Third Sunday of Ordinary (Year B) ~ 20th & 21st January 2018

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 0423 217 556

🖾 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

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

Collections last weekend

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

| Loose | Loose Presbytery: \$200.00 | |
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| Planned Giving Envelopes: \$225.35 | | Year to date: |
| Bishop's Chris | \$25,864.15 | |
| Christm | \$929.00 | |

Sacramental Program 2018

As the year is coming to an end at the parish, we are beginning to prepare for events that will be happening in the New Year. The program will commence with a compulsory (parents only) meeting for children of the parish in Year 4 or above to be held at St. Brigid's School, Ballan, on Thursday 22nd February 2018, at 7.00pm. This will be an information and registration night for each of the sacraments within the program. For this meeting, a copy of your child's Baptismal certificate is needed and \$100 for the yearly program fee.

<u>Thank you</u>

A big thanks you to Robert Marshall for organizing the new organ that has been donated to us at St Brigid's.

Birthday Congratulations

Happy Birthday Leon Burvill wishing you a wonderful 80th Birthday.

Columban Calendars 2018: Available in church foyers, \$9 each.

Coming Events & Meetings

February 12th PPC Meeting, Gordon

Church Cleaning – January

St Michael's 12th, St Brigid's 19th, St Patrick's 26th

| BALLAN | GORDON | SPRINGBANK |
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| Anne Mullane | Therese Winter | Molly Ronan |
| Helen Conlan | Sue Petherick | Julie Toohey (Tony) |
| Sue Conlan | Debbie Goldie | |



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

🖾 bungaree@ballarat.catholic.org.au ~ 🕆 www.ballarat.catholic.org.au (follow parish links)

| Parish Schools | St. Mary's School, Clarkes Hill St. Brendan's School, Dunnstown | 1 0 | www.smclarkeshill.catholic.edu.au www.sbdunnstown.catholic.edu.au |
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| Collections last weekend | | Christmas Colle | |

| Presbytery: \$150.00 | Parish: \$350.00 |
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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 webpage of the parish the diocesan website: www.ballarat.catholic.org.au (follow parish links).

Diocesan eNews

Subscribe to the diocesan eNews service to receive a fortnightly email with news, photos and information from around the diocese: www.ballarat.catholic.org.au | News & Events | e-News

| Presbytery: \$730.90 | Parish: \$1,455.00 | | | |
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| Christmas Offerings (to date): \$1,275.00 | | | | |
| Bishop's Christmas Appeal: \$858.00 | | | | |



| LITURGIES | | | | | |
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| Tues 23 rd Jan | Bungaree | 9.00am | Mass | | |
| Sat 27 th Jan | Clarkes Hill | 6.30pm | | | |
| Sun 28 th Jan | Gordon | 8.45am | Sunday Mass | | |
| | Ballan | 10.30am | | | |

| | 1 st Sunday | 2 nd Sunday | 3 rd Sunday | 4 th Sunday | 5 th Sunday |
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| Sat 6.30pm | Dunnstown | Springbank | Dunnstown | Clarkes Hill | Springbank |
| Sun 8.45am | Gordon | Bungaree | Gordon | Gordon | Bungaree |
| Sun 10.30am | Ballan (Korobeit Sat 6.30pm ~ Creswick 8.45am ~ Daylesford 10.30am) | | | | |

Recent Deaths

John Parkin

Anniversaries

Frank McDaid, Christopher Davies, Catherine Butler, Mary Blood, Justin Toohey, Des Quinlan, Audrey Reddie, Len Howard, Morrie Holloway, Kathryn Gray, Vin O'Donohue, Ted Cass, Noel Quinlan

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, George Roberts, Carole Steenhuis, Alice Gardiner, Brad Simpson, Stan Mahar, Lore Winter, Xavier Zahra, Jan Quinlan, Douglas Keating, Scott Dupoy.

Welcome

Welcome to Mani Rose Buttigieg (daughter of Natasha and Emanuel), who at Mass this weekend is beginning her preparation for baptism at St. Brigid's, Ballan. We assure her and her family of our prayers and support.

Baptism Anniversaries

This month, we celebrate the anniversary of the following recent baptism: Quinn May Slater (2016).

Lord God, strengthen your Spirit in her, so she may walk in newness of life.

Clergy Appointments: North Central Ministry District

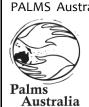
The North Central Ministry District includes 6 parishes: Birchip, Charlton, Donald, Quambatook, St Arnaud, Wycheproof. Bishop Paul has appointed Fathers Eugene McKinnon (Parish Priest) and Peter Jose CMI (Assistant Priest) to the parishes of Charlton and St Arnaud, in addition to the other parishes of the ministry district, in which they already worked. The Ministry District will encompass pastoral care, educational chaplaincy and governance, financial consolidation, and resource sharing. A new schedule for worship across the North Central Ministry District will come into effect from February, with the Cathedral priests assisting until then.

