

St. James' Sebastopol & St. Aloysius Redan

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Presbytery: 508 Leith St, Redan

24th Sunday of Ordinary Time – Sunday 17th September 2017

Next week's readings: Sunday 24th September 2017

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)

Isaiah 55:6-9

Ps 144(145):2-3, 8-9, 17-18

Philippians 1:20-24, 27

Matthew 20:1-16

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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.

Centralised Baptism Preparation / Baptism Parent Information Sessions:

Clergy, Staff & Baptism Coordinators from the Parishes St. Columba's Ballarat North, Our Lady Help of Christians Wendouree, St. Alipius Ballarat East, St. Patrick's Cathedral, St. Aloysius Redan and St. James' Sebastopol have been meeting to discuss the centralisation of the Baptism preparation process. The next sessions will be on **Thursday 5th October at 10.00 am & 7.00 pm** and monthly thereafter on the first Thursday of each month, all families wishing to have their children (under 7) baptised will be invited to attend these preparation sessions at St. Patrick's Cathedral. For any enquiries please contact Bernadette or Pauline at either parish centre.

Mass Times:

Monday 12.05pm Cathedral
Tuesday 12.05pm Cathedral
Wednesday 12.05pm Cathedral
Thursday **9.30am Redan**
12.05pm Cathedral
Friday **9.30am Sebastopol**
12.05pm Cathedral
Saturday 10.00am 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 Every 3rd Sunday at 10.30am

Recent Deaths:

Clarrie Maher, John (Jack) Nunn, Norm Wallis

Anniversaries:

Patrick Connor, Anne Hervey, Cynthia Hucker, Antun Kovacevic, Lynette Romeo, Jim Sanders, Stanislaw Stodolny,

Please remember in your Prayers the following:

John Crowe, Julie Delahenty, Jim Maher, Raymon Reed,

**If you would like a person prayed for, ask for their permission. Names will be included for the duration of ONE MONTH after which more time can be requested.*

Confirmation Prayer

Spirit of God, grant me:

*The gift of **wisdom**, to see the world through your eyes, The gift of **right judgement**, to make difficult decisions, The gifts of **knowledge** and **understanding**, to use my mind to know you and to love you, The gift of **courage**, to live in the faith despite the difficulties and disappointments, the gift of **reverence**, to be able to express my special love and commitment to you, and the gift of **wonder and awe**, that makes me pause to wonder and revere God's Love. Amen.*

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Opportunities for Prayer

Monday 10.30 am Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament including Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. Your presence is welcome.

Dates to Remember:

Sunday 17th September	2.30pm	Good Shepherd Community Prayer Group
Monday 18th September	1pm	Parish Craft Group
Friday 22nd September	10.15am	Liturgy Group Meeting
Monday 25th September	4pm	St. Vincent de Paul Society Meeting

Filipino Community

Rosary 2nd Wednesday of month at 7pm
Good Shepherd Servant Community Prayer Group 1st & 3rd Sunday of the month at 2.30pm

Sacrament of Baptism

This weekend, we welcome to our Parish through the Sacrament of Baptism, Reese Ivie Rosenow, daughter of Dylan & Tara
Darby Patrick Johnstone, daughter of Ethan & Lavina
May they grow in faith in their loving families and the Catholic community.

Thank you - to all who contributed to our Confirmation Mass, making it a very special day for everyone. Many thanks to you all.

St. Vincent de Paul Society Meeting

Will now be held on the 4th Monday of the month at 4pm. New members welcome.

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

BUPA Age Care

Prayer service at the BUPA Age Care on **Thursday 28th September at 10.30am**. They will occur every second Thursday. All welcome.

Ballarat Catholic Secondary College Information evenings

Loreto College - Tuesday October 24th at 7.00pm
St. Patrick's College - Thursday October 26th at 7.30 pm Please register <https://www.trybooking.com/RCPH>
Damascus College Thursday 26th October at 6.30pm. Please arrive at 6.15pm for registration. Please register your attendance through the Damascus website www.damascus.vic.edu.au.

50 year celebration of Mercy education at Damascus College Mt Clear site

Past students and staff of Damascus College and the three foundation Colleges, Sacred Heart College, St. Paul's Technical College and St Martin's in the Pines are invited to the opening of the Commemorative Walk, a 240 metre bush walking track. Please register your attendance by Friday 27th September, by going to the Damascus website: <http://www.damascus.vic.edu.au/news-and-events-50-year-celebrations>.

