

St. James' Parish Sebastopol

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 15th July	2.30pm	Good Shepherd Community Prayer Group
Monday 16th July	1pm	Parish Craft Group
Tuesday 17th July	9.30am	Caring Group Meeting
Tuesday 17th July	4pm	Sacramental Team Meeting
Wednesday 18th July	7pm	Parent Meeting for Confirmation
Saturday 21st July	9am	Men's Breakfast
Monday 23rd July	4pm	St. Vincent de Paul Society Meeting
Wednesday 25th July	9.30am	Feast of St. James' School Mass

Filipino Community

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

St. James' Parish Office - will be closed over the school holidays and will reopen on Tuesday 17th July. Fr. Kevin can be contacted at the Redan Presbytery on 53314981.

Sacrament of Confirmation

- This sacrament is offered to Grade 3 students or older (who have been baptised) and is the beginning of the program
- Parent meeting, *Wednesday, July 18th at 7.00pm*, St. James' Church Foyer
- Sunday dismissals, *Sunday July 22nd, July 29th, August 5th & August 12th at 10.30am*, St. James' Church
- Rehearsal date, St. James' Church, *Friday August 17th at 10.15am*
- **Celebrated on Sunday 19th August, at 10.30am Mass, St. James' Church**

St. James' Celebrates 25th Anniversary of Family Groups

A combined celebration of our Feast Day and 25th Anniversary of Family Groups will be held on **Sunday 22nd July** Morning tea in the Church foyer following 10.30am Mass and lunch at Sebastopol Bowling Club. Please place name on the list in the Church Foyer, Anne on 0408 170 885 or Parish Office 5336 1353 by Sunday 15th July. Invitation on foyer notice board. *Bring memories to share of great times and good friends.*

St. James' Parish School Feast Day Mass

The Parish School will celebrate St. James' Feast Day on Wednesday 25th July with Mass at 9.30am followed by morning tea. All welcome to attend.

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 Aged Care - Prayer services at the BUPA Aged Care on **Thursday 19th July at 10.30am**. All welcome.

BBI eConference: Synodality in Practice: Listening to the Spirit and Leading Change

The 14th National eConference will focus on engaging communities around Australia in a landmark discussion around the future vision and direction for the Catholic Church in this country. This eConference can be viewed at the Ballarat Cathedral Parish Mackillop & Glowrey Rooms on Wednesday, August 8, 2018 from 10.00am - 3.00pm.

All are welcome to attend. BYO lunch. For more information on the eConference go to <https://www.bbi.catholic.edu.au/news-events/111/event/217/synodality-in-practice--listening-to-the-spirit-and-leading-change>

Safeguarding Officers:

St. Aloysius: Bernadette Lynch

St. James': Pauline O'Brien

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.

Caring Circle – This group will meet on Wednesday 4th July at 1pm in Ryan Hall. New members welcome.

St. Aloysius Parish Office - will be closed over the school holidays and will reopen on Tuesday 17th July. Fr. Kevin Can be contacted at the Redan Presbytery on 53314981.

Morning Tea after Thursday Mass – Morning tea after Thursday morning Mass. The next gathering will be on Thursday 26th July at 10am, followed by the Liturgy Team meeting. All welcome to attend.

Sacrament of Confirmation

Children in Grade 3 or older who have been Baptised into the Catholic Church are invited to enrol in the parish Sacramental program. The parent information/enrolment meeting will be held on Thursday 19th July at either 10am or 7pm in Ryan Hall. If you have any queries regarding Sacraments please contact Bernadette at the Parish Office on 5335 9460

ET BOXES – Boxes will be available from this weekend, to be returned the last weekend of July and first weekend of August. Thank you for your continued generosity in making a difference in the lives of the East Timorese people.

Roster July 21st / 22nd

Mass	Leader	Reader	Offertory	Sp Ministers	Welcomer	Projector	Counters	Cleaners
5pm	Bernadette Lynch	Kate Andrews	Norma McGuigan	Andy Naus Mary Poliness	Bernadette Lynch	Mary Poliness	Team 1 H Brasier T Kennedy	Team 1 C Quick M Czurlowski K Butler N Chapman
9am	Maria Van Ravenstein	Margot Burns	Bill Van Ravestein	Michael O'Meara Collen Orchard	John George	Donna Bryce		

Children's' Liturgy Val Duffer

Volunteer mentors needed to make a difference in the life of a school child with refugee or asylum seeker

Mercy Works is currently recruiting volunteers to support students from a refugee/asylum seeker background in Ballarat Schools through their Mercy Connect Project. The project aims to provide mentoring for young people to optimize their literacy development, academic and social learning. Mercy Connect volunteers work with students during school hours and the volunteer commitment is for approximately three hours per week. Experience working in an educational setting is preferred but, you will receive on-going training and support. Initial training for new volunteers will be held in Third Term 2018. Obtaining a current Working with Children Check and Police Check is part of the Application Process. Contact Donna Stewart on 0417 624 330 or email: mercyconnectb@gmail.com

Joy Spreading - Sam Clear special guest!

Sam Clear is the guest speaker at the next Joy Spreading event for young adults (18-30yo) on Friday 27 July from 6.30pm – 9.00pm at the Lake View Hotel, Ballarat. An opportunity for young Catholic adults to share ideas and views in a friendly environment. Free event. This is a Year of Youth initiative - *Open New Horizons for Spreading Joy*. More info www.ballarat.catholic.org.au or 53377125.

Joy+ Diocesan Youth Festivals!

Ballarat Diocese is holding 3 x day-long Festivals called Joy+ for youth and young adults 15-30yo. From the Murray to the Sea, in Robinvale on Sunday 5 August, in Warrnambool West on Sunday 2 September, in Ballarat on Sunday 25 November. 12.00 noon to 8.00pm. Come to one or more! Features Genevieve Bryant & band and special guests. Free event - registration necessary and now open www.trybooking.com/WHVU. This is an initiative or the Year of Youth - *Open New Horizons for Spreading Joy!* More details check youth ministry web pages www.ballarat.catholic.org.au or email youth@ballarat.catholic.org.au

