

St. James' Sebastopol & St. Aloysius Redan

Parish Priest: Fr Kevin Maloney, Ph: 5331 4981

Presbytery: 508 Leith St, Redan

27th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Sunday 4th October 2015

Next week's readings: Sunday 11th October 2015 - 28th Sunday of Ordinary Time (B)

Wisdom 7:7-11

Ps 89(90):12-17

Hebrews 4:12-13

Mark 10:17-30

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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 \$1,459.00 Redan \$3,408.00 (includes credit cards & direct debits)
Presbytery Sebastopol \$298.00 Redan \$524.50

Fr Kevin Maloney is on holidays from Monday September 21 to Friday October 24. During this time Bishop Peter Connors will be celebrating weekend Parish Masses. He will also say weekday Masses at St. Aloysius on Thursdays at 9.30am and St. James on Fridays at 9.30am. **There will be NO WEEKDAY MASSES ON TUESDAYS AND WEDNESDAYS.** If there is an emergency contact the Cathedral Presbytery on 5331 2933

XIV Ordinary Synod of Bishops (4-25 Oct 2015) is convening in Rome

Theme: The Vocation and Mission of the Family in the Church and the Contemporary World

So what is a Synod of Bishops? It's a coming together (usually every 3 years) of the Pope with Bishops from around the world to discuss important issues facing the Church. **So why all the attention on this Synod?** It has attracted far more attention than any other Synod in living memory, probably because... 1. The topic, that is the family, is where we live our most intimate relationships 2. There are massive sociological changes that families face 3. There is wide interest in Pope Francis. The Pope sees sharing 'the joy of the Gospel' as both affirming the goodness of faith-filled families and welcoming in a non-judgemental manner those who live outside these families. This is a huge challenge that families face daily. It may require a shift in Church attitudes at many levels. **A two-year process** In fact the Pope considers this so important that he has convened two synods on the topic, each with worldwide consultations. The first, held last year, will be used as the starting point for the coming XIV Ordinary Synod in October. So this is really a two-year listening process and we are called to pray for the guidance of the Holy Spirit through this careful process. Let's pray specially for our two attending Australian Bishops, Archbishop Mark Coleridge of Brisbane and Bishop Eugene Hurley of Darwin. Finally, the Pope is expected to publish his conclusions. *"The family which experiences the joy of faith communicates it naturally. That family is the salt of the earth and the light of the world; it is the leaven of society"* Pope Francis.

Prayer for the Synod on the Family

Jesus, Mary and Joseph, in you we contemplate the splendour of true love, to you we turn with trust. Holy Family of Nazareth, grant that our families too may be places of communion and prayer, authentic schools of the Gospel and small domestic churches. Holy Family of Nazareth, may families never again experience violence, rejection and division: may all who have been hurt or scandalised find ready comfort and healing. Holy Family of Nazareth, may the approaching Synod of Bishops make us once more mindful of the sacredness of the family, and its beauty in God's plan. Jesus, Mary and Joseph, graciously hear our prayer. Amen. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Corpus Christi College Building Appeal - Last weekend across all parishes in Victoria, a special appeal was conducted to raise funds for the addition of new rooms for Seminarians at Corpus Christ College, Carlton. If you have not returned your envelope and donation you can please return in the coming weeks. *With gratitude to God and to you all, we ask for your continued prayers and support in the time of great need.*

St. James' Parish Sebastopol

Monday 1.30 pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament including *Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament*.
Your presence is most welcome.

Dates to Remember

Sunday 11th October	2pm	Good Shepherd Servant Community Prayer Group
Monday 12th October	4.30pm	St. Vincent de Paul Society Meeting
Thursday 15th October	11.15am	Legion of Mary Prayers (St. Patrick's Cathedral)
Saturday 17th October	9am	Men's Breakfast

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

Filipino Community

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

St. James' Book Fair, Dress Up Day, 2nd Hand Book Stall, Community Reading and Free Cafe!

WHEN: Monday 12th and Tuesday 13th October (**Dress up Day Tuesday 13th only**)

TIME: 8:30-9:30 AM AND 3:00-4:00 PM BOTH DAYS (Book Fair/Cafe/2nd hand stall). WHERE: ST JAMES HALL

We are looking for any volunteers who are interested in reading a story to a small group of students in half hour time slots throughout the two days. Please see the school office to put your name down. We are also looking for anyone who is interested in donating a slice or a cake for our free cafe and if anyone has anytime to help out on the Monday or Tuesday, please call Renee Rock on Ph: 0418 382427 or speak to Tracy in the School Library.

Life in Spirit Seminar

Good Shepherd Servant Community invites you to a weekend with Jesus on October 17 & 18 at St. James' Parish. Come and join us in a lively weekend of talks, singing, testimonies and group sharing. These will also be opportunities for a quiet time in front of the Blessed Sacrament. BYO lunch with coffee and tea provided. Pamphlet available in the foyer outlining the seminar topics over the two days. For further information, contact Marisa 0438 579 211, Rose & Ken 0401 842 856 or Lyn 0406 547 725.

