

St Peter's Parish

Linton, Skipton, Smythesdale, Snake Valley

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Sunday 13th August 2017

19th Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)

Recent Deaths: Alan James, Frances Morris, Namusio Oleio

Anniversaries: John Anchen, Jozsef Balasi, Joe Cammarano, Peter Cotter, Fr Brendan Davey, Kathleen Delaney, Eileen Dowling, Pat Liston, John McCarty, Marie & Ray Malthouse, Maurice Martin, Mollie Missin, Edmond Maurice Murphy, Dick Nash, Jack Nuttall, Phonse O'Loughlin, Maureen Sandry, Johanna Skirka, Maureen Elizabeth Taylor, Bill Wilson, Michael Yaworowicz

Please remember in your prayers those who are unwell, especially Margaret Cranko, Nic Gowans, Fr John Keane, Grace Molloy, Kerrie Mulcahy, Marie Stevens, Milly Yeoman

Next week's readings: *Sunday August 20th 2017*

20th Sunday in Ordinary Time (A,)

Isaiah 56:1.6-7

Ps 66:2-3 5-6. 8. R. v.4

Romans 11:13-15. 29-32

Matthew 15:21-28

Masses: **19th/20th August** 6.30 pm Smythesdale 9.00am Skipton 10.30 am Rokewood
26th/27th August 6.30 pm Snake Valley 8.30am Beaufort 10.30 am Skipton

ACYF 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. Contact Amanda youth@ballarat.catholic.org.au or 0427 748 867.

More information on www.ballarat.catholic.org.au / Youth and Young Adult pages.

St Brigid's Snake Valley

Following communication from Phil Hoare at the Golden Plains Shire advising of some dangerous trees that might need to be taken care of on the St Brigid's Church property at Snake Valley, quotes will be sought.

Father Robert McCulloch at Nazareth House

Monday, August 28th. 6pm Mass and 7pm Presentation "Can Christianity survive in Pakistan"

All welcome. Inquiries 0401175045

Child Safety Standards

New state government legislation has come into effect with the New Year which sets standards for child safety. The Linton parish has appointed Cecelia Rowberry (Smythesdale) as our Safeguarding officer and have a [Child Safety Policy](#) to ensure the safety and wellbeing of children in our care.

A [Child Safety Code of Conduct](#) has been adopted for all who work with children in the Parish.

Alpha Adult Faith Opportunity at the Cathedral

Each Thursday evening, 7.00 pm – 8.30 pm you are invited to join with others to explore your own adult faith. The Alpha format is very accessible, involving a 25 minute presentation on some aspect of our faith which is followed by small group conversation, then some whole group reflection and prayer. Some of those who are inquiring into the Catholic Church and who will join the RCIA have joined the Alpha experience together with existing Catholics at every stage of the faith journey.

This past week the presentation was on This past week the presentation was on Reading the Bible.

Next week's presentation is on How Does God Guide Us?

Catholic Women's League Centenary Year State Conference

In their centenary year the CWL will hold their conference in Ballarat in St Patrick's Cathedral Hall on Wednesday – Thursday August 16th – 17th (Conference Mass at 12.05 pm on Wednesday).

Mass times for the Feast of the Assumption of Mary – Tuesday August 15th

Skipton 5.30 pm, Snake Valley 7.00 pm.

Cathedral 7.30 am, 10.00 am, 12.05 pm, 5.30 pm

St Thomas More School Alfredton (parishioners welcome) 9.15 am

St. Aloysius Redan 9.30am, St James Sebastopol 6.00pm

Assumption College Kilmore

Are you a former a former student of ACK? It will be celebrating its 125th anniversary in 2018 and there are many events being planned for former students. Please phone Maria Cleve in their Alumni office on 5783 5343 or email maria.cleve@assumption.vic.edu.au

Ballarat Diocese Lay Pastoral Ministry Program – now open for new participants

The Lay Pastoral Ministry Program offers low-cost opportunities for online study and formation for lay workers in the diocese, both employees and volunteers A wide range of subject areas are offered: Scripture, Sacraments, Social Justice, Youth Ministry, many more. Starting in September.

Details on the diocesan website www.ballarat.catholic.org.au (link is on front page).