

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 (Tuesdays 9.30am-2.30pm): Natasha Buttigieg ☎ 5368 9280 or 0447 609 485

✉ gordon@ballarat.catholic.org.au ~ 🌐 www.ballarat.catholic.org.au (follow parish links)

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

Principal: Mrs Bambi Afford ☎ 5368 9495

www.sballan.catholic.edu.au

www.spgordon.catholic.edu.au

Collections last week

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

Loose	Presbytery: \$200.00	Parish: \$331.35
Planned Giving	Envelopes: \$2,900	Year to date:
Direct Credit (May):	\$1,230.00	\$66,396.80

Planned Giving-End Of Financial Year

As we near the end of the financial year, it would be appreciated if planned giving pledges can be brought up to date. Planned giving plays a vital role in allowing the Parish to meet its ongoing financial commitments. Thank you to those parishioners who have already assisted in the financial upkeep of the parish.

Envelopes for 2017/2018 are available for collection in churches please note some have been posted. *Please Collect.*

Parish Directory

The Parish Directory is currently being updated. If you have any suggested changes, please contact the parish office.

Volunteer required

For the Ballan community, we are looking for someone to take up the role of coordinator of **Godstart**. This involves contacting parents of newly baptised on the anniversary of baptism. It is one way to keep in touch with parents of pre-schoolers and others. **Godstart** materials are available. If interested, please contact the Parish Office. Special thanks to Brigid Cappello and Caroline Barr for their work on this over the years.

Information forms

For parishioners who have arrived recently, or who are not on the parish register. Forms available in the church porch. Please return the completed form in with the collection or send it to the parish office.

The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults

(RCIA) is a process where you can experience the Catholic faith community. It is an opportunity for questions to be answered and for learning about the teachings and traditions of the Catholic Church. Inquiries can be made by phoning Lin on 53681015

Coming Events

- Sunday 9th July The Liturgy Formation Workshop conducted by the Diocese in Ballarat
- Thursday 10th August eConference - Gospel Leadership in Times of Chaos: the Hope of Pope Francis

Anointing Mass - Thursday June 29th 11 am.

St Patrick's Church, Gordon. All welcome to join Fr Tom Brophy for lunch at Gordon Bleu Cafe following Mass. This is also a Caring/Social Group Event.

Church Cleaning - June

St Michael's 9th, St Brigid's 16th & St Patrick's 23rd.

BALLAN	GORDON	SPRINGBANK
Brigid Sims Caz Craggill	Margaret McTigue	Anita Maher 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 ~ 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

Principal: Mr Chris Kavanagh ☎ 5334 7604

www.smclarkeshill.catholic.edu.au

www.sbdunnstown.catholic.edu.au

Collections last week

Presbytery: \$336.00	Parish: \$434.00
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Confirmation and First Eucharist

Six Children from our parish are preparing to celebrate Confirmation and First Eucharist: Lyna Begbie, Matilda Britt, Abbey Carlson, Indiah Lenaghan, Paddy McKay, Tyra Slater. We assure them and their families of our prayerful support during this time of preparation.

Retreat Day

~ Friday 4th August: Bungaree Parish Centre

Celebration of Confirmation and First Eucharist

~ Saturday 5th August, 6.30pm: St Brendan's, Dunnstown

Week 2 ~ God speaks as we listen

- God speaks to us through the Scriptures
- God is most fully revealed in the person of Jesus
- The Gospels teach us about the life of Jesus



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).

LITURGIES			
Thur 29 th June	Ballan	10.00am	Anointing Mass w Fr Tom Brophy
Sat 1 st July	Dunnstown	6.30pm	Sunday Mass
Sun 2 nd July	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	Clarks Hill (6pm Blampied)	Springbank
Sun 8.45am	Gordon	Bungaree	Gordon	Gordon	Bungaree
Sun 10.30am	Ballan (Creswick 8.45am – Daylesford 10.30am)				



Recent Death

Brian Gleeson

Anniversaries

Vera McGuigan, Stan Mullane, Ken Tipple, Patricia Conroy, Dan Toohey, James Hopkins, Jane Auchettl, Alma Jones, Kevin O'Donohue, Isabella Senserrick, Ellie Mooring, Ken Ludbrook and Mary Walsh

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, Joe D'Arcy, Xavier Zahra

Fr Shane's Holidays

Fr Shane commences his annual holidays after this weekend. For the next three weekends, Masses will be celebrated by Fr Tom Brophy. Fr Gary Jones (Daylesford) will be available if a priest is needed urgently: ☎ 5348 2026

Liturgy Formation

St Patrick's Cathedral, Sunday 9th July, 12–4.30pm. Workshops on Funeral Ministry, the Diocesan Sacraments of Initiation Program, "Let the Children Come," and Formation for Lectors. Preceded by Mass celebrated by Bishop Bird, 10.30am. RSVP: www.ballarat.catholic.org.au or via either parish office.

Bishops listening to young Catholics

The Australian bishops are asking young people (16–29) to share their views about life, faith, and their experience of Church through an online survey. This is part of a process leading up to a Synod called by Pope Francis, which will be held in Rome next year. The questions cover a range of topics including: the experience of being listened to, using social media and technology, friendships and influences in today's world, opportunities for engagement with Church activities such as, outreach programs, youth masses, community leadership or parish events. Pope Francis has called young people to join this inclusive journey saying that the Church '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 ... Every young person has something to say to others ... all of us need to listen to you! ... even young people who consider themselves agnostics, even young people whose faith is lukewarm; even young people who no longer go to Church; even young people who consider themselves atheists'. Visit www.catholic.org.au/youthsurvey before Sunday 2 July.

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
24 th & 25 th June	12 th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A): Jeremiah 20:10-13 ~ Romans 5:12-15 ~ Matthew 10:26-33			
Clarks Hill ~ 6.30pm	Margie Moran	Marty Forbes	Kate Bennett	Mowing: Mark Forbes & Frank Mahar
Gordon ~ 8.45am	Mark Conroy & Caron Whitefield	Kim Newman Family	Maria Donegan	
Ballan ~ 10.30am	John Fabre & Julie Dargan	Helen & Anthony Blazek	Cathy Mullane & Patricia Binks	
1 st & 2 nd July	13 th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A): 2 Kings 4:8-11, 14-16 ~ Romans 6:3-4, 8-11 ~ Matthew 10:37-42			
Dunnstown ~ 6.30pm	Ash Simpson	Simpson Family	Margaret Leonard	Daniel Britt & Cody Bower
Gordon ~ 8.45am	Kate Carey & Marie Durham	Brian & Kate Carey	Eily Carey	
Ballan ~ 10.30am	Anne Eskdale & Sandra Miller	Mary & Des Conroy	Denise Marshall & Judith Hodgson	
8 th & 9 th July	14 th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A): Zechariah 9:9-10 ~ Romans 8:9 ~ Matthew 11:25-30			
Springbank ~ 6.30pm	Tony & Julie Toohey	Peter Maher Family	Sharon Daly	
Bungaree ~ 8.45am	Julie & Sophie Boyd	P. Elliott	M Elliott / S Ryan	
Ballan ~ 10.30am	Tom Paarhammer & Mark Conlan	Lorraine De Spirit & Vikki Boka	Helen Conlan & Lloyd Lamb	