Would you like to become a Spiritual Director?

The 'Siloam' Program for the Formation of Spiritual Directors can be studied over two years at Heart of Life in Box Hill. The Program may be studied as a Grad Dip for those who meet the criteria. Further info: holsc@bigpond.com or 🕾: 9890 1101.



PALMS Australia Encounters



PALMS Australia is a Catholic lay missionary organisation. It arranges encounters, which are ethically run group tours that provide participants with authentic, hard to come by experiences. The tours have been carefully designed to give an insight into the daily life of people of another

culture, an understanding of sustainable approaches to reducing poverty, and an insight into the life and work of PALMS development volunteers. Timor-Leste 11-23 March (bookings close 25 Jan), 20 May - 1 June, 2-14 September; Samoa 18-30 May. 🕾 02 9560 5333 or www.palms.org.au/encounters

Position Vacant: Diocesan Youth & Young Adult Project Worker

The Ballarat Diocese will be employing a Project Worker in Youth and Young Adult Ministry in 2018, the Year of Youth, initially for a 12-month position. Fulltime preferred but not essential. A position description will be available in January. Info: www.ballarat.catholic.org.au or

email: youth@ballarat.catholic.org.au

PROCLAIM Conference 2018 – Sponsorship

The Diocesan Foundation has offered sponsorship for six people from the diocese to attend the PROCLAIM 2018 Conference in Brisbane, 12–14 July (www.proclaimconference.com.au). Info: www.ballarat.catholic.org.au

<u>Mercy Connect Ballarat – Volunteer mentors needed</u>

Mercy Works is currently recruiting volunteers to support refugee and asylum seeker students in Ballarat Schools. Approx. 3 hrs/week for 4 school terms. Experience in an educational setting is preferred, but ongoing training and support provided. Initial training in February. Info: Paulene Barton 🕾 0417 624 330 or mercyconnectb@gmail.com

Enrolment for Year 7, 2019

Damascus College: ~ Applications close 16 Feb 2018 Loreto College: ~ Applications close 16 Feb 2018

• Guided tours, 9am: Tues 6 Feb, Fri 9 Feb. RSVP: www.loreto.vic.edu.au

St Patrick's College:

• Guided tours monthly: Friday morning. RSVP: <u>cbennett@stpats.vic.edu.au</u> or 🕾 5331 1688

Year 7 Scholarships: RSVP 18 Feb <u>www.stpats.vic.edu.au</u>

| | READER/INTERCESSIONS | PRESENTATION OF GIFTS | COMMUNION MINISTER | ALTAR SERVERS | |
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| 20 th & 21 st Jan | Third Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year B): Jonah 3:1–5, 10 ~ 1 Corinthians 7:29–31 ~ Mark 1:14–20 | | | | |
| Dunnstown ~ 6.30pm | Liz Britt | Nat Macdonald family | Trish Ryan 🛛 | Callan, Isla & Paddy McKay | |
| Gordon ~ 8.45am | Kate Carey & Marie Durham | Mark & Narelle Conroy | Beth Calleja | | |
| Ballan ~ 10.30am | Matthew Hall & Winnie Zammit | Julie Dargan Family | Lorraine Tipple & Simone Fode | r | |
| 27 th & 28 th Jan | Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year B): Deuteronomy 18:15-20 ~ 1 Corinthians 7:32-35 ~ Mark 1:21-28 | | | | |
| Clarkes Hill ~ 6.30pm | Dom Prendergast | Joan Powell | Margie Moran | | |
| Gordon ~ 8.45am | Therese Winter & Debbie Goldie | Kim Newham Family | Joan Bourke | | |
| Ballan ~ 10.30am | Lin Bowers & Sandra Miller | James Alison Eskdale Family | Helen Conlan & Winnie Zammit | | |
| 3 rd & 4 th Feb | Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year B): Job 7:1-4,6-7 ~ 1 Corinthians 9:16-19,22-23 ~ Mark 1:29-39 | | | | |
| Dunnstown ~ 6.30pm | Liz Hanrahan | Lisa Bower Family | Margaret Leonard | Felicity, Cameron & Lyna | |
| Gordon ~ 8.45am | Beth Calleja & Michael McCarthy | Brian & Kate Carey | Josie Donegan | | |
| Ballan ~ 10.30am | Anne Eskdale & Angela Carr | Anita Lidgett Family | Denise Marshall & Patricia Binks | | |