

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

(Encompassing Skipton, Smythesdale and Snake Valley)

1st Sunday of Lent

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Sunday 26th February 2023

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Next Week's Readings: 2nd Sunday of Lent - Genesis 12:1-4, 2 Timothy 1:8-10, Matthew 17:1-9

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 6.00pm

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: Christian Li Yuen Fong, Molly Kelly, Sr. Irene Monigatti rsm, Joanne Ross, Klara Sliwa

Anniversaries: Bob Beare, Eileen Dawson, William Heath, Carmel Hockley, Mia Geurts, Dennis Keighery, Glenis Ledda, Joel Nankervis,

Please remember in your prayers: Margaret Cooper, Noreen Griffin, Nellie deJong, Constancio Laduan Sr., Peter Kavanagh, Lucas Mactingrao, Annie Welsch,

Centralised Baptism Preparation Session will be held at MacKillop and Glowrey Rooms of St. Patrick's Cathedral Hall on **Thursday 9th March 2023 at 10.00am & 5.30pm**. Bookings to be made with the Parish Office.

Lenten Reconciliation will be held during the Redan & Sebastopol Masses on the weekend of the **25th & 26th March**.

Lenten Anointing Masses

St. Aloysius Redan on Thursday 30th March at 11.00am

St. James Sebastopol on Friday 31st March at 2.00pm

There will be no 9.30am Mass on these days.

Stations of the Cross - St. James Sebastopol on Tuesday 14th March at 1.30pm and a cuppa to follow.

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.

Project Compassion - 1st Sunday of Lent

After losing her father when she was just 10-years-old, Laxmi was at risk of falling further into extreme poverty. But with the support of our partner Caritas Nepal, Laxmi joined a child's club, became a leader in her school and is now a mentor to other children in her village. Please donate to Project Compassion 2023. Together, we can help vulnerable communities face their challenges today and build a better tomorrow *For All Future Generations*. You can donate through Project Compassion donation boxes/envelopes available from your parish, by visiting caritas.org.au/project-compassion, or by calling 1800 024 413.

St. Aloysius' Parish Redan

Collections for previous weekend

Parish \$930.00

Presbytery \$604.00

Opportunity for Prayer at St Aloysius - You are invited to join in saying the rosary, after 9.30am Mass Thursday
Sacramental Program 2023 – Term 1 – Sacrament of Penance / Reconciliation - we welcome the children who are preparing for this Sacrament to Masses this weekend.

Caring Circle - This group will meet on Wednesday 1st March, 1pm in the parish centre, all welcome.

St. James' Parish Sebastopol

Collections for previous weekend

Parish \$620.00

Presbytery \$333.00

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

Dates to Remember:

St Vincent De Paul Society meeting 4th Monday of the month - Monday 27th February 2023 at 4.00pm

Filipino Rosary Group - 1st Wednesday of the month - Wednesday 1st March at 7.00pm

Sacrament of Baptism - This Sunday we welcome through the Sacrament of Baptism, Izekiah Francis Michael Toleman, son of Mary-Ellen & Joshua.

"The Church gives the faith to your children through Baptism and you have the task to make it grow..." - Pope Francis.

Sacramental Program 2023 – Term 1 – Sacrament of Penance / Reconciliation - This weekend, we welcome the children and their families who will be preparing and working their way through the Reconciliation program over the next three weeks. **Reconciliation will be** celebrated on Tuesday 21st March, at 7.00pm. Please keep these children and their families in our prayers.

Ballarat Diocesan Information, News and Events

Mass of the Oils - Each year, the Mass of the Oils is celebrated on Monday in Holy Week at St Patrick's Cathedral for all parishes within the Ballarat Diocese. Representatives from each parish come forward to receive the oils which will be used during sacraments in the coming year. There is an opportunity to come together with the priests and people of other parishes with the supper in the cathedral hall following mass. This year's mass will be on Monday, 3 April at 6.30 PM.

World Day of Prayer Friday 3rd March - Church Services 2023: The Ballarat Committee of World Day of Prayer invites you to join WDP services in Ballarat and surrounds,

Thursday 23 Feb - 10.00a.m. Rosebank Retirement Village, 19a Charlotte Street, Sebastopol

Friday 03 March - 2.00p.m. St. John's Catholic Church, 3 Anderson Street, Skipton & 5.30p.m. St. Peter's Catholic Church, 13 Duke Street, Daylesford

Sunday 05 Mar - 2.30p.m. Sts. Peter & Paul's Catholic Church, 701 Fiskin Street, Buninyong. All welcome.

Thursday 09 Mar - 10.45am Nazareth House Chapel (RAT required arrive 20 minutes early & face mask)

WDP is a global ecumenical movement led by Christian women who welcome all to join in prayer and action for peace and justice. This year our sisters in Taiwan have chosen the theme "I have heard about your faith." Let us listen to these women's stories of faith and their prayers for wisdom in the face of the political isolation that their island home experiences.

Pray for the people of Turkey and Syria - *Gracious God, we pray for the victims of this disaster in Turkey and Syria. Lord, bring comfort to those whose lives were spared and care for those who perished. Be with the rescue workers and keep them safe as they make heroic efforts in dangerous situations to rescue those in trouble. Help family members to be reunited. God of healing and mercy, we come before you with our hearts filled with grief as we see the devastation. We pray that your presence would be felt by those who are grieving, who are injured, who have lost their homes and livelihoods. We pray through your loving son, Jesus. Amen.*