

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

(Encompassing Skipton, Smythesdale and Snake Valley)

22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Year B

Sunday 1st September 2024

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Fr. Con Bagaoisan

Next Week's Readings: 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time - Isaiah 35:4-7; James 2:1-5; Mark 7:31-37

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 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:

Anniversaries: Emma Collins, Alita Dall, Marlene Dall, Helena Damen, Val Dickson, Malachy Hayes, Linda Hart, Mario Pratesi, Donald McDonald, Kathryn Morris, Kathleen Mulcahy, Margaret Isabella O'Keefe, Margaret O'Brien, Pauline Rowe, Matthew Sculley, Thelma Sculley.

Please remember in your prayers: Nerlita Carter, 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.

Prayer for Father's Day Prayer - *God of kindness and compassion, we are your children and you are Father to us all. We pray for all men who reflect your fatherly example: Those who are dads and granddads; step-dads, foster dads, godfathers and fathers-in-law; those who embrace their role as father; those who struggle with being fathers; those who are distanced from their children; those who have passed from this world; those who are coaches, leaders and mentors; those who are elders and wisdom-men of our communities. Give them all strength, comfort and peace. Amen.*

St Vincent de Paul wish to thank all Parishioners who have contributed to and supported our Winter Appeal. Envelopes are still available and you may continue to contribute toiletries and groceries if you are able. May God bless you all.

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.

BALLARAT CLERGY SUPPORT FUND - Collection for Retired Priests – this weekend

The Ballarat Clergy Support Fund provides for retired priests who have spent a lifetime selflessly caring for others, and who deserve a happy and peaceful retirement. The Fund is currently supporting and caring for seventeen retired priests. Over the next few years a number of priests currently in parish ministry will be moving into retirement, and will also need to be supported by the fund. This annual collection has allowed the Fund to continue to support our retired priests. Please give as generously as you can, and help us continue 'caring for those who cared for us'. Special envelopes are available for this collection, which will be taken up today. You may also return your envelope next week. Contributions over \$2.00 are tax-deductible.

CARING FOR THOSE WHO CARED FOR US – THE CHURCH COMMUNITY'S RESPONSIBILITY

RCIA - Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults. There will be an inquiry session held on Thursday 12th September, 5.30pm St Aloysius Parish Centre for adults who are seeking information about Baptism into the Catholic Church.

St. Aloysius' Parish Redan

Collections for previous weekend

Parish \$700.00

Presbytery \$789.00

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

Sacramental Program - This weekend we welcome the final groups of children who will be celebrating the Sacrament of Confirmation. *We pray that the Holy Spirit continues to strengthen and guide them through-out their lives.*

Monthly Morning tea - This Sunday morning we invite all parishioners to join us for morning tea in the Parish Centre after the Sunday 9am Mass. Morning tea provided.

Caring Circle - This group will meet on Wednesday 4th September, 1pm in the Parish Centre

Thank you to our wonderful Caring Group who have organised morning tea packs for the Father's to take home after both Masses today. *Wishing all fathers, grandfathers and special men in our lives, a very enjoyable day.*

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 \$642.00

Presbytery \$537.00

Dates to Remember: Filipino Rosary Group - 1st Wed of the month - Wednesday 4th September at 7.00pm.

Liturgy Group Meeting - Friday 13th September at 10.15am

Men's Breakfast - 3rd Saturday of the month - Saturday 21st September at 9.00am

St. Vincent de Paul Society Meeting - Monday 23rd September at 4.00pm. New members welcome.

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Sacrament of Confirmation: Last Sunday, twelve sacramental candidates celebrated the Sacrament of Confirmation. Thank you to Jan Schaper and Dolly Seery for all their hard work and effort in preparing the children. Also many thanks to Jacqui Jarvis and Garh Kydd from the school for organising and leading the celebration. We look forward to the children who will return in December for a blessing from Bishop Paul and in 2025 for their first Reconciliation and Eucharist.

Ballarat Diocesan Information, News and Events

Catholic Women's League - The next meeting of the Cathedral branch will be a social event on Monday 2nd September at 1.30pm. We will meet at 15 Lyons Street, Ballarat at the "Pregnancy Help Centre" for an introduction to their community work and enjoy afternoon tea with them. ALL WELCOME. Please bring a friend and a plate of afternoon tea if you can and RSVP to Carmel on 0401 175 045 by 1 September.

Wisdom at the Cathedral - All are welcome to hear Fr Shawn Murphy ibp present From Paris to Chartres to Eternity at the next Wisdom at the Cathedral event on Thursday, September 19, 2024 at 7.00pm. Fr. Murphy, an experienced pilgrim of the famous Paris-Chartres pilgrimage, which attracts tens of thousands of people each year in Holy Week, will share his experiences and reflections on pilgrimage as an enriching journey not only for the body but for the mind and soul. The talk and discussion time will go for an hour and will be followed by a cup of tea. Entry by donation. For all enquiries, please contact Fiona Bradley at fionalouisebradley@gmail.com

Position Vacant: Pastoral Care at Mercy Place Ballarat Aged Care - A permanent part-time position is available for a Pastoral Carer at Ballarat Mercy Place Aged Care. Refer to Seek.com. For any further information or interest in formation regarding pastoral care, please contact Bernadette Wurlod, email: BWurlod@mercy.com.au