



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 Natasha Buttigieg (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: Mrs Bambi Afford ☎ 5368 9495 www.spgordon.catholic.edu.au

Collections last week

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

Loose	Presbytery: \$150.00	Parish: \$254.90
Planned Giving	Envelopes: \$214.55	Year to date: \$27,115.50

Parish Office Details

Office is open Tuesday's 9.30am-2.30pm or contact parish secretary: Natasha Buttigieg ☎ 5368 9280 or 0447 609 485.

Parish Community Meeting

Monday 6th February at Gordon School Hall, 7.30pm to discuss plans for Parish Assets. Attendance from the community would be greatly appreciated. *Light Supper provided.*

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

Volunteers are required to accompany Bianca for dismissal when Mass is in Gordon. Please contact Kathleen Moran ☎ 0438 812 449

Coming Events & Meetings

- Feb 7th RCIA Meeting: 102 Steiglitz St Ballan, 9.15am
- Feb 13th PPC, 7.30pm
- Feb 15th Finance Meeting

Sr. Kathleen's Golden Jubilee



Sr. Kathleen is celebrating her Golden Jubilee of her Profession in February. To acknowledge this wonderful achievement, a morning tea will be held after 10.30am Mass at Ballan on Sunday, 19th February. All welcome. Please bring a plate to share. *Enjoy your celebrations Kathleen!*

Church Cleaning – February

****Vacuuming: St Michael's – 10th, St Brigid's – 17th, St Patrick's – 24th**
 Thank you to all our volunteers who keep our Churches well maintained.

BALLAN	GORDON	SPRINGBANK
Elaine Conlan Edit Paarhammer	Monica Eastwood Anne Micallef Georgina Wright	Eileen Haintz Louise Haintz



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 ~ C/- Post Office, Bungaree Vic 3352

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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:	\$161.00	Parish:	\$400.00
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Victorian Child Safe Standards

These new standards apply to all organisations that provide services for children. They came into effect for schools in 2016 and for parishes at the beginning of 2017. Our parish's *Child Safety Policy* and *Child Safety Code of Conduct* are available on the parish webpage of the diocesan website: www.ballarat.catholic.org.au (follow parish links).

Parish Leadership Team Meeting

Parish Centre, Tuesday 14th February, 7.30pm



LITURGIES			
Tues 7 th Feb	Dunnstown	9.15am	Opening Mass for Bungaree Parish Schools
Thur 9 th Feb	Ballan	10.00am	Prayer Group St Brigid's gathering space
Sat 11 th Feb	Springbank	6.30pm	Sunday Mass
Sun 12 th Feb	Bungaree	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	Clarks Hill (6pm Blampied)	Springbank
Sun 8.45am	Gordon	Bungaree	Gordon	Gordon	Bungaree
Sun 10.30am	Ballan (Creswick 8.45am – Daylesford 10.30am)				

Anniversaries

Kevin Johnson, James Baynes, Thomas Mullane, Reg Hayes, John Trounce, John Ronan, Terry O'Keefe, Peter Bretherton, Frank Leonard and Patrick Mahar

We offer our prayerful support for the sick

Wayne McKercher, Bonnie MacDonald, Anna Bartaska, Mitchell Prendergast, Michelle Hall, Mary Cassar, Moira Myers, Louise Smith, Elizabeth Smith, Phillip Camilleri, Melanie Yates, George Roberts, Carole Steenhuis, Steven Molloy, Alice Gardiner, Pat Camilleri.

Welcome

Welcome to Evan Rufus Sheehan (son of Jacinta and Jarrod), who at Mass this weekend is beginning his preparation for baptism at St. Brendan's, Dunnstown. We assure him and his family of our prayers and support.

Baptism Anniversaries

This month, we celebrate the anniversary of the following recent baptisms: Billy James Prendergast (2013), Nellie Kate Cheeseman (2015), Aiden Antonio Sarra (2016), Ruby Tatchell.

