

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

(Encompassing Skipton, Smythesdale and Snake Valley)

21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday 21st August 2022

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Next Week's Readings: Sirach 3:17-20, 28-29; Hebrews 12:18-19, 22-24; Luke 14:7-14

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

Parish Mass Times

St. Aloysius, Redan

Thursday 9.30am

Saturday 5.00pm

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: Mary Bond

Anniversaries: Jack Clohesy, Kevin Barry, Jessie Downing, Maureen Everard, Sr. M. Genevieve rsm, James Hevey, Sr. Barbara Lemke rsm, ETTY McKinnon, Joan Mahoney, Joy Nichols, Ned and Margaret O'Keefe, Nora O'Connor, Owen O'Donoghue, Maria Reynen, Richard Saliba, Neil Wood,

Please remember in your prayers: Margaret Cooper, Nellie deJong, Constancio Laduan Sr., Cath Kavanagh, Peter Kavanagh, Lucas Mactingrao

CatholicCare Victoria Sunday Appeal: All gifts of \$2 and above are tax deductible. Would you please return envelopes and place in the collection baskets. Thank you.

Social Justice Statement 2022-23 & Social Justice Sunday: August 28, 2022

The 2022-23 Social Justice Statement, "*Respect: Confronting Violence and Abuse*", points out that the roots of domestic and family violence 'lie in the abuse of power to control and dominate others' and that 'this stands in contrast to the relationships to which God calls us.' They call for relationships to be marked by equality and reciprocity rather than domination and violence, respect and freedom rather than coercion and control. The statement and the full range of resources are available at

<https://socialjustice.catholic.org.au/2022/08/02/sjs2022-23/>

Centralised Baptism Preparation Session will be held at MacKillop and Glowrey Rooms of St. Patrick's Cathedral Hall on **Thursday 1st September 2022 at 10.00am & 5.30pm**. Bookings to be made with the 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 people at risk in our community. We uphold that child protection and the dignity of every person is the responsibility of every adult.

Combined Linton, Redan & Sebastopol Finance Committee Meeting will be held on Thursday 1st September at 5.30pm at the Redan Parish Centre.

Linton Parish

The celebration of Confirmation in all country churches will take place on the weekend of 10th/11th Sept.

St. Aloysius' Parish Redan

Collections for previous weekend

Parish \$726.00

Presbytery \$718.00

Opportunity for Prayer at St Aloysius - You are invited to join in saying the rosary, after 9.30am Mass Thursday, **Sacrament of Confirmation:** The celebrations will be held in St Aloysius church at the following Parish Masses.

Saturday 27th August - 5pm, Sunday 28th August - 9am, Saturday 3rd September - 5pm, Sunday 4th September - 9am (with an extra Mass at 2pm on Sunday 28th August)

St. James' Parish Sebastopol

Collections for previous weekend

Parish \$303.00

Presbytery \$294.00

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

Dates to Remember:

Liturgy Group Meeting - Friday 2nd September 2022 at 10.15am

Filipino Rosary Group - 1st Wednesday of the month - Wednesday 7th September at 7.00pm

Sacrament of Confirmation: This weekend we welcome the children and the families who will be preparing and working their way through the Confirmation program over this last week. The celebration on Sunday 28th August, at 10.30am Mass. Please keep these children and their families in your prayers.

Volunteers required - we are seeking anyone wishing to fill the role of sacristan please contact Pauline or Fr. Eugene. You will be rostered on once a month and trained to open the church and set up for Mass.

St James Family Groups started in our parish 29 years ago under the umbrella of the Passionist Family Group Movement. The focus is on developing community with friendship and support for each other as an expression of our Christian faith. Groups usually meet monthly and organize a variety of activities depending on the age and interest of members. We have three active groups with 40 families involved. Everyone is welcome, married, single or divorced, young, old or in between. If you are interested or would just like more information, ask any regulars at Mass- we are well known! Or ring Anne Porter on 0408170885

Ballarat Diocesan Information, News and Events

Ballarat Diocese Lay Pastoral Ministry Program – Online Study

Our partner, Dayton University, offers low-cost (\$50usd) online study and formation for employed or volunteer lay workers in parishes. Study cycles are over 3 or 5 weeks. The next Cycle begins September 5. There are 37 subjects to choose from – find one that interests you! Registrations are open now. More information is available on the diocesan website

<https://www.ballarat.catholic.org.au/services-agencies-2/pastoral/pastoral-ministry/lay-pastoral-ministry-program/> or email djurdja.klaric@ballarat.catholic.org.au or ph. 5337 7121.

Praying with Pope Francis - The Pope's Worldwide Prayer Network (Apostleship of Prayer) is an international movement that is more than 170 years old. Each month, the Pope puts forward a prayer intention and asks Catholics around the world to join him in prayer. These intentions cover all sorts of areas of life, encouraging faith, renewing hope and calling us to loving service. Praying each month 'The Pope Video' forms part of the Pope's Worldwide Prayer Network – view at www.thepopevideo.org. **Pope's intention for August: For small business:** We pray for small and medium sized businesses. In the midst of economic and social crisis, may they find ways to continue operating and serving their communities.

Round Table Ecological Theology Sessions - Those who sent submissions to the recent Plenary Council asked, among other things, for sound adult theological education. For some years now, Fr. Barry Ryan and Sr. Veronica Lawson have been offering regular adult theology classes. A new series begins on Wednesday, September 7 (afternoon group 1-3 pm and evening group 7-9pm) at the Mercy Centre in Ballarat East (16 Gent Street). If you are interested, kindly send your contact details (mobile and email) to Sr. Veronica on veronica.lawson@mercy.org.au and she will provide you with further information on the sessions.