

THE CATHOLIC PARISH OF GORDON



St. Brigid's, Ballan ~ St. Patrick's, Gordon ~ St. Michael's, Springbank
The Gordon Parish is a supervised, community-led parish. The Parish is led by a team of Coordinators, one of whom is the Moderator.

Supervising Priest: Fr Gary Jones. Visiting Priest: Fr Shane Mackinlay

Coordinators: Catherine Green (Moderator), Michael Ryan, Angela Carr

Parish Secretary/ Parish Office: Natasha Buttigieg ☎ 5368 9280 or 0447 609 485

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For Baptisms, Marriages and Funerals please contact Parish Secretary ~ messages will be forwarded

PARISH VISION: *That all parishioners and visitors are welcomed as family and nourished as the Body of Christ*

Parish Schools

St. Brigid's Primary School
St. Patrick's Primary School

Principal: Ms Gabrielle Driscoll ☎ 5368 1015

www.sballan.catholic.edu.au

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: \$341.25
Planned Giving	Envelopes: \$486.30	Year to date:
Direct Debit	April: \$1,105.00	\$41,863.90
Project Compassion (to date):		\$1,209.10
Good Friday Holy Places: \$520.10	Easter Offerings \$685.00	

Coordinators Report

Welcome to Angela Carr as the new Parish Coordinator for the Parish of Gordon. Thank you to all the Parish Community for supporting the Discernment Process to appoint Angela. We were fortunate to have Bishop Paul and Fr Gary Jones with us last week to officiate the Commissioning Service to appoint the Coordinator Team for the new year. Thank you to all who helped to prepare the mass for this special occasion, and also for preparing the wonderful lunch which was shared together after mass. It was also an opportunity to acknowledge and thank Joan Bourke for all of her and dedication to the Coordinator and Moderator role over the past three years. The new Coordinator team look forward to working together with the Parish Community during the year ahead.

Missing from St. Patrick's Church Gordon

1 white trestle table, 1 white altar cloth, 1 white cloth for back altar. Please ring Beth Calleja if you have them.

Coming Events

- Monday 8th May, PPC Meeting 7.30pm
- Wednesday 17th May, PFC Meeting 7.30pm

Parish Meetings at Springbank

- Saturday, May 13th after 6.30pm Mass at Springbank
- Tuesday, May 16th 7.00pm, Springbank Church

Both meetings will have the same presentation and discussion points. Please attend either

eConference- Gospel Leadership in Times of Chaos: the Hope of Pope Francis by Broken Bay Institute - The Australian Institute of Theological Education Aug 10. Anyone interested in a local group participation please contact Kathleen ☎: 0438 812 449. For further information go to: <https://kvgo.com/creomedia/bb13nationaleconference>

Kathleen's Corner

TED (Technology, Entertainment and Design.) Pope Francis can be seen on a YouTube video made in April this year, speaking about the need we have for each other as we move forwards. Go to:

www.ted.com/talks/pope_francis_why_the_only_future_w_orth_building_includes_everyone

Parish Office Details

Open Tuesdays 9.30am-2.30pm ☎: 5368-9280 alternatively leave a message, or contact Natasha on ☎: 0447 609 485.

Church Cleaning - May

St Michael's 12th, St Brigid's 19th & St Patrick's 26th.

BALLAN	GORDON	SPRINGBANK
Anita Lidgett	Therese Winter Sue Petherick Debbie Goldie	Mary Simpson Donna Simpson



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
St. Brendan's School, Dunnstown

Principal: Mr Chris Kavanagh ☎ 5334 5280

www.smclarkeshill.catholic.edu.au

Principal: Mr Chris Kavanagh ☎ 5334 7604

www.sbdunnstown.catholic.edu.au

Collections last week

Presbytery: \$200.90	Parish: \$400.00
Project Compassion (to date): \$1,148.70	Eater Offerings (to date): \$690.00

Welcome to Visiting Priest

Welcome to Fr Gary Jones, who is celebrating Mass this Saturday in Dunnstown, while Fr Shane attends a function in Melbourne for Catholic Theological College.

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, this Tuesday 9 May, 7.30pm

Mother's Day Luncheon

Wallace and District Kindergarten,

Friday 12th May,

Bungaree Community Centre.

Bookings: Leah Hanrahan ☎ 0411 859 544.

Mother's Day

LITURGIES			
Tues 9 th May	Bungaree	9.00am	Mass
Thur 11 th May	Ballan	10.00am	Prayer Group St Brigid's gathering space
Sat 13 th May	Springbank	6.30pm	Sunday Mass
Sun 14 th May	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)				

I HAVE COME
 that they may
 HAVE life
 & HAVE IT TO THE FULL

 * John 10:10 *

Anniversaries

Irene Coulter, Rev. Norbet Olsen, Keith Eastwood, Doris Eastwood, Mary Smith, Joan Blood, Barry Torpy, Lillian Cullinan, Bill Deveraux and Tom Owens

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, George Roberts, Carole Steenhuis, Steven Molloy, Alice Gardiner, Pat Camilleri, Paula Scott, Brad Simpson, Stan Mahar, Lore Winter

Annual Mass Count

The annual count of mass attendance will be held over the four weeks of May, commencing this weekend.

