

Palm Sunday of Lent (Year C) ~ 19th & 20th March, 2016



ST. PATRICK'S CATHOLIC PARISH ~ GORDON

St. Brigid's, Ballan ~ St. Patrick's, Gordon ~ St. Michael's, Springbank

Supervising Priest: Fr Gary Jones ~ 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, Bridget Sims, Louise Haintz, Sr Kathleen Moran, Michael Kennedy (School Principal),		
Finance Committee	Michael Ryan (Chair), John Moroney (Book Keeper), Tony Lynch, Reg Haintz, Luke Mullane, Stephen Conroy, Brendan Maher, 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	Presbytery: \$300.00	Parish: \$44.75
Planned Giving	Envelopes: \$291.00	Year to date: \$31,407.10
Project Compassion (to date): \$331.35		

Make Your Easter Chocolate Slavery Free



Slavery-free chocolate carries one of these three labels - FAIRTRADE, Rainforest Alliance or UTZ

certified. This shows that the cocoa beans used in the chocolate's production have been sourced ethically, from farmers who engage in good labour practices. Go to www.acrath.org.au to find out more about the campaign and slavery free chocolate. Thank the managers of stores that are stocking slavery-free chocolate this Easter.

First Reconciliation

Congratulations to the children in our parish who have celebrated the Sacrament of Reconciliation for the first time, and thank you to Fr Gary & Therese Winter for all you do in preparing the students for this next step in their journey of faith.

Church Cleaning – April

*Note Vacuuming: St Michael's 6th, St Brigid's 13th & St Patrick's 27th April. Thank you to all our volunteers who keep our Churches well maintained.

BALLAN	GORDON	SPRINGBANK
Lin Bowers & Dianne Johnson.	Noelie Carton & Joan Bourke.	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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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: \$135.00	Parish: \$475.00
Easter Offerings (to date): \$50.00	
Project Compassion (to date): \$320.00	

Wallace and District Kindergarten

Places available in 3-year-old program: Mondays, 9am-12pm. Info: call in or ☎ 5334 0268

Assistance in Holy Week

- Parish representative to receive oils from the Bishop at Mass of the Oils, Monday 21st March

Please contact Fr Shane if you can help.



LITURGIES			
Mon 21 st	Cathedral	6.30pm	Mass of the Oils
Wed 23 rd	Bungaree	4.00pm	Individual Confession
	Bungaree	7.30pm	Penitential Service
Thur 24 th Mar	Ballan	10.00am	Prayer Group
	Bungaree	7.30pm	Holy Thursday Mass
Fri 25 th Mar	Ballan	10.00am	Stations of the Cross
	Ballarat Nth	10.00am	Way of the Cross to Black Hill
	Springbank	3.00pm	Good Friday Service
Sat 26 th Mar	Gordon	7.30pm	Easter Vigil
Sun 27 th Mar	Dunnstown	8.45am	Easter 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

Lillian Meikljohn, Kevin Meikljohn, Jack Meikljohn, Jack Papworth, Leigh Conroy, Emmanuel Muscat, Martin Spain Tom Everard, Maurice Frawley, Lars Drendel, Nora Frawley, Sr Presentation Marnell, Greg Slater and Eileen Sedunary.

We offer our prayerful support for the sick

Kerry Mulcahy, Wayne McKercher, Gwen Shanahan, Bonnie MacDonald, Anna Bartaska, Mitchell Prendergast, Mary Cassar, Moira Myers, Michelle Hall, Louise Smith, Elizabeth Smith, Stan Mahar, Margaret Mullane, Phillip Camilleri, Robert Eskdale, Gerard Toohey, Dan Toohey, Joe D'arcy

Wedding Congratulations

Congratulations to, who were married this Saturday in St. Michael's, Springbank. We assure them of our prayers and support as they begin their married life together.

Baptism

Congratulations to Judd Thomas Boyd (son of Kath & Luke) and Tannor Michael Lynch (son of Brooke & Matthew), who are being baptised this weekend. We welcome Judd and Tannor into our faith community, and assure them and their families of our prayers and support.

