



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: \$16.45
Planned Giving	Envelopes: \$529.25	Year to date: \$16,478.15

News from the Coordinators

There are flyers at the back of the Churches regarding the Consensus Discernment process for a new Coordinator for 2017. We cannot stress enough the importance of the participation of all Parishioners in this process to ensure the future of our Parish. We also would like to draw your attention to a few events we have coming up. The first is the Parish Social Group visit to MADE, followed by the Cemetery Mass. We thank the organizers of these events for their support and commitment to keeping the Spirit alive in our Parish. Further details of these events are included in this bulletin. We wish Sister Kathleen every blessing in her new home and thank her for her tender loving care of the Parish House over the past few years.

Parish Dinner

Our Parish Dinner will be held on Wednesday, 7th December at 7.00pm at Donegan's Farm. All welcome. Please make a booking through the Parish Office 5368 9280 or email: gordon@ballarat.catholic.org.au

Rite of Christian Initiation (R.C.I.A.) Information Session

Speaker: Susan Crowe, the diocesan contact for R.C.I.A., and member of the Diocesan Liturgical Commission. Parish House, Gordon Tues 15th Nov 9a.m. - 11a.m. Info: Kathleen Moran ☎: 0438 812 449 or rsmmoran@vic.chariot.net.au or Parish Office. All welcome.

Columban Calendar

Calendars are now available in the Church foyer. Cost: \$9ea. Please place your payment in the box provided, or clearly labelled in an envelope during collection.

Parish Cemetery Mass - November

Mass at Gordon Cemetery. Sunday 27th November, 2pm.
Cuppa available after Mass at Donegan's Farm
(St Patrick's Church will be alternative venue in the case of inclement circumstances. **no 8:45am Mass on this day**).

Coming Events & Meetings:

- 16th Nov. 7:30pm. Finance Meeting. Parish House, Gordon.

Church Cleaning – November

****Vacuuming:** St Michael's - 4th, St Brigid's - 11th, St Patrick's - 18th

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

BALLAN	GORDON	SPRINGBANK
Patricia Binks Family	Margaret McTigue, Carmen Camilleri	Faye Toohey Cathy Hanrahan



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:	\$281.50	Parish:	\$445.00
Retired Priests (BCSF) to date:		\$515.00	
PNG Mission:		\$50.00	

First Reconciliation

Six children from our parish are preparing with their families to celebrate First Reconciliation. They will participate in a Retreat Day this Fri 18th Nov, 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 and mercy.

Farewells @ Clarkes Hill

Farewell to Mary Slater and Leo & Margaret Crough. Sat 26th Nov, 6.30pm Mass, followed by meal at Wallace Hotel. RSVP, 23 Nov: Helen Mahar SMS 0409 010 373.

Bungaree Christmas/December Church Cleaning

Monday 5th Dec, 7pm (please note change of date). Jobs available for both men and women and new cleaners are more than welcome. Many hands will make light work. Please let Debbie Ryan know if you are able to join the monthly roster for next year: ☎ 5334 0224 or ryandjr@bigpond.com

LITURGIES			
Thur 17 th Nov	Ballan	10.00am	Prayer Group St Brigid's gathering space
Fri 18 th Nov	Bungaree	9.00am	Mass
Sat 19 th Nov	Dunnstown	6.30pm	Sunday Mass
Sun 20 th Nov	Gordon	9.30am	
	Ballan	10.30am	

	1 st Sunday	2 nd Sunday	3 rd Sunday	4 th Sunday	5 th Sunday
Sat 6.30pm	Dunnstown	Springbank	Dunnstown	Clarks Hill (6pm Blampied)	Springbank
Sun 8.45am	Gordon	Bungaree	Gordon	Gordon	Bungaree
Sun 10.30am	Ballan (Creswick 8.45am – Daylesford 10.30am)				



Anniversaries

Richard Butler, Maudie Smallman, Joe Fitzpatrick, Mary Ryan, Jack McEldrew, Katherine Clarke, Louisa Jarvis, Frank Bartaska, Mary Canty, Geraldine Nihill, James Britt, Thomas Bawden, Graeme Mason, Matthew Steenhuis, Kath O'Hehir, Vincent Maher, Margaret Tynan, Barry Flynn, Mary Mahar, Carmen Maher

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, Elizabeth Smith, Margaret Mullane, Phillip Camilleri, Melanie Yates, Joe D'arcy, Odile Just, George Roberts, Chelsea Lawler, Carole Steenhuis, Steven Molloy, Alice Gardiner.

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.

Baptism Anniversaries

This month, we celebrate the anniversary of the following recent baptisms: Mia Grace Mahar (2013), Beau Francis Davidge (2014) Sadie Kathleen Lloyd, Ned Reginald Kersley and Liam Michael Hermans.

