



## 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)		
<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>
	Principal: Ms Gabrielle Driscoll	Principal: Mr Michael Kennedy	Principal: Mr Michael Kennedy
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### Collections Last Week

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

2015/16	<b>Loose</b>	Parish: \$245.35	Presbytery: \$300.00
	<b>Planned Giving</b>	Envelopes: \$959.00	<b>Year to date:</b> \$2,584.35
	<b>Popes Collection</b>	\$321.25	
2014/15	<b>Planned Giving Envelopes:</b>		<b>Direct Debit June:</b>
	\$960.00		\$3,415.00
<b>Year to Date: \$73,616.80</b>			

### Kathleen's corner- National Tree Day.

Planet Ark is celebrating 20 years of planting trees and urging Australians to do the same for National Tree Day on Sunday 26 July and Schools Tree Day on Friday 24 July. By taking part in National Tree Day, you'll be contributing to Australia's largest community tree planting and nature-care event and joining thousands of individuals in making a difference, connecting people with nature, beautifying neighbourhoods and inspiring positive environmental change.

**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, 2.00pm at Donegan's Farm. Card playing is optional. Everyone welcome, please spread the word! Afternoon tea supplied. If you require further information, or transport please contact Margy Quinlan on 5334 0339 or 0417 587237 of Joan Bourke on 5368 9331 or 0402 111495.

### Coming Events & Meetings:

- Mon, 3<sup>rd</sup> Aug. 7:30pm. P.P.C meeting, Parish House, Gordon.
- Thurs, 20<sup>th</sup> Aug, 7:30pm. Finance Committee Meeting, Parish House, Gordon.

### Church Cleaning - August

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

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

<b>Presbytery:</b>	\$266	<b>Parish:</b>	\$769
<b>Pope's Collection (to date):</b>		\$109.45	

### Parish Leadership Team

Meeting: Tues 4 August, 7.30pm

### 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.



### 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 final week of the program is entitled **Called and Sent Out**. During their retreat day on Friday, children will be reflecting on the message at the end of Mass, when we are sent out "to love and serve the Lord". As fully initiated Christians, we are called into action - we are sent out to follow Jesus' example.

### 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)



LITURGIES			
Thu 30 <sup>th</sup> July	Ballan	10am	Prayer Group
Sat 1 <sup>st</sup> Aug	Dunnstown	6.30pm	Sunday Mass including <b>Confirmation &amp; First Eucharist</b>
Sun 2 <sup>nd</sup> Aug	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

Reg Burvill

### Anniversaries

Angus Finlayson, Mary Flynn, Robert McGiffin, Carmen Buttigieg, Tim Devereux, Kevin Leonard, Mervyn Britt, Jim Britt, James Rix, Frank Pearce & Barry Duffin

### We offer our prayerful support for the sick

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

### Welcome back Fr Shane

We welcome Fr Shane back from his annual holidays. We trust he has enjoyed a well deserved and restful break and thank Fr Rupert for celebrating masses with us while Fr Shane was away.

### Baptism

Congratulations to Arian & Aisha Drennan (children of Sean & Noreen), who are being baptised this weekend at St Brigid's, Ballan. We welcome Arian & Aisha into our faith community, and assure them and their 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)

### Vatican Information Services

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

### Mercy Sisters & Associates Afternoon Tea

Social afternoon Friday, July 31, 1.30-4pm. 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

### 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. More info, Amanda: ☎ 0427 748867 or see WYD Information on Ballarat Diocese Youth and Young Adult Ministry page: [www.ballarat.catholic.org.au](http://www.ballarat.catholic.org.au)

### Fundraiser Supporting Trek to Nepal

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

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

### A Prayer for Grandparents

Dear God,  
Please bless our grandparents.  
Thank you for the life they gave my parents and for the life they give to me.  
For the ways they helped me and made me strong, I give thanks.  
For the ways they love me no matter what, I rejoice.  
For the ways they have paved the road that leads me here, I am grateful.  
Let them grow in wisdom and joy in life.  
Let them find peace and rest from their work.  
Let them be healed of every sickness and pain.  
And let them see with their own eyes the glory of your Son, Jesus, in the love of their children and grandchildren.  
Bless them always until they come to rest in you.  
We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.  
Prayer by Diana Macalintal, marking the feast of Ss Joachim & Anne, 26 July

### 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
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			
Clarks 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	Confirmation & First Eucharist		Trish White	Charlotte & Caleb
Gordon ~ 8.45am	Confirmation & First Eucharist			
Ballan ~ 10.30am	Confirmation & First Eucharist			
8 <sup>th</sup> & 9 <sup>th</sup> Aug	Eighteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time (Year B): 2Exodus 16:2-4,12-15 ~ Ephesians 4:17,20-24 ~ John 6:24-35			
Springbank ~ 6.30pm	Confirmation & First Eucharist			
Bungaree ~ 8.45am	Shelley Ryan	P Ryan	S Ryan / N Jeffrey	
Ballan ~ 10.30am	Confirmation & First Eucharist			