

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

(Encompassing Skipton, Smythesdale and Snake Valley)

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord - Year A

Sunday 2nd April 2023

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Easter Sunday's Readings: Acts 10:34, 37-43; Colossians 3:1-4, or 1 Corinthians 5:6-8; John 20:1-9 or Matthew 28:1-10

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 7.00pm (Holy Thursday)

Saturday 7.00pm (Easter Saturday)

Sunday 9.00am

St. Brigid's, Snake Valley

Saturday 6.30pm

No morning Masses

St. Peter's, Linton

Sunday 9.00am

St. James, Sebastopol

Friday 3.00pm (Good Friday)

Sunday 10.30am

St. John's, Skipton

Sunday 10.30am

Recent deaths: Mark Broemmer, Joan Clingan, Lance Ryan

Anniversaries: Anita Attard, Kathleen Dillon, Laurence O'Neil, Sr. Tricia Vagg rsm, Connie Vincent,

Please remember in your prayers: Margaret Cooper, Nellie deJong, Constancio Laduan Sr., Peter Kavanagh, Lucas Mactingrao, Shirley Mitchell, Jonathan Rice, Annie Welsch

Centralised Baptism Preparation Session will be held at MacKillop and Glowrey Rooms of St. Patrick's Cathedral Hall on **Thursday 6th April 2023 (Holy Thursday) at 10.00am ONLY**. Bookings made with the Parish Office.

Easter Liturgies 2023

Holy Thursday

April 6th - Mass of the Lord's Supper - St. Aloysius Redan - **7.00pm**

Good Friday

April 7th - Stations of the Cross - St Peter's Linton - 9.00am

April 7th - Celebration of the Lord's Passion - St. James' Sebastopol - 3.00pm

Holy Saturday

April 8th - Easter Vigil – St. Aloysius Redan - **7.00pm**

April 8th - Easter Vigil – St. Brigid's Snake Valley - 6.30pm

Easter Sunday

April 9th - Mass St. Aloysius Redan – 9.00am

April 9th - Mass St. Peter's Linton - 9.00am

Easter Sunday

April 9th - Mass at St. James Sebastopol with blessing of Paschal candle & renewal of Baptismal promises – 10.30am

April 9th - Mass St. John's Skipton - 10.30am

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 - Palm Sunday - Every day, more than 200 million children miss out on school, around 690 million people go hungry and 2.2 billion people cannot access clean drinking water. With your generosity, Caritas Australia has been able to help millions of vulnerable people around the world, through the Project Compassion appeal. Please donate to Project Compassion 2023 to help continue empowering vulnerable communities around the world to lift themselves and their communities out of poverty. 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, or visit caritas.org.au/project-compassion or phone 1800 024 413.

St. Peter's Linton

Stations of the Cross - You are invited to pray the Stations of the Cross on Good Friday at St Peter's Linton at 9am

St. Aloysius' Parish Redan

Collections for previous weekend

Parish \$739.00

Presbytery \$809.00

Opportunity for Prayer at St Aloysius - You are invited to join in saying the rosary, after 9.30am Mass Thursday

Daylight Saving- From Saturday 15th April, Saturday night Mass at St Aloysius will be at 5pm until October.

Sacramental Program 2023 – Term 2 – Eucharist - Baptised Catholics who have been Confirmed and celebrated their Reconciliation - Parent enrolment meeting, Thursday April 27th at 10 am and 5.30pm, St Aloysius Parish Centre. Information regarding preparation and celebrations will be discussed at this meeting.

Caring Circle - This group will meet on Wednesday 5th April, 1pm in the Parish Centre. New members welcome

St. James' Parish Sebastopol

Collections for previous weekend

Parish \$371.00

Presbytery \$345.00

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

Dates to Remember: Sacramental Team Meeting - Tuesday 4th April at 3.45pm in the foyer

Filipino Rosary Group - 1st Wednesday of the month - Wednesday 6th April at 7.00pm

Men's Breakfast - 3rd Saturday of the month - Saturday 15th April at 9.00am

St Vincent de Paul Meeting - 4th Monday of the month - Monday 24th April at 4.00pm. All welcome.

Sacramental Program 2023 – Term 2 – Eucharist - Baptised Catholics who have been Confirmed and celebrated their Reconciliation. Parent enrolment meeting, Wednesday February 26th at 5.30pm. Sunday dismissals, Sunday Apr 30th, May 7th, 21st & 28th May at 10.30am and celebration on Sunday 4th June, at 10.30am.

Ballarat Diocesan Information, News and Events

Mass of the Oils 2023 - All are welcome to attend the Mass of the Oils to be held on Monday, April 3, 2023 at St Patrick's Cathedral Ballarat at 6.30pm. Supper will follow in the Hall. If you would like to join the choir for this Mass, please contact julie.boyd@ballarat.catholic.org.au or ph. 5337 7159 for further details.

Grampians Health Ballarat - Seeking Volunteer - Pastoral Care Visitors - We are seeking to recruit Pastoral Care Visitors (Volunteers) to provide regular pastoral care support to patients, and visitors of all faiths and beliefs, including those who have no religious beliefs. If you are interested or want to discuss further, please ring Paul Ryan, Grampians Health Ballarat on 5320 8634 or email at; paul.ryan@bhs.org.au

Holy Land Collection – Good Friday, April 7, 2023 - The annual collection will take place on Good Friday. The ongoing effects of the pandemic have created enormous challenges for the people of the Holy Land in terms of health and a catastrophic loss of income due to the absence of pilgrims. Pilgrims are vital because they generate income that allows the Friars and local Church to fulfil their mission of caring for the Holy Places (that also gives work to the local people), as well as running parishes, schools and caring for orphans, refugees, the homeless and more. It is also used to maintain over 70 churches and shrines associated with the life of Jesus. The Pontifical Good Friday Collection will continue to support the works of the Holy Land through the generosity of the Australian Church. Your donation is a direct way to make a difference in the lives of people who are keeping alive the Christian presence in the land of Jesus.

Palm Sunday 2023 Justice for Refugees Ballarat Event - Meet at View Point, Lake Wendouree, 2.00pm. Speakers include Robyn Burgess, a refugee nurse at Ballarat Community Health and refugees with lived experience. For those who wish to walk, it will finish in front of Loreto College at the viewing area for rowing. Organised by Rural Australian for Refugees Ballarat and Amnesty Ballarat to support permanent protection for all refugees.