

St Peter's Parish

Communities of Linton, Skipton, Smythesdale and Snake Valley

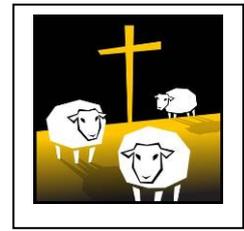
Sunday May 12th 4th Sunday of Easter

Parish Office hours: Monday - Friday 10.00am – 5.00pm

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Bishop Paul Bird CSsR Priests: Frs Justin Driscoll, Sajan Mathew & Vincent Pham

Visiting Priests: Frs Dan Arundell and Barry Ryan

Finance Officer - Kerrie McTigue, Parish Coordinator - Anita Houlihan,

Admin – Juanita Bongiorno

Linton Parish Safeguarding Officer - Cecelia Rowberry

Masses May 11th/12th

Smythesdale Beaufort Snake Valley

Cathedral

6.30pm Vigil 8.30am 10.30am 5.30pm Vigil 8.00am 10.30am 5.00pm

Masses May 18th/17th

Smythesdale Skipton Rokewood

Cathedral

6.30pm Vigil 9.00am 10.30am 5.30pm Vigil 8.00am 10.30am 5.00pm

St Peter's Parish respectfully acknowledge that the Aboriginal people of Australia are our first nation peoples and the traditional owners and custodians of this land.

Recent Deaths: Joan Moore, Malcolm Ross, Hannah Smith, Chris Waight

Anniversaries: Tom Preece, Tricia Wilson

Please remember in your prayers those who are unwell, especially Narelle Corbett, Margaret Cranko, Angie Polglaze, Basil Torpy, Milly Yeoman.

Today we celebrate Mother's Day – Thank you and Happy Mother's Day!

From Pope Francis for the [2019 World Day of Prayer for Vocations](#)

As with every call, the Gospel speaks of an encounter. Jesus walks by, sees those fishermen, and walks up to them... The same thing happened when we met the person we wanted to marry, or when we first felt the attraction of a life of consecration: we were surprised by an encounter, and at that moment we glimpsed the promise of a joy capable of bringing fulfilment to our lives. That day, by the sea of Galilee, Jesus drew near to those fishermen, breaking through the “paralysis of routine.” The Lord’s call is not an intrusion of God in our freedom; it is not a “cage” or a burden to be borne. On the contrary, it is the loving initiative whereby God encounters us and invites us to be part of a great undertaking. He opens before our eyes the horizon of a greater sea and an abundant catch. God in fact desires that our lives not become banal and predictable, imprisoned by daily routine, or unresponsive before decisions that could give it meaning. The Lord does not want us to live from day to day, thinking that nothing is worth fighting for, slowly losing our desire to set out on new and exciting paths. If at times he makes us experience a “miraculous catch”, it is because he wants us to discover that each of us is called – in a variety of ways – to something grand, and that our lives should not grow entangled in the nets of an ennui that dulls the heart. Every vocation is a summons not to stand on the shore, nets in hand, but to follow Jesus on the path he has marked out for us, for our own happiness and for the good of those around us. Embracing this promise naturally demands the courage to risk making a decision.

Catholic Mission Appeal launched for Sri Lanka

All funds raised will support critical repairs for the two churches targeted in the bombings – the 175-year-old St Anthony’s Shrine in Colombo and St Sebastian’s in Negombo. Contributions can be made through Catholic Mission’s website at www.catholicmission.org.au The focus of the appeal is to assist in the rebuilding of Church infrastructure & parish communities through other pastoral needs.

Springdallah hand carved (length 12ft) Church Pews for Sale

For information and pricing phone 0407 056 795

Ballarat Diocese Annual Mass Count – over each of the Sundays in May at all Masses including those in the Linton Parish (Linton, Skipton, Smythesdale, Snake Valley)