invited to attend these preparation sessions at St. Patrick's Cathedral. For any enquiries please contact Bernadette or Pauline at either parish centre.

Mass Times:

Monday	12.05pm Cathedral
Tuesday	9.30am Sebastopol (School-led) Followed by morning tea at the school 12.05pm Cathedral
Wednesday	12.05pm Cathedral
Thursday	9.30am Redan 12.05pm Cathedral
Friday	9.30am Sebastopol 12.05pm Cathedral
Saturday	10.00am Cathedral

Sacrament of Penance

Cathedral Friday 11.00am, Saturday 11.30 am

Weekend Masses

Cathedral	St Aloysius	St James'
5.30 pm Vigil	6.00 pm Vigil	
8.00 am	9.00 am	10.30 am
10.30 am		
5.00 pm		
Rokewood Every 3rd Sunday at 10.30am		

Recent Deaths:

Austin Walsh, Nellie Ross, Margaret Taplin

Anniversaries:

Thomas Dillon, Catherine Merrick, Edmond Francis O'Keefe, Mary O'Neill, John Murphy, Maureen Phillips, Marcelino Reyes, Bernie Sculley, Tess Tartan, Mary Vaughan,

Please remember in your Prayers the following:

Sue deNatris, Julie Delahenty, Grace Molloy, Kevin Orchard, Raymon Reed,

**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.*

BUPA Age Care - Prayer service at the BUPA Age Care on **Thursday 3rd August at 10.30am**. They will occur every second Thursday. All welcome.

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:

Monday 24th July	7pm	St. Vincent de Paul Society Meeting
Tuesday 25th July	9.30am	St. James' Feast Day School Mass & Morning Tea
Tuesday 25th July	4pm	Sacramental Group Meeting
Saturday 29th July	2pm	Josephite (Mary McKillop) Associates Gathering
Tuesday 1st August	9.30am	Caring Group Meeting
Wednesday 2nd August	7pm	Parent Information Meeting for Confirmation
Sunday 6th August	2.30pm	Good Shepherd Community Prayer Group
Monday 7th August	1pm	Parish Craft Group
Thursday 10th August	7pm	Parish Pastoral Team Meeting
Friday 11th August	10.15am	Finance Committee Meeting

Filipino Community

Rosary 2nd Wednesday of month at 7pm
Good Shepherd Servant Community Prayer Group 1st & 3rd Sunday of the month at 2.30pm

St. James' Feast Day

Today we celebrate the feast of St. James' with morning tea provided by our Caring Group in the foyer after Mass, followed by lunch (12 noon) at the Sebastopol Bowling Club. All welcome.

Nothing is known of St. James the Greater's early life, though it has been established that he is the son of Zebedee and Salome and brother of John the disciple. The title "the Greater" was added to St. James' name to help distinguish him from the Apostle James "the Less," who is believed to have been shorter than James "the Greater." Saint James the Greater was one of Jesus' first disciples. James was fishing with his father and John the Apostle when Jesus came to the shores of the Sea of Galilee and called for the fisherman, who were unable to catch any fish that day, to dip their nets in the water once again. When the fishermen followed Jesus' instructions, they found their nets full, and after emptying the fish on board, the boats nearly sank from their weight. Later, James was one of only three called by Jesus to witness his Transfiguration, and when he and his brother wanted to call fire upon a Samaritan town, both were rebuked by Jesus. Following Christ's Ascension, James spread the Gospel across Israel and the Roman kingdom as well. He traveled and spread the Word for nearly forty years in Spain. It is said that one day, as he prayed, The Blessed Virgin Mary appeared to him and asked him to build her a church, which he did. Later, James returned to Jerusalem but was martyred for his faith by King Herod, who decapitated him. Saint James the Greater is known as the first apostle to die. As he was not allowed to be buried following his martyrdom, his remains were taken to Compostela, Spain, by some of his followers, who buried him. In the ninth century his remains were discovered and moved to a tomb in Santiago de Compostela. Today, his remains can still be found in the Cathedral of Santiago. Because Santiago de Compostela is the most frequently visited place pilgrims migrate to following Rome and Jerusalem, Pope Leo declared it a shrine. http://www.catholic.org/saints/saints.php?saint_id=59

St. James' Parish School invites you to join them on Tuesday 25 July for 9.30am Mass followed by morning tea over at the Parish School. All welcome.

