



## 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, Helen Ryan, Marg Quinlan, Sr Kathleen Moran, Michael Kennedy (School Principal)		
<b>Finance Committee</b>	Michael Ryan (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>	Principal: Ms Gabrielle Driscoll	☎ 5368 1015 <a href="http://www.sballan.catholic.edu.au">www.sballan.catholic.edu.au</a>
	<b>St. Patrick's Primary School</b>	Principal: Mr Michael Kennedy	☎ 5368 9495 <a href="http://www.spgordon.catholic.edu.au">www.spgordon.catholic.edu.au</a>
	<b>St. Michael's Primary School</b>	Principal: Mr Michael Kennedy	☎ 5334 0344 <a href="http://www.smspringbank.catholic.edu.au">www.smspringbank.catholic.edu.au</a>

**Collections Last Week**

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

<b>Loose</b>	Parish: \$10.40	Presbytery: \$300.00
<b>Planned Giving</b>	Envelopes: \$316.00	<b>Year to date: \$18,723.25</b>
	Direct debit (Oct): \$935.00	

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

We have been notified by Bishop Paul Bird that Fr Gary Jones has accepted the appointment of supervising priest for the Gordon Parish. Many of you will already know Fr Gary from the times he has visited our parish for funerals over the last couple of years. We are grateful for his willingness to contribute himself to our parish in this role, along with his current position of parish priest for Daylesford/Creswick. We assure him of our full support and assistance. Hopefully, you are giving some thought to the discernment process and have spoken with other members of the parish whom you may identify as possessing the gifts/talents/availability to offer their time as coordinator. It would be ideal if we could have some names by Christmas. These names would all be people who are comfortable and available to undertake the role. The names would then be put forward in early February 2016. You are invited to submit any items for discussion to the Parish Pastoral Council or the Finance Committee prior to their monthly meetings. Dates are advertised in the parish bulletin and items can be given to any member of either committee.

**Parish Workshop**

At the Parish Assembly in 'Nov. 2013', ideas and comments were put forward and are listed on the sheets placed in our church foyers. Please take one, reflect on what has, or has not been achieved. If you would like to do this with fellow parishioners

you are welcome to meet at the **Parish House, 9.30a.m. on Friday, 20<sup>th</sup> Nov** for a group discussion.

**Social Afternoon**

The Gordon Parish PPC is holding a social afternoon with a 'Christmas Theme' on Thurs, 10<sup>th</sup> Dec, 2pm at Donegan's Farm. All welcome.

**Coming Events & Meetings**

- Thurs, 19<sup>th</sup> Nov. 7:30pm. Finance Committee Meeting. Parish House, Gordon.
- Sun, 22<sup>nd</sup> Nov. 8:45am. Children's Liturgy, St Patrick's, Gordon
- Sun, 29<sup>th</sup> Nov. 1.30pm. The **Gordon Cemetery Mass**; celebrated by Bishop Peter Connors. 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.
- Sun 29 Nov. Farewell to Dr Anthony & Anna Marriampillai. Ballan Mechanics Institute Hall 2pm-3.30pm. Info ☎: 53681100
- Tues, 1<sup>st</sup> Dec. 6pm onwards. **Parish Christmas Dinner.** Donegan's Farm.

**Columban Calendar**

Available in Church foyer. \$7 each. Payment in box provided, or clearly labelled in envelope during collection.

**Church Cleaning – November**

\*Note: Vacuuming: St Michael's 4 Nov, St Brigid's 11 Nov. St Patrick's 25 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, Clarke's Hill ~ St Brendan's, Dunnstown ~ St Michael's, Bungaree

Parish Priest: Fr Shane Mackinlay ☎ 5334 0450 Fax: 5334 0514

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<b>Parish Schools</b>	<b>St. Mary's School, Clarke's Hill</b>	Principal: Mr Chris Kavanagh ☎ 5334 5280 <a href="http://www.smclarkeshill.catholic.edu.au">www.smclarkeshill.catholic.edu.au</a>
	<b>St. Brendan's School, Dunnstown</b>	Principal: Mr Chris Kavanagh ☎ 5334 7604 <a href="http://www.sbdunnstown.catholic.edu.au">www.sbdunnstown.catholic.edu.au</a>

**Collections Last Week**

Presbytery: \$286.00	Parish: \$455.00
Sick & Retired Priests: \$925.00 (to date)	

**Preparation for First Reconciliation**

15 children from our parish are preparing for First Reconciliation. They will formally enrol in the program on Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> November, and will participate in a Retreat Day on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> November, before celebrating the Sacrament of Reconciliation that evening at 5.30pm. We assure these children and their families of our prayers and

support as they prepare to celebrate this sacrament of God's forgiveness.

**Mass at Pootilla Cemetery**

Many thanks to all who contributed to making last Sunday's Mass such a moving and prayerful celebration, and especially to those who worked so hard on preparing the liturgy, the music and setting up.

