

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

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: \$200.00	Parish: \$141.85
Planned Giving	Envelopes: \$397.70	Year to date 2016/17:
Pope's Collection (to date): \$327.90		\$70,481.05
Year to Date 2017/18: \$2,270.05		

Planned Giving envelopes

All Planned Giving envelopes for 2017-2018 are available in church foyers for collection.

Kathleen's Corner Plastic Free July (part 2)

- Fill a reusable bottle from the tap
- Reduce the amount (helps your health), or make your own with a soda stream or choose glass bottles (and recycle)
- Have a sealed container for 'wet' scraps and compost or freeze until bin day. Line the kitchen bin with paper
- Buy corn flour based compostable bags online or at a pet suppliers or consider a dedicated pet poo composting system at home

- Choose waxed card or glass bottled brands (depending on your local glass recycling). Make your own nut milk
- Use a reusable lunch box to store food, store food in containers or use beeswax wraps
- Dispose of cigarette butts in the bin (they are plastic and wash into the ocean environment)
- Avoid releasing balloons (what goes up, must come down)

Our Diocesan Community

July edition available free at Church door

Coming Events

- Monday 14 August Parish Pastoral Committee Meeting
- Wednesday 16 August Parish Finance Committee

Church Cleaning - August

St Michael's 11th, St Brigid's 18th & St Patrick's 25th.

BALLAN	GORDON	SPRINGBANK
Marie Shanahan Anne Eskdale Anna Marriampallai	Josie Donegan Carmel Mahar	Natalie Toohey Loretta Toohey



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

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

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: \$183.00	Parish: \$400.00
Pope's Collection (to date) \$153.00	

Confirmation and First Eucharist

Six Children from our parish are preparing to celebrate Confirmation and First Eucharist next weekend: 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 6 ~ Called and Sent Out: Remember, share, give thanks

- Jesus calls his disciples to a life of love and service
- We are called to live out the Eucharist by loving and serving God and others as Jesus showed us
- We can deepen our relationship with Jesus in prayer, listening to the Word of God and putting it into practice

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).



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LITURGIES			
Thur 3 rd Aug	Ballan	10.00am	Prayer group
Fri 4 th Aug	Bungaree	9.00am	Mass
Sat 5 th Aug	Dunnstown	6.30pm	Sunday Mass
Sun 6 th 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	Clarks Hill (6pm Blampied)	Springbank
Sun 8.45am	Gordon	Bungaree	Gordon	Gordon	Bungaree
Sun 10.30am	Ballan (Creswick 8.45am – Daylesford 10.30am)				



Anniversaries

Carmel Grano, Clare Creaney, Frank White, Jack Everard, Brendan Nihill, Michael Patmore, Joseph Gerada, Jim Britt, James Rix, Frank Pearce, Barry Duffin, Margaret Frawley, Biddy Murphy and Patrick McDermott

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, Brad Simpson, Stan Mahar, Lore Winter, Joe D'Arcy, Xavier Zahra

Welcome

Welcome to Rory John Stabek (son of Penelope and Caine), who at Mass this weekend is beginning his preparation for baptism at St. Brigid's, Ballan. We assure him and his family of our prayers and support.

Catholic Diocese of Ballarat Foundation

In June the foundation held its 31st AGM. It holds net assets of \$8.9m. In 2016, \$336,701 was distributed to support activities such as: sponsoring representatives attending the World Youth Day in Poland and the Proclaim Conference in Sydney; Merbein Parish's Year of Mercy activities; and Warrnambool's Caring for the Homebound program. The Foundation also supported organisations such as Centacare, the Ballarat Hospice, and Saint Vincent de Paul's North West Central Council. Info on donations, bequests or becoming a Board member: andrew.jirik@ballarat.catholic.org.au

Clergy Appointments

Bishop Paul Bird CSsR has announced the following appointments:

- Fr Michael McKinnon: Parish Priest of Ouyen (in addition to Mildura, Red Cliffs and Merbein)
- Fr Matthew Thomas: Parish Priest of Sea Lake (in addition to Swan Hill)
- Fr Eugene McKinnon (parish priest) and Fr Peter Jose (assistant priest) will continue to minister across the parishes of Birchip, Donald, Quambatook and Wycheproof

St Patrick's College 2019 Year 7 Enrolment

Applications close 1st December. Info evening: Thurs 26 Oct, 7.30pm. College tours each month on a Friday. RSVP: Caitlin Bennett cbennett@stpats.vic.edu.au or ☎ 5331 1688.

