

St. James' Sebastopol & St. Aloysius Redan

Parish Priest: Fr Kevin Maloney, Ph: 5331 4981

Presbytery: 508 Leith St, Redan

2nd Sunday of Lent - Sunday 21st February 2016

Next week's readings: Sunday 28th February 2016 3rd Sunday in Lent (C)

Exodus 3:1-8, 13-15

Ps 102(103):1-4, 6-8, 11

1 Corinthians 10:1-6, 10-12

Luke 13:1-9

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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 \$1,151.20(includes direct debits)	Redan \$1,072.00
	Presbytery	Sebastopol \$287.95	Redan \$552.70

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
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: Mary Calvert, Geoff Hutchison,
Eileen Marshall,

Anniversaries:

Eileen Dawson, Glenis Ledda, Noreen O'Hehir,
Michael Phillips,

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'Keefe, Mary Skelton, Leonie Street, Connie
Vincent, Carolyn Watson, Lynn Whiteley,
Margaret Whitehouse,

Lenten Prayer – 2nd Sunday of Lent

Loving God, there is so much darkness in my life and I hide from you. Take my hand and lead me out of the shadows of my fear. Help me to change my heart. Bring me to your truth and help me to respond to your generous love. Let me recognise the fullness of your love which will fill my life. Free me from the darkness in my heart.

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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

Monday 22nd February	10.30am	Adoration (Please note: Change of time)
Sunday 28th February	2pm	Good Shepherd Servant Community Prayer Group
Tuesday 1st March	9.30am	Caring Group Meeting
Thursday 3rd March	7pm	Parish Pastoral Team Meeting
Friday 4th March	10.30am	Liturgy Group Meeting

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 four weeks. This sacrament will be celebrated on **Tuesday 15th March 2016 at 7pm**. Please keep these children in our prayers.

Parish Pastoral Team

Our Parish Pastoral Team for 2016 comprises of Urbana Duffin, Bryan Goble (Secretary), Fr. Kevin Maloney (Parish Priest), Tom Mulcahy, Morgan Murphy (Deputy Chairperson), Pauline O'Brien (Parish Coordinator), Anne Porter, and Dolly Seery (Chairperson). We require two new members to join our group to support Fr. Kevin. Your commitment will be to attend 8 meetings during the year for no longer than 1.5 hours. What are we looking for? Parishioners that have the welfare of others at heart and the time and energy to help us. If you are interested, please contact Pauline in the Parish Office for more details.

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

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. Please add your name to the list in the foyer if you are interested. For further information, please contact Urbana Duffin or Anne Porter.

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

4th Friday Family Group - will meet at Market Hotel on 26 February at 12.00 pm New members most welcome. For transporting ring Andy 0421855881.

Roster 27th/28th February

Mass	Leader	Reader	Offertory	Sp Ministers	Welcomer	Projector	Counters	Cleaners
6pm	M Coughlan	J Burge	M Cushing & Family	A Braybrook M Poliness	V Tempany	E Fernandez	H Brasier B Weissenfeld	B & B McCarty
9am	A Dulfer	J Burns	E Collier	H Gibcus & N De Jong	N Chapman	C Orchard		M Brown

Children's Liturgy: Annette Hirth



With limited support services for children living with intellectual disabilities in Laos, Duangmala feared that her eight-year-old son, Hum Noy, would never reach his full potential because he has Down Syndrome. However, he now has the chance to learn and thrive at a school for children with intellectual disabilities, supported by Caritas Australia.

Please donate to Project Compassion 2016 and help children living with intellectual disabilities in Laos learn, grow and reach their full potential. 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.