



## 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

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

<b>Parish Pastoral Council</b>	Donna Simpson (Chair), Joan Bourke (Coordinator representative), Linden Hall, Carole Barr, Helen Ryan, Marg Quinlan, Sr Kathleen Moran, Michael Kennedy (School Principal)		
<b>Finance Committee</b>	Dana Ronan (Chair), John Moroney (Book Keeper), Tony Lynch, Reg Haintz, Luke Mullane, Michael Ryan, Stephen Conroy, Lin Bowers (Coordinator Representative)		
<b>Parish Schools</b>	<b>St. Brigid's Primary School</b>	<b>St. Patrick's Primary School</b>	<b>St. Michael's Primary School</b>
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### **Collections Last Week**

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

<b>Loose</b>	Parish: \$143.60	Presbytery: \$300.00
<b>Planned Giving</b>	Envelopes: \$787.50	<b>Year to date:</b> \$66,224.70

### **Card/Social afternoon, Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> July:**

The Gordon Parish PPC are holding a Card/Social afternoon on Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> July. At this stage the venue is undecided, depending on numbers. There is transport available if required. If you are interested in attending please phone Margie Quinlan on 53340339 or 0417587237.

### **Thank you & planned giving reminders:**

Thank you for the excellent response to the Planned Giving reminders that went out recently. As we approach the end of the financial year, it would be appreciated if pledges could be bought up to date, as this will enable our Parish to meet its ongoing financial commitments. New Planned Giving Envelopes are available for collection in the Churches this weekend.

### **Coming Events & Meetings:**

- Mon, 13<sup>th</sup> July. 7:30pm. P.P.C. Meeting. Parish House, Gordon.
- Thurs, 16<sup>th</sup> July. 7:30pm. Finance Committee Meeting. Parish House, Gordon.
- Sun, 2<sup>nd</sup> Aug. 8:45am; St Patrick's. Sun, 3<sup>rd</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup> Aug. 10:30am; St Brigid's. Sat, 8<sup>th</sup> Aug. 6:30pm; St Michael's. Confirmation & First Eucharist Mass & Celebration.

### **Church Cleaning – July**

Thank you to all our volunteers who keep our Churches well maintained.

**\*Note: St Patrick's & St Michael's will be vacuumed on 10<sup>th</sup> July.**

BALLAN	GORDON	SPRINGBANK
Brigid Cappello, Colleen Ryrie, Julie Dargan & Lyndal Healey.	Margaret McTigue & Carmen Camilleri.	Natalie Toohey, 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 ☎ 5334 0450 Fax: 5334 0514

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### **Collections Last Week**

<b>Presbytery:</b>	\$292.00	<b>Parish:</b>	\$950.00
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### **Confirmation and First Eucharist**

17 children from our parish are preparing with their families for Confirmation and First Eucharist. We assure them and their families of our prayers and support.

The fourth week of the program is entitled **Remembering Jesus**. This week, children and their families will be reflecting on the Mass as a 'special meal' that helps us remember and give thanks. The Mass is like a family meal: a time when we share, talk, listen and are nourished. At Mass we do these things as God's family, in the presence of Jesus.

### **Retreat Day**

~ Friday 31<sup>st</sup> July, Bungaree Parish Centre

**Celebration** of Confirmation and First Eucharist

~ Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> August, 6.30pm, St Brendan's, Dunnstown

~ Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> August, 8.45am, St Michael's, Bungaree



### **Mass at Pootilla Cemetery**

Mass will be celebrated at Pootilla Cemetery again this year:

Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> November, 9.30am.

Please advise friends and relations who may be interested.

LITURGIES			
Thu 2 <sup>nd</sup> July	Ballan	10.00am	Prayer Group
Sat 4 <sup>th</sup> July	Dunnstown	6.30pm	Sunday Mass
Sun 5 <sup>th</sup> July	Gordon	8.45am	
	Ballan	10.30am	



	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)	Clarks Hill (Clunes)	Springbank (Blampied)
Sun 8.45am	Gordon	Bungaree	Gordon	Gordon	Bungaree
Sun 10.30am	Ballan (Creswick 8.45am – Daylesford 10.30am)				

### Recent Death

Margaret White (Springbank)

### Anniversaries

Stan Mullane, Patricia Conroy, James Hopkins, John Galea, Kevin O'Donohue, Isabella Senserrick, Ellie Mooring, Ken Ludbrook and Mary Walsh.

### We offer our prayerful support for the sick

Fred May, Joe Donegan, Bonnie MacDonald, Anna Bartaska, Mitchell Prendergast, Fr Justin Woodford, Mary Cassar, Moira Myers, Michelle Hall, Louise Smith, Elizabeth Smith.

### Fr Shane's holidays

Fr Shane will commence his annual holidays after masses this weekend, returning on Sat 25 July. Fr Rupert Bowd will celebrate weekend masses during this time, and Fr Gary Jones will be available if a priest is needed during the week (☎ 5348 2026).

### Baptism

Congratulations to James Bodnar (son of Megan & Zsolt), who is being baptised this weekend at St. Patrick's, Gordon. We welcome James into our faith community, and assure him and his family of our prayers and support.



### New Website for Diocese

Visit the new diocesan website:  
[www.ballarat.catholic.org.au](http://www.ballarat.catholic.org.au)

### Laudato si' (Praise be): On the care of our common home

Full text: [www.vatican.va](http://www.vatican.va)

"Praise be to you, my Lord" in Saint Francis of Assisi's Canticle of the Creatures reminds us that the earth, our common home "is like a sister with whom we share our life and a beautiful mother who opens her arms to embrace us" (1). We ourselves "are dust of the earth; our very bodies are made up of her elements, we breathe her air and we receive life and refreshment from her waters" (2). "This sister now cries out to us because of the harm we have inflicted on her by our irresponsible use and abuse of the goods with which God has endowed her" (2). Her cry, united with that of the poor, stirs our conscience to "acknowledge our sins against creation" (8). "For human beings ... to destroy the biological diversity ... by causing changes in its climate ...; to contaminate the earth's waters, its land, its air, and its life – these are sins"(8). The appropriate response is a "global ecological conversion"

(5). In this, St Francis of Assisi is "the example par excellence of care for the vulnerable and of an integral ecology lived out joyfully and authentically. [...] He shows us just how inseparable is the bond between concern for nature, justice for the poor, commitment to society, and interior peace" (10).

The central concept is *integral ecology*, which expresses the fundamental relationships of the person: with God, with one's self, with other human beings, with creation. This movement starts (chap. 1) by listening spiritually to the results of the best scientific research on environmental matters available today, "letting them touch us deeply and provide a concrete foundation for the ethical and spiritual itinerary that follows". Science is the best tool by which we can listen to the cry of the earth. The next step (chap. 2) draws on the wealth of Judeo-Christian tradition, particularly in biblical texts and in theological reflection on them. The analysis is then directed (chap. 3) towards "the roots of the present situation, so as to consider not only its symptoms but also its deepest causes". The objective is to develop an integral ecological profile (chap. 4) which, in its various dimensions, includes "our unique place as human beings in this world and our relationship to our surroundings". Insisting on transparent and inclusive dialogue, Pope Francis proposes (chap. 5) a series of guidelines for the renewal of international, national and local policies, for decision-making processes in the public and business sector, for the relationship between politics and economy and that between religion and science. Finally, based on the conviction that "change is impossible without motivation and a process of education", chap. 6 proposes "some inspired guidelines for human development to be found in the treasure of Christian spiritual experience".

Key themes: the intimate relationship between the poor and the fragility of the planet, the conviction that everything in the world is connected, the critique of new paradigms and forms of power derived from technology, the call to seek other ways of understanding the economy and progress, the value proper to each creature, the human meaning of ecology, the need for forthright and honest debate, the serious responsibility of international and local policy, the throwaway culture and the proposal of a new lifestyle (16).

	READER/INTERSESSIONS	PRESENTATION OF GIFTS	COMMUNION MINISTER	ALTAR SERVERS
27 <sup>th</sup> & 28 <sup>th</sup> June	Thirteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time (Year B): Wisdom 1:13-15, 2:23-27 ~ 2 Corinthians 8:7, 9, 13-15 ~ Mark 5:21-43			
Clarks Hill ~ 6.30pm	Joan Powell	Julie Moran	Julie Moran	
Gordon ~ 8.45am	Kate Carey & Marie Durham	Gary & Margaret McTigue	Kathleen Moran	
Ballan ~ 10.30am	Patrick Hodgson & Lloyd Lamb	James Alison Eskdale Family	Cathy Mullane & Bert Jarvis	
4 <sup>th</sup> & 5 <sup>th</sup> July	Fourteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time (Year B): Ezekiel 2:2-5 ~ 2 Corinthians 12:7-10 ~ Mark 6:1-6			
Dunnstown ~ 6.30pm	Dominic & Liam Hanrahan	Dom Hanrahan Family	Winnie Leonard	Max & Jade Peterken
Gordon ~ 8.45am	Therese Winter & Caron Whitefield	Brian & Kate Carey	Therese Winter	
Ballan ~ 10.30am	Lin Bowers & John Fabre	Anita Lidgett Family	Brigid Cappello & Lloyd Lamb	
11 <sup>th</sup> & 12 <sup>th</sup> July	Fifteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time (Year B): Amos 7:12-15 ~ Ephesians 1:3-14 (3-10) ~ Mark 6:7-13			
Springbank ~ 6.30pm	Vicki Moroney	Mark Hanrahan Family	Donna Simpson	
Bungaree ~ 8.45am	Terry Elliott	S Steenhuis	M Elliott / A Elliott	
Ballan ~ 10.30am	Margaret Hillier & Marie Shanahan	Shaun Conroy family	Patricia Binks & Judith Hodgson	