

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

(Encompassing Skipton, Smythesdale and Snake Valley)

The Most Holy Trinity Year B

Sunday 30th May 2021

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Next Week's Readings: Exodus 24:3-8; Hebrews 9:11-15; Mark 14:12-16, 22-26

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

Updated Covid arrangements for the next 7 days - Message from Bishop Paul

The following provisions apply to places of worship for the coming week.

No in-person gatherings are permitted. Broadcast services are allowed, with a maximum of five people.

Funerals: A maximum of 10 people are allowed at funerals, plus those conducting the service. Children under 12 months are not counted towards the cap of 10.

Weddings: Weddings are not permitted unless deportation or end-of-life reasons apply. If those reasons do apply, the wedding gathering is limited to five people, including the two people getting married, a celebrant, and two witnesses.

It is sad that, for the next week, we will not be able to gather in our parish churches as we usually would. I pray that the week's lockdown will be effective in curbing the spread of the virus and that we will soon be able to resume our gatherings as parish communities. In the meantime, I encourage you in your personal and family prayer at home. I also thank our priests and parish teams for all they have done and all they will do to keep in touch with parishioners and to keep parishioners in touch with one another. This can be by phone or via zoom or other online service. I note also that we are able to leave home for purposes of "caregiving". This would allow us to visit the home of someone who requests a visit because they are unwell or otherwise in need of care. In any such visits, of course, we would need to wear masks and take the usual COVID hygiene precautions.

May the Holy Spirit guide us in our care for one another.

God bless you all.

Bishop Paul

Recent Deaths: Phyllis Brady, Yvonne Geyle, Margaret Kelly, Leo Kearney, Adriana (Jan) Verberne,

Anniversaries: Jean Connellan, Callan-Ann Curran, Verna Evans, Agnus Forbes, Malachi Keighery, Frank Mizzi, Eileen Norden, Molly O'Neil, Gerard Phillips, Addie Sanderson, Frank Saunders, Colleen Sheehan, Matthew Sculley, Thelma Sculley, Ramon Teope, Cecila Thomas, Nonie Thyne, Irvine Wilkie, Ian Welsh,

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. The **next date to be advised**. Bookings to be made with Parish Offices.

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 \$450.00 Presbytery \$238.00

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.

Caring Circle - The June meeting is cancelled, this meeting will now be rescheduled for the first Wednesday in July (7th July) at 1.00pm in the Parish Centre. New members welcome.

St. James' Parish Sebastopol

Collections for previous weekend

Parish \$272.00 Presbytery \$311.00

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 their last dismissal.

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

- **Celebrated on Sunday 6th June, at 10.30am Mass, St. James' Church.**

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

Covid Indian Appeal Fundraiser Dinner on Saturday 29th May, 6pm for 6.30pm start at Albert Coates Complex Federation University Australia Mount Helen. Booking essential: www.trybooking.com/BRFMQ. Donations accepted Name: Ballarat Indian Association Inc. BSB: 033205 A/c Number: 183147. Flyer on the notice board.

Plenary Council Prayer Campaign - This weekend, as we celebrate Pentecost, a national campaign will be launched to support a prayerful build-up to the first assembly of the Plenary Council. The "Fan the Flame" campaign is offered as resources for individuals and groups of various sizes and contexts who are providing essential support by praying for the Council journey and specifically for the Council assemblies, including the members who will participate. Resources available from <https://plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/fantheblade/>

National Reconciliation Week: May 27 - June 3, 2021

The 2021 National Reconciliation Week theme, More than a word. Reconciliation takes action, urges the reconciliation movement towards braver and more impactful action. The Reconciliation movement is at a tipping point: In the past year, with Black Lives Matter protests and huge numbers at Invasion Day rallies across the country, we're seeing people are understanding the truth and speaking up on issues affecting Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples. More than a word. Reconciliation takes action asks people to take this awareness and knowledge, and use it as springboard to more substantive, brave action. Resources and further information is available from <https://nrw.reconciliation.org.au/2021/03/23/more-than-a-word-reconciliation-takes-action/>

ST VINCENT PALLOTTI SCHOLARSHIP TRUST - offers scholarships to enable lay people to further their understanding and skills in leadership/ministry or a specialised activity, such as promoting faith enhancement, social justice and pastoral care. More information and Applications Forms are available on our website <https://pallottine.org.au/scholarships/st-vincent-pallotti-scholarship-for-lay-ministry.html>. Closing Date 30 July

CatholicCare Victoria Board Recruitment

The Board of CatholicCare Victoria is seeking expressions of interest from suitably qualified people who are committed to strengthening individuals, families and communities, to enable everyone to reach their full potential and live life to the full. We are seeking to appoint two (2) high quality leaders to join our Board, with executive level experience in one or more of the following areas: Legal; Social and Community Housing; Corporate Governance; Government Engagement; Technology; Philanthropy. In addition to these, key to the role will be your knowledge or understanding of governance principles, including a Board director's legal, ethical, fiduciary and financial responsibilities. More information is available at <https://www.ccam.org.au/page/58/careers>

Ballarat Diocese Lay Pastoral Ministry Virtual Learning Program

Our partner, Dayton University, offers low-cost online study and formation for employed or volunteer lay workers in parish and other ministries. Study subjects over 3 and 5 week cycles. Study Cycle 5 begins July 4. Registrations are now open for new and returning participants. For more information go to www.ballarat.catholic.org.au or email djurdja.klaric@ballarat.catholic.org.au or ph. 5337 7121.

Year of St Joseph Monthly Reflections & Daily Prayers

- **Monthly Reflection:** Each month during the year of St Joseph, the Australian Catholic Bishops Conference will publish a reflection on the various aspects of St Joseph's life and character. Bishop Vincent Long van Nguyen OFM Conv reflects on "St Joseph the Migrant Worker" - <https://catholic.org.au/yearofstjoseph>
- **Daily Prayers to St Joseph:** The ACBC have provided daily prayers and a shorter Litany to St Joseph available from <https://catholic.org.au/yearofstjoseph>