

St. Aloysius' Redan St. James' Sebastopol St. Peter's Linton

(Encompassing Skipton, Smythesdale and Snake Valley)

The Ascension of the Lord Year B Sunday 16th May 2021

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Next Week's Readings: Acts 2:1-11; 1 Corinthians 12:3-7, 12-13; or Galatians 5:16-25; John 20:19-23

The parishes acknowledge that the Aboriginal people of Australia are our first nation people and the traditional owners and custodians of this land.

Parish Arrangements

Just a reminder that all Church gatherings must meet the density quotient of 1 person per 2 square metres. Until further notice, you will need to continue to book in to attend a Mass, please make a booking either by phone, text, or email with the Parish Coordinators. Your name and contact details which will be recorded when you make a booking.

St. Aloysius, Redan

Thursday 9.30am

Saturday 5.00pm (from now till October)

Sunday 9.00am

St Brigid's, Snake Valley

Saturday 6.30pm

St Peter's, Linton

Sunday 9.00am

St. James, Sebastopol

Friday 9.30am

Sunday 10.30am

St John's, Skipton

Sunday 10.30am

Recent Deaths:

Anniversaries: Franciska Adamsons, Anne Bond, Gerard Britt, Eileen Cullen, Tom Flynn, Terry Grigg, Veronica Hayes, Marlene Odlum, Eufemia Puyaoan, Kathleen Vagg,

Please remember in your prayers: Margaret Cooper, Fr. Denis Dennehy, Heather Healy, Gerard Hoogenboom, Constancio Laduan Sr., Corazon Laduan, Lucas Mactingrao, Dianne Parrot, Jonathon Rice, Louis Sykes, Sr. Patricia Vagg,

Centralised Baptism Preparation Session will be held at MacKillop and Glowrey Rooms of St. Patrick's Cathedral Hall on **Thursday 10th June 2021 at 10.00am & 5.30pm**. Bookings to be made with Parish Offices.

Mass Counts update - The 2021 National Count Mass Count will take place over the first four weekends in May (starting 1 May 2021).

The Parishes of St. Aloysius, St. James' & St. Peter's are committed to the care, wellbeing and protection of children, young people and vulnerable adults in our community. We uphold that child protection and the dignity of every person is the responsibility of every adult.

St. Aloysius' Parish Redan

Collections for previous weekend

Parish \$590.00 Presbytery \$453.00

Opportunity for Prayer at St Aloysius - You are invited to join in saying the rosary, Thursday at 9am, all welcome.

Sacrament of Eucharist / First Communion: Celebrations for this Sacrament will take place at parish Masses on the weekends of 5/6th June, 12/13th June and 19th/20th June. I have allocated a certain number for each family, it is vitally important that all regular parishioners re - register with Bernadette for these Masses, before these weekends.

St. James' Parish Sebastopol

Collections for previous weekend

Parish \$262.00 Presbytery \$241.00

Opportunity for Prayer at St James' - Wednesday at 10.30am Adoration & Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament.

Dates to Remember:

Parish Craft Group - 1st & 3rd Monday of the month at 1pm - Monday 17th May

Filipino Rosary Group - 1st Wednesday of the month at 7pm - Wednesday 2nd June

Sacrament of Eucharist / First Communion: Please keep these children and families in your prayers. This weekend we welcome the children and their families as they attend the preparation dismissal session two.

- Sunday dismissals, Sunday May 23rd & 30th at 10.30am, St. James' Church

- Rehearsal date, St. James' Church, Friday June 4th at 10.15am

- Celebrated on Sunday 6th June, at 10.30am Mass, St. James' Church. **All Parishioners will need to contact Pauline in the Parish Office and book in for this Mass.**

Vinnies launches 2021 Winter Appeal - As Vinnies responds to a growing demand for services following the end of JobKeeper and cuts to Job Seeker, the National Council of St Vincent de Paul Society in Australia is calling for donations to help support the rising number of people experiencing or at risk of homelessness, including children, which have all been exacerbated by the economic impact of the COVID-19 pandemic. The Society provides vital services and support for individuals and families facing financial hardship. With generous support from the public, Vinnies aims to maintain the dignity of those on the edge and restore hope to people who have fallen on hard times. Donation envelopes are available on the table. Contact Anne 0409 547 953.

Ballarat Diocesan Information, News and Events

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity: May 16 - 23, 2021 "Abide in my love and you shall bear much fruit" (cf John 15:5). The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity in Australia will be observed from 16 - 23 May 2021 in the week between Ascension and Pentecost. The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity in 2021 was prepared by the Monastic Community of Grandchamp. The theme that was chosen, "Abide in my love and you shall bear much fruit", is based on John 15:1-17 and expresses Grandchamp Community's vocation to prayer, reconciliation and unity in the church and the human family. **Opportunities to join in the week of Prayer for Christian Unity in Ballarat will be at 2.30pm on the following afternoons in the following Churches:**

Monday May 17th	St Patrick's Cathedral
Wednesday May 19th	Peel St Church of Christ
Thursday May 20th	Ballarat Central Uniting Church
Friday May 21st	Christ Church Anglican Cathedral

National Volunteer Week (NVW): May 17-23, 2021 - The theme for NVW 2021 is *Recognise. Reconnect. Reimagine.* which acknowledges that it is time to: RECOGNISE, celebrate and thank volunteers for the vital role they play in our lives. RECONNECT to what is important by giving our time to help others and ourselves. REIMAGINE how we better support volunteers and communities they help. For more information about National Volunteer Week 2021 go to <https://www.volunteeringaustralia.org/get-involved/nvw/>

Prayer for Volunteers - *We pray for all those who volunteer in our parishes. May we value the many talents and gifts that God has given to these people. We thank them for generously offering their time to parish ministries. For all these gifts, given out of your love, we thank you, God of all goodness. Amen*