

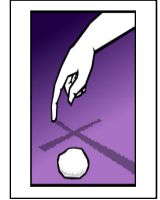
**St Peter's Parish** Linton, Skipton, Smythesdale, Snake Valley

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**Recent Deaths:** Jim Conway, Mia Geurts Tommy Simpson, Ante Tudorovic,

**Anniversaries:** Sue Briody, Mavis Drew, Madge Hickey, Mary Jackman, Sheila Parsons,  
Eileen Sproules,

**Please remember in your prayers those who are unwell,**

especially Cath Kavanagh, Fr John Keane, Kerrie Mulcahy, Patricia Yoeman

**Next week's readings:** *Sunday 13th March 2016* *5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent (C)*

Isaiah 43:16-21      Ps 125. R. v.3      Philippians 3:8-12      John 8:1-11

<b>Masses:</b>	<b>12<sup>th</sup>/13<sup>th</sup> March</b>	7.30pm Skipton	8.30am Beaufort	10.30am Snake Valley
	<b>19<sup>th</sup>/20<sup>th</sup> March</b>	7.30pm Smythesdale	9.00am Skipton	10.30am Rokewood

### **Reconciliation**

Junior Reconciliation will be celebrated on 16th March at 7pm in St. Johns Skipton.

More information to follow.

### **Diocesan RCIA & Sacrament Facilitator**

Applications are sought for a new position within the Ballarat Diocese - Diocesan RCIA and Sacrament Facilitator (3 days per week). Please contact the Cathedral office for a detailed position description. Applications close March 15, 2016.

### **10th Anniversary of Ordination for Fr Matthew Thomas**

Mass will be held at St Patrick's Church, Camperdown on March 17, 2016 at 7.00pm to celebrate Fr Matthew's 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Ordination to the Priesthood. Supper will follow.

RSVP to Michael McKenzie, ph. 0409 962148

### **Nazareth House Ballarat St Patrick's Day Coffee Party**

St Patrick's Day Coffee Party on Thursday, March 17, 2015 at 1.30 pm in the Hall at Nazareth House. All welcome.

## **Walk for Justice for Refugees 2016**

Palm Sunday, March 20, 2016 at 2.00pm at the State Library, cnr Swanston and La Trobe Streets, Melbourne. More information at [www.facebook.com/palmsundaywalk](http://www.facebook.com/palmsundaywalk).

## **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](mailto:pastoralministry@ballarat.catholic.org.au)

## **Youth and Young Adult Ministry Update**

WYD Krakow July 2016 - World Youth Day Pilgrims and Parishes: A resource to help pilgrims and their parishes prepare material for fundraising is now on the Diocesan Youth and Young Adult Ministry - WYD page [www.ballarat.catholic.org.au](http://www.ballarat.catholic.org.au) (link from front page) or contact Amanda on [youth@ballarat.catholic.org.au](mailto:youth@ballarat.catholic.org.au)

## ***Date Claimer Proclaim 2016 - Conference on the New Evangelisation, "On a Mission of Mercy: Evangelising Parishes", 1-3 September 2016***

Proclaim 2016 is for priests and key lay people who want to grow and build their parish through outreach and evangelisation. The theme of this year's Conference embraces the challenge of Pope Francis for the joyful and pastoral conversion of our parishes, so that our practices, resources, language and structures can be suitably channelled for the evangelisation of today's world (*Evangelii Gaudium* 27). The Keynote Speakers (to date) include Cardinal Donald Wuerl (Washington) Bishop Nicholas Hudson (Westminster) and Dr Susan Timoney (Washington), who will focus on parishes as oases of mercy and centres of missionary outreach. Workshops will provide practical ideas and tools for participants to take back and apply in the parish. A renewed Conference website with registrations will be open from March 2016 ([www.proclaimconference.com.au](http://www.proclaimconference.com.au)). For more information on Proclaim 2016, please contact Natalia Moutia on (02) 9847 0504 or email [proclaim2016@dbb.org.au](mailto:proclaim2016@dbb.org.au).

## **Legion of Mary**

The Acies Ceremony, Consecration to Our Lady will be held on Saturday 19th March, after the 10.00 am mass at St Patrick's Cathedral. All are welcome to participate.

## St Mary's College, University of Melbourne,

Acknowledging 50 years on Swanston St and the Loreto Sisters' leadership of the College (1918 – 2013) with a Jubilee Mass to be celebrated by Archbishop Hart at the Chapel of the Holy Spirit at Newman College, 887 Swanston St, Parkville commencing at 3pm on Sunday 13 March, followed by a Garden Party in the St Mary's Courtyard. The Musical Directors are Ms Fiona Dyball & Sr Deirdre Browne ibvm. Alumni, friends and supporters of St Mary's are all warmly invited. RSVP for catering purposes to the College on 9349 9555 or [secretary@stmarys.unimelb.edu.au](mailto:secretary@stmarys.unimelb.edu.au)



Fourth  
Sunday  
of Lent

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First Australian Evangeline lives in a remote community that faces many ongoing challenges. She had a limited vision for her future until three years ago, when she started working at the Djilpin Arts Ghunmarn Culture Centre, a community-owned venture supported by Caritas Australia. Today Evangeline is flourishing, with new skills and a passion for the preservation and promotion of her Aboriginal culture.

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### The Lent Fast

Fast from judgement	feast on compassion
Fast from greed	feast on sharing
Fast from scarcity	feast on abundance
Fast from fear	feast on peace
Fast from lies	feast on truth
Fast from gossip	feast on praise
Fast from anxiety	feast on patience
Fast from evil	feast on kindness
Fast from apathy	feast on engagement
Fast from discontent	feast on gratitude
Fast from noise	feast on silence
Fast from discouragement	feast on hope
Fast from hatred	feast on love
What will be your fast?	What will be your feast?