Sacrament of Confirmation

- This sacrament is offered to Grade 3 students or older (who have been baptised) and is the beginning of the program
- Parent meeting, Wednesday, August 2nd at 7.00pm, St. James' Church Foyer
- Sunday dismissals, Sunday August 6th, 13th, 20th & 27th at 10.30am, St. James' Church
- Rehearsal date, St. James' Church, Friday September 8th at 10.15am
- **Celebrated on Sunday 10th September, at 10.30am Mass, St. James' Church**

Youth Synod Questionnaire:

The second part of the Youth Synod 2018 preparatory consultation with our Diocese is a Questionnaire. Groups and individuals of all ages are invited to respond. Pope Francis wants to hear from Dioceses around the world and responses to the Questionnaire will form part of the preparations for the world-wide **Ordinary Synod on Young People, the Faith and Vocational Discernment** in Rome in October 2018. The Questionnaire is available on the Diocesan website (*Latest News* on home page). Please email responses by 15 August 2017. For more info contact youth@ballarat.catholic.org.au or 5337 7125.

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.

We welcome to our Parish through the Sacrament of Baptism;

Ella Grace White

Seth Daniel, Amarli Rose and Hudson Leigh Peatt

May they grow in faith in their loving family and our Catholic Community

Daughter of Jason and Susan

Children of Marc and Jessica



Sacrament of Confirmation

Next term the Parish will celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation. This Sacrament is offered to children who have been Baptised in the Catholic Church and are in grade 3 or above. The parent information and enrolment session will be held on Thursday 3rd August at either 10am or 7pm, in Ryan Hall. More information will be sent home at the end of this term. For any enquiries please contact Bernadette at the Parish Office on 5335 9460. **Confirmation**

Dates We have a great number of children in the Parish who will celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation next term. We have added another weekend for these celebrations. Celebrations will be held on 2nd & 3rd of September, 9th & 10th of September and the 16th & 17th of September. **We will limit to a maximum of 10 candidates at each Mass, you will be able to choose your preferred Mass at the Parent Information Meeting on the 3rd of August at either 10am or 7pm in Ryan Hall.**

Roster for 29th / 30th July

Mass	Leader	Reader	Offertory	Sp Ministers	Welcomer	Projector	Counters	Cleaners
6pm	Jacinta Burge	Kate Andrews	Nancy Conroy	Andy Naus Mary Poliness	Norma McGuigan	Marg Coughlan	Team 5 Andy Naus P McGowan	Team 4 Rita Keogh Sue De Natris Monica Dignan Judith Grana
9am	Val Dulfer	Bernadette Martin	Bill Van Ravenstein	Albert Dulfer Rosie Porter	Maria Van Ravenstein	Tony Haintz		

Children's Liturgy – Michelle Flood

Australian Catholic Youth Festival 2017 - Registrations for the Australian Catholic Youth Festival are already over 80% capacity and Early Bird Registrations close on 18 August. The Festival is 7-9 December 2017, for Year 9-30 yo. Ballarat Diocese Youth and Young Adult Ministry has secured accommodation in Sydney and bus transport there and back. Please contact Amanda soon to 'book in' your group. If you are not yet part of a group, we can help – contact Amanda youth@ballarat.catholic.org.au or 0427 748 867. More information on www.ballarat.catholic.org.au / Youth and Young Adult pages.

Nazareth House Auxiliary - is having a Coffee Party on Friday 28th July 2017 at 1.30pm. Devonshire tea, spinning wheel, fancy goods, produce stall and entrance prize.

Ballarat Interfaith & Uniting Church Movie Screening - The screening of the movie The Other Son will take place on Sunday 23rd July at Central Uniting Church, Lydiard St Sth at 4.30pm followed by a shared meal. Donations welcome.

Enquiries to Maureen Doonan on 0418383 802

St Patrick's College - 2019 Year 7 Enrolment Applications close on Friday December 1, 2017

If you are considering a Catholic education for your son, St Patrick's College offers an education delivering academic excellence, a strong focus on social justice, sports, and the arts. Enrolments for 2019 Year 7 are now open and you are invited to submit your sons application by Friday December 1, 2017.

A College prospectus can be downloaded from <http://www.stpats.vic.edu.au/en/prospective-families/prospectus/> Applications for 2019 close on Friday December 1 with interviews to take place in early March, 2018. Please contact the Registrar, Ms Caitlin Bennett for further information on 5331 1688.

2019 Year 7 Information Evening - All families are welcome to attend the 2019 Year 7 Information Evening on Thursday October 26 at 7.30 pm which will take place in the College Chapel. Families will hear from the Headmaster, Mr John Crowley, the Director of Junior School, Mr John Richards and have the opportunity to tour the College. Please register your attendance through Trybooking and by clicking on this link:

<https://www.trybooking.com/RCPH>

College Tours - College tours are available each month on a Friday morning for prospective families and take in all learning areas of the College. To book a tour, please contact Caitlin Bennett at cbennett@stpats.vic.edu.au or phone 5331 1688.

