St. James' Sebastopol & St. Aloysius Redan

Parish Priest: Fr Kevin Maloney, Ph: 5331 4981

Presbytery: 508 Leith St, Redan

2nd Sunday of Easter - Sunday 8th April 2018

Next week's readings: Sunday 15th April 2018

3rd Sunday of Easter (B)

Acts 3:13-15, 17-19

Ps 4:2, 4, 7, 9

1 John 2:1-5 Luke 24:35-48

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There are two collections. The first (Presbytery collection) is for the support of the parish priest and follows the sermon. The second is for the running of the parish (planned giving, envelopes) and occurs after the Intercessions.

Collections Last Week: Sebastopol: Parish: \$506.45 Presbytery: \$352.80

Redan: Parish: \$ 649.00 Presbytery: \$ 646.70

Baptism Parent Information Sessions: - Parent information sessions for the Baptism of children will be held on the first Thursday of each month. The next meetings will be on **Thursday 3rd May at 10.00 am & 7.00 pm**, in the hall at the back of the Cathedral Presbytery, 3 Lyons St. South, Ballarat. All families wishing to have their children (under 7) baptised are invited to attend one of these preparation sessions so that they can enrol their children for Baptism at these preparation sessions. For any enquiries, please contact Bernadette or Pauline at either parish centre.

Mass Times:

Monday
Tuesday
Wednesday
Thursday
Friday
Saturday
12.05pm Cathedral
12.05 pm Cathedral

Sacrament of Penance

Cathedral Saturday 11.30 am

Weekend Masses

Cathedral St Aloysius St James'

5.30pm Vigil 5.00pm Vigil

8.00am 9.00am **10.30am**

10.30am 5.00pm

Rokewood 3rd Sunday at 10.30am

Recent Deaths: Margaret Christophers,

Brian Kozchitzke, Jessie Naylor, Connie Vincent

Anniversaries:

Edward Hayes,

Please remember in your Prayers the following:

John Bond, Johanna Bylsma, Andrew Flood,

Connie Vincent,

*If you would like a person to be prayed for, ask for their permission. Names will be included for the duration of ONE MONTH after which more time can be requested.

Easter Prayer

Let us pray –

All powerful God, your Son conquered death through the Resurrection, giving us the hope of eternal life. With the women at the tomb, we are amazed; with Peter, we seek you; and with Thomas, we believe. Be with us as we rejoice in the joy that the Resurrection brings.

Renew our gift of faith so that, like Christ's first followers, we may proclaim the good news of salvation. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

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Opportunities for Prayer

Monday 10.30 am Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament including Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. Your presence is welcome.

Dates to Remember:

Monday 9th April4pmSt. Vincent de Paul Society MeetingSunday 15th April2.30pmGood Shepherd Community Prayer Group

Tuesday 17th April 4pmSacramental Team Meeting

Saturday 21st April 9am Men's Breakfast

Filipino Community

Rosary

Good Shepherd Servant Community Prayer Group

2nd Wednesday of month at 7pm

1st & 3rd Sunday of the month at 2.30pm

St. James' Parish Office

Will be closed during the school holidays and will reopen on Tuesday 17th April. Fr. Kevin can be contacted at the Redan Presbytery on 5331 4981.

Many Thanks

To all involved in the preparation and celebration our ceremonies making them wonderful and prayerful celebrations. Many thanks to you all.

Easter Offerings at St. James'

Along with Christmas Offerings (and donations at the time of baptisms, weddings and funerals), Easter Offerings make an important contribution to the funds from which clergy salary and living expenses are paid. Envelopes are available on the pews.

Sacrament of Eucharist / First Communion

- This sacrament is offered to Grade 4 students or older who have completed their Sacrament of Penance
- Parent meeting, Tuesday 24th April, at 7.00pm, St. James' Church Foyer
- Sunday dismissals, Sunday April 29th, May 6th, 13th & 20th at 10.30am, St. James' Church
- Rehearsal date, St. James' Church, Friday May 25th at 2.00pm
- Celebrated on Sunday 27th May, at 10.30am Mass, St. James' Church

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.

New Vicar General

Bishop Paul has announced the appointment of Fr Kevin Maloney as the Vicar General of the Diocese. After 5 years Fr Justin Driscoll has completed his term of Office. We express our gratitude to Fr Justin for his service and extend our best wishes to Fr Kevin.

