

St. James' Sebastopol & St. Aloysius Redan

Parish Priest: Fr Kevin Maloney, Ph: 5331 4981

Presbytery: 508 Leith St, Redan

The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph – Sunday 31st January 2017

Next week's readings: Sunday 7th January 2017

The Epiphany of the Lord (B)

Isaiah 60:L1-6

Psalms 71:1-2, 7-8, 10-13, R. see v.11

Ephesians 3:2-3,5-6

Matthew 2:1-12

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

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Redan Parish Coordinator: Bernadette Lynch, Ph: 5335 9460

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Office hours: Tue & Wed 9.00am-12.00pm, Thursday 9.00am-3.00pm

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.

Baptism Parent Information Sessions: - Parent information sessions for the Baptism of children will be held on the first Thursday of each month. The next meetings will be on **Thursday 1st February at 10.00 am & 7.00 pm**, in the hall at the back of the Cathedral Presbytery, 3 Lyons St. South, Ballarat. All families wishing to have their children (under 7) baptised are invited to attend one of these preparation sessions so that they can enrol their children for Baptism at these preparation sessions. For any enquiries, please contact Bernadette or Pauline at either parish centre.

Mass Times;

Monday 12.05pm Cathedral

Tuesday 12.05pm Cathedral

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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: Tom Cash, Bob Morris,
Marie Thomson

Anniversaries:

John Bond, Louis Camilleri, Lilian Coad,
Peter Mc Bryde, Terrence Page,

Please remember in your Prayers the following:

Norah Best, John Bond, Julie Delahenty, Andrew Flood, Jim Maher, Raymon Reed, Lance Vagg, Francis White,

**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.*

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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 7th January 2.30pm

Saturday 20th January

Rosary

Good Shepherd Servant Community Prayer Group

Good Shepherd Community Prayer Group
Men's Breakfast

2nd Wednesday of month at 7pm

1st & 3rd Sunday of the month at 2.30pm

St. James' Parish Office

Will be open on Tuesdays during the school holidays.

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

St. Aloysius Parish Redan

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.

St. Aloysius Parish Office

Will be closed from now until the end of January. Office reopens on the 31st January. Please note: That the Office and Parish Centre have moved to Ryan Hall. Entry to the Office and Parish Centre is via Ripon Street South. People with keys to the old Parish Centre can give them to Fr Maloney or Bernadette when she returns at the end of January. The old Parish Centre is now being let as a private residence.

VOLUNTEERS

Over January, we are seeking volunteers for ministries associated with the celebration of weekend Masses. Please see Fr. Kevin before Mass commences.

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Advance Notice – dates for 2018:

Rite of Election: Saturday, February 17, at St Patrick's Cathedral, Ballarat at 12.30pm.
Mass of the Oils: Monday, March 26 at St Patrick's Cathedral, Ballarat at 6.30pm.

Mercy Connect Ballarat – Supporting refugee and asylum seeker students in local schools. Volunteer mentors needed.

Mercy Works is currently recruiting volunteers to support refugee and asylum seeker 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 2018. Contact Paulene Barton - Mercy Connect Project Coordinator on 0417 624 330 or email: mercyconnectb@gmail.com for information and application form.

Seeking a Diocesan Youth and Young Adult Project Worker

Ballarat Diocese will be employing a Project Worker in Youth and Young Adult Ministry in 2018, the Year of Youth. This will initially be a 12 month position, fulltime preferred but not essential. A position description will be available on the diocesan website in January or you can contact youth@ballarat.catholic.org.au to have the position description emailed to you.

Diocesan e-News

Diocesan e-News is available to all members of the Diocese and those associated with and with an interest in the life of the Diocese. It is published every two weeks and distributed via email. You can subscribe to receive e-News on the diocesan website www.ballarat.catholic.org.au or you are welcome to submit items for publication to enews@ballarat.catholic.org.au . News items submitted should have relevance to the life and activity of the parishes and schools of the Diocese and include photos where possible.

Year of Youth 2018 - 2018 is the Year of Youth in Australia starting Advent (3 December 2017). The Year of Youth theme is *Open New Horizons for Spreading Joy*. Year of Youth information is on Ballarat Diocese website www.ballarat.catholic.org.au /Youth and Young Adult pages, or email youth@ballarat.catholic.org.au

“New Evangelisation - Planting Seeds through Family and Parish” Presentation by Professor Thomas Groome
Professor Thomas Groome will present this workshop in the diocese on Saturday, May 26, 2018 at OLHC Wendouree Parish Centre. All welcome to attend. Registration is via the diocesan website <https://www.ballarat.catholic.org.au>.

