



ST. PATRICK'S CATHOLIC PARISH ~ GORDON

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

Supervising Priest: Fr Ed Moloney ~ Parish Coordinators: Lin Bowers (Moderator), Joan Bourke & Catherine Green

Visiting Priest: Fr Shane Mackinlay ~ For Baptisms, Marriages & Funerals: Contact Narelle Conroy (Parish Secretary)

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

Parish Pastoral Council	Donna Simpson (Chair), Joan Bourke (Coordinator representative), Linden Hall, Helen Ryan, Marg Quinlan, Sr Kathleen Moran, Michael Kennedy (School Principal)		
Finance Committee	Michael Ryan (Chair), John Moroney (Book Keeper), Tony Lynch, Reg Haintz, Luke Mullane, Michael Ryan, Stephen Conroy, Lin Bowers (Coordinator Representative)		
Parish Schools	St. Brigid's Primary School	Principal: Ms Gabrielle Driscoll	☎ 5368 1015 www.sballan.catholic.edu.au
	St. Patrick's Primary School	Principal: Mr Michael Kennedy	☎ 5368 9495 www.spgordon.catholic.edu.au
	St. Michael's Primary School	Principal: Mr Michael Kennedy	☎ 5334 0344 www.smspringbank.catholic.edu.au

Collections Last Week

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

Loose	Parish: \$133.90	Presbytery: \$300.00
Planned Giving	Envelopes: \$187.00	Dir Debit (Sept): \$1,385.00
Sick & Retired Priests: \$467.90 (to date)	Year to date: \$13,618.80	

News from the Coordinators (Lin, Joan & Catherine)

On **Sunday, October 25** we will conduct our **Parish Assembly**. The venue will be **Gordon** and will commence with a light shared luncheon from **12 noon**. Please bring a plate to share. The three coordinators will present their annual reports to the Parish and will also encourage all parishioners to start thinking about the discernment process for a new volunteer member of the coordination team for our community-led parish of Gordon. Ideally, we would like each member of our parish community to start conversations with people they know, and even those they don't know, to try and identify the gifts and the opportunity to be a coordinator. Time is needed for this process which should take about 6-8 weeks and hopefully will be achieved by Christmas. Names will then be put forward early February for the discernment process. We need to start thinking/talking/praying so we can be better prepared for the future of our growing and vibrant parish.

Kathleen's Corner

Anti Poverty Week: Oct 13th – 19th

For many people in the world their views of themselves and others are based on what people have what they do and wear. In today's Gospel reading, Jesus warns us about being caught in a greed trap- a vicious cycle in which we regard

high status and advantage as treasure and we want more and more.

St Patrick's School Art Show

After mass at **Gordon** this **Sunday 18th**. Art works by the children at St Patrick's Primary School will be displayed and open for viewing. Please wander over after Mass & enjoy a cuppa, chat & experience some beautiful art works.

Coming Events

- **Sun, 29th Nov. 1.30pm.** The **Gordon Cemetery Mass**; celebrated by Bishop Peter Connors at the Gordon Cemetery. Please feel free to BYO chairs, or picnic blanket, some chairs supplied. This is an extra Mass for this weekend. *Regular Masses will be celebrated as scheduled.*
- **Thurs, 5th Nov. 11:15am.** **St Brigid's Oaks Day Lunch**, Ballan Golf Club. \$25/head. Contact the school office for bookings on 5368 1015.

Committee vacancies

New members are required for the Finance Committee from the Springbank community & for the Parish Pastoral Council from the Ballan community. If you are interested, you can contact any member of either committee.

Church Cleaning – November

*Note: Vacuuming: St Patrick's 28 Oct, St Michael's 4 Nov, St Brigid's 11 Nov. Thank you to all our volunteers who keep our Churches well maintained.

BALLAN	GORDON	SPRINGBANK
Patricia Binks Family	Ann Micallef, Georgina Wright & Monica Eastwood.	Kath O'Neil, Jenny Everard & Renae Robson.



