

Faith communities of Ballan, Ballarat  
East, Bungaree, Buninyong, Clarkes Hill,  
Dunnstown, Gordon and Springbank

# Ministry District Newsletter

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

**Child Safety Officers:** Ballarat East Parish – Emily Clarke; Bungaree & Gordon Parishes – Aileen Toohey

## 19<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C 10<sup>th</sup> August 2025

MINISTRY DISTRICT MASS TIMES			
Weekday Masses			
Monday August 11th	10am	Ballan (LFBF)	
Tuesday August 12 <sup>th</sup>	9.30am	Ballarat East	
Wednesday August 13 <sup>th</sup>	11.00 am	Mercy Place (All Welcome)	
Thursday August 14 <sup>th</sup>	11.00 am 5.30pm (Vigil)	Mecwacare Canadian Buninyong & Dunnstown (Assumption)	
Friday August 15 <sup>th</sup>	9.30 am	Ballan & Ballarat East (Assumption)	
Saturday August 16 <sup>th</sup>	9.30 am	Ballarat East	
Weekend Masses			
Saturday August 16 <sup>th</sup>		Sunday August 17 <sup>th</sup>	
5.00 pm	Ballarat East	9.00 am	Ballarat East Gordon
6.30 pm	Dunnstown	10.30 am	Ballan Buninyong

### WE ASK YOUR PRAYERS FOR:

#### THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

Elizabeth (Marie) Wright

#### THOSE WHOSE ANNIVERSARIES OCCUR AT THIS TIME

Tom Clifford, Annie Crawley, James Donegan, Anne Field, John Field, Sylvia Finlayson, Sam Galea, Frank Graham, George Hamm, Renee Hanrahan, Kath Jeffrey, Leo Kelly, Sr Lawrence, Mary Lee, Marie Leonard, Patrick McDermott, Bill McGuire, Eily Mahoney, Celie Mullane, Tom Parkin, Michael Patmore, Maureen Rolls.

#### THOSE WHO ARE UNWELL

Kathy Towns, Troy Watson, Elaine Conlan, Evelyn Farrugia, Patricia (Patty) Gannon, Michelle Hall, (baby) Mia Hanrahan, John Healy, Sarah McLachlan,

Thelma Keating, Carole Simmons, Owen Widdison, Simon Murillo.

### PARISH LEADERSHIP TEAMS

#### BALLARAT EAST PARISH:

Rose Consignado, Judith Glaubitz, Martin McGettigan, Dianne McKeegan, Claire Stewart.

#### BUNGAREE PARISH:

Damian Ryan & Chris Frawley (Bungaree), Barry Sheehan & Dianne Reynolds (Dunnstown), Dom Prendergast, Maurice Mahar & Marty Forbes (Clarkes Hill).

#### GORDON PARISH:

Sue Daly & Brendan Maher (Springbank), Joan Bourke & Shane Carey (Gordon), Mark Conlan & Jim Leahy (Ballan).

*We acknowledge this land's traditional owners and custodians and pay our respects to their elders, past, present, and emerging.*

## AUSTRALIAN CATHOLIC YOUTH FESTIVAL (ACYF) – MELBOURNE 2025

ACYF will take place in Melbourne from Sunday, November 30 - Tuesday, December 2, 2025. This national event brings together young Catholics (Year 9–25 years) for three days of faith, fun, and community. The Festival includes prayer, Mass, talks, concerts, workshops, games, and more. Bishop Paul will be attending. Interested in going? Contact your school or local parish office. Learn more at: [ballarat.catholic.org.au](http://ballarat.catholic.org.au).

## MASTER PLAN FOR THE FUTURE OF ST BRIGID'S PRIMARY SCHOOL

This year, conversations regarding the development of a Masterplan for the future of St Brigid's Primary School have continued. In March, a Masterplan Grant application was submitted to the Australian Government Capital Grants Program to support Stage 1A of this plan. As previously shared, St Brigid's Primary School is currently experiencing a period of significant growth. Over the past three years, enrolments at St Brigid's have increased from 94 students in 2023 to 136 students at the commencement of 2025 - a 44.7% increase. This growth has created a need for additional resources and infrastructure to ensure we can continue to provide high-quality Catholic education. At present, all seven of our classroom spaces are in full use, with further enrolment growth expected in the coming years. In response, the Masterplan has been developed in key stages:

**Stage 1A:** Construction of two new classrooms and an amenities block (within proximity to the current Year 4/5 & 5/6 classrooms)

**Stage 1B:** Extension of the staff room and addition of a meeting room

**Stage 2:** Creation of a Specialist Learning Area within the main building and an amenities block

**Stage 3:** Development of a Multipurpose Hall

Our current Capital Grants application specifically seeks funding for **Stage 1A**.

Further information can be located in St Brigid's newsletter under the 'Masterplan and Capital Grants Update' section– [St Brigid's Primary School Ballan eNewsletter](#). Diagrams of the masterplan will also be displayed in the Gathering Space.

*Mrs Jayne Bosworth, Principal*

### BAPTISMS

Noah William Oostendorp

Child of Jack and Chloe

### WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK

#### Little Feet Big Footprints (LFBF)

Year 6 Catholic Primary Schools day

Monday August 11<sup>th</sup> 10.00am Mass @ Ballan

We will welcome students from the Catholic Primary Schools in Ballan, Clarkes Hill, Creswick, Gordon and Daylesford.

#### Gordon Parish Leadership meeting

Wednesday August 13<sup>th</sup> 7.00 pm (@ Ballan)

#### Ballarat East Finance Council meeting

Thursday August 14<sup>th</sup> 7.30 am

#### Opening of Saints College Bungaree Campus

Friday August 15<sup>th</sup> 11.00 am



Caritas  
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*Caritas Australia invites us to pray for the people of Gaza*

If you are able to support Caritas Australia's Gaza Appeal, please donate online

at [www.caritas.org.au/gaza](http://www.caritas.org.au/gaza) or phone 1800 024 413

**Caritas Australia invites us to light a candle and pray for the people of Gaza**

God of light, You meet us in the darkest places.

Every year, when we light our Easter candle, we pray 'may the light of Christ, rising in glory, dispel the darkness of our minds and hearts.'

We pray today that all people may work with you to dispel the darkness of violence and war.

May this fragile light be a sign of our hope for the people of Gaza.

May they find healing and lasting peace. Amen.  
*ideological reasons. Lord, hear us.*

#### This Week's Scripture Readings - 9/10 August 2025

##### Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Wis 18:6-9, Heb 11:1-2, 8-19; Gospel Lk 12:32-40

##### Readers & Offertory

*Springbank:* To be Advised

*Bungaree:* To be Advised

*Ballan:* Rosemary Canavan, *Offertory:* Jim Leahy & Julie Dargan

#### Next Week's Scripture Readings -16/17 August 2025

##### Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

##### Readers & Offertory

Jer 38:4-6, 8-10 Heb 12:1-4 Gospel: Lk 12:49-53

*Dunnstown:* Liz Hanrahan

*Gordon:* To be Advised

*Ballan:* Lloyd Lamb, *Offertory:* Michael & Rosemary Canavan