**Lord God, strengthen your Spirit in them,
so they may walk in newness of life.**



Nazareth House Auxiliary Fete

Sat 19th Nov, 10am. Stalls, photo booth, BBQ, spinning wheel, Devonshire tea, face painting.

Fundraiser: Books for Timor-Leste

Film: *Queen of Katwe*, followed by high afternoon tea. Supporting Edmund Rice community. Regent Theatre, Sun 4th Dec, 1.45pm, \$25. Tickets: Liz Hanrahan ☎ 0417 347 262.

2018 Year 7 Enrolments Loreto College:

Tour: Thurs 1st Dec, 9.30am. RSVP: www.loreto.vic.edu.au.

St Vincent de Paul 'Assist a Student'

Overseas education sponsorship program: \$70/student/year, offering hope and a better future. ☎ 9895 5800 or www.vinnies.org.au/page/Donate/Assist_a_Student_Program/

PALMS Australia – Volunteers

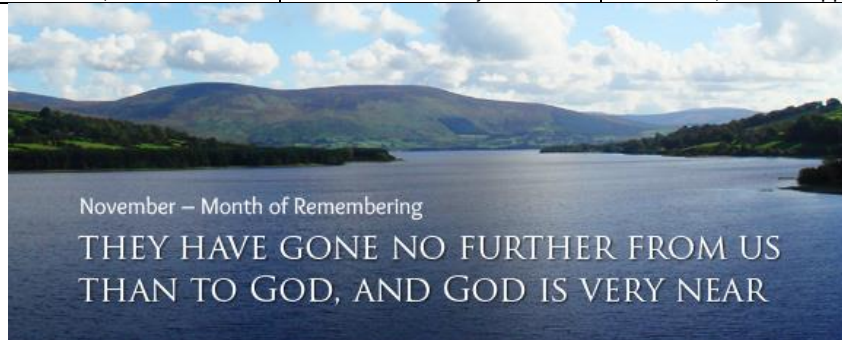
Volunteers are needed for Catholic partner communities in Papua New Guinea, Timor Leste, Samoa and other locations: teachers, hairdressers, plumbers, builders, medical professionals, etc. Info: www.palms.org.au or palms@palms.org.au

End of an Era Celebration: St Michael's School, Springbank

St Michael's School will close at the end of this year. On Sat 3rd Dec, we will be celebrating the life and times of the school: 4pm afternoon tea, 6.30pm Mass with Bishop Paul Bird, spit roast tea, meeting old friends, colleagues and dance the night away. Recovery brunch (BYO drinks): Sun 4th Dec

RSVP Margie Quinlan quinlanwater@gmail.com or SMS 0417 587 235. Please note that you will not be catered for if your name is not on the guest list.

	READER/INTERCESSIONS	PRESENTATION OF GIFTS	COMMUNION MINISTER	ALTAR SERVERS
12 th & 13 th Nov	Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year C): 2 Malachi 3:19-20 ~ 2 Thessalonians 3:7-12 ~ Luke 21:5-19			
Springbank ~ 6.30pm	Tony & Julie Toohey	Mark Hanrahan Family	Sharon Daly	
Pootilla ~ 9.30am	Damien Ryan, Amanda Elliott, Marty Forbes	Chris & Marg Frawley	D Ryan / L Jeffrey / L Hanrahan	
Ballan ~ 10.30am	Winnie Zammit & Julie Dargan	Leon & Pat Burvill	Helen Conlan & Judith Hodgson	
19 th & 20 th Nov	Christ the King (Year C): 2 Samuel 5:1-3 ~ Colossians 1:12-20 ~ Luke 23:35-43			
Dunnstown ~ 6.30pm	Liz Britt	Sheila Britt	Dorothy Sheehan	Charlotte & Will Card
Gordon ~ 8.45am	Mark Conroy & Caron Whitefield	Mark & Narelle Conroy Family	Kathleen Moran	
Ballan ~ 10.30am	Helen Blazek & Mark Conlan	Lorraine De Spirt & Vicki Boka	Bert Jarvis & Patricia Binks	
26 th & 27 th Nov	First Sunday of Advent (Year C): Isaiah 2:1-5 ~ Romans 13:11-14 ~ Matthew 24:36-44			
Clarks Hill ~ 6.30pm	Mary Slater	Mary Slater	Margie Moran	Mowing: Mark Forbes & Frank Mahar
Gordon ~ 8.45am	Carmen Camilleri, Eddie Davis	Kim Newman Family	Therese Winter	
Ballan ~ 10.30am	Marie Shanahan, Sandra Miller	Helen & Anthony Blazek	John Fabre, Lorraine Tipple	



November – Month of Remembering

THEY HAVE GONE NO FURTHER FROM US
THAN TO GOD, AND GOD IS VERY NEAR