

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

(Encompassing Skipton, Smythesdale and Snake Valley)

20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Year B

Sunday 18th August 2024

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Fr. Con Bagaoisan

Next Week's Readings: 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time - Joshua 24:1-2, 15-18; Ephesians 5:21-32; John 6:60-69

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

(1st Friday of the month - healing and anointing Mass)

Sunday 10.30am

St. John's, Skipton

Sunday 10.30am

Recent deaths: Mary Veronica Flynn, Tony Meade

Anniversaries: Kevin Barry, Sr. Ursula Caine rsm, Mary Clark, Jack Clohesy, Jordan Denning, Gavin Frawley, Jane Hall, Martina Hoogenboom, ETTY McKinnon, Joan Mahoney, Joy Nichols, Kevin Nester, Nora O'Connor, Maria Reynen, Richard Saliba, Neil Wood, Graeme Woodford,

Please remember in your prayers: Nerlita Carter, Margaret Cooper, Remy Fernandez, Leila Hudson, Alex McLaren, Glenys Miller, Tegan Nedelkos, Dianne Parrôt, Joel Ridsdale, Susana Reginio, Koha Tracey, Annie Welsch

Centralised Baptism Preparation Session will be held at MacKillop and Glowrey Rooms of St. Patrick's Cathedral Hall on **Thursday 5th September 2024 at 10.00am & 5.30pm**. Bookings to be made with the Parish Offices.

Recycle Batteries. Did you know? 15% of batteries can be turned into new batteries. Make sure you save up all your run-down ones and take them to your nearest battery recycling bin.

Pope's August intention - for political leaders: Let us pray that political leaders be at the service of their own people, working for integral human development and the common good, taking care of those who have lost their jobs and giving priority to the poor. Lord, hear us.

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.

St. Aloysius' Parish Redan

Collections for previous weekend

Parish \$782.00

Presbytery \$728.00

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

Sacramental Program 2024 – Term 3 – Confirmation - Baptised Catholics in Grade 3 and 4 or older - This weekend is the final preparation for the children who are preparing for the Sacrament of Confirmation.

Celebration weekends 24th/25th/31st Aug & 1st Sept

St Aloysius School Festival of Art - will take place on Wednesday 18th September from 4.30pm - 6pm. This will be a celebration of Art from across the community. Parishioners are invited to showcase their own art pieces, setup will be from 10am on Wednesday 18th. Any enquiries, contact Lesley at the school office 5335 8177.

St. James' Parish Sebastopol

Collections for previous weekend

Parish \$395.00

Presbytery \$373.00

Dates to Remember: Caring Group Meeting - Tuesday 20th August at 9.30am.

Filipino Rosary Group - 1st Wednesday of each month - Wednesday 4th September at 7.00pm.

Sacramental Program 2024 – Term 3 – Confirmation - This weekend, we welcome the children and their families who will be preparing and working their way through the Sacramental program for Confirmation for the last week. The celebration will be on Sunday 25th August, at 10.30am Mass. *Please keep the children and their families in our prayers.*

Ladies Afternoon Tea will be held at the Ballarat Golf Club on Monday 26th August at 2.00pm. Please feel free to bring a friend and enjoy a cuppa and a chat. RSVP Theresia on 0478 196 783 by Thursday 22nd August. Afternoon tea is at own cost.

Plan Giving Receipts for the last financial year are now available in the foyer for collection.

Ballarat Diocesan Information, News and Events

Diocesan Social Justice Commission Reflection Day – Saturday, September 7, 2024 - The Ballarat Diocesan Social



Justice Commission invite all to a Reflection Day, in celebration of the launch of the Australian Catholic Bishops' Social Justice Statement 2024-2025, "Truth and Peace: A Gospel Word in a Violent World" on Saturday, September 7, 2024 from 10.00am - 2.30pm at Ss Michael and John's Horsham Parish Centre. Facilitator for the day is writer and educator, Michael McGirr. Registrations are essential through trybooking. Scan or click the QR code. A flyer is available from the diocesan website

<https://www.ballarat.catholic.org.au/ballarat-diocesan-social-justice-commission-reflection-day-with-michael-mc-girr-saturday-september-7-2024/>. The prayer for Social Justice Sunday is also available from the diocesan website.

ACU Big Sing for a Big Cause - August 25, 2024 - The Australian Catholic University, in partnership with St Patrick's Cathedral (Melbourne) and St Patrick's College (Ballarat) is hosting "Big Sing for a Big Cause", which will see singers, choirs and instrumentalists combine for a special performance, raising funds for those affected by homelessness. The concerts will be in Ballarat and Melbourne, performing Street Requiem, a piece co-composed by Dr Kathleen McGuire, a renowned composer and ACU senior lecturer in Music Education. Donations will be raised for Peplow House (a ministry of CatholicCare Victoria) and ACU's Urgent Financial Hardship Grant. For more information go to <https://www.ballarat.catholic.org.au/acus-big-sing-for-a-big-cause/>

Ballarat Diocese Lay Pastoral Ministry Program – Online Study - The Virtual Learning Community for Faith Formation (VLCFF) is a growing initiative to offer adult religious education and faith formation anytime and anywhere, online. This low-cost (\$50usd) online study and formation for employed or volunteer lay workers in parishes is available through our partner, Dayton University. Cycle 6 begins September 2. Registrations are open now. For more information email [djurdja.klaric@ballarat.catholic.org.au](mailto:djurджа.klaric@ballarat.catholic.org.au) or ph. 5337 7121.

Catholic Earthcare to host Season of Creation workshop in September - Caritas Australia's Catholic Earthcare team is inviting the Catholic community – including schools, parishes, diocese, organisations and religious orders – to join its 2024 Season of Creation convocation. Taking place from Thursday, September 12 to Saturday, September 14, the convocation will call participants to 'Wonder', 'Weave' and 'Heal' together. Attendees will enjoy keynote presentations, workshops, discussions and spiritual experiences, before gathering to transform learnings into action. Keynote speakers include Sr Anne-Maree O'Beirne RSM, Pedro Walpole and Sally Neaves. More information is available from the diocesan website <https://www.ballarat.catholic.org.au/catholic-earthcare-to-host-season-of-creation-workshop-in-september/>