Australian Catholic Youth Festival - Registrations still open!!

Festival registrations are open until September 22 for Groups and under-18s. Over-18 registrations will stay open until Festival capacity is reached. Information and links on www.ballarat.catholic.org.au / Youth and Young Adult pages or Amanda on 0427 748 867 or email: youth@ballarat.catholic.org.au

Social Justice Sunday – September 24, 2017

Next weekend, we celebrate Social Justice Sunday. This year, the Australian Bishops' Social Justice Statement is titled: *'Everyone's Business: Developing an inclusive and sustainable economy'*. The Statement calls for an economy that is founded on justice and offers dignity and inclusion to every person. For further details about the Social Justice Statement, visit the Australian Catholic Social Justice Council website (www.socialjustice.catholic.org.au). Statements will be available next weekend.

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Invitation to pray the Rosary - Thursday morning at 9.00am before the 9.30am Mass

Adoration and Exposition – 1st & 3rd Friday of the month, 7.00 pm – 8.00 pm.

Sacrament of Confirmation

This weekend we welcome the following children who are celebrating the Sacrament of Confirmation. Suraya, Tatym, Adrienne, Phoebe, Olivia, Patrick, Keira, Hayden, Haydn, Daniel, Claudia, Lawson, Samuel, Lucy, Patrick, Hannah and Shona. Please keep these children and their families in your prayers.

4th Friday Family Group – will meet at the Robin Hood on Friday 22nd September 12.00pm. New members welcome. For transport please ring Andy on 0421 855 881

ET Boxes - Please return your ET boxes by the last week in September. They can be dropped off in the gathering space at St Aloysius church. Thank you all for your generosity.

Roster for 23rd / 24th September

Mass	Leader	Reader	Offertory	Sp Ministers	Welcomer	Projector	Counters	Cleaners
6pm	Kate Andrews	Jacinta Burge	Norma McGuigan	Mary Poliness Andy Naus	Maria Van Ravenstein	Mary Poliness	Team 3 Norma McGuigan	Team 4 Rita Keogh Sue De Natris Monica Dignan Judith Grano
9am	Albert Dulfer	Tony Haintz	Michelle Flood	Michael O'Meara Colleen Orchard	John George	Mary Brown		

Children's Liturgy – school holidays

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Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

Each year the Church offers people the opportunity to join its ranks with a program known as the RCIA. This is a program involving prayer and education in Catholicism and culminates with candidates being received into the church around Easter time. If anyone wishes further information please contact Bernadette at the Parish Office on 53359460 or Fr. Kevin on 53314981

Palms Australia Ballarat Information Sessions

Communities in Asia, the Pacific and Africa are looking to provide mentoring opportunities for local personnel and improve processes and procedures for organisations vital to reducing poverty. To ensure sustainable development they prefer those willing to come for two years, but accept that some are only available for 12 months. If you are an experienced professional, business or trades person, in any area, but especially education, please consider volunteering with Palms Australia. An information session will be held on Thursday, September 14, 2017 from 5.30pm-7.00pm at the Australian Catholic University, Building 100 Torney Room, 1200 Mair St, Ballarat. RSVP joey@palms.org.au or call 02 9560 5333. Can't make it? Call now about applying for positions currently available or look first via Palms' [two-week Encounter](http://palms.org.au/encounters/) (palms.org.au/encounters/)

Beaufort & Linton Parish Mission with Richard Leonard SJ

All parishes are invited to a mission led by Richard Leonard SJ. This mission is being held across the Beaufort and Linton parishes commencing Saturday, October 14 and ending Wednesday, October 18. There will be some input at the weekend Masses, followed by a 75 minute session daily over the next three days. The morning session is repeated in the afternoon. For times and places please see the attached flyer. If a large group is coming from your parish, it would be helpful to know so that seating can be organised. Contact the Beaufort Parish Centre on ph, 5349 2880.

30th Anniversary of Ordination of Fr Gary Jones

The Parish of St Peter's Daylesford will be celebrating the 30th Anniversary of Fr Gary's Ordination at 10.30am Mass on Sunday, October 15, 2017 followed by morning tea in the Parish Centre. All welcome. Please RSVP to daylesford@ballarat.catholic.org.au to assist with catering.

