Twentieth Sunday of Ordinary Time (Year A) ~19th & 20th August, 2017

THE CATHOLIC PARISH OF GORDON



St. Brigid's, Ballan ~ St. Patrick's, Gordon ~ St. Michael's, Springbank

The Gordon Parish is a supervised, community-led parish. The Parish is led by a team of Coordinators, one of whom is the Moderator.

Supervising Priest: Fr Gary Jones. Visiting Priest: Fr Shane Mackinlay

Coordinators: Catherine Green (Moderator), Michael Ryan, Angela Carr

Parish Secretary/Parish Office (Tuesdays 9.30am-2.30pm): Natasha Buttigieg 🕾 5368 9280 or 0447 609 485

🖂 gordon@ballarat.catholic.org.au ~ 🕆 www.ballarat.catholic.org.au (follow parish links)

For Baptisms, Marriages and Funerals please contact Parish Secretary ~ messages will be forwarded

PARISH VISION: That all parishioners and visitors are welcomed as family and nourished as the Body of Christ

Parish Schools	St. Brigid's Primary School	Principal: Ms Gabrielle Driscoll	1015 1015	www.sbballan.catholic.edu.au
	St. Patrick's Primary School	Principal: Mrs Bambi Afford	🕾 5368 9495	www.spgordon.catholic.edu.au

Collections last week

Thanks to all who give generously to each of these collections:

Loose	Presbytery: \$200.00	Parish: \$189.00	
Planned Giving	Envelopes: \$181.05	YTD 2017/18:	
Year to Date 2016/17:	\$72,137.05	\$5,443.10	

Parish Assets Management - Gordon Presbytery

The application form relating to the proposed sale of the St Patrick's Gordon Presbytery has been completed and signed by Fr Gary. The form has been submitted for consideration by the Committee of Diocesan Consulters including Bishop Paul Bird, and the Diocesan Finance Council. It will be some weeks before a decision is received from the Diocesan Office. The next stage is to work on the process of aligning property titles between the church and presbytery, and making any changes necessary to separate the utilities and services to the two properties.

Annual Parish Assembly 2017: Advance Notice



St Patrick's School Hall, Gordon 19th September. Light supper from 6pm, Parish Assembly 6.30-8.30pm. Opportunity to share ideas on the Parish Operating Plan 2014–2016, which is due for renewal. Copies of the Operating Plan are available from the Parish Office.

Planned Giving Envelopes for 2017/18

Available in church foyers for collection.

Planned Giving Receipts

Planned Giving Receipts available for collection in churches this weekend. Please note some have been posted.

Parish Office

Our Parish Secretary Natasha Buttigieg and husband Emanuel are preparing to welcome a new addition to their family next month. During September, Natasha will still be available to contact via telephone and email for any Parish matters. However, there will be no regular presence in the Parish Office during September. We wish Natasha and her family well as they await the arrival of their new baby.

Kathleen's Corner

International Day for the Remembrance of the Slave Trade and its Abolition. Maybe this is a time to reflect on the problems of Modern slavery and what we can do about it.

Church Cleaning – August

St Michael's 11th, St Brigid's 18th & St Patrick's 25th.

BALLAN	GORDON	SPRINGBANK
Marie Shanahan	Josie Donegan	Natalie Toohey
Anne Eskdale	Carmel Mahar	Loretta Toohey

	ST. MICHAEL'S CATHOLIC PARISH ~ BUNGAREE					
	St Peter's, Clarkes Hill ~ St Brendan's, Dunnstown ~ St Michael's, Bungaree					
	Parish Priest: Fr Shane Mackinlay ~ 🖀 5334 0450 ~ C/~Post Office, Bungaree Vic 3352					
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Parish Schools	St. Mary's School, Clarkes Hill	Principal: Mr Chris Kavanagh	🕾 5334 5280	www.smclarkeshill.catholic.edu.au		
	St. Brendan's School, Dunnstown	Principal: Mr Chris Kavanagh	🕾 5334 7604	www.sbdunnstown.catholic.edu.au		

Parish: \$400.00

Collections last week Presbytery: \$155.00

Victorian Child Safe Standards

These new standards apply to all organisations that provide services for children. They came into effect for schools in 2016 and for parishes at the beginning of 2017. Our parish's Child Safety Policy and Child Safety Code of Conduct are available on the parish webpage of the diocesan website: www.ballarat.catholic.org.au (follow parish links).

Annual Parish Assembly

Tuesday 31st October, 7.30pm, Parish Centre. Thanks to Amanda Elliott, Craig Jenkins and Jill Prendergast, who will be completing their 3-year term as members of the Parish Leadership Team. New representatives will be needed for each community. If interested, please speak with one of the PLT: Fr Shane, Amanda Elliott, Katrina Griffiths, Leah Hanrahan, Craig Jenkins, Chris Kavanagh, Andrew Miller-Schmetzer, Jill Prendergast, Damian Ryan.

Bishop's Visitation: Friday 8 – Monday 11 September Bishop Paul Bird CSsR will be undertaking his 5-yearly parish visitation next month. Preliminary timetable below. Bishop Paul has also offered to visit homebound or sick parishioners

during his visit; please contact Fr Shane if you wish to be included.

