



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: \$159.05	Presbytery: \$300.00
Planned Giving	Envelopes: \$172.00	Year to date: \$10,228.15
Sick & Retired Priests:		\$237.90 (to date)

News from the Coordinators (Lin, Joan & Catherine)

We are grateful for Sue Conlan who will be the Baptism Coordinator and first point of contact in Ballan taking over from Carole Barr. Thank you Sue for accepting this role, we know that you will find it very rewarding. On **Sunday, September 27** we farewell two families from the Ballan community – Alan & Carole Barr and Peter & Dianne Johnson who have been wonderful and committed supporters of the Parish of Gordon. A cuppa will follow mass to give you the opportunity to join with us in acknowledging these two families for their contribution to our parish life. We wish them every blessing for their future as they leave our parish family.

Gordon Cemetery Mass

A Mass will be celebrated at the Gordon Cemetery on Sunday 29th November, 2015, 1.30pm. Please let any interested family members/neighbours know.

Community Festival

On Sunday, 28th February the Gordon Parish Pastoral Council is running a Community Festival at the Wallace Rec. Reserve. There are many fun family activities planned and special guest appearances, along with a variety of stalls. Stall holders who wish to register their interest please email quinlanwater@gmail.com. More info: Margie Quinlan Ph: 5334 0339 or 0417 587237. *Please keep this date free.*

Kathleen's Corner:

If we acknowledge the value and the fragility of nature and, at the same time, our God-given abilities, we can finally leave behind the modern myth of unlimited material progress. A fragile world, entrusted by God to human care, challenges us to devise intelligent ways of directing, developing and limiting our power. *Pope Francis LS#78*

Church Cleaning – October

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

BALLAN	GORDON	SPRINGBANK
Ken Hillier & Lloyd Lamb	Carmel Mahar & Sue Clifford.	Julie Toohey, Sue Daly & Sharon Daly.



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

Collections Last Week

Presbytery:	\$225.80	Parish:	\$555.00
Sick & Retired Priests:		\$435.00 (to date)	

Mass at Pootilla

Mass will be celebrated at Pootilla Cemetery again this year: Sunday 8th November, 9.30am. Please advise friends and relations who may be interested.

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.

	READER/INTERSESSIONS	PRESENTATION OF GIFTS	COMMUNION MINISTER	ALTAR SERVERS
19 th & 20 th Sep	Twenty Fifth Sunday of Ordinary Time (Year B): Wisdom 2:12-17-20 ~ James 3:16, 4:3 ~ Mark 9:30-37			
Dunnstown ~ 6.30pm	Liz Hanrahan	Stephen Leonard Family	Dorothy Sheehan	Campbell Leonard & Charlie Cahir
Gordon ~ 8.45am	Josie Donegan & Shane Carey	Peter Donegan Family	Carmel Mahar	
Ballan ~ 10.30am	Winnie Zammit & Julie Dargan	Kaz & Max Craggill Family	Helen Conlan & Judith Hodgson	
26 th & 27 th Sep	Twenty Sixth Sunday of Ordinary Time (Year B): Numbers 11:25-29 ~ James 5:1-6 ~ Mark 9:38-43			
Clarkes Hill ~ 6.30pm	Joan Powell	Julie Moran	Julie Moran	
Gordon ~ 8.45am	Marie Conroy & Michael Winter	Gary & Margaret McTigue	Marie Conroy	
Ballan ~ 10.30am	Helen Blazek & Mark Conlan	Lorraine De Spirt & Vicki Boka	Bert Jarvis & Patricia Binks	
3 rd & 4 th Oct	Twenty Seventh Sunday of Ordinary Time (Year B): Genesis 2:18-24 ~ Hebrews 2:9-11 ~ Mark 10:2-16			
Dunnstown ~ 6.30pm	Dorothy Sheehan & Bonnie Rinaldi	Paul Britt Family	Trish Ryan	Max & Jade Peterken
Gordon ~ 8.45am	Kate Carey & Marie Durham	Brian & Kate Carey	Eddie Davis	
Ballan ~ 10.30am	Margaret Hillier & Marie Shanahan	Helen & Anthony Blazek	John Fabre & Lorraine Tipple	

LITURGIES			
Thu 24 th Sep	Ballan	10:00am	Prayer Group
Thu 25 th Sep	Bungaree	9.00am	Mass
Sat 26 th Sep	Clarks Hill	6:30pm	Sunday Mass
Sun 27 th Sep	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)	Clarks Hill (Clunes)	Springbank (Blampied)
Sun 8.45am	Gordon	Bungaree	Gordon	Gordon	Bungaree
Sun 10.30am	Ballan (Creswick 8.45am – Daylesford 10.30am)				



Anniversaries

Vera Winter, Kevin O'Brien, Margaret Mahar, Catherine Graham, Des Lee, Emmanuel Barbara, Bill Moroney, Kevin Jeffrey, Jean Leonard and Andrew Forbes

We offer our prayerful support for the sick

Carole Brimson, 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.

Baptism

Congratulations to Cambrai Anthony Hodge (son of Rachael & Bobby) and Molly Louise Osborne (daughter of Sarah & Mathew), who are being baptised this weekend in St Brigid's, Ballan. We welcome Cambrai and Molly into our faith community, and assure them and their families of our prayers and support.

Retreat with Fr Brendan Murphy SDB

"Who are we? Where are we going? How will we get there?" Sponsored by Catholic Women's League & Anima Education. Nazareth House, Thu-Sat, 24-26 Sep (concluding Sat 12 noon). RSVP: Maureen van der Linden ☎ 0431 273 953 or mojo6163@hotmail.com .

Pastoral Associate – Ballarat North Parish

This is a new position to lead the provision of pastoral care in the Parish after the present Parish Priest retires at the end of December 2015. The Pastoral Associate will be a "Key Faith Leader" within the Parish and the facilitator for the Parish's transformation from a resident parish priest to a parish operating with a non-resident Supervising Priest. In addition, the pastoral associate will play a "high profile" co-ordinator role in fostering stewardship in the Parish and be visible and available to parishioners. For further information, a role description and application information, go to the Ballarat North parish page on the diocesan website www.ballarat.catholic.org.au Applications close Friday 26th September.

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

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

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.

Visit the new diocesan website:

www.ballarat.catholic.org.au

Online Training...

Safeguarding Children and Vulnerable Adults:

Bishop Paul Bird has asked that all parish staff and parishioners with particular responsibilities undertake an online training course arranged by the Diocesan Professional Standards Office. Those affected will be contacted about providing an email address for this training, which relates to two diocesan documents: *Safeguarding Children and Vulnerable Adults* and *Code of Conduct for Caring for Children*. The training aims to ensure that parishioners in positions of responsibility and those who work with children have read and understand these documents.

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 the approaching
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.

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

Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend

Couples and a priest present the weekend. It is based around Catholic values but couples of all faiths are welcome. Accommodation and all meals provided. 23-25 Oct 2015, 8-10 April, 17-19 June, 19-21 Aug, 11-13 Nov 2016. Info: Marianne & Marcel ☎ 9733 0997 or vicbookings@wwme.org.au or www.wwme.org.au

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July edition available at the church door

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