

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

(Encompassing Skipton, Smythesdale and Snake Valley)

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord - Year C

Sunday 13th April 2025

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Next Week's Readings: Easter Sunday - Acts 10:34, 37-43; Colossians 3:1-4; John 20:1-9

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 No 9.30am Mass

St. James, Sebastopol

Friday No 9.30am Mass

Easter Masses 2025

Holy Thursday - April 17th - Mass of the Lord's Supper

St. Aloysius Redan - 6.00pm & St. Peter's Linton - 5.30pm

Good Friday - April 18th - Celebration of the Lord's Passion

St. James' Sebastopol - 3.00pm & St. Peter's Linton - 3.00pm

Holy Saturday - April 19th - Easter Vigil

St. Aloysius Redan - 6.00pm & St. Peter's Linton - 6.00pm

No Mass on Saturday night Mass at St. Brigid's Snake Valley

Easter Sunday - April 20th

St. Aloysius Redan - 9.00am & St. Brigid's Snake Valley - 9.00am

St. James' Sebastopol - 10.30am & St. John's Skipton - 10.30am

No Mass on Sunday morning at St. Peter's Linton

Recent deaths: Fr. Kevin Murphy

Anniversaries: Fr. Cyril Blake, Sr. Maureen Connelly rsm, Muriel Dunne, Arnolda Goosens, Daniel Hayes, Edward Hayes, Kath Hogan, Paul Pearson, Enrique Pomar, Robert Sobey,

Please remember in your prayers: Monica Dignam, Leila Hudson, Tony McVeigh, Tegan Nedelkos, Tom Kennedy, Sr. Marie Vagg

Parish Office Closures - The Parish office at Redan & Sebastopol will be closed during the school holidays. **The Redan Office will reopen on Thursday 24th April & Sebastopol Office will reopen on Tuesday 29th April.** *Wishing you all a blessed and safe Easter. Bernadette & Pauline*

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.

Centralised Baptism Preparation Session will be held at MacKillop and Glowrey Rooms of St. Patrick's Cathedral Hall on **Thursday 1st May 2025 at 10.00am & 5.30pm**. Bookings to be made with the Parish Offices.

Project Compassion Palm Sunday - 12th & 13th April 2025 - As Project Compassion 2025 draws to a close for another year, we want to extend our heartfelt gratitude for your generous support throughout this Lenten Season. This year, we shared the inspiring stories of 3 individuals whose lives have been transformed through your compassion and generosity. *But the work isn't done yet*. There is still time to donate! Together, we can *Unite Against Poverty* and help transform lives this Lent.

St. Peter's Parish Linton

Collections for previous weekend

Tap n Go \$70.00

Stations of the Cross at St. Peter's Linton on Friday 18th April at 9.30am. All welcome.

150th Anniversary celebrations at Linton - St. Peter's Church, will celebrate its 150th Anniversary with Mass on Sunday May 4 at 10.00am. Please bring a plate to share. All welcome. Refreshments will follow at the Linton Bowling Club, 33 Adair Street, Linton. RSVP to redan@ballarat.catholic.org.au All welcome.

Please note: There will be no Masses at Snake Valley & Skipton, this weekend.

St. Aloysius' Parish Redan

Collections for previous weekend

Parish \$553.00

Tap n Go \$100.00

Presbytery \$674.00

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

Morning Tea - This Sunday April 6th we will share in our monthly morning tea in the Parish Office after the 9.00am Mass, all welcome

Sacramental Program 2025 – Term 2 – Eucharist - Baptised Catholics who have been Confirmed and celebrated their Reconciliation. Parent enrolment meeting, Thursday 1st May at 10.00am or 5.30pm. Weekend dismissals, May 3rd/4th, 17th/18th, 24th/25th & May 31st/June 1st at Saturday night Mass 5pm or Sunday Mass at 9.00am and celebrations on the weekends of June 7th/8th and June 14th/15th June

St. James' Parish Sebastopol

Collections for previous weekend

Parish \$580.00

Tap n Go \$288.00

Presbytery \$390.00

Dates to Remember: Men's Breakfast - 3rd Saturday of the month - Saturday 19th April at 9.00am

Caring Group Meeting - Tuesday 29th April at 9.30am in the foyer. All welcome.

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Gathering at the Rokewood Cemetery with Fr. Con will be held on Saturday 26th April at 9.00am.

Ballarat Diocesan Information, News and Events

Mass of the Oils 2025 - Monday, April 14, 2025 at Patrick's Cathedral Ballarat at 1.00pm. Afternoon tea will follow in the Hall. The Mass will also be live streamed at <https://youtube.com/live/qUVA7OFoZ9c?feature=share>

Holy Week Vigil - To be held at the St Patrick's College Chapel. The Vigil will commence with Mass at 7pm on Wednesday 16 April and conclude with Stations of the Cross commencing 6.30am Thursday 17 April. One goal is to have the Chapel prayerfully occupied the entire night. You can register your attendance via <https://www.trybooking.com/DALEY>, or simply come along when you can, whether for 5 minutes or 30 minutes. May God bless our prayer.

Pilgrimage with St Paul - Missionary of Hope - In this Jubilee year, dedicated to becoming Pilgrims of Hope, pilgrims are invited to experience the world of the early Christian communities. The proposed itinerary departs Melbourne on Sunday, September 21, 2025 with the pilgrims arriving in Istanbul and proceeding to Adana, Tarsus, Antioch, Ephesus, Troas, Kavala, Philippi, Thessalonica and Athens with the possibility of an extension to Rome. For further information please contact Lifestyle Travel, 11 Armstrong Street North (PO Box 740), Ballarat, 3350, ph. 03 5331 8077, email info@lifestyletravel.com.au or Fr Justin Driscoll justin.driscoll@ballarat.catholic.org.au

Praying with Pope Francis Prayer for April - for the use of new technologies: *Let us pray that the use of new technologies will not replace human relationships, will respect the dignity of each person and will help us face the crises of our times. Lord, hear us.*

Holy Land Collection – The annual collection for the support of the church in the Holy Land will take place on Good Friday, April 18. Over the last five years the people of the Holy Land have had so much turmoil in their lives. We pray that the ceasefire in Palestine, Gaza and Israel will be honoured by all the leaders.