Palm Sunday Walk for Justice for Refugees

State Library, Melb, 20th March, 2pm. Info: www.facebook.com/palmsundaywalk

Mass of the Oils: Monday 21st March, 6.30pm

The Mass of the Oils will be celebrated in St Patrick's Cathedral. This Mass is a celebration of the whole Church of the Diocese of Ballarat. We celebrate the unity and ministry of the ordained priests in the midst of the entire priestly people of God of the Diocese. This Mass also has special significance for those who will use the blessed oils in 2016 – the sick, those to be baptised and confirmed. All members of the Diocese are invited to participate in this celebration which truly the unity of the Diocesan Church.

Until recently, people in Dhaniram's village (pictured) were unaware of the Government's social security schemes that support India's most vulnerable communities. Since becoming involved in the Hamara Haq ('Our Rights') project, Dhaniram and his community have learnt about their rights and have been empowered to speak up for themselves. Now, real change is taking place. Please donate to Project Compassion and help vulnerable communities in India learn more about their rights so they are empowered to speak up, ask for their rights and create lasting change: www.caritas.org.au or ☎ 1800 024 413

Good Friday Collection for the Church in the Holy Land

The annual collection for the support of the Church in the Holy Land takes place on Good Friday. This collection promotes the missionary work of the Church in the Holy Land by providing welfare assistance to local Christians in areas such as health, education, employment and housing. Parish, schools, orphanages and medical centres throughout the Holy Land rely on assistance from this collection. It is also used to maintain 74 churches and shrines associated with the life of Jesus.



Please remember the Christians of the Holy Land once again this Good Friday. Your generosity is greatly appreciated. Please also pray that peace and justice will become a reality in the birthplace of Jesus, the 'Prince of Peace'. Last year, Australian Catholics donated over \$1.4 million to this cause, including nearly \$24,000 from our diocese.

Cyclone Winston (Fiji)

Caritas Australia is coordinating with its partners in Fiji, Tonga, and New Zealand to assist meet the needs of the survivors of this devastating natural disaster. Project Compassion funds help support emergency responses like this. For more information or to make a direct donation, visit www.caritas.org.au

	READER/INTERCESSIONS	PRESENTATION OF GIFTS	COMMUNION MINISTER	ALTAR SERVERS
19 th & 20 th Mar	Palm Sunday (Year C): Isaiah 50:4-7 ~ Philippians 2:6-11 ~ Luke 22 22:15-23:56			
Dunnstown ~ 6.30pm	Chris Leonard & Maddi Peterkin	Chris Leonard Family	Margaret Leonard	Callan & Isla McKay
**** Ballan ~ 8.45am	Patrick Hodgson & Lloyd Lamb	Helen & Anthony Blazek	John Fabre & Lorraine Tipple	
*** Gordon ~ 10.30am	Angela Kearns & Kerryn Taylor	Kim Newman family	Carmen Camilleri	
26 th & 27 th Mar	Easter Sunday: The Resurrection of the Lord (Year C): Acts 10:34,37-43 ~ Colossians 3:1-4 ~ John 10:1-9			
Gordon ~ 7.30pm	Volunteers required for all Holy Week and Easter Liturgies			
Dunnstown ~ 8.45am				
Ballan ~ 10.30am				
2 nd & 3 rd April	Second Sunday of Easter (Year C): Acts 5:12-16 ~ Revelation 1:9-11a,12-13,17-19 ~ John 20:19-31			
Dunnstown ~ 6.30pm	Peter Britt & Bianca Leonard	Mark Leonard Family	Jennifer McKay	Campbell & Lilli
Gordon ~ 8.45am	Joan Bourke & Eily Carey	Margaret Smith & Georgina Wright	Kathleen Moran	
Ballan ~ 10.30am	Lin Bowers & John Fabre	Julie Dargan family	Winnie Zammit & Helen Conlan	