Saturday: 6.30pm Mass, Springbank

Sunday:	9.30am Mass, Bungaree (n.b., starting time),
	followed by morning tea (please bring a plate)
	12.30pm Meeting with Parish Leadership Team
Monday:	9.30am Visits to parish schools

LITURGIES					
Tues 22 nd Aug	Bungaree	9.00am	Mass		
Thur 24 th Aug	Ballan	10.00am	Prayer group		
Sat 26 th Aug	Clarkes Hill	6.30pm			
Sun 27 th Aug	Gordon	8.45am	Sunday Mass		
Sull 2/ Aug	Ballan	10.30am			

	1 st Sunday	2 nd Sunday	3 rd Sunday	4 th Sunday	5 th Sunday
Sat 6.30pm	Dunnstown	Springbank	Dunnstown	Clarkes Hill (6pm Blampied)	Springbank
Sun 8.45am	Gordon	Bungaree	Gordon	Gordon	Bungaree
Sun 10.30am	Ballan (K	orobeit Sat 6.30	opm ~ Creswick	8.45am ~ Daylesford	d 10.30am)

Anniversaries

William Nunn, Kathleen Ledwidge, Brian O'Regan, Con Toohey, Pat Ryan, Therese Johnson, Maureen Everard, Maureen Mahar, Rita Powell, Stan Slater, Martin Gleeson, Jim Caddy, Frank Kennedy, Emma Squire, Elsie Butler and Sylvia Fisher

We offer our prayerful support for the sick

Wayne McKercher, Bonnie MacDonald, Anna Bartaska, Mitchell Prendergast, Michelle Hall, Mary Cassar, Moira Myers, Louise Smith, Elizabeth Smith, Phillip Camilleri, George Roberts, Carole Steenhuis, Steven Molloy, Alice Gardiner, Pat Camilleri, Brad Simpson, Stan Mahar, Lore Winter, Xavier Zahra, Jan Quinlan

Promote Care, Oppose Euthanasia

The Victorian Government is seeking to introduce euthanasia and assisted suicide later this year. The proposed changes will impact everyone, not just those terminally ill. The Catholic Church believes that any proposal to introduce legislation enabling physician-assisted suicide and euthanasia is not in the best interests of the community and will have wide-reaching ramifications. For information about this important development, its impact on our society, and action you can take, visit www.cam.org.au/euthanasia

Catholic Diocese of Ballarat Foundation

In June the foundation held its 31st AGM. It holds net assets of \$8.9m. In 2016, \$336,701 was distributed to support activities such as: sponsoring representatives attending the World Youth Day in Poland and the Proclaim Conference in Sydney; Merbein Parish's Year of Mercy activities; and Warrnambool's Caring for the Homebound program. The Foundation also supported organisations such are Centacare, the Ballarat Hospice, and Saint Vincent de Paul's North West Central Council. Info on donations, bequests or becoming a Board member, email: andrew.jirik@ballarat.catholic.org.au

2017 RCIA State seminar – Melbourne

The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults Conference, Saturday 26 August 9.30am–3pm: "Ask, See, Knock: Joyful Encounters of RCIA" Reservations: <u>www.trybooking.com/qlql</u> More info at: <u>https://www.ballarat.catholic.org.au</u> | News & Events



Assumption College 125th Anniversary: 2018

Former students are invited to join mailing list. RSVP Alumni office: 2783 5343 or maria.cleve@assumption.vic.edu.au

St Patrick's College 2019 Year 7 Enrolment

Applications close 1st December. Info evening: Thurs 26 Oct, 7.30pm. College tours each month on a Friday. RSVP: Caitlin Bennett <u>cbennett@stpats.vic.edu.au</u> or P 5331 1688.

Damascus College Enrolment Information Evening

Wed 6th September, 5pm. Includes tour of the College, activities for students and information session for parents. Open to students of all ages.

Ballarat Diocese Lay Pastoral Ministry Program

Registration for September study cycle closes on 28 August. More details at: <u>www.ballarat.catholic.org.au</u> link on home page or email <u>amanda.smith@ballarat.catholic.org.au</u> 🕾: 5337 7125



Diocesan Resource Centre

Books, Videos, DVDs & CDs available for borrowing for total faith formation. Located within the Diocesan Office, Ballarat. Online catalogue and more info: www.ballarat.catholic.org.au | Services & Agencies | Resource Centre.

<u>Our Diocesan Community</u>

July edition available free at Church door.

	READER/INTERCESSIONS PRESENTATIO		COMMUNION MINISTER	ALTAR SERVERS	
19 th & 20 th August	20 th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A): Isaiah 56:1,6-7 ~ Romans 11: 13-15,29-32 ~ Matthew 15:21-28				
Dunnstown ~ 6.30pm	Dominic & Liam Hanrahan	Hanrahan Family	Trish White	Campbell, Lilli & Sam	
Gordon ~ 8.45am	Josie Donegan & Shane Carey	Gary & Marg McTigue	Marie Conroy		
Ballan ~ 10.30am	Winnie Zammit & John Fabre	Leon & Pat Burvill	Patricia Binks & Helen Conlan		
26 th & 27 th Aug	21 st Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A): Isaiah 22:19-23 ~ Romans 11: 11:33-36 ~ Matthew 16:13-20				
Clarkes Hill ~ 6.30pm	Tim Bennett	Kate Bennett	Margie Moran		
Gordon ~ 8.45am	Marie Conroy & Michael Winter	Debbie Goldie & Caron Whitefield	Eddie Davis		
Ballan ~ 10.30am	Tom Paarhammer & Marie	Helen & Anthony Blazek	Lloyd Lamb & Angela Carr		
	Shanahan				
2 nd & 3 rd Sept	22 nd Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A): Jeremiah 20:7-9 ~ Romans 12:1-2 ~ Matthew 16:21-27				
Dunnstown ~ 6.30pm	Mick McKay	Nicholas McKay Family	Jennifer McKay	Callan, Isla & Paddy	
Gordon ~ 8.45am	Kerryn Taylor & Bambi Afford	Pat Barry & Eily Carey	Frank Conroy		
Ballan ~ 10.30am	Helen Blazek & John Fabre	Mary & Des Conroy	Simone Foder & Winnie Zammit		