

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

(Encompassing Skipton, Smythesdale and Snake Valley)

**Our Lord Jesus Christ our King of the  
Universe - Year A**

**Sunday 26th November 2023**

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**Next Week's Readings: 1st Sunday of Advent - Isaiah 63:16-17, 64:1, 3-8; 1 Corinthians 1:3-9; Mark 13:33-37**

*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:** John Lamb

**Anniversaries:** Kerryn Aquilina, Philip (Pop) DeBono, Glenise Braybrook, Henry deBont, Chris Pitman, Theresa Pritchard, Cornelia van Raaphorst,

**Please remember in your prayers:** Margaret Cooper, Leila Hudson, Maggie Mitchell, Koha Tracey, Annie Welsch

**Centralised Baptism Preparation Session** will be held at MacKillop and Glowrey Rooms of St. Patrick's Cathedral Hall on **Thursday 7th December at 10.00am & 5.30pm**. Bookings to be made with the Parish Offices.

**Ordination to the Diaconate-** Seminarian Cay Trinh will be ordained Deacon for the Diocese of Ballarat on Saturday, December 16, 2023 at St Patrick's Cathedral Ballarat at 10.00am. All welcome to attend.

## Advent Anointing Masses 2023

**St. James Sebastopol - Friday 8th December at 2.00pm**

**Afternoon tea will follow in the foyer. Please bring a plate to share.**

**Please note: There will be NO 9.30am Mass.**

## Advent Reconciliation 2023

**will occur during Masses at Redan & Sebastopol on the weekend of 9th & 10th December 2023.**

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.

## CHRISTMAS MASS TIMES 2023

### Christmas Eve Mass – Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> December

St. Aloysius Redan School Auditorium - 6.00pm Mass

St. Brigid's Snake Valley – 6.00pm Mass

St. James' Sebastopol – 7.00pm Carols & 7.30pm Mass

St. John's Skipton – 7.30pm Mass

### Christmas Day Mass – Monday 25<sup>th</sup> December

St. James' Sebastopol – 9.30am Mass

St. Peter's Linton – 9.00am Mass

## St. Aloysius' Parish Redan

Collections for previous weekend Parish \$606.00

Presbytery \$749.00

**Opportunity for Prayer at St Aloysius** - Rosary will be prayed every Thursdays after 9.30am Mass

**Anointing Mass** - This Mass was celebrated this Thursday 23rd November, 11am. Thank you to all you helped celebrate this Mass and a special thank you to the St Aloysius school community for the beautiful take away lunch.

**Working Bee** - This will be held on Saturday 23rd December, 9.30am. An opportunity to lend a hand to clean up the gardens around the church. If you are able, could you please bring brooms, shovels and leaf blowers. All welcome, morning tea after the working bee will be provided in the Parish Centre

## St. James' Parish Sebastopol

Collections for previous weekend Parish \$557.00

Presbytery \$436.00

**Dates to Remember:**

StVdeP Meeting - **please note change of date** - Monday 4th December at 4.00pm. Meeting and afternoon tea.

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

## Ballarat Diocesan Information, News and Events

**Position Vacant – Secretary in the Bishop's Office** - Applications are invited from suitably qualified candidates for the position of Secretary in the Bishop's Office, 2-3 days per week. Position and application details are available from the diocesan website <https://www.ballarat.catholic.org.au/our-diocese/employment/>

**Announcement regarding CDF Merger** - Bishop Paul Bird CSsR has made an announcement regarding the merger of our Ballarat Catholic Development Fund with the Melbourne-Sale-Bunbury Catholic Development Fund.

Details are available from the diocesan website <https://www.ballarat.catholic.org.au/new-era-for-cdf/>

**Choir for the Ordination to the Diaconate Mass for Cay Peter Trinh – Saturday, December 16, 2023** - Singers and musicians in the diocese are invited to join the music group which is being formed for Cay Trinh's Ordination to the Diaconate Mass on Saturday, December 16, 2023 at St Patrick's Cathedral Ballarat at 10.00am. Practice times are Sunday, December 3 and 10 at the Cathedral (times to be confirmed). There will also be a run through prior to Mass on December 16. Please contact Julie Boyd in the Pastoral Ministry Office to register your interest [julie.boyd@ballarat.catholic.org.au](mailto:julie.boyd@ballarat.catholic.org.au) or ph. 5337 7159.

**150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Diocese of Ballarat - Significant Catholic Person/People from your Parish** - In preparation for the Ballarat Diocese's 150 year Anniversary in 2024, the anniversary committee for the Mass of the Oils are searching for 1 or 2 significant Catholics from your parish for a display to be presented in the Hall after the Mass on Monday, March 25, 2024. This could be a well-known person who has achieved success in their chosen field or it could be someone who has left a legacy in your parish, as a benefactor, contributor or historian. Please provide names and supporting information and photo to [jane.collins@ballarat.catholic.org.au](mailto:jane.collins@ballarat.catholic.org.au) before February 5, 2024.

**Making a Scene at Christmas** - Over 500 Christmas Nativities from more than 60 countries will be displayed at the Bridge Mall Ballarat and at the Catholic Diocesan Archives from Tues, Dec 5 – Frid, Dec 22, 2023. For more information on the Ballarat Bridge Mall display, please contact Fiona Tonkin

[Fiona.tonkin@ballarat.catholic.org.au](mailto:Fiona.tonkin@ballarat.catholic.org.au). Everyone welcome. Entry is a gold coin donation.



*Laudato Si'*



Environmental education should facilitate making the leap towards the transcendent which gives ecological ethics its deepest meaning #210

*reduce reuse recycle rethink repurpose*

**"Love Natural Resources"** Did you know? Animal, plants, water and soil...these are some of the things we use from the earth. We must take good care of them so that the planet stays as we found it.