



LITURGIES			
Thur 31 <sup>st</sup> Aug	Ballan	10.00am	Prayer group
Sat 26 <sup>th</sup> Aug	Clarkes Hill	6.30pm	Sunday Mass
Sun 27 <sup>th</sup> Aug	Gordon	8.45am	
	