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

Clergy Appointments

Bishop Paul Bird CSSR has announced the following appointments:

- Fr Peter Sherman: Parish Priest of Ballarat East (from 25 Jan)
- Fr Marcello Colasante: Parish Priest of Wendouree and Ballarat North (from 25 February)
- Fr Matthew Thomas: Parish Priest of Swan Hill (from 25 Feb)
- Fr James Kerr: Assistant Priest of Mildura

Priests have been invited to apply for appointment as Parish Priest of Camperdown.

Secondary Enrolments & Scholarships 2018

Enrolment applications close 17 February

St Patrick's College: Scholarships for Years 7, 10 & 11. Applications close 19 Feb.

Tours: each Friday morning. Contact Caitlin Bennett e:cbennett@stpats.vic.edu.au or ☎: 5331 1688 to book.

Loreto College: Scholarship for Year 7. Applications close 10 Feb. Open Days: Tues 7 & 14 Feb 9am-10.30am

Diocesan Pastoral Council Nominations

The Diocesan Pastoral Council (DPC) is a consultative and advisory body to the Bishop. It currently meets four times a year in Ballarat. Objectives of the Council:

- To inform the decision-making process of the Bishop by its consideration of issues raised at the meetings of the Council;
- To develop practical strategies for enhancing faith life within the diocese for the Bishop's consideration;
- To reflect on pastoral directions and priorities for the diocese;
- To make recommendations in these areas to the Bishop;
- To listen to and be aware of pastoral needs amongst parishes, communities or particular groups of parishioners and bring these issues forward;
- To offer information and encouragement to those with whom it has relationships.

The DPC seeks a cross-section of people from different places in the diocese and from different backgrounds and experiences. However members of the DPC do not represent a particular parish or zone. A focus for the DPC in 2017/2018 will be contributing to the plans for how the diocese will be involved in preparations for the Australian Catholic Church Plenary Council 2020.

Info & nomination forms available from www.ballarat.catholic.org.au or the parish office. Nominations close: 1 March.

PALMS Encounters



Palms Australia

PALMS recruits, prepares and supports Australian Catholics who volunteer to share their lives and skills overseas. A PALMS Encounter is an intimate, immersive, inter cultural experience providing insights that challenge perceptions and deepen understanding. PALMS long-term volunteers guide the Encounter with our Catholic Communities in East Timor. 2-14 April; 2-14 July; 26 September – 6 October. Register now for the April Encounter and receive \$400 off a 2nd ticket. Info: ☎ 02 9560 5333 or www.palms.org.au/Encounters

	READER/INTERCESSIONS	PRESENTATION OF GIFTS	COMMUNION MINISTER	ALTAR SERVERS
4 th & 5 th Feb	Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A): Isaiah 58:7-10 ~ 1 Corinthians 2:1-5 ~ Matthew 5:13-16			
Dunnstown ~ 6.30pm	Meegan Jenkins	Jenkins Family	Margaret Leonard	Gemma, Madalyn & Emma
Gordon ~ 8.45am	Marie Conroy, Michael Winter	Marie & Frank Conroy	Josie Donegan	
Ballan ~ 10.30am	Winnie Zammit & Julie Dargan	Mary & Des Conroy	Helen Conlan & Judith Hodgson	
11 th & 12 th Feb	Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A): Ecclesiasticus 15:15-20 ~ 1 Corinthians 2:6-10 ~ Matthew 5:17-37			
Springbank ~ 6.30pm	Sue Daly	Molly Ronan	Sharon Daly	
Bungaree ~ 8.45am	D Rix	C Frawley	D Ryan / J Boyd	
Ballan ~ 10.30am	Lin Bowers & John Fabre	Helen & Anthony Blazek	Cathy Mullane & Simone Fodor	
18 th & 19 th Feb	Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A): Leviticus 19:1-2, 17-18 ~ 1 Corinthians 3:16-23 ~ Matthew 5:38-48			
Dunnstown ~ 6.30pm	Karen Cahir	Karen Cahir Family	Jennifer McKay	Darcy, Jade & Kiely
Gordon ~ 8.45am	Kate Carey, Marie Durham	Angela & Frank Kearns	Joan Bourke	
Ballan ~ 10.30am	Patrick Hodgson, Lloyd Lamb	James & Alison Eskdale Family	Bert Jarvis & Lorraine Tipple	