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 Fax: 5334 0514

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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

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Seminary Building Appeal: \$80.00 (to date)	Parish: \$560.00
Sick & Retired Priests: \$805.00 (to date)	Presbytery: \$138.50

Preparation for Reconciliation

Preparation for First Reconciliation (children in Year 2 or above) begins with a Parent Workshop on Tuesday 3rd November, 7.30pm, Parish Centre. Retreat Day: Friday 27th November. Celebration of First Reconciliation: Friday 27th November, 5.30pm.

Children in Year 6 or above are encouraged to reflect again on this sacrament by preparing for individual reconciliation, which they will be able to celebrate during Advent. Parents of these

children are also asked to attend the Parent Workshop on Tuesday 3rd November

Mass at Pootilla Cemetery

Mass at Pootilla Cemetery: Sun 8th Nov, 9.30am. Please advise friends and relations who may be interested. Some chairs provided; BYO if possible.

Parish Assembly: Tuesday 20th October

Bungaree Parish Centre, 7.30pm (preceded by Parish Leadership Team meeting, 7pm). Frank Hanrahan, Trish Ryan and Julie Moran will be concluding their 3-year membership. Leah Hanrahan, Katrina Griffiths & Andrew Miller-Schmetzer have generously volunteered to replace them. *Please bring a plate to share for supper.*

LITURGIES			
Tues 20 th Oct	Bungaree	9.00am	Mass
Thu 22 nd Oct	Ballan	10:00am	Prayer Group
Sat 24 th Oct	Clarkes Hill	6:30pm	Sunday Mass
Sun 25 th Oct	Gordon	8:45am	Sunday Mass
	Ballan	10:30am	



	1 st Sunday	2 nd Sunday	3 rd Sunday	4 th Sunday	5 th 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

William Gleeson, Una Shanahan, Constance Gleeson, Brendan McTigue, Dorothy Conlan, Reg Mullane, Joan Auchettl, Monica Burke and Brian Britt

We offer our prayerful support for the sick

Carole Brimson, Wayne Mc Kercher, Gwen Shanahan, Fred May, Bonnie MacDonald, Anna Bartaska, Mitchell Prendergast, Fr Justin Woodford, Mary Cassar, Moira Myers, Michelle Hall, Louise Smith, Elizabeth Smith.

Welcome

Welcome to Sadie Kathleen Lloyd (daughter of Kathleen and David), who at Mass this weekend is beginning her preparation for baptism at St. Patrick's, Gordon. We assure her and her family of our prayers and support

Mercy Connect Ballarat – Volunteers needed

Mercy Works is recruiting volunteers to support refugee students in Ballarat Schools in 2016. Commitment: approx. 3 hrs/week for 4 school terms. Experience working in an educational setting preferred. Training Feb 2016. Info: Paulene Barton ☎ 0417 624 330 or mercyconnectb@gmail.com.

2017 Year 7 Enrolments

- St Patrick's College: Information evening, Wed 28th Oct, 7.30pm, College Chapel. RSVP: 26 Oct www.trybooking.com/JBEX. For prospectus: Mrs Lorrie Liston ☎ 5322 4449 or liston@stpats.vic.edu.au
- Damascus College: Information evening, Wed 4th Nov, 6.30pm (Registration: 6.15pm). Open mornings, Thurs 12th & 19th Nov, 9–10.30am.
- Enrolments for 2017 Year 7 close on 12th Feb 2016.

