

# St Peter's Parish

Communities of Linton, Skipton, Smythesdale and Snake Valley



**Sunday February 2<sup>nd</sup> 2020**

***The Presentation of the Lord (Year A)***

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**Masses February 8<sup>th</sup>/9<sup>th</sup>**

Smythesdale	Beaufort	Snake Valley	Redan	Sebastopol
6.30pm Vigil	8.30am	10.30am	6.00pm Vigil 9.00am	10.30am

**Next week's readings for the Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Isaiah 58:7-10

1 Corinthians 2:1-5

Matthew 5:13-16

**Recent Deaths:** Alfredo de Aquino

**Anniversaries:** Alannah (Hazlett) Bryan, Brendan Cranage, Petrus DeBont, Patricia Ford, Bessie Gallagher, Giuliano Ledda, Matthew O'Connor, Lawrence Parrot, Carmel Riding, Dick Towns, Lance Vagg, Margaret Walsh, Kiefer Wilson

**Please remember in your prayers those who are unwell, especially**

Fr. Denis Dennehy, Margaret Cranko, Brendan Mulcahy, Angie Polglaze, Basil Torpy, Milly Yeoman

*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.*

## **menALIVE Ballarat**

Gatherings will recommence for 2020 on Friday, February 7<sup>th</sup> and Friday, February 21<sup>st</sup>, and Thursday, March 5<sup>th</sup> at Nazareth House Reading Room (“Nazy Nook”), Mill Street. The purpose of MenALIVE is to bring men together to renew their faith in God and to encourage them to become an active force of renewal in the Church. No membership required – just your presence. For more information call or text Chris 0437 318251.

## **Ecological Theology with Sr. Veronica Lawson and Fr Barry Ryan**

You are invited to join 2020 Roundtable Conversations on Ecological Theology with Sr. Veronica Lawson and Fr Barry Ryan at the Mercy Gathering Room, 16 Gent Street, Ballarat East (side entrance). *Wednesday Evening Series*: 7.00-9.00pm, February 26, March 25, April 22, May 20, June 17, July 15 or *Thursday Afternoon Series*: 1.00-3.00pm, February 27, March 26, April 23, May 21, June 18, July 16. Registration: email [veronica.lawson@mercy.org.au](mailto:veronica.lawson@mercy.org.au) (kindly include contact details). Donation (to cover expenses and to make a contribution to ecological justice): \$5 per session.

## **Plenary Council Delegates from the Diocese of Ballarat**

Bishop Paul is inviting us to nominate delegates from our diocese for the sessions of the Australian Plenary Council to be held in 2020 and 2021. Copies of Bishop Paul's letter are available through the diocesan website at [www.ballarat.catholic.org.au](http://www.ballarat.catholic.org.au) Nominations need to reach Bishop Paul by Friday, February 7<sup>th</sup>, 2020.

## **Grief to Grace Program**

Grief to Grace is an intensive, spiritually-based program ministering to adults who have suffered abuse from spouses/partners, clergy, family members, and others. We welcome lay people, priests, clergy and religious who are struggling with these wounds and seeking the healing power of Jesus Christ. The next Grief to Grace program in Australia will run from October 20<sup>th</sup>-25<sup>th</sup>, 2020 in Perth, WA. For more information, go to <https://rachelsvineyardministriesperth.wordpress.com/grief-to-grace/>

## **Support those affected by the bushfires**

The Australian Catholic Bishops Conference has provided information and resources to support those affected by the bushfires and this is available from the diocesan website [www.ballarat.catholic.org.au](http://www.ballarat.catholic.org.au) or [www.catholic.org.au/bushfires](http://www.catholic.org.au/bushfires). The diocesan website also has media releases from Catholic Mission and Caritas regarding ways they are supporting those in bushfire affected areas. St Vincent de Paul is collecting donations for the “Vinnies Bushfire Appeal” at <https://www.vinnies.org.au> Please be assured that all donations from Victoria will be directed to Victorians.