

# ST. PATRICK'S CATHOLIC PARISH ~ GORDON

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

Supervising Priest: Fr Gary Jones ~ Parish Coordinators: Lin Bowers (Moderator), Joan Bourke & Catherine Green Visiting Priest: Fr Shane Mackinlay ~ For Baptisms, Marriages & Funerals: Contact Narelle Conroy (Parish Secretary)

PARISH VISION: That all paríshíoners and vísítors are welcomed as famíly and nouríshed as the Body of Chríst

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Parish Pastoral Council	Donna Simpson (Chair), Joan Bourke (Coordinator representative), Linden Hall, Helen Ryan, Marg Quinlan, Bridget Sims,				
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Finance Committee	Michael Ryan (Chair), John Moroney (Book Keeper), Tony Lynch, Reg Haintz, Luke Mullane, Stephen Conroy,				
I mance Committee	Brendan Maher, Lin Bowers (Coordinator Representative)				
Parish Schools	St. Brigid's Primary School	Principal: Ms Gabrielle Driscoll	<b>®</b> 5368 1015	www.sbballan.catholic.edu.au	
	St. Patrick's Primary School	Principal: Mr Michael Kennedy	<b>2</b> 5368 9495	www.spgordon.catholic.edu.au	
	St. Michael's Primary School	Principal: Mr Michael Kennedy	<b>5334 0344</b>	www.smspringbank.catholic.edu.au	

#### **Collections Last Week**

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

Loose	Presbytery: \$300.00	Parish: \$99.45		
Planned Giving	Envelopes: \$282.00	<b>Year to date:</b> \$31,788.55		
Project Compassion (to date): \$381.35				

## Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)

This weekend in Ballan we celebrate with Stacey McKercher and Rebecca Smits as they are baptised, confirmed and join us for holy communion for the first time. Together with their families and godparents, Phyllis Harbright, Dorathy Golia, and Marcia Ward let us support them as they follow God's call in this community of faith.

#### **Ministries Roster**

Please inform the Parish Office if you wish to be taken off, or added to the St Patrick's Ministries Roster.

### Coordinator nomination period closing

The Coordinator nomination forms need to be completed and returned for collating no later than <u>March 28, 2016</u>. Please give this process careful and prayerful consideration as our Parish future viability is in our hands.

#### Kathleen's Corner

In the Eucharist we receive the hungry Christ in our world. He does not come to us alone, but with the poor, the oppressed, those who are hungry. Through Him, these people come to us in search of love expressed in actions.

# **Coming Events & Meetings:**

- Thurs, April 7<sup>th</sup>. Social Outing; Bus trip to Begonias & lunch. For more information please contact Marie Shanahan 53687255.
- Mon, 11<sup>th</sup> April. PPC meeting. Parish House.
- Thurs, May 19<sup>th</sup>. Confirmation & Eucharist Meeting with Fr Gary Jones at St Patrick's School Hall

#### Church Cleaning - April

\*Note Vacuuming: St Michael's 6<sup>th</sup>, St Brigid's 13<sup>th</sup> & St Patrick's 27<sup>th</sup> April. Thank you to all our volunteers who keep our Churches well maintained.

Ballan	Gordon	Springbank	
Lin Bowers &	Noelie Carton &	Natalie Toohey,	
Dianne Johnson.	Joan Bourke.	Debra Toohey &	
		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 \$\infty\$ 5334 0450 Fax: 5334 0514 \$\times - Post Office, Bungaree Vic 3352

Parish Schools

St. Mary's School, Clarkes Hill
St. Brendan's School, Dunnstown

Principal: Mr Chris Kavanagh
Principal: Mr Chris Ka

## **Collections Last Week**

Presbytery: \$298.00	<b>Parish:</b> \$413.00
Easter Offerings (to	date): \$50.00
Project Compassion (to	date): \$320.00

## **Wallace and District Kindergarten**

Places available in 3-year-old program: Mondays, 9am–12pm. Info: call in or № 5334 0268

## Walk-4-One Lunch



Guest Speaker: Sam Clear. 15,600 km on foot, 20 countries, 568 days, 11 near-death encounters, one extraordinary story. Sam Clear walked around the world in an effort to urge and inspire all Christians to unite:

'That they may all be one.' He didn't think it would be easy; but he had no idea how hard it was going to be ... His tale is one of extraordinary courage, challenges and love in action under incredible circumstances (see <a href="https://www.walk4one.com">www.walk4one.com</a>). Bungaree Community Centre

(Bungaree Recreation Reserve), Sunday 19 June, 12.30pm. 2-course meal (drinks @ bar prices), adults \$30, secondary students \$20. Bookings by 10 June: Amanda Elliott @ 0427 713 064 or <a href="mailto:amanda@rumerz.com.au">amanda@rumerz.com.au</a> Tickets: Amanda Elliott or Liz Hanrahan.