BUPA Aged Care - Prayer services at the BUPA Aged Care on **Thursday 12th April at 10.30am**. They will occur every second Thursday. All welcome.

Irish Heritage Exhibition

The Archives of the Catholic Diocese of Ballarat and the Ballarat Diocesan Historical Commission presents an Irish Heritage Exhibition on April 14 & 15, 2018 from 9.30am – 4.30pm in Ballarat. Flyer on the notice board.

Earth Day 2018, "Coming Together for our Common Home"

will be on April 22. See website for further information http://catholicclimatemovement.global/earth-day-2018/

St Thomas Aquinas Church Clunes - Closing Event

St Thomas Aquinas Catholic Church Clunes are having an afternoon to farewell their French harmonium organ before it is moved to the Clunes Museum. This organ is a rather rare instrument and we are delighted that the Clunes Museum have accepted our offer to put this organ on permanent display for future generations to view. This organ was purchased after the church was built and has been the church organ ever since. Also it will be the last opportunity people will have to come to St Thomas Aquinas Church Clunes as the church has been sold. This event will be held on Sunday, April 29, 2018 at 2.30pm. The pews and fittings from the church have been removed therefore if seating is required, you will need bring your own chair. Afternoon tea will be provided at the conclusion of this event. For enquires please phone 0432 390 314 or 54766233

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Invitation to pray the Rosary - Thursday morning at 9.00am before the 9.30am Mass **Adoration and Exposition** -1st & 3rd Friday of the month, 7.00 pm -8.00 pm.

Change of Mass Times – With the change of Daylight Saving Time the Saturday night Vigil Mass at St. Aloysius will be at 5pm between April and October. The first 5pm Mass will be on Saturday 7th April 2018 Vigil at St Patrick's Cathedral will change from 6.30pm to 5.30pm during this time.

St. Aloysius Parish Office - Will be closed during the school holidays and will reopen on Tuesday 17th April. Fr. Kevin can be contacted at the Redan Presbytery on 5331 4981.

Morning Tea after Thursday Mass – Now that we have a large space in Ryan Hall we would love to introduce a Morning tea after Thursday morning Mass. The next gathering will be on Thursday 19th April at 10am. Followed by the Liturgy Team meeting at 10.30am. All welcome to attend.

Sacrament of Eucharist / First Communion

- This sacrament is offered to Grade 4 students or older who have completed their Sacrament of Penance
- Parent meeting, Thursday 26th April, at 7.00pm, Ryan Hall

Roster 14th/15th April

Mass	Leader	Reader	Offertory	Sp Ministers	Welcomer	Projector	Counters	Cleaners
5pm	Jacinta	Julie	Michelle	Andy	Maria	Mary	Team 2	Team 2
	Burge	Wright	Flood	Naus	Vanravenstein	Poliness	Tom	Val Dulfer
				Nancy			Kennedy	L Spencer
				Conroy			Marg	B Martin
							Coughlan	C Densley
9am	Bernadette	Michael	Annette	Nellie	John George	Albert		
	Martin	O'Meara	Firth &	De Jong		Dulfer		
			Family	Michael				
				O'Meara				

Children's' Liturgy School Holidays

Pope Francis has approved the Australian Bishops' decision to hold a Plenary Council in Australia in 2020 and 2021. All people are invited to reflect on the question: "What do you think God is asking of us in Australia?" Find out more at: www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au

Congratulations

to Sr. Caroline Deutscher IBVM on celebrating 80 years of Religious Life

Prayer Towards 2020

The Catholic Church in Australia has commenced preparations for a Plenary Council to be held in 2020-2021. The council will involve representatives of Church communities from all around the nation, including bishops, priests, religious and laity. The council will be considering the needs of the Church throughout Australia and how we might fulfil our mission of sharing the good news of Christ with people today. Since the beginning of the Church, councils have involved prayer as well as dialogue, as the members of the Church have sought the guidance of the Holy Spirit to live as true Christian communities. In the diocese of Ballarat, we will have opportunities to gather in our local communities for prayer and dialogue, so that we might make our contribution to the plenary council. I invite you to take part in the first of these gatherings, to be held for a few days in local communities in the Easter season, between April 21 and May 6.

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