

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

(Encompassing Skipton, Smythesdale and Snake Valley)

**8th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**Year C**

**Sunday 2nd March 2025**

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**Next Week's Readings: 1st Sunday of Lent - Deuteronomy 26:4-10; Romans 10:8-13; Luke 4:1-13**

*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:** Don Apfelbaum, Lois Connor, Christine Crawford, Barb Gleeson, Carmel Hockley, Dennis Keighery, Joel Nankervis, Mary Quinn, Jack Robertson, Kath Squire,

**Please remember in your prayers:** Leila Hudson, Pat Lourey, Tegan Nedelkos

**Centralised Baptism Preparation Session** will be held at MacKillop and Glowrey Rooms of St. Patrick's Cathedral Hall on **Thursday 6th March 2025 at 10.00am & 5.30pm**. Bookings to be made with the Parish Offices.

## **Ash Wednesday (Wednesday 5th March 2025) Mass Times:**

**9.30am at St. Aloysius Redan**

**12 (noon) at St. James' Sebastopol**

**6.00pm St. Peter's Linton**

**The Combined Finance Committee meeting** will be held on Thursday 6th March, 5.00pm at Redan Parish Centre.  
**Planned Giving notification:** Some parishioners will receive a letter from Jackie Wrigglesworth (Finance Officer for our Parishes) regarding alterations to the method of Planned giving payments. This is not a scam, as Jackie writes on behalf of Fr Con. Please note Credit Card payments will no longer be processed—other options, Direct Debit or cash via envelopes are available and welcomed.

**New Parish Name** - For those who missed out on voting for our new Parish name last weekend you will be given another opportunity to vote during all our Masses this weekend. More information will be given at each Mass.

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.

**Prayer for Pope Francis** - Please pray for health and healing for Pope Francis, entrusting him to the healing care of our Lord. *O God, shepherd and ruler of all the faithful, look favourably on your servant Francis, whom you have set at the head of your Church as her shepherd. Grant, we pray, that by word and example he may be of service to those over whom he presides so that, together with the flock entrusted to his care, he may come to everlasting life. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.*

## Linton Parish

**Sacraments 2025** - St. Peter's Catholic Church Linton (Encompassing Skipton, Smythesdale and Snake Valley) will be offering the Sacrament of Confirmation to children in grade 3 or older and then Sacraments of First Reconciliation & First Holy Communion to children in Grade 4 or older. To register your interest please contact Tess 0409 957 032 or Margot 0418 125 321.

## St. Aloysius' Parish Redan

**Collections for previous weekend**                      **Parish \$512.00**                      **Tap n Go \$75.00**                      **Presbytery \$676.00**

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

**Morning Tea** - We will celebrate our monthly morning tea on Sunday 2nd March after the 9.00am Mass in the Parish Centre, all welcome

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**Sacramental Program 2025 – Term 1 – Sacrament of Penance / Reconciliation - Baptised Catholics in Grade 4 or older who have been Confirmed** -This weekend, we welcome the children and their families who will be preparing and working their way through the Reconciliation program over the next four weeks. **Reconciliation will be** celebrated on Thursday 27th March, at 5.30pm & 7.00pm. *Please keep these children and their families in our prayers.*

## St. James' Parish Sebastopol

**Collections for previous weekend**                      **Parish \$558.00**                      **Tap n Go \$50.00**                      **Presbytery \$399.00**

**Dates to Remember: St. Vincent de Paul Society Meeting** - Monday 3rd March at 4.00pm. We are always looking to welcome new members so if you are interested in joining our wonderful group of volunteers pls contact Krys on 0411451320.

**Filipino Rosary Group** - 1st Wednesday of the month - Wednesday 5th March at 7.00pm.

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

**Sacramental Program 2025 – Term 1 – Sacrament of Penance / Reconciliation - Baptised Catholics in Grade 4 or older who have been Confirmed:** This weekend, we welcome the children and their families who will be preparing and working their way through the Reconciliation program over the next three weeks. **Reconciliation will be** celebrated on Tuesday 25th March, at 7.00pm. *Please keep these children and their families in our prayers.*

**We are seeking new members who would like to join our Sacramental Team .** The responsibilities of this role includes preparing children and their parents for the Sacraments. The team prepares the liturgies, runs parent meetings and dismissals for each sacrament. Meetings are held in the Church foyer. You will require a Working With Children Check. If you are interested please contact Jan Schaper or Pauline in the Parish Office.

**St. Patrick's Rokewood** - On Sunday 16th March we will be blessing and unveiling a photographic commemoration of St. Patrick's Church at the 10.30am Mass at St. James' Church. Morning tea will follow in the foyer. Please bring a plate to share. Thank you

## Ballarat Diocesan Information, News and Events

**Project Compassion Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> of March 2025** - This Lent, we are called to *Unite Against Poverty* through Caritas Australia's Project Compassion. Your generous support this Lenten Season will enable Caritas Australia to provide life-changing support to vulnerable communities in need. Please donate today. You can support Project Compassion 2025 through the donation boxes or envelopes. Thank you for standing with us, as we *Unite Against Poverty this Lent.*

**Mass of Oils** - Monday, April 14, at 1.00pm, St. Patrick's Cathedral Ballarat. Afternoon tea to follow in the hall.

**Catholic Women's League - Cathedral Branch** - will meet for the first time this year at Nazareth House - Nazee Nook - on Monday 3rd March at 1.30pm. New members and friends are welcome. Inquiries 0401175045