

St. James' Sebastopol & St. Aloysius Redan

Parish Priest: Fr Kevin Maloney, Ph: 5331 4981

Presbytery: 508 Leith St, Redan

The Epiphany Sunday 10th January 2016

Next week's readings: Sunday 17th January 2016 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)
Isaiah 62:1-5 Ps 95(96):1-3, 7-10 1 Corinthians 12:4-11 John 2:1-11

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

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Office hours: Tuesdays Only during School Holidays 9.30am – 4.30pm,

Redan Parish Coordinator: Bernadette Lynch, Ph: 5335 9460

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Parish Secretary: Jacinta Westbrook, Ph: 5331 2933,

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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 \$455.80	Redan \$802.00
	Presbytery	Sebastopol \$221.95	Redan \$396.60

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 **14th January 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: Pearl Fox, Roma Hills,
Brian Schreenan, John Whitehouse

Anniversaries:

Romeo Armeni, Kevin Daly, Florence Everard,
John (Jack) Guinan, Tomas Nuttall, Gertie Watson,
James Wilson,

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

Monday 11th January 7pm St. Vincent de Paul Society Meeting

Saturday 16th January 9am Men's Breakfast

Thursday 28th January 7pm Parish Pastoral Team Meeting

Friday 29th January 10.15am Liturgy 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.

Retreats at the Campion Centre of Ignatian Spirituality

Refer to the noticeboard in the foyer for details

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.

Roster 16th/17th January

Mass	Leader	Reader	Offertory	Sp Ministers	Welcomer	Counters	Cleaners
6pm	M Coughlan	B Martin	N McGuigan	N Conroy J Burge	J George	A Naus N McGuigan	R Keogh S De Natris M Dignan
9am	H Gibcus	N Chapman	A Hirth & Family	B Baxter A Naus	L Coombes	P McGowan	J Grano

Children's Liturgy: School Holidays

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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.

Gathering of Support

Please support our Tamil family who have lived here for over two years, and are now facing deportation. This family has made a fine contribution to our community and integrated well, making lots of friends. Please come to Alfred Deakin Place on Monday from 5.00 to 7 pm for a "Gathering of support" for them. There will be speakers, some musical entertainment, activities for the children, and more. All are welcome to this public event.

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@broomedioocese.org, web: www.broomedioocese.org or mail PO Box 76, Broome WA 6725

Celebrating Sacraments in the Diocese of Ballarat - Policy Statement (1996)

The initiation of children into the sacramental life of the Church ideally is family based, coordinated by the parish and supported by the Catholic School

Order of the Sacraments of Initiation

Incorporation into the life of Christ begins with reception of the sacraments of Baptism and Confirmation, but is most fully expressed and brought about through participation in the Eucharist, which is the culmination of our initiation into the Church. Therefore the sequence of the reception of the sacraments of initiation for children in the Diocese of Ballarat is Baptism, Confirmation and first reception of the Eucharist.

Formation / Preparation for the Sacraments of Initiation

The reception of the Sacraments of Initiation is the means by which the child enters into the life of the faith community. Therefore it is proper that the local faith community be responsible for and intimately involved in the preparation and presentation of the children for the sacraments. A formal process of sacramental preparation, involving the family and local faith community precedes and accompanies the celebration of the sacraments.

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.