

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

(Encompassing Skipton, Smythesdale and Snake Valley)

16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Year B

Sunday 18th July 2021

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Fr. Eugene McKinnon

Next Week's Readings: 2 Kings 4:42-44; Ephesians 4:16; John 6:1-15

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

The Victorian Government has announced a snap 5 day lockdown therefore there will be no Masses this weekend.

Recent Deaths: Norma Duffy

Anniversaries: Colin Birks, Millicent Chatham, Nellie DeBont, David Grisinger, Mena Heagney, Stanislaw Iwanowski, Fred Mellington, Patrick O'Neil, Denis Sullivan, Tess Tartan

Please remember in your prayers: Margaret Cooper, Fr. Denis Dennehy, Heather Healy, Gerard Hoogenboom, Constancio Laduan Sr., Corazon Laduan, Lucas Mactingrao, 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 5th August 2021 at 10.00am & 5.30pm**. Bookings to be made with Parish Offices.

Parish Office Closure - St. Aloysius will reopen on Wednesday 28th July. Fr. Eugene can be contacted at the Redan Presbytery on 5331 4981.

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

Sacrament of Confirmation: This sacrament is offered to Baptised Catholics in Grade 3 and Grade 4 or older. The parent meeting will be held in St Aloysius Church on Thursday 29th July at 5.30pm, all relevant information will be given at this meeting.

St. James' Parish Sebastopol

Collections for previous weekend

Parish \$581.00

Presbytery \$179.00

Opportunity for Prayer at St James' - will recommence on Wednesday 4th August at 10.30am Adoration & Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament.

Dates to Remember

Parish Craft Group - 1st & 3rd Monday of the month - Monday 19th July at 1.00pm - CANCELLED

Sacramental Group Meeting - Tuesday 20th July at 4.00pm - CANCELLED

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- Parent meeting, Tuesday 27th July, at 5.30pm, St. James' Church Foyer
- Sunday dismissals, Sunday August 1st, 8th, 15th & 22nd at 10.30am, St. James' Church
- Rehearsal date, St. James' Church, Friday August 27th at 10.15am
- Celebrated on Saturday 28th August at 7.00pm Mass & Sunday 29th August, at 10.30am Mass, St. James'

St. James' Feast Day (Sunday 25th July) - The Parish will celebrate St. James' Feast Day on Sunday 25th July at 10.30am Mass. This will be followed by lunch (12 noon) at the Sebastopol Bowling Club. For booking purposes, would you please register on the sheets in the foyer. Thank you.

St. James Parish School invites all Parishioners to attend their St. James Feast Day morning tea after 9.30am Mass on Friday 23rd July in the School Hall. All welcome to attend.

Ballarat Diocesan Information, News and Events

Australian Catholic Men's Gathering 2021

As an initiative of the Australian Catholic Bishops, the National Catholic Men's Gathering aims to inspire and encourage all men with a vision for personal discipleship, service and mission in the family, parish/diocese and the world. The online program hopes to reinforce that it is important to gather as men in the faith environment of the Church and be challenged to ensure the Gospel is alive in our homes, parishes/dioceses and our communities. In this Year of St Joseph, the National Catholic Men's Gathering is again being offered as a free event for registered participants. The 2021 program will focus on St Joseph and will include a pre-recorded introductory session, three pre-recorded sessions and a final commissioning, all available from Saturday, July 31, 2021. To read about this year's speakers go to <https://www.nce.catholic.org.au/catholicmen>

Expressions of Interest are being sort for membership of the Diocesan Finance Council, the Committee of Management of the Catholic Development Fund and the Board of the Catholic Diocese of Ballarat Foundation. Ballarat's Diocesan Finance Council, the Committee of Management of the Catholic Development Fund, and the Board of the Catholic Diocese of Ballarat Foundation are seeking expressions of interest from suitably qualified people (women and men) to join the advisory council, the advisory committee as well as the Foundation's Board. We are seeking persons from across the Diocese who have experience in one or more of the following areas: Corporate Governance; Finance, Banking; Legal; and Philanthropy. Successful candidates will demonstrate a genuine commitment to the ethos and values of the Catholic Church, and possess personal qualities of integrity, collaborative approach, sound judgement, and excellent communication skills. More information is available at the diocesan website

<https://www.ballarat.catholic.org.au/expressions-of-interest-are-being-sort-for-membership-of-the-diocesan-finance-council-the-committee-of-management-of-the-catholic-development-fund-and-the-board-of-the-catholic-diocese-of-ballarat-f/> or contact Andrew Jirik, Diocesan Business Manager, ph. 5337 7126.

Plenary Council Prayer Campaign Fan the Flame: Towards Plenary Assembly One October 2021. 'You must come away to some lonely place all by yourselves and rest for a while' Mark 6:30-34. Our Aboriginal culture has taught us to be still and to wait... We wait for the rain to fill our rivers and water the thirsty earth... We wait on God, too. We don't worry. We know that in time and in the spirit of dadirri (that deep listening and quiet stillness) his way will be clear. (Miriam-Rose Ungunmerr, "Dadirri: Inner Deep Listening and Quiet Still Awareness", Miriam-Roes Foundation, accessed 23 April 2021, <https://www.miriamrosefoundation.org.au/about-dadirri>). www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/fantheblade/

Year of St Joseph Monthly Reflections

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. Fr Robert Krishna OP, a Dominican priest and chaplain to Monash University, reflects on "St Joseph – 'A Just Man'" <https://catholic.org.au/yearofstjoseph>

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.