

St. James' Sebastopol & St. Aloysius Redan

Parish Priest: Fr Kevin Maloney, Ph: 5331 4981

Presbytery: 508 Leith St, Redan

4th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Sunday 29th January 2017

Next week's readings: Sunday 5th February 2017

5th Sunday of Ordinary Time (A)

Isaiah 58:7-10

Ps 111(112):4-9

1 Corinthians 2:1-5

Matthew 5:13-16

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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.

Baptism Parent Information Evenings for the Parishes of Redan and Sebastopol - Parents wishing to have their children Baptised in the parishes of Redan and Sebastopol need to attend a Baptism preparation evening. At this meeting the enrolment for the Sacrament and date of celebration will be confirmed. These meetings are held on the 2nd Thursday of the month at 7.00pm in the Redan Parish Centre, 506 Leith Street Redan. The next meeting will be on Thursday **9th February 2017**. For any enquiries please contact Bernadette or Pauline at either parish centre.

Mass Times;

Monday	12:05pm Cathedral
Tuesday	12:05pm Cathedral
Wednesday	12:05pm Cathedral
Thursday	9.30am Redan 12.05pm Cathedral
Friday	9.30am Sebastopol 12.05pm Cathedral
Saturday	10.00 am Cathedral

Sacrament of Penance

Cathedral Friday 11.00am Saturday 11.30 am

Weekend Masses

Cathedral	St Aloysius	St James'
6.30 pm Vigil	6.00 pm Vigil	
8.00 am	9.00 am	10.30 am
10.30 am		
5.00 pm		

Rokewood 3rd Sunday at 10.30am

Recent Deaths: Graeme Phillips, Linda O'Reilly,

Anniversaries:

David Bond, Alannah (Hazlett) Bryan, John Cooper, Brendan Cranage, Ray Frawley, Lawrence Parrot, Carmel Riding, Henry (Dick) Towns,

Please remember in your Prayers the following:

Rodney Ball, Maria Bessems, Norah Best, John Bond, Irina Davis, Julie Delahenty, Fletcher Densley, Andrew Flood, Mary Patricia Guinan, Cody Joy, Margaretha Kuzmich, Jim Maher, Michala Murphy, Frank Nolan, John O'Keeffe, Rosellie Ozimek, Sally Patterson, Mary Skelton, Leonie Street, Jenny Tan, Connie Vincent, Lynn Whiteley

Advance Notice – dates for 2017:

Rite of Election: Saturday, March 4 at St Patrick's Cathedral, Ballarat

Mass of the Oils: Monday, April 10 at St Patrick's Cathedral, Ballarat

St Vincent de Paul Society

The society extends an invitation to Parishioners who might like to join us either as members or associate members in our work of providing assistance to people in need. In particular we need extra volunteers to conduct interviews at the Assistance Centre. To find out more please contact Kevin Cooper: 0435 080 483 or Allen Moloney: 0447 578 390

St. James' Parish Sebastopol

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:

Sunday 29th January

Friday 3rd February 10.15am

Sunday 5th February 2.30pm

Monday 6th February 1pm

Tuesday 7th February 9.30am

Friday 10th February 10.15am

Monday 13th February 7pm

Tuesday 14th February 4pm

Thursday 16th February 7pm

Friday 17th February 9.30am

Saturday 18th February 9am

Feast of the Holy Infant Santo Nino (Prague)

Liturgy Group Meeting

Good Shepherd Servant Community Prayer Group

Parish Craft Group

Caring Group Meeting

Finance Committee Meeting

St. Vincent de Paul Society Meeting

Sacramental Team Meeting

Parish Pastoral Team Meeting

Beginning of Year Mass for St. James' Parish School

Men's Breakfast

Filipino Community

Rosary

2nd Wednesday of month at 7pm

Good Shepherd Servant Community Prayer Group

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

St. James' Parish Office

During the school holidays the Parish office will be open on Tuesdays only between 9.30am – 4.30pm. Fr. Kevin can be contacted at the Redan Presbytery on 53314 981.

Feast of the Holy Infant Santo Nino ('Prague')

The Filipino / Australian Community invite you to 9 days Novena commencing on Friday 20th January at 7pm in the St. James' Church, Sebastopol. On 29th January Sunday at 12.30pm Fluvial parade at Lake Wendouree with the conclusion of the Holy Mass at 2.30pm in St. James' Church, Sebastopol. Fellowship dinner afterwards. All are welcome. For more information please contact Imelda Ross on 0418 956 493.

Sacramental Program 2017 - Leaflets are available in the foyer after Mass

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.

St. Aloysius Parish Redan

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.

St. Aloysius Parish Office – The Parish office will close from Friday 23rd December to Monday 30th January. The office will re-open on Tuesday 31st January. For urgent matters please contact Fr Kevin directly 53314981, for any notices for the Sunday Bulletin please contact Jacinta at St. Patricks Cathedral on 53312933. Thank you all for your support and friendship over the past year, Christmas blessings to you and your families. Bernadette

Ministry Volunteers – As there are no ministry rosters for the month of January, we are seeking volunteers for each weekend.