Clemente Program – Certificate in Liberal Studies

An introduction to tertiary education in a safe, secure, supportive environment for those over 18. 25 July – 9 Nov. All course materials provided. No cost, lunch provided. Info: lesley.cooper@centacareballarat.org.au or ☎ 0419 550 313

Promote Care, Oppose Euthanasia

The Victorian Government is seeking to introduce euthanasia and assisted suicide later this year. The proposed changes will impact everyone, not just those terminally ill. The Catholic Church believes that any proposal to introduce legislation enabling physician-assisted suicide and euthanasia is not in the best interests of the community and will have wide-reaching ramifications. For information about this important development, its impact on our society, and action you can take, visit www.cam.org.au/euthanasia

Youth Synod Questionnaire:

The 2nd part of the Youth Synod 2018 preparatory consultation with our Diocese is a Questionnaire. Groups and individuals of all ages are invited to respond. Available on the Diocesan website (*Latest News*). Email responses by 15 Aug. More info: youth@ballarat.catholic.org.au or ☎ 5337 7125.

“Gospel Leadership in Times of Chaos: The Hope of Pope Francis”

National eConference: Thurs 10th August, 10.30am–2.45pm. Info & Registration: www.bbi.catholic.edu.au/short-courses/eConference-2017

Australian Catholic Religious Against Trafficking in Humans

ACRATH has launched a fundraising campaign following the end of Federal Government funding on 30 June. ACRATH needs to secure funding now. Info/donations: <https://acrath.org.au/>

World Day against Trafficking in Persons – 30 July

Established in 2010 by the United Nations to “raise awareness of the situation of victims of human trafficking and for the promotion and protection of their rights.” Info: www.un.org/en/events/humantrafficking

RCIA Victorian State Conference – Melbourne

The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults Conference, Saturday 26th August 2017: “Ask, See, Knock: Joyful Encounters of RCIA” Info: ☎ 9926 5761 or email suzanne.hermon@cam.org.au Reservations: www.trybooking.com/qlql

	READER/INTERCESSIONS	PRESENTATION OF GIFTS	COMMUNION MINISTER	ALTAR SERVERS
29 th & 30 th July	17 th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A): 1 Kings 3:5,7-12 ~ Romans 8:28-39 ~ Matthew 13:44-52			
Springbank ~ 6.30pm		Mark Hanrahan Family	Donna Simpson	
Bungaree ~ 8.45am	Terry Elliott	Kevin Hanrahan	Amanda Elliott / Leah Hanrahan	
Ballan ~ 10.30am	Bert Jarvis & Marie Shanahan	James Alison Eskdale Family	Cathy Mullane & Lorraine Tipple	
5 th & 6 th August	The Transfiguration of the Lord (Year A): Daniel 7:9-10 ~ 2 Peter 1:16-19 ~ Matthew 17:1-19			
Dunnstown ~ 6.30pm	Confirmation & First Eucharist			
Gordon ~ 8.45am	Joan Bourke & Eily Carey	Maria & Bernadette Donegan	Pat Barry	
Ballan ~ 10.30am	Julie Dargan & Mark Conlan	Anita Lidgett Family	John Fabre & Cathy Mullane	
12 th & 13 th August	19 th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A): 1 Kings 19:9, 11-13 ~ Romans 9:1-5 ~ Matthew 14:22-33			
Springbank ~ 6.30pm	David Toohey & Family	Brendan Simpson Family	Julie Toohey	
Bungaree ~ 8.45am	Shelley Ryan	B Jeffrey	M Frawley / J Boyd	
Ballan ~ 10.30am	Lloyd Lamb & Sandra Miller	Binks Family	Denise Marshall & Judith Hodgson	