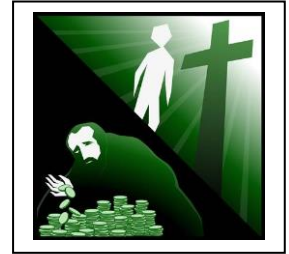# St Peter's Parish

Communities of Linton, Skipton, Smythesdale and Snake Valley

Sunday September 29th   26th Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)

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SOCIAL JUSTICE SUNDAY

Masses October 5th/6th

Smythesdale	Linton	Skipton	Redan		Sebastopol
6.30pm Vigil	9.00am	10.30am	5.00pm Vigil	9.00am	10.30am

Next week's readings for 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year C)

Habakkuk 1:2-3; 2:2-4   Ps 94:1-2. 6-9   2 Timothy 1:6-8, 13-14   Luke 17:5-10

Recent Deaths: Barry Healy

Anniversaries: Jack Burcon, Judith Conroy, Ethna Davey, Paul Kierce, Sheila Lourey, Maria Morris

Please remember in your prayers those who are unwell, especially

Margaret Cranko, Angie Polglaze, Basil Torpy, Milly Yeoman

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.

World Day of Prayer for Creation

Pope Francis at his address on the World Day of prayer for Creation has urged all to join the ecumenical "Season of Creation" initiative, which runs from the September 1st Day of Prayer through the feast of St. Francis of Assisi on October 4th. An ecumenical service for the Season of Creation will be held at Our Lady Help of Christians Church, Wendouree on Sunday, September 29th at 2.00pm. Refreshment to follow. All welcome.

Mass of Thanksgiving to celebrate the Ordination of Rev Shane Mackinlay as Bishop

Mass of Thanksgiving to celebrate the Ordination of Shane Mackinlay as Bishop of Sandhurst Diocese will be held at St Patrick's Cathedral Ballarat on Wednesday, November 13 at 7.00pm, followed by supper in the Cathedral Hall. All welcome to attend.

Catholic Earthcare Ballarat Diocese extends an invitation to attend a lecture "Fire and Aboriginal Agriculture in Victoria" by Fred Cahir, Associate Professor of Aboriginal History, Federation University at the Mercy Centre, Gent Street, Ballarat East on Thursday, October 3rd from 7-8pm.

Plenary Council 2020: National Theme for Discernment – September:

During the month of September, we are invited to reflect on Scripture, Church teaching and our contemporary situation in order to discern the answer to this question: "How is God calling us to be a Christ-centred Church that is missionary and evangelising?" The fruits of what is discerned during this time will help shape the agenda of the first session of the Plenary Council in October 2020.

This National Theme for Discernment is inspired by the voices of the People of God who shared a passion for participating in the missionary nature of the Church and desire stronger support, involvement and formation among all the baptised who make up the Church. The data also identified the need to reach out and communicate more effectively and to find new ways of living and proclaiming the Gospel in Australia today. There was a call for the strengthening of leadership and ministries in parishes and schools, training to equip leaders for ministry, pastoral support for various groups within parish and faith communities, and a desire for a unified voice in engaging social issues such as life and religious freedom.

There will be opportunities to gather and discern our communal responses later this month.

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