Australia Day Mass - 9.30am Thursday 26th January followed by a cuppa with ANZAC biscuits & lamingtons. All welcome

Caring Circle - Meeting Wednesday 1st February at 1.00pm in the Parish Centre. New members welcome.

The 4th Friday family group - We will meet at Brian and Betty McCarty 211 Lonsdale St on 27 January 12.00 noon. BYO everything. New members welcome Please ring Andy for transport on 0421855881 Hope to see you there.

BUPA Age Care

Prayer services for BUPA Age Care will recommence on **Thursday 2nd February at 10.30am.**

Lay Pastoral Ministry Program - start in 2017!

The Ballarat Diocese Lay Pastoral Ministry Program offers low-cost opportunities for online study and formation for lay workers, both employees and volunteers. Details on the diocesan website (link to Program on lower front page) email: amanda.smith@ballarat.catholic.org.au or phone 5337 7125

St. James' / St. Aloysius Conference of St. Vincent de Paul Thankyou

We wish to thank the Parishioners, St. James', St. Aloysius & Lumen Christi Primary Schools, Staff & Students for your generous donations towards of Christmas Appeal, supporting us to help those in need in the local community. New members are always welcome. The Conference includes Sr. Marie (new President), Anne Dark (Secretary), Mike Maloney (Treasurer) and Marg McKee (Assistant Treasurer). Members are Charlie Armeni, Kath Bruhn, Joan Dawson, Judith Grano, Carmel Kavanagh, Pauline Murphy and Kryz Reid. A big thank you to retiring members for their numerous years of service. We welcome Associate Members, Paul Balkin, Kevin Cooper, Tony Haintz, Ian Kelly, Michael O'Mara, Carole Simmons and Tony Phillips. Contact 0448316494 or 0409547952 for expressions of interest. Meetings 2nd & 4th Mondays of the month in the St. James' Foyer at 7pm.

Australian Catholic Youth Festival 2017 leads to Year of Youth 2018

The Catholic Bishops of Australia invite Catholics across the country to join in celebrating a Year of Youth from the beginning of Advent 2017 to the end of 2018. The theme is, '*Open New Horizons for Spreading Joy: Young People, Faith and Vocational Discernment*'. The emphasis is on local discussion and dialogue in parishes, schools, youth groups and dioceses. The Year of Youth will be launched at the next Australian Catholic Youth Festival in Sydney in December 2017. More information on diocesan website News and Youth and Young Adult pages www.ballarat.catholic.org.au

Mercy Connect Ballarat – Supporting refugee and asylum seeker students in local schools.

Volunteer mentors needed. Mercy Works is currently recruiting volunteers to support refugee and asylum seeker students in Ballarat Schools through their Mercy Connect Project. The volunteer commitment is for approximately three hours per week for four school terms. Experience working in an educational setting is preferred, but you will receive ongoing training and support. Initial training for new volunteers will be held in February 2017. Contact Paulene Barton - Mercy Connect Project Coordinator on 0417 624 330 or email: mercyconnectb@gmail.com for information and application form. Applications close on February 2, 2017.

Clergy Appointments

Fr Adrian McNerney will retire as Parish Priest of Ballarat East after Sunday January 22nd. Fr Peter Sherman will commence as Parish Priest of Ballarat East on January 25th.

Fr Marcello Colasante has been appointed Parish Priest of the Parishes of Ballarat North and Wendouree, commencing February 25th. An appointment to the Parish of Swan Hill will be made in the coming weeks.

Youth Ministry Formation - Called and Sent: Developing foundations in youth ministry

The Melbourne Archdiocesan Office for Youth (AOY) invites young leaders from Ballarat Diocese to a youth ministry formation camp. If you are new to youth ministry, come along to 'Called and Sent', their first ever camp for developing foundations in youth ministry. From February 10-12, beachside, taking you deeper into the gospel message at the heart of your call to ministry, equipping you with practical ideas and helping you set goals for 2017. Places are limited! When: February 10-12, 2017, Don Bosco Camp, Safety Beach (south of Melbourne). Cost per participant is \$80.00 Phone AOY, 9287 5565 or contact amanda.smith@ballarat.catholic.org.au

Rite of Election

The Rite of Election is an important part of the process of a person's journey to full membership in the Catholic Church community and one which is greatly appreciated by all who participate. This applies to both adults and children of catechetical age. The Rite of Election for catechumens, candidates and children of catechetical age will take place on **SATURDAY, MARCH 4, 2017 at 12.30pm in St Patrick's Cathedral, Ballarat.** The presider will be Bishop Paul Bird CSsR. At the conclusion of the ceremony all are invited to join the Bishop in St Patrick's Hall for a light lunch.