

St Peter's Parish

Communities of Linton, Skipton, Smythesdale and Snake Valley



Sunday January 27th Third Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)

Parish Office hours: Tuesday - Friday 10.00am – 5.00pm

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Bishop Paul Bird CSsR Priests: Frs Justin Driscoll, Anthony Nagothu & Sajan Mathew

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Finance Officer - Kerrie McTigue, Admin Officers - Anita Houlihan and Selina Gaden

Linton Parish Safeguarding Officer - Cecelia Rowberry

Masses February 2nd- 3rd

Smythesdale

Linton

Skipton

6.30pm Vigil

9.00am

10.30am

Masses February 9th - 10th

Smythesdale

Beaufort

Snake Valley

6.30pm Vigil

8.30am

10.30am

Next week's readings: *Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C*

Jeremiah 1:4-5. 17-19 Ps 70:1-6. 15. 17. 1 Cor 12:31 – 13:13 Luke 4:21-30

St Peter's Parish respectfully acknowledge that the Aboriginal people of Australia are our first nation peoples and the traditional owners and custodians of this land.

Recent Deaths: Theo Bloemendaal (Holland), Lorna Annie Brown, Lisa Hayden, Adam Jenkins, Michaela Murphy-Engeler

Anniversaries: Sr Elide Beltrome, Eileen Bongiorno, Monica Cashin, Kevin Daly, Gerard Dumaresq, Louisa Fay, Marcia Gallagher, William Grigg snr, Belle Holding, Kevin Lenaghan, Mate Medved, Marty Molloy, Anne Nunn, Barbara Quanchi, Irene Quish, Peter Sargeant, Kaye Theobald, Lance Vagg

Please remember in your prayers those who are unwell, especially Margaret Cranko, Basil Torpy, Milly Yeoman

Closing of St Patrick's Church Springdallah – Sunday January 27th 2019

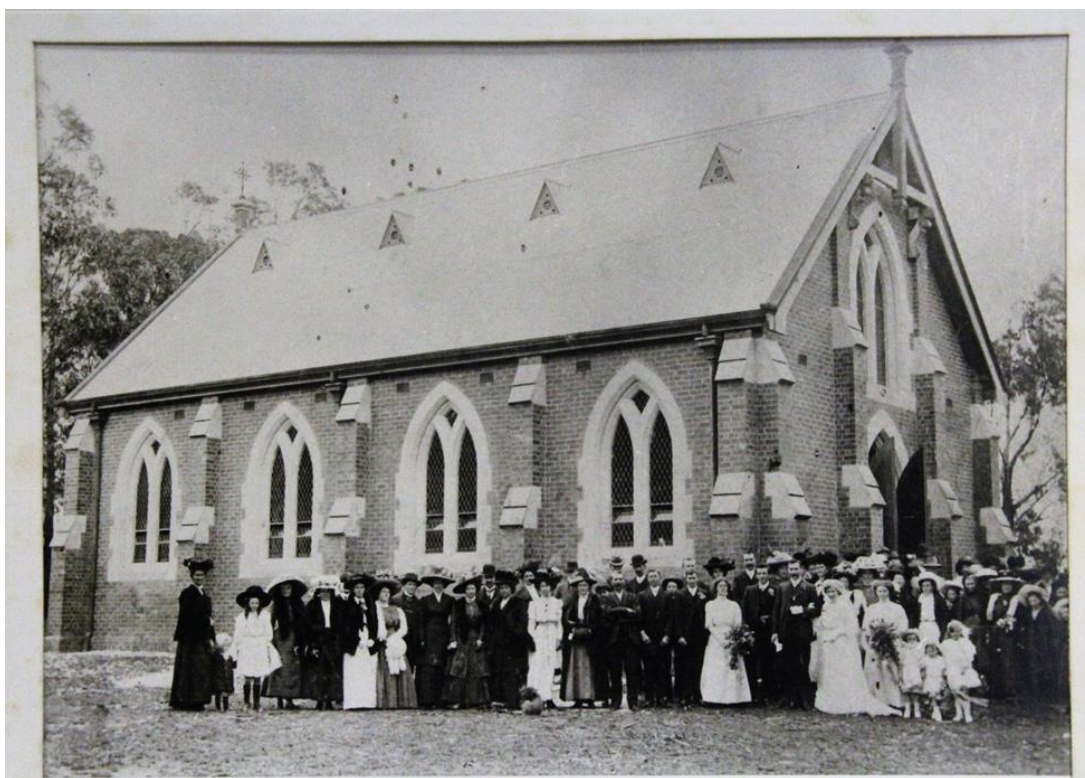
Bishop Paul & Fr Justin will celebrate the Mass to close the Church at Springdallah. Many former parishioners will be attending and we welcome them to our Parish. Many memories will be shared in a spirit of gratitude for the lives of faith that have been inspired and nourished from this Church and its community of faith.

The first priest to minister at Luckywoman's [Sprindallah] was Fr Farrelly travelling from Moriac celebrating the first Mass there in 1859. In 1862 the *Grenville Advocate* reported, "The Rev Mr Farrelly celebrated Mass at the new Roman Catholic Church at Happy Valley on Sunday morning."

Luckywomans and Happy Valley had merged and depending on who was describing the location either name was used. In 1865 the Catholic school had 39 children being taught by Kate Gannon. In 1866 the teacher was Mary Anne Stowe but the school close when she married that year. The land for a Church was purchased at Derwent Jacks [Springdallah] in 1874 and building of the first Church commenced. After the Diocese of Ballarat was established in 1874, Fr Michael Meade came to new Parish of Smythesdale in January 1875.

Derwent Jacks Catholic Church was erected at a cost of £450 and was opened by Dean Moore on June 6th 1875 free of debt. On April 14th 1896 this Church burned to the ground. Money was raised for the new church, "by direct giving, concerts, bazaars, dances, balls, picnics and sports meetings – and a noteworthy feature... was the cooperation of the other denominations."

St Patrick's Church Springdallah was blessed and opened by the Bishop of Ballarat, Bishop Moore on October 17th 1897.



*Wedding of
James Davey and
Kate Gillespie at
Derwent Jacks
September 20th
1910*