



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*

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| 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) | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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Collections Last Week

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

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| Loose | Presbytery: \$300.00 | Parish: \$97.45 |
| Planned Giving | Envelopes: \$1,281.00 | Year to date: \$36,148.75 |
| Easter Offerings (to date): \$1,015.00 | | |

Gordon Parish Vision Statement

Two sessions have been booked with Karon Donnellon RSM to revisit our Parish Vision Statement. Please save the dates: **3rd July** in Ballan & **10th July** in Gordon. Further information to come.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults:

Invitation leaflets are available in the church foyer. Please take one for yourself, or someone you know who may be interested in exploring membership in the Catholic Church.

A quote from Pope Francis' new apostolic exhortation, Amoris Laetitia ("The Joy of Love")

'We know that the New Testament speaks of "churches that meet in homes" (cf. 1 Cor 16:19; Rom 16:5; Col 4:15; Philem 2). A family's living space could turn into a domestic church, a setting for the Eucharist, the presence of Christ seated at its table. ***"Behold, I stand at the door and knock; if any one hears my voice and opens the door, I will come in to him and eat with him, and he with me" (Rev 3:20). Here we see a

home filled with the presence of God, common prayer and every blessing.'

ANZAC display

At St Patrick's this Sunday, a memory book will be provided for our parishioners to record names to honour & remember soldiers of war.

Kathleen's Corner

'Just like the Anzac Diggers relied upon their mates, we too rely on our mates in times of need. The importance of mateship will ALWAYS be part of our Australian culture.'
 C.Ed.O. Melb.

Coming Events & Meetings

- Fri, 6th May. Wallace Kindergarten Mother's Day Luncheon. Bungaree Recreation Reserve.
- Mon, 9th May. 7:30pm. PPC meeting.
- Thurs, May 19th. Confirmation & Eucharist Meeting with Fr Gary Jones at St Patrick's School Hall.

Church Cleaning – May

*Note Vacuuming: St Michael's 4th, St Brigid's 11th & St Patrick's 18th May. Thank you to all our volunteers who keep our Churches well maintained.

| BALLAN | GORDON | SPRINGBANK |
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| Lin Bowers | 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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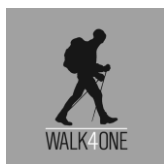
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| Presbytery: \$267.00 | Parish: \$532.00 |
| Easter Offerings (to date): \$1,020.00 | |
| Project Compassion (to date): \$958.25 | |

Parish Social Lunch with Walk-4-One Guest Speaker

2-course meal with guest speaker: Sam Clear. 15,600 km on foot, 20 countries, 568 days, 11 near-death encounters, one extraordinary story. Sam Clear walked around the world in an effort to urge and inspire all Christians to unite: 'That they may all be one.' He didn't think it would be easy; but he had no idea how hard it was going to be ... His tale is one of extraordinary courage, challenges and love in action under incredible circumstances (see www.walk4one.com). Bungaree Community Centre (Bungaree Recreation



Parish Leadership Team
 Next meeting: Tues 3rd May, 7.30pm

Reserve), Sunday 19 June, 12.30pm. Adults \$30, secondary students \$20 (drinks @ bar prices). Bookings by 10 June: Amanda Elliott ☎ 0427 713 064 or amanda@rumerz.com.au or Liz Hanrahan ☎ 0417 347 262.

| LITURGIES | | | |
|--------------------------|-----------|---------|-------------|
| Fri 29 th Apr | Bungaree | 9.00am | Mass |
| Sat 30 th Apr | Dunnstown | 6.30pm | Sunday Mass |
| Sun 1 st May | Gordon | 8.45am | |
| | 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) | | | | |



Recent Death

Gerard 'Nugget' Toohey & Mother of Leanne Szydzik's (teacher at St Patrick's Primary School).

Anniversaries

Giuseppe Spataro, Sheila Patmore, Kath Moloney, Jeffrey Micallef, Philip Calilleri, Patrick Leonard, Mary & Mervyn Howard.

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, Dan Toohey, Joe D'arcy, Vanessa Brotto, Mary Elliott, Mark Leonard.

Annual Mass Count

The annual Mass count will take place over the first four Sundays in May, commencing next weekend. Collectors, please take note!

Easter Offerings

Thanks for your generous contributions to Easter Offerings. Along with Christmas Offerings (and donations at the time of baptisms, weddings and funerals), Easter Offerings make an important contribution to the funds from which clergy salary and living expenses are paid. Additional envelopes are available at Church door.

Wallace and District Kindergarten Mothers Day Luncheon

Friday 6th May, Bungaree Community Centre. Bookings essential: Leah Hanrahan ☎ 0411 859 544.

Wallace and District Kindergarten

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

Campion Centre of Ignatian Spirituality, Kew

☎ 9854 8110; email: secretary@campion.asn.au

- Eight-Day Silent Directed Retreat
Wed 11 – Fri 20 May: \$1000 (live-in)
- Come & See Prayer Day with Rolling Stones CLC Group
Sunday 22 May: \$25 (lunch inclusive)
- Men's Retreat with Iain Radvan SJ & Paul White
Fri–Sun 3–5 Jun: \$240 (live-in)

Men's Spirituality

There has been recent interest from men in our parishes in gaining support for their spiritual growth. Fr Barry Ryan has agreed to assist; however, we will need numbers before he is invited to come. If you wish to be involved, please contact: Michael Ryan ☎ 0408 823 184 / info@michaelryanca.com.au or Kathleen Moran 0438 812 449 / rsmmoran@vic.chariot.net.au

Centacare Programs

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 17th May 9.30am-1.30pm \$45 / \$25 w concession**
OR Tues 21st June 9.30am-1.30pm \$45 / \$25 w concession

Bringing up Great Kids

Bringing up Great Kids is a reflective parenting program developed by the Australian Childhood Foundation

- 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 3 & 10 May 9.30am-1.30pm \$85 / \$45 w concession**

Tuning in to Kids

An evidenced based parenting program focused on raising emotionally intelligent children through:

- Understanding the impact of emotions on behaviour
 - Identifying and understanding your own emotions
 - Enhancing emotional connection within your family
- Sat 21 & 28 May 9.30am-1.30pm \$85 / \$45 w concession**

More info on these and other programs contact Centacare Ph: 03 5327 7960 or E: ballaratfrc@centacareballarat.org.au

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| | READER/INTERCESSIONS | PRESENTATION OF GIFTS | COMMUNION MINISTER | ALTAR SERVERS |
|--|--|------------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------|
| 23 rd & 24 th April | Fifth Sunday of Easter (Year C): Acts 14:21-27 ~ Apocalypse 21:1-5 ~ John 13:31-35 | | | |
| Clarks Hill ~ 6.30pm | Helen Mahar | Jill Prendergast | Helen Moran | |
| Gordon ~ 8.45am | Marie Conroy & Michael Winter | Joe & Carmen Camilleri | Beth Calleja | |
| Ballan ~ 10.30am | Marie Shanahan & Sandra Miller | Anita Lidgett family | Cathy Mullane & Bert Jarvis | |
| 30 th April & 1 st May | Sixth Sunday of Easter (Year C): Acts 15:1-2, 22-29 ~ Apocalypse 21:10-14, 22-23 ~ John 14:23-29 | | | |
| Dunnstown ~ 6.30pm | Fran & Hayley Peterkin | Peterkin Family | Trish Ryan | Gemma & Madalyn |
| Gordon ~ 8.45am | Kate Carey & Marie Durham | Angela & Frank Kearns | Josie Donegan | |
| Ballan ~ 10.30am | Volunteer req'd & Patrick Hodgson | Binks family | Lorraine Tipple & Lloyd Lamb | |
| 7 th & 8 th May | | | | |
| Springbank ~ 6.30pm | Louise Haintz | Brendon Simpson family | Sharon Daly | |
| Bungaree ~ 8.45am | Trish O'Donohue | Trish O'Donohue | A Elliott / M Frawley | |
| Ballan ~ 10.30am | Winnie Zammitt & Julie Dargan | Leon & Pat Burvill | Helen Conlan & Judith Hodgson | |