Collectors: please note.

Easter Offerings

Many thanks for your 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.

Baptism Anniversaries



This month, we celebrate the anniversary of the following recent baptisms: Oscar James Britt (2013), Jai Basil Britt (2013), Scarlett Elizabeth Pearce (2014), Lucy Jade Ryan (2015), Harvey Joseph McKay (2016), Addilyn Grace Simpson, Llewelyn James Bond

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

Ordination Anniversary for Bishop Connors

Mass to celebrate the 30th Anniversary of Bishop Peter Connors' ordination as a bishop: St Patrick's Cathedral, Sunday 21st May, 10.30am.

Ballarat Diocese eNews

Free email newsletter published every two weeks about the life and activity of the parishes and schools of the diocese. Subscribe: www.ballarat.catholic.org.au

Available at Church door

- Our Diocesan Community (April edition)
- Pastoral letter from Victorian bishops on proposed euthanasia laws in Victoria

Pope Francis' Letter to Young People ~ 13 Jan 2017

I am pleased to announce that in October 2018 a Synod of Bishops will take place to treat the topic: *Young People, the Faith and Vocational Discernment*. I wanted you to be the centre of attention, because you are in my heart ...

I am reminded of the words which God spoke to Abraham: "Go from your country and your kindred and your father's house to the land that I will show you." (Gen 12:1). These words are now also addressed to you. They are words of a Father who invites you to "go", to set out towards a future which is unknown but one which will surely lead to fulfilment, a future towards which He Himself accompanies you. I invite you to hear God's voice resounding in your heart through the breath of the Holy Spirit. When God said to Abram, "Go!", what did he want to say? He certainly did not say to distance himself from his family or withdraw from the world. Abram received a compelling invitation, a challenge, to leave everything and go to a new land. What is this "new land" for us today, if not a more just and friendly society which you, young people, deeply desire and wish to build to the very ends of the earth? ...

Jesus looks at you and invites you to go with him. Dear young people, have you noticed this look towards you? Have you heard this voice? Have you felt this urge to undertake this journey? I am sure that, despite the noise and confusion seemingly prevalent in the world, this call continues to resonate in the depths of your heart so as to open it to joy in its fullness ...

A better world can be built also as a result of your efforts, your desire to change and your generosity. Do not be afraid to listen to the Spirit who proposes bold choices; do not delay when your conscience asks you to take risks in following the Master. The Church also wishes to listen to your voice, your sensitivities and your faith; even your doubts and your criticism. Make your voice heard, let it resonate in communities and let it be heard by your shepherds of souls ...

	READER/INTERCESSIONS	PRESENTATION OF GIFTS	COMMUNION MINISTER	ALTAR SERVERS
6 th & 7 th May	Fourth Sunday of Easter (Year A): Acts 2:14, 36-41, 36-41 ~ 1 Peter 2:20-25 ~ John 10:1-10			
Dunnstown ~ 6.30pm	Diane Ryenolds & Leteisha Rinaldi	Mark Howard Family	Trish White	Felicity & Cameron
Gordon ~ 8.45am	Kate Carey & Marie Durham	Angela & Frank Kearns	Josie Donegan	
Ballan ~ 10.30am	Anne Eskdale & Bert Jarvis	Lorrain De Spirit & Vikki Boka	John Fabre & Cathy Mullane	
13 th & 14 th May	Fifth Sunday of Easter (Year A): Acts 6:1-7 ~ 1 Peter 2:4-9 ~ John 14:1-12			
Springbank ~ 6.30pm	Louise Haintz	Brendan Simpson & Family	Sharon Daly	
Bungaree ~ 8.45am	Tom Moloney	D Ryan	E Clark / L Jeffrey	
Ballan ~ 10.30am	Julie Dargan & Lloyd Lamb	Bridget Sims & Family	Patricia Binks & Denise Marshall	
20 th & 21 st May	Sixth Sunday of Easter (Year A): Acts 8:5-8, 14-17 ~ 1 Peter 3:15-18 ~ John 14:15-21			
Dunnstown ~ 6.30pm	Fran & Hayley Peterkin	Peterkin Family	Jennifer McKay	Gemma, Kiely & Rose
Gordon ~ 8.45am	Carmen Camilleri & Eddie Davis	Marie & Frank Conroy	Eily Carey	
Ballan ~ 10.30am	Helen Blazek & Mark Conlan	Julie Dargan Family	Judith Hodgson & Helen Conlan	