



## 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*

<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)

### Parish Schools

#### St. Brigid's Primary School

Principal: Ms Gabrielle Driscoll  
☎ 5368 1015 Fax: 5368 2068  
[www.sballan.catholic.edu.au](http://www.sballan.catholic.edu.au)

#### St. Patrick's Primary School

Principal: Mr Michael Kennedy  
☎ 5368 9495 Fax: 5368 9198  
[www.spgordon.catholic.edu.au](http://www.spgordon.catholic.edu.au)

#### St. Michael's Primary School

Principal: Mr Michael Kennedy  
☎ 5334 0344 Fax: 5334 0533  
[www.smspringbank.catholic.edu.au](http://www.smspringbank.catholic.edu.au)

### Collections Last Week

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

2015/16	Loose	Parish: \$147.05	Presbytery: \$300.00
	Planned Giving	Envelopes: \$1,171.00	Year to date: \$1,641.00
	Popes Collection	\$321.25	
2014/15	Planned Giving Envelopes:		Direct Debit June:
	\$10.00		\$3,415.00
Year to Date: \$72,656.80			

### News from the Coordinators (Lin, Joan & Catherine)

We thank Fr Rupert who has been with us these last three weekends while Fr Shane is enjoying a well-earned break. A Parish dinner is in the planning stages for Tues 1<sup>st</sup> Dec (venue to be decided). Feedback is also sought with the possibility of a Parish Picnic at Moorabool Reservoir in early February 2016 – your thoughts are welcome with any members of the PPC. As a result of the faithful and generous financial support from our parishioners through the Planned Giving Program, the parish has been able to employ a maintenance contractor (Jim Leahy) who will be able to perform the many varied tasks that require attention across our parish buildings and grounds. It is also timely to acknowledge and thank Alan Barr (recently retired chair of the Finance Committee) for all his voluntary work for our parish in this capacity – thank you Alan, we are most grateful.

### Kathleen's corner

#### To Australian Prime Minister Tony Abbott:

We call on you to withdraw the new directions given to the Clean Energy Finance Corporation to stop funding wind and

small scale solar projects. Renewable energy is the future for Australia, a country blessed with abundant resources for clean energy. We call on you to restore the CEFC's ability to invest in profitable wind and solar projects. While Australia continues to subsidise coal, oil and gas companies, there is no justification for gutting investment in clean energy.

If you would like to sign this petition, go to

[https://secure.avaaz.org/en/australia\\_bans\\_renewables\\_loc/?bMUWgab&v=61896](https://secure.avaaz.org/en/australia_bans_renewables_loc/?bMUWgab&v=61896)

### Confirmation & First Eucharist Mass & Celebration

- Sun 2<sup>nd</sup> Aug, 8:45am; St Patrick's, Gordon
- Sun 2<sup>nd</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup> Aug, 10:30am; St Brigid's, Ballan
- Sat 8<sup>th</sup> Aug, 6:30pm; St Michael's, Springbank

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

The Gordon Parish PPC is 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 5334 0339 or 0417 587237.

### Church Cleaning – August

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

\*Note: St Patrick's & St Michael's will be vacuumed ....

BALLAN	GORDON	SPRINGBANK
Marie Shanahan, Anne Eskdale & Anna Marriampallai	Eily Carey, Kate Carey & Leisa Carey	Molly Ronan & Vicki Moroney



## 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

Presbytery:	\$195.00	Parish:	\$670.00
Popes Collection (to date):		\$109.45	

### 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 fifth week of the program is entitled **Jesus Present**. This week, children and their families will be reflecting on the four ways that Jesus is present in our Eucharistic celebration: in the community, in the Word of God, in the celebrant, and in the consecrated bread and wine.

### 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

~ Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> August, 6.30pm, St Brendan's, Dunnstown **(NB. Change of date)**



### Mass at Pootilla

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			
Thur 23 <sup>rd</sup> July	Ballan	10am	Prayer Group
Sat 25 <sup>th</sup> July	Clarkes Hill	6.30pm	Sunday Mass
Sun 26 <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)	Clarkes Hill (Clunes)	Springbank (Blampied)
Sun 8.45am	Gordon	Bungaree	Gordon	Gordon	Bungaree
Sun 10.30am	Ballan (Creswick 8.45am – Daylesford 10.30am)				

### Anniversaries

Pat O'Neil, Jimmy Toohey, Clare Molloy, Edith Holmes, Patrick Maher, Margaret Maher, Marie Britt, James Glenane and Ted Ryan

### We offer our prayerful support for the sick

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

### Welcome to visiting priest

Welcome to Fr Rupert Bowd who is celebrating weekend masses while Fr Shane is on his annual holidays (returning Sat 25 July). Fr Gary Jones will be available if a priest is needed during the week (☎ 5348 3911).

### New Website for Diocese

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

### Baptism Anniversaries

This month, we celebrate the anniversary of the following recent baptisms: Flynn Noah Boyd (2012), Jack Patrick Lenaghan (2014), Eliza Margaret Hanrahan (2014)

Lord God, strengthen your Spirit in them,  
so they may walk in newness of life.



### Vatican Information Services

<http://www.vis.va> the web address for Vatican news.

### Fundraiser Supporting Trek to Nepal

Movie Fundraiser supporting a trek to Nepal with all proceeds to Alzheimer's Aust. Friday 21<sup>st</sup> August at 7pm; tickets \$15 each. Movie: 'Vacation' Regent Theatre. Purchase tickets from Mary Slater: 4 East St Sth., Ballarat or Bess Slater: ☎ 0408 334112.

Facebook: **Bess & Mary's Trek to Remember**

### Damascus College: Alfred Hitchcock's The 39 Steps

Damascus College performing arts students 22-25 July. Tickets \$15/\$10, family (4) \$40 [www.damascus.vic.edu.au](http://www.damascus.vic.edu.au)

### Youth Mental Health First Aid – Free Training

Youth Mental Health First Aid training free for parents with teenagers 12-15 years old on August 21-22. More info: [www.tpot.net.au](http://www.tpot.net.au) or ☎ Julie Fischer 9035 6770 or mob: 0401 772 648



### Mercy Sisters & Associates Afternoon Tea

Social afternoon on Friday, July 31, 1.30pm - 4pm. Mercy Centre Ballarat (enter via Gent St). \$5.00 entry, includes afternoon tea and entry prize ticket. Money raised supports Mercy Works. Contact Ursula: [gudiamond-keith@live.com](mailto:gudiamond-keith@live.com) or ph. 0407 717 626, 5341 7626, or Helen ph. 0419 875 349

### University of Melbourne

Newman College and St Mary's College offer scholarships to academically gifted candidates and bursaries to financially-straitened families. Preference is given to Catholic students who come from the Catholic School system.

### Australian Catholic youth Festival

Adelaide 3 - 5 Dec. 5,000 expected from year 9 – 25 y.o. Info: [www.ballarat.catholic.org.au](http://www.ballarat.catholic.org.au) (look under 'Services') or [youth@ballarat.catholic.org.au](mailto:youth@ballarat.catholic.org.au)

### World Youth Day Information Sessions

Are you thinking about being part of the WYD Pilgrimage to Krakow Poland in 2016? Information session for potential pilgrims (18-35 y.o.) Friday, July 31 at 7.00pm; St Patrick's Cathedral Presbytery, 3 Lyons St. Sth. Contact Amanda: 0427 748867 if you can't make it and we'll get the info to you.

See WYD Information on the Ballarat Diocese Youth and Young Adult Ministry page: [www.ballarat.catholic.org.au](http://www.ballarat.catholic.org.au)

### Centacare Programs

#### Bringing up Great Kids

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 1 & 8 Aug 9.30am-1.30pm. Cost: \$80 or \$40 conc.**

#### 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 11 Aug 9.30am-1.30pm. Cost: \$80 or \$40 conc.**

**Register with Centacare: 53 277 960**

**More info: [www.centacareballarat.org.au](http://www.centacareballarat.org.au)**

	READER/INTERSESSIONS	PRESENTATION OF GIFTS	COMMUNION MINISTER	ALTAR SERVERS
18 <sup>th</sup> & 19 <sup>th</sup> July	Sixteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time (Year B): Jeremiah 23: 1-6 ~ Ephesians 2:13-16 ~ Mark 6:30-34			
Dunnstown ~ 6.30pm	Ash & Brad Simpson	Terry Simpson Family	Fran Peterkin	Tara, Felicity & Amy
Gordon ~ 8.45am	Carmen Camilleri & Eddie Davis	Joe & Carmen Camilleri	Beth Calleja	
Ballan ~ 10.30am	Helen Blazek & Mark Conlan	Leon & Pat Burvill	Lorraine Tipple & Peter Johnson	
26 <sup>th</sup> & 27 <sup>th</sup> July	Seventeenth Sunday of Ordinary Time (Year B): 2 Kings 4: 42-44 ~ Ephesians 4:1-6 ~ John 6:1-15			
Clarkes Hill ~ 6.30pm	Pat Prendergast	Mary (Peter) Prendergast	Marty Forbes	
Gordon ~ 8.45am	Michael McCarthy & Maria Donegan	Kim Grimes family	Pat Barry	
Ballan ~ 10.30am	Anne Eskdale & Bert Jarvis	Julie Dargan family	Peter Johnson & Winnie Zammit	
1 <sup>st</sup> & 2 <sup>nd</sup> Aug	Eighteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time (Year B): 2Exodus 16:2-4,12-15 ~ Ephesians 4:17,20-24 ~ John 6:24-35			
Dunnstown ~ 6.30pm	First Eucharist		Trish White	Charlotte & Caleb
Gordon ~ 8.45am	TBA	TBA	TBA	
Ballan ~ 10.30am	TBA	TBA	TBA	