GodStart Teddy Bear's Picnic

The Redan GodStart Team is holding a Combined Teddy Bear's Picnic for 3 and 4 year old children of Redan and Sebastopol, along with their families on Saturday 17th October from 2pm – 3.30pm at Ryan Hall, St. Aloysius School, Ripon Street. There will be games to play, lots of yummy things to eat and even a treasure hunt and stories. Don't forget to bring your teddy bear or soft toy. RSVP: Pauline on 5336 1353.

Movie Luncheon

The Parish has been offered a Movie luncheon with Regent Cinemas on Thursday October 22 at 10am. The movie 'The Dressmaker' is an Australian comedy/thriller starring Kate Winslett and Liam Hemsworth. A glamorous woman returns to her small town in rural Australia from the fashion houses of Paris with her sewing machine and haute couture style. She transforms the women and exacts sweet revenge on those who did her wrong. Cost \$15 which includes the movie and a luncheon in the Marble Room. We need between 40 – 60 people, so bring a friend. Payment required when you book. Tickets will be for sale at Masses until Sunday 18th. For more information, see Anne Porter (0408170885)

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.

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 **8th October**. For any enquiries please contact Bernadette or Pauline at either parish centre.

Online diocesan training course about safeguarding children and vulnerable adults –

If you have a particular role in the parish, you may be contacted about providing your email address for the purpose of completing an online training course to be distributed by the Diocesan Professional Standards office. The training relates to two diocesan documents: "Safeguarding Children and Vulnerable Adults" and "Code of Conduct for Caring for Children". The training aims to ensure that all those who work with children and persons in positions of responsibility in our parishes have read and understand the documents.

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.

Parish Office – Bernadette will be away on school holidays for the next two weeks. The Parish Office will re-open on Tuesday 6th October. For anything requiring immediate attention please ring St. Patrick's Cathedral 5331 2933

Music

Offertory - Hildegard von Bingen, *O pastor animarum* **Communion** – Sergei Rachmaninov, “Vocalise”

Roster 10th/11th October

Mass	Leader	Reader	Offertory	Sp Ministers	Welcomer	Projector	Counters
6pm	M Van Ravenstein	J Burge	N Conroy	K Andrews B Van Ravenstein	N McGuigan	M Poliness	H Brasier B Weissenfeld
9am	J Burns	M Dignan	A Hirth & family	N De Jong A Dulfer	C Densley	T Haintz	
	Cleaners	V Dulfer	L Spencer	C Densley			

Children's Liturgy: School Holidays

Mass Times:		
Monday	12.05 pm Cathedral	
Tuesday	NO MASS Redan 12:05pm Cathedral	
Wednesday	NO MASS Sebastopol 12:05pm Cathedral	
Thursday	9.30am Redan 12.05pm Cathedral	
Friday	9.30am Sebastopol 12.05pm Cathedral	
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		

Anniversaries: Gabby Bylsma, Thomas Keighery, Richard Zimmermann,
Please remember in your Prayers the following: Maria Bessems, Norah Best, Margaret Cooper, Julie Delahenty, Joseph Graafmans, Mary Patricia Guinan, Paddy Kavanagh, Jim Maher, John O'Keeffe, Mary Skelton, Leonie Street, Sr. Tricia Vagg, Grace van Gaans, Connie Vincent, Lynn Whiteley,
Sacrament of Reconciliation- Cathedral Friday 11.00 am, Saturday 11.30 am

St Francis of Assisi day

To celebrate St Francis of Assisi day, Professor Singarayer Florentine, Federation University, will speak on the topic of ecological restoration of landscapes October 7th from 7-9pm at St Patrick's Hall, Ballarat. All welcome Enquiries 0438 448 942_ The Global Catholic Climate Movement are dedicating the prayers for this week's #Pray4cop21 prayer chain to Pope Francis as he addresses our world leaders at the UN . Join us in praying with the Pope.

Faith Formation - St Luke, Evangelist of Mercy

Fr Kevin Lenehan presents reflections on St Luke, Evangelist of Mercy. All welcome on Wednesday, October 14, 7.30pm-9.00pm. Gold coin donation for Caritas Refugee Appeal. St. Patrick's Cathedral (small Hall). For more information phone 5337 7154 or go to Ballarat Diocese Faith Formation at

www.ballarat.catholic.org.au

World Mental Health Day (4 – 10 October 2015) Healing Wounds and Warming Hearts – Pope Francis

This year, the theme is *Mental Health begins with me!* One in five Australians will experience mental illness this year. We all have a role to play in looking after our own mental health and well-being. **Prayer:** *Blessed are those who don't have it all together. Blessed are those who have run out of strength, ideas, will power, resolve or energy. Blessed are those who ache because of how severely out of whack the world is. Blessed are those who on a regular basis have a dark day in which despair seems to be a step behind them wherever they go. Blessed are you, for God is with you. God is on your side, God meets you in that place.*
Jonathon Blundell