



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: Joan Bourke (Moderator), Catherine Green & Michael Ryan

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	Helen Ryan (Chair), Joan Bourke (Moderator), Linden Hall, Bridget Sims, Louise Haintz, Sr Kathleen Moran, Gabe Driscoll (School Principal) ..** A representative is required for Springbank.**		
Finance Committee	Michael Ryan (Chair & Coordinator Representative), John Moroney (Book Keeper), Tony Lynch, Reg Haintz, Luke Mullane, Stephen Conroy, Brendan Maher		
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: \$158.30
Planned Giving	Envelopes: \$911.40	2016/17 Year to date: \$4,811.15
2015/16 Year to date:	\$66,671.40	

Principal's Announcement

Fr Gary Jones the Canonical Administrator of the Gordon Parish, announced to families Monday that Mr Michael Kennedy has been appointed the position of Principal of St Aloysius Primary School, Redan, commencing in 2017. Michael has been principal at St Patrick's & St Michael's since 2007. Michael thanks the community for your support over his time in the Gordon Parish.

Good Grief

Before the end of August (date yet to be decided), we hope to have a session on how to care for people who are grieving, and how to debrief and care for ourselves. Anyone interested can ring Kathleen Moran on 0438812449 for further information.

Planned Giving

Planned giving receipts are available in the churches please collect yours to reduce postage expenses.

Coming Meetings:

- Wed 17th Aug. 7:30pm. Fin. Com. Parish House.
- Thurs, 25th Aug. 10am. Mass of anointing, St Brigid's Ballan. All welcome.

Gleeson-Mills Reunion: Sun 25th Sept

A reunion for the descendants of John Mills & Julia Gleeson @ the Gordon Hall. Info: Michael Elkins ☎ 9879 1415

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (R.C.I.A.)

RCIA meetings will be held in Gordon on Tuesday mornings 9-10am. Enquiries: Kathleen Moran ☎ 0438 812 449. If you or someone you know, would like to find out more about becoming a Catholic, contact Lin Bowers: ☎ 0414 782 044. (Leaflets in Church foyer)

Volunteer required for Parish Pastoral Council

There is a vacancy for a Springbank representative on the PPC. Nominations can be given to any of the coordinators.

Church Cleaning – August

**Vacuuming: St Michael's 18th, St Brigid's 15th, St Patrick's 22nd Aug*

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.	Kath O'Neil, Jenny Everard & Renae Robson.



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: \$404.50	Parish: \$555.00
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Silver Jubilee of Ordination

Fr Shane Mackinlay will celebrate the 25th Anniversary of his Ordination to the Priesthood on 6th September this year.

Local celebrations with Fr Shane:

- Sun 11th Sept, 10.30am Mass, St Michael's, Bungaree, followed by lunch in the Parish Centre. Please bring a plate of cakes/slices to share.
- Sun 18th Sept, 10.30am Mass, St Brigid's, Ballan.



Our Diocesan Community

News from around the diocese;
latest edition free at church door.

LITURGIES			
Mon 15 th Aug	Dunnstown	9.15am	Mass: Assumption of Mary (Holy day of obligation)
Tues 16 th Aug	Clarkes Hill	9.15am	St Mary's School Mass (all welcome)
Thur 18 th Aug	Ballan	10.00am	Prayer Group St Brigid's gathering space
Sat 20 th Aug	Dunnstown	6.30pm	Sunday Mass
Sun 21 st Aug	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	Springbank	Dunnstown	Clarkes Hill (6pm Blampied)	Springbank
Sun 8.45am	Gordon	Bungaree	Gordon	Gordon	Bungaree
Sun 10.30am	Ballan (Creswick 8.45am – Daylesford 10.30am)				



Recent Death

Fr Brendan Davey

Anniversaries

John Graham, John McCormack, Tom Clifford, George Dusa, Merle Blizzard, Michael Ronan, Jim Conroy, Joseph Camilleri, William Gleeson, Velia McFall, Thomas Torpy, Ken Ludbrook, Margaret Spence and Stan Slater

We offer our prayerful support for the sick

Kerry Mulcahy, Wayne McKercher, Gwen Shanahan, Bonnie MacDonald, Anna Bartaska, Mitchell Prendergast, Michelle Hall, Mary Cassar, Moira Myers, Louise Smith, Mary Elliott, Elizabeth Smith, Margaret Mullane, Phillip Camilleri, Melanie Yates, Joe D'arcy, Mark Leonard, Gerard Molloy, Odile Just

Ballarat East Parish

Bishop Paul Bird has announced that Fr Adrian McNerney will be retiring at the end of January due to ill health.

