

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

(Encompassing Skipton, Smythesdale and Snake Valley)

19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Year B

Sunday 11th August 2024

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Next Week's Readings: 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time -Proverbs 9:1-6; Ephesians 5:15-20; John 6:51-58

*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**

Thursday 9.30am (Assumption Mass)

Friday 9.30am

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

Sunday 10.30am

**St. John's, Skipton**

Sunday 10.30am

**Recent deaths:** James (Jimmy) McKee, Lois Reynolds,

**Anniversaries:** Donald Best, Mary Bond, Bill Byvoet, Timothy Castleman, Mary Farrugia, Joe Gallagher, Victoria Lovejoy, Ivan Nester, Tom Nolan, Wendy & Rod Page, Paulis Palavikas, Johanna Skirka, Raymond Quinlan, Neil Vagg,

**Please remember in your prayers:** Nerlita Carter, Margaret Cooper, Remy Fernandez, Leila Hudson, Alex McLaren, Marisol Matudio, Glenys Miller, Tegan Nedelkos, 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.

**Congratulations to Fr. Eladio** who celebrated his anniversary for his 20th priestly ordination last Wednesday.

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 \$728.00

Presbytery \$877.00

**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 we welcome the children for their Confirmation preparation, dismissals, 10th/11th & 17th /18th during Masses (Saturdays 5pm & Sundays 9am) - Celebration weekends 24th/25th/31st Aug & 1st Sept

## St. James' Parish Sebastopol

Collections for previous weekend

Parish \$719.00

Presbytery \$408.00

**Dates to Remember:** Men's Breakfast - 3rd Saturday of the month - Saturday 17th August at 9.00am.

Caring Group Meeting - Tuesday 20th August at 9.30am.

**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 over the next three weeks. The celebration will be on Sunday 25th August, at 10.30am Mass. *Please keep the children and their families in our prayers.*

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

## Ballarat Diocesan Information, News and Events

**150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Diocese of Ballarat - Formation** - In preparation for the Diocesan Assembly in November 2024, there will be formation sessions held around the diocese with a focus on leadership and governance. In 2023, Bishop Paul asked parishes to focus on leadership in their local communities, either by forming or developing further a parish council or leadership team according to local circumstances. The Diocesan Assembly will bring together clergy, representatives of the leadership teams in parishes, schools and Catholic organisations to consider how we might

develop leadership and governance in our communities in the future. The formation opportunity is for Clergy in parishes, Parish Leadership Team/Parish Councils, School Leadership Teams/School Advisory Councils, Catholic Organisations Leaders. An invitation is also extended to people who have leadership potential and who would like to participate. Leadership teams are invited to nominate others who might benefit from this experience. Dates remaining are: Buninyong; Ballarat – August 13 – 5.00pm – 8.30pm – Our Lady Help of Christians Church, Wendouree

**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-mcgirr-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. There are 40 subjects to choose from – find one that interests you! Registrations are open now. For more information email [djurja.klaric@ballarat.catholic.org.au](mailto:djurja.klaric@ballarat.catholic.org.au) or ph. 5337 7121.