**Anointing Mass for Frail Elderly and Sick**

Mass with the sacrament of anointing of the sick for Advent: Dunnstown, 1<sup>st</sup> Dec, 9.15am.

LITURGIES			
Tues 17 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Bungaree	9.00am	Mass
Thu 19 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Ballan	10:00am	Prayer Group
Sat 21 <sup>st</sup> Nov	Clarks Hill	6:30pm	Sunday Mass
Sun 22 <sup>nd</sup> Nov	Gordon	8:45am	Sunday Mass
	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)				



### Anniversaries

Jack McEldrew, Katherine Clarke, Louise Jarvis, Frank Bartaska, Mary Canty, Mary Molloy, Doreen Conroy, James Britt, Thomas Bawden, Graeme Mason, Matthew Steenhuis, Kath O'Hehir, Vincent Maher, Margaret Tynan, Barry Flynn, Mary Mahar, Carmen Maher, Basil Maher, Kath Murphy, Andrew Lund, Jack Glenane, Frances Maher, Ed McDonald and Tommy McGuane

### 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.

### Welcome to Visiting Priest

Welcome to Fr Rupert Bowd, who is celebrating masses this weekend, as Fr Shane has commitments in Melbourne.

### November Prayers for the Dead

In November, we traditionally place a special emphasis on praying for those who have died.

- A Book of Remembrance is available at the front of each Church. All are welcome to add names of those they wish to be prayed for and remembered.
- Envelopes for November Mass offerings are available at the church door.

### PALMS Australia Overseas Volunteer Opportunities



Palms Australia

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](mailto:palms@palms.org.au) or

☎ 02 9518 9551

### "The Blessing of Mercy" by Sr Veronica Lawson rsm

A book to help celebrate the Extraordinary Jubilee of Mercy proclaimed by Pope Francis. Copies available from <http://morningstarpublishing.net.au/product/the-blessing-of-mercy/>

### Clergy Appointments

Bishop Paul Bird, CSsR, has announced the following appointments, effective from January 2016:

- Fr Ed Moloney: Formation staff, Corpus Christi College, Melbourne
- Fr John Monaghan: Parish Priest, Maryborough
- Fr Eugene McKinnon: Parish Priest of Ouyen, Quambatook, Sea Lake, Wycheproof (in addition to his current parishes of Donald and Birchip)
- Fr Peter Jose: Assistant Priest of Ouyen, Quambatook, Sea Lake, Wycheproof
- Fr Damian Styles (Military Ordinariate): Assistant Priest, Mildura (2016 only)
- Fr Gary Jones: Supervising Priest, Gordon (while remaining as Parish Priest of Daylesford and Creswick)

### 2017 Year 7 Enrolments

- Damascus College: Open morning: Thurs 19<sup>th</sup> Nov, 9–10.30am.
- Enrolments for 2017 Year 7 close on 12<sup>th</sup> Feb 2016.

### Nazareth House Auxiliary Annual Fete

Sat 21<sup>st</sup> Nov, 10am. Stalls, BBQ, Face Painting, Spinning Wheel, Devonshire Tea and more.

### 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](mailto:mercyconnectb@gmail.com).

### Available at Church door

Columban Calendar 2016: \$9.00

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14 <sup>th</sup> & 15 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Thirty Third Sunday of Ordinary Time (Year B): Daniel 12:1-3 ~ Hebrews 10:11-14,18 ~ Mark 13:24-32			
Dunnstown ~ 6.30pm	Jenny McKay & Lauren Murphy	Greg Murphy Family	Trish White	Charlotte, Caleb & Madalyn
Gordon ~ 8.45am	Therese Winter & Debbie Goldie	Margaret Smith & Georgina Wright	Kathleen Moran	
Ballan ~ 10.30am	Tom Paarhammer & Lin Bowers	Leon & Pat Burvill	Helen Conlan & Cathy Mullane	
21 <sup>st</sup> & 22 <sup>nd</sup> Nov	Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe: Daniel 7:13-14 ~ Apocalypse 1:5-8 ~ John 18:33-37			
Clarks Hill ~ 6.30pm	Mary Slater	Jeanette Maher	Helen Moran	Mowing: Leo Crough & Peter Prendergast
Gordon ~ 8.45am	Kathleen Moran & Beth Calleja	Michael Winter Family	Therese Winter	
Ballan ~ 10.30am	Margaret Hillier & Marie Shanahan	Shaun Conroy Family	Patricia Binks & Judith Hodgson	
28 <sup>th</sup> & 29 <sup>th</sup> Nov	First Sunday of Advent (Year B): Jeremiah 33:14-16 ~ 1 Thessalonians 3:2-4:2 ~ Luke 21:25-8, 34-6			
Springbank ~ 6.30pm	Vicki Moroney	Brendan Simpson family	Donna Simpson	
Bungaree ~ 8.45am	Clem Reidy	B Jeffrey	D Ryan / A Elliott	
Ballan ~ 10.30am	Anne Eskdale & Bert Jarvis	Julie Dargan family	Simone Fodor & John Fabre	

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