Free eConference on Mercy: A Way of Being in the World

Speakers: Archbishop Mark Coleridge, Mr Phil Glendenning, Sr Veronica Lawson. Tues 20th Sept, 10.30am–2.45pm. Info: www.bbi.catholic.edu.au/eConference2016 Registration: <http://creomedia.com.au/clients/bbi/econference2016/>

Lay Pastoral Ministry Program

Opportunities for formation, support, study and certification for lay pastoral employees and volunteers in the Ballarat Diocese in partnership with the Virtual Learning Community, Dayton University. Flyers in Church, or more info at: www.ballarat.catholic.org.au/services-and-agencies.

World Youth Day videos 'on demand'

All major World Youth Day events from Poland are available for viewing 'on demand' @ www.xt3.com/live

"Bombs, blasphemy and religion in Pakistan"

Presentation by Fr Robert McCulloch, Fri 19 Aug, 7pm, Nazareth House Hall, following 6pm Mass in the chapel. Info: Carmel Kavanagh ☎ 0401 175 045

Pope Francis, 'On Love in the Family'

Samples from Pope Francis' apostolic exhortation, *Amoris Laetitia*, which follows two synods of bishops in 2014 & 2015. Full text: www.vatican.va

"I thank God that many families, which are far from considering themselves perfect, live in love, fulfil their calling and keep moving forward, even if they fall many times along the way. The Synod's reflections show us that there is no stereotype of the ideal family, but rather a challenging mosaic made up of many different realities, with all their joys, hopes and problems." [57]

"Just as a good wine begins to 'breathe' with time, so too the daily experience of fidelity gives married life richness and 'body.'" [231]

"The life of every family is marked by all kinds of crises, yet these are also part of its dramatic beauty. Couples should be helped to realize that surmounting a crisis need not weaken their relationship; instead, it can improve, settle and mature the wine of their union." [232]

"I sincerely believe that Jesus wants a Church attentive to the goodness which the Holy Spirit sows in the midst of human weakness, a Mother who, while clearly expressing her objective teaching, 'always does what good she can, even if in the process, her shoes get soiled by the mud of the street.'" [308]

"We have been called to form consciences, not replace them." [37]

"Few human joys are as deep and thrilling as those experienced by two people who love one another and have achieved something as the result of a great, shared effort." [130]

"I think, for example, of the speed with which people move from one affective relationship to another. They believe, along the lines of social networks, that love can be connected or disconnected at a whim of the consumer, and the relationship quickly 'blocked'... We treat affective relationships the way we treat material objects and the environment: everything is disposable; everyone uses and throws away, takes and breaks, exploits and squeezes to the last drop. Then, goodbye." [39]

"Young love needs to keep dancing towards the future with immense hope." [219]

"Here let me say a word to fiancés. Have the courage to be different. Don't let yourselves get swallowed up by a society of consumption and empty appearances. What is important is the love you share, strengthened and sanctified by grace. You are capable of opting for a more modest and simple celebration in which love takes precedence over everything else." [212]

"Love needs time and space; everything else is secondary." [224]

	READER/INTERCESSIONS	PRESENTATION OF GIFTS	COMMUNION MINISTER	ALTAR SERVERS
13 th & 14 th August	Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year C): Jeremiah 38:4-6,8-10 - Hebrews 12:1-4 - Luke 12:49-53			
Springbank ~ 6.30pm	David Toohey family	Brendan Simpson family	Julie Toohey	
Bungaree ~ 8.45am	Amanda Elliott	P Elliott	M Frawley / J Boyd	
Ballan ~ 10.30am	Patrick Hodgson & Lloyd Lamb	James & Alison Eskdale family	Bert Jarvis & Lorraine Tipple	
20 th & 21 st August	Twenty First Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year C): Isaiah 66:18-21 ~ Hebrews 12:5-7, 11-13 ~ Luke 13:22-30			
Dunnstown ~ 6.30pm	Hugh Ryan & Louis Spratling	Danny O'Loughlin Family	Trish Ryan	Campbell & Lilli
Gordon ~ 8.45am	Carmen Camilleri & Eddie Davis	Michael & Therese Winter	Pat Barry	
Ballan ~ 10.30am	Anne Eskdale & Bert Jarvis	Anita Lidgett Family	John Fabre & Patricia Binks	
27 th & 28 th Aug	Twenty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year C): Sirach 3:17-20,28-29 ~ Hebrews 12:18-19, 22-24			
Clarkes Hill ~ 6.30pm	Marty Forbes	Marty Forbes	Kate Bennett	Mowing: Andrew Miller-Schmetzer & John Moran
Gordon ~ 8.45am	Michael McCarthy & Maria Donegan	Kim Newman family	Faustina Gallicchio	
Ballan ~ 10.30am	Julie Dargan & Winnie Zammitt	Binks family	Cathy Mullane & Lloyd Lamb	