LITURGIES				
Thu 31 <sup>st</sup> Mar	Ballan	10am	Prayer Group	
Sat 2 <sup>nd</sup> Apr	Dunnstown	6.30pm		
Sun 3 <sup>rd</sup> Apr	Gordon	8.45am	Sunday Mass	
	Ballan	10.30am		
	Cathedral	1pm	Confessions	
		2pm	Rosary	
		2.30pm	Divine Mercy Sunday	

	1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday	2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday	3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday	4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday	5 <sup>th</sup> Sunday
Sat 6.30pm	Dunnstown (Blampied)	Springbank (Clunes)	Dunnstown (Blampied)	Clarkes Hill (Clunes)	Springbank (Blampied)
Sun 8.45am	Gordon	Bungaree	Gordon	Gordon	Bungaree
Sun 10.30am	Ballan	(Creswick 8.45am – Daylesford 10.30am)			



#### Anniversaries

Doreen Torpy, Sarah Molloy, Frank Cooen, Nellie Conroy, Kathleen McGiffin, Monica Ramsay, Reg Haintz Snr, Matthew Cahir, Jim Flood and Ellen Murphy

## We offer our prayerful support for the sick

Kerry Mulcahy, Wayne McKercher, Gwen Shanahan, Bonnie MacDonald, Anna Bartaska, Mitchell Prendergast, Mary Cassar, Moira Myers, Michelle Hall, Louise Smith, Elizabeth Smith, Stan Mahar, Margaret Mullane, Phillip Camilleri, Robert Eskdale, Gerard Toohey, Dan Toohey, Joe D'arcy, Vanessa Brotto

## **Easter Greetings**

May the hope of the Risen Christ touch the lives of all our families and loved ones this Easter. Thanks for the ways that so many people have contributed to our liturgical celebrations during Holy Week and Easter: reading, ministries, liturgy planning, music, flowers, and by reflective and joyful participation.

## **Easter Candles**

Thanks to Judith Hodgon, Trish Lannen and the children of St Mary's, Clarkes Hill, for decorating the Easter Candles so beautifully for each of our churches.

## **Easter Offerings**

Along with Christmas Offerings (and donations at the time of baptisms, weddings and funerals), Easter Offerings make an important contribution to the funds from which clergy salary and living expenses are paid. Additional envelopes are available at Church door.

#### R.C.I.A. Baptism Anniversary

This Easter we celebrate the one year anniversary of Lyndal Healey's baptism.

#### Diocesan eNews

Subscribe to the diocesan eNews service to receive a fortnightly email with news, photos and information from around the diocese: <a href="https://www.ballarat.catholic.org.au">www.ballarat.catholic.org.au</a> | Diocesan News | Diocesan eNews





Caritas Australia would like to THANK YOU for supporting us this year as we celebrate 50 years of Project Compassion. You are helping to empower the world's poorest children, women and men with vital learning and renewed hope. If you still have your Project Compassion box or set of envelopes at home, please bring them back next week or donate directly: <a href="https://www.caritas.org.au">www.caritas.org.au</a> or 1800 024 413

## Cyclone Winston (Fiji)

Caritas Australia is coordinating with its partners in Fiji, Tonga, and New Zealand to assist meet the needs of the survivors of this devastating natural disaster. Project Compassion funds help support emergency responses like this. For more information or to make a direct donation, visit <a href="https://www.caritas.org.au">www.caritas.org.au</a>

#### Centacare Programs

## **Parenting Skills**

- · Managing challenging parenting moments
- Keeping cool when the kids heat up
- Choosing when to accept, prevent or influence children's difficult behaviour

Tues 19<sup>th</sup> April 9.30am-1.30pm \$45 or \$25  $\underline{w}$  concession  $\underline{Or}$  Tues 17<sup>th</sup> May 9.30am-1.30pm \$45 or \$25  $\underline{w}$  concession

## Bringing up Great Kids

Bringing up Great Kids is a reflective parenting program developed by the Australian Childhood Foundation

- Building supportive parent-child relationships
- Exploring messages and beliefs we bring to our experience of parenting
- Understanding the world through our children's eyes
   Tues 3 & 10 May 9.30am-1.30pm \$85 or \$45 w concession

More info on these and other programs contact Centacare Ph: 03 5337 8999 or E: <a href="mailto:centacare@centacareballarat.org.au">centacare@centacareballarat.org.au</a>

	READER/INTERCESSIONS	PRESENTATION OF GIFTS	COMMUNION MINISTER	ALTAR SERVERS	
26 <sup>th</sup> & 27 <sup>th</sup> Mar	Easter Sunday: The Resurrection of the Lord (Year C): Acts 10:34,37-43 ~ Colossians 3:1-4 ~ John 10:1-9				
Gordon ~ 7.30pm					
Dunnstown ~ 8.45am	Liz O'Loughlin			Callan & Isla McKay	
Ballan ~ 10.30am					
2 <sup>nd</sup> &3 <sup>rd</sup> April	Second Sunday of Easter (Year C): Acts 5:12-16 ~ Revelation 1:9-11a,12-13,17-19 ~ John 20:19-31				
Dunnstown ~ 6.30pm	Peter Britt & Bianca Leonard	Mark Leonard Family	Jennifer McKay	Campbell & Lilli	
Gordon ~ 8.45am	Joan Bourke & Eily Carey	Margaret Smith & Georgina Wright	Kathleen Moran		
Ballan ~ 10.30am	Lin Bowers & John Fabre	Julie Dargan family	Winnie Zammit & Helen Conlan		
9 <sup>th</sup> & 10 <sup>th</sup> April	Third Sunday of Eastyer (Year C): Acts 5:27-32,40b-41 ~ Revelation 5:11-14 ~ John 21:1-19				
Springbank ~ 6.30pm	David Toohey Family	Mark Hanrahan Family	Julie Toohey		
Bungaree ~ 8.45am	Damian Ryan	Leah Hanrahan	E Clarke / J Boyd		
Ballan ~ 10.30am	Anne Eskdale & Bert Jarvis	Bridget Sims Family	Ellen Conlan & Judith Hodgon		