PALMS Australia Overseas Volunteer Opportunities



PALMS Australia is a Catholic organisation that sponsors volunteers to communities in East Timor, Ethiopia, Kenya, Kiribati, PNG, Samoa and elsewhere, to assist mentor local workers and so assist poverty reduction. 2016 positions close soon. Info: palms@palms.org.au or ☎ 02 9518 9551

Sacred Heart College Reunion – Class of 1965

All welcome from year 7, 1960, to matriculation in 1965. The Barkly, Main Rd, 7th Nov, 12 noon. Info: Jan Mullaly (Favaloro): janmull65@gmail.com or ☎ 0418 522 180 or Carmel Frost (Frith): carmel@frost.net.au

World Youth Day and Australian Catholic Youth Festival

World Youth Day Registrations now open and Australian Catholic Youth Festival Group Bookings open until Friday, October 23, 2015. All details on the Diocesan Youth and Young Adult webpage www.ballarat.catholic.org.au or contact us on youth@ballarat.catholic.org.au

St Martin's in the Pines 1970–75 40-year Reunion

Sat 24th Oct. Info: Robyn Barnett ☎ 5337 2352 or connecting@damascus.vic.edu.au

Nov–Dec 2016 Study Tour of Biblical Lands

Catholic Theological College study tour info session: Sat 31st Oct 31, 2–4pm. RSVP: 28th Oct jenny.delahunt@ctc.edu.au or ☎ 9412 3314

Liturgy of Lament and Hope

In the context of the Royal Commission hearings on child abuse, this is an occasion to lament the wrongs that have occurred in our Church, to ask forgiveness, and to pray for healing for all involved. St Patrick's Cathedral, Ballarat, Sunday 1st Nov, 2pm, followed by cuppa in St Patrick's Hall.

Prayer for the Synod on the Family (4–25 Oct)

Jesus, Mary and Joseph,
in you we contemplate the splendour of true love,
to you we turn with trust.
Holy Family of Nazareth,
grant that our families too
may be places of communion and prayer,
authentic schools of the Gospel
and small domestic churches.
Holy Family of Nazareth,
may families never again
experience violence, rejection and division:
may all who have been hurt or scandalised
find ready comfort and healing.
Holy Family of Nazareth, may this month's
Synod of Bishops make us once more mindful
of the sacredness of the family,
and its beauty in God's plan.
Jesus, Mary and Joseph,
graciously hear our prayer. Amen.

	READER/INTERSESSIONS	PRESENTATION OF GIFTS	COMMUNION MINISTER	ALTAR SERVERS
17 th & 18 th Oct	Twenty Ninth Sunday of Ordinary Time (Year B): Isaiah 53:10-11 ~ Hebrews 4:14-16 ~ Mark 10:35-45			
Dunnstown ~ 6.30pm	Trish & Nicole White	White Family	Winnie Leonard	Gabby McGannon & Daniel Britt
Gordon ~ 8.45am	Mark Conroy & Caron Whitefield	Mark & Narelle Conroy Family	Eily Carey	
Ballan ~ 10.30am	Lin Bowers & John Fabre	James & Alison Eskdale Family	Judith Hodgson & Winnie Zammit	
24 th & 25 th Oct	Thirtieth Sunday of Ordinary Time (Year B): Jer 31:7-9 ~ Hebrews: 5:1-6 ~ Mark 10:46-52			
Clarkes Hill ~ 6.30pm	Pat Prendergast	Mary (Peter) Prendergast	Marty Forbes	Mowing: L Robinson / D Prendergast
Gordon ~ 8.45am	Carmen Camilleri & Eddie Davis	Kim Newman Family	Carmen Camilleri	
Ballan ~ 10.30am	Patrick Hodgson & Lloyd Lamb	Brigid Sims Family	Cathy Mullane & Helen Conlan	
31 st Oct & 1 st Nov	All Saints (Year B): Revelation 7:2-4,9-14 ~ 1 John 3:1-3 ~ Matthew 5:1-12a			
Dunnstown ~ 6.30pm	Hugh Ryan & Louis Spratling	Danny O'Loughlin Family	Fran Peterkin	Tara J, Felicity G & Amy O'L
Gordon ~ 8.45am	Michael McCarthy & Maria Donegan	Maria & Bern Donegan	Maria Donegan	
Ballan ~ 10.30am	Margaret Hillier & Marie Shanahan	Anita Lidgett Family	John Fabre & Bert Jarvis	

