St. Aloysius Redan & St. James' Sebastopol

2nd Sunday of Lent Year A Sunday 8th March 2020

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Next Week's Readings: Exodus 17:3-7, Romans 5:1-2, 5-8, John 4:5-42

The parishes acknowledge that the Aboriginal people of Australia are our first nation peoples and the traditional owners and custodians of this land.

Mass Times

RedanSebastopol6.00pm Vigil9.00am10.30amCathedralRokewood

6.30pm Vigil 8.00am 10.30am 5.00pm 3rd Sunday at 10.30am

Monday 10.00am Cathedral (Public Holiday)

Tuesday 12.05pm Cathedral Wednesday 12.05pm Cathedral

Thursday 9.30am Redan 12.05pm Cathedral Friday 9.30am Sebastopol 12.05pm Cathedral

Saturday 10.00am Cathedral

Sacrament of Penance Cathedral Friday 11.00am Saturday 11.30am

Recent Deaths: Brian Perkins

Anniversaries: Lena Browning, Lois Connor, Eileen Delahenty, Michael Devitt, James Everard, Ted Flynn, Barb Gleeson, Jim Ryan, Patrick Walsh,

Please remember in your prayers: Margaret Cooper, Fr. Dennis Dennehy, Winifredo Ferrer, Leonie Street, Sr. Patricia Vagg

BUPA Aged Care - Prayer Service Thursday, 12th March at 10.30am. All Welcome

Baptism Parent/Information Sessions - These sessions are offered to parents wishing to have their children under 7 years of age Baptised. Meetings are held in the Mary Glowrey room in the St. Patrick's Cathedral precinct, 3 Lyons street Sth, Ballarat at either 10.00am or 7.00pm. The next meeting will be held on Thursday April 2nd.

We are committed to the safety, wellbeing and dignity of all children, young people and vulnerable adults.

St. Aloysius Parish Redan

Collections for previous weekend Parish: \$439.00 Presbytery: \$617.00

Invitation to pray the Rosary - Thursday morning at 9am before the 9.30am Mass **Adoration and Exposition -** 1st & 3rd Friday of the month, 7.00pm-8.00pm

Parish Morning tea and Liturgy meeting - These groups will meet on Thursday 19th March in the Parish Centre. Morning tea at 10am following Mass and the Liturgy team at 10.30am. All are invited to either or both.

Caring Circle - Anointing Mass will be held on Thursday 26th March, 11.30am followed by light lunch and Easter Fun. Raffle Hamper & rugs for \$1 a ticket, raffle drawn at the lunch. Everyone welcome.

ET Boxes - Boxes for East Timor are in the foyer of the church, they will be collected on the fifth Sunday of March

Roster March 14/15

Mass	Leader	Reader	Offertory	Sp Ministers	Welcomer	Projector	Counters	Cleaners
6pm	K Andrews	M Van Ravenstein	B Van Ravenstein	J Hopkins J McCartin	N McGuigan	M Poliness	Team 1 T Kennedy P McGowan N McGuigan C Vanderkley	Team 1 C Quick M Czurlowski K Buttler N Chapman
9am	A Dulfer	M O'Meara	Power Family	P & A Kennedy	J George	D Fernandez		

Children's Liturgy - Colleen Orchard

St. James' Parish Sebastopol

Collections for previous weekend Parish: \$742.00 Presbytery: \$298.00

Opportunities for Prayer – 10.30am Adoration and Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. All welcome.

Dates to remember:

Monday 9th March 4.00pm St. Vincent de Paul Society Meeting

Sunday 15th March 2.30pm Parish Good Shepherd Servant Community Prayer Group

Monday 16th March1.00pmParish Craft GroupSaturday 22nd March9.00amMen's Breakfast

Sacramental Program 2020 - Term 1 – Sacrament of Penance / Reconciliation

This Sunday, we welcome the children and their parents who will be preparing and working their way through the Reconciliation program over the next two weeks. This sacrament will be celebrated on Tuesday March 17th at 7.00pm at St. James' Church. *Please keep these children and their families in your prayers.*

St. James' Footy Tipping Competition 2020 - \$5 entry. Please contact Bryan Goble or Pauline in the Parish Office to register. Round 1 starts on Thursday 19th March.

Thank you - St. James' St. Vincent De Paul members wish to acknowledge and thank all generous Parishioners for their support of our appeals at Christmas and for the Bushfire Appeal. Special mention to Judith and St. Aloysius and Parishioners for their support. All bushfire donations were sent to St. Vincent Gippsland near the fire area for fire victim support. St. James' Conference welcome new members. We meet 2nd & 4th Mondays @ 4pm in the Church foyer. Enquiries Anne 0409 547 953.

Vinnies Blessing New Sebastopol Shop - on Wednesday 11th March at 112 Albert Street Sebastopol. 11.00am Blessing by Fr. Kevin Maloney. RSVP: Kellie Webster on 03 9895 5860. Refreshments will be available. Don't miss out on welcoming our brand new Vinnies Shop at Sebastopol. The shop will officially open on Thursday 12th March at 9.00am.

Stewardship Program - please collect your new envelopes from the church foyer. Anyone wishing to contribute can contact Pauline in the Parish Office.

Prayer after Communion

God, my creator, breathe on me, renew me, refresh me, extend my abilities, comfort me in adjusting to changes in health, mobility and activity. Body of Jesus Christ flow through every fibre of my being. Keep me well, and hope filled, always. Holy Spirit use me in my situation, for the good of others. Amen

Ballarat Diocesan Information, News and Events

Dates to Remember:

Anointing Mass (Redan) – Thursday 26th March at 11.30am – light lunch to follow Anointing Mass (Sebastopol) – Friday 27th March at 1.30pm – afternoon tea to follow Lenten Penitential Service – Wednesday 1st April at 7pm – St. Aloysius Redan Mass of Oils – Monday 6th April at 6.30pm – St. Patrick's Cathedral

Fr. Lovin - Lovin rang this week to let us know that he has settled into his new parish very well. He passes on his best wishes and gratitude for the gifts that he received from both parishes when he left.

Saturday evening Mass – Just a reminder that with the ending of daylight saving Mass on Saturday evening at St. Aloysius will revert to 5pm starting on Saturday 18th April.

Combined Redan & Sebastopol Lenten Pilgrimage - will be held at St. Peter & Paul Church Buninyong on Tuesday 31st March. More details to follow.

Choir for Mass of the Oils 2020 - Singers and musicians are invited to join the music group for the Mass of the Oils on Monday, April 6, 2020. Practice times are Sunday, March 29 and Sunday, April 5 from 6.00pm – 7.00pm (following 5.00pm Mass). Please contact Julie Boyd in the Pastoral Ministry Office to register your interest julie.boyd@ballarat.catholic.org.au or ph. 5337 7159.

Ecological Theology - You are invited to join 2020 Roundtable Conversations on Ecological Theology with Sr. Veronica Lawson and Fr. Barry Ryan at the Mercy Gathering Room, 16 Gent Street, Ballarat East (side entrance). Wednesday Evening Series: 7.00 – 9.00pm, March 25, April 22, May 20, June 17, July 15 or Thursday Afternoon Series: 14.00-3.00pm, March 26, April 26, April 23, May 21, June 18, July 16. Registration: veronica.lawson@mercy.org.au (kindly include contact details). Donation \$5 per session (to cover expenses and a contribution to ecological justice).

The Difference You Make - Mercy Connect invites you to a night with Mohamed Semra, a young Sudanese leader working to shatter stigma and misconceptions surrounding African migrants and refugees. The evening is open to all and part of the professional development provided to Mercy Connect Volunteers. Wednesday, March 18, 2020, Sisters of Mercy 151 Victoria Street, Ballarat East at 7.30pm. Please RSVP by March 2, 2020. Any questions and RSVPs to Donna Stewart at Mercy Connect mercyconnectb@gmail.com.

Nazareth House Auxiliary St Patrick's Day Celebrations - Tuesday March 17, 2020 at 218 Mill Street Ballarat, 1.30pm. Musical entertainment, afternoon tea, lucky door prize, cake and produce stalls. Entry \$10.00. For further information contact Margaret, ph. 0419003415.

Damascus College Bright Futures Fundraising Breakfast - All are invited to this fundraising breakfast which supports the scholarship fund for Year 7 to be held on Thursday, March 12, 2020 from 7.00am - 8.45am at the Ballarat Golf Club, 1800 Sturt Street, Ballarat. Special guest is Judy Brewer OAM, Sacred Heart Class of 1979. Purchase your \$40 ticket at www.trybooking.com/BGZVS or call the College (03) 5337 2222.

Ballarat Cares with A Hall Full of Help Friday 27th March 10am - 3pm WHERE: St Patrick's Hall Dawson Street Sth, Ballarat. A wide range of organisations within Ballarat provide assistance and advice for the those in need in our community. Enjoy a unique opportunity to discover the available help all under one roof. Meals Programs, No Interest Loans, Mental Health Assistance, Crisis Accommodation, Utility Hardship Assistance, Migrant and Refugee Support, Legal Help, NDIS, Relationship and Parenting Support, Grief Counselling & more. *Morning & Afternoon Information Sessions - Utility Energy (power, gas & water) Support. Free entry and sausage sizzle - Coffee Van on site. Entry off Dawson or Lyons St (parking available but restrictions apply).

Second Sunday of Lent - 8th March 2019 - Twenty-seven-year-old Phany was a struggling farmer and was forced to leave her daughter to take up construction work in the city. Her life has been transformed since joining a Caritas supported program, learning crop growing skills and better water management, to combat drought. Please donate to Project Compassion 2020 and help mothers like Phany continue to uplift their communities, and provide food for their families. Let's Go Further, Together. You can donate through Parish boxes and envelopes, by visiting www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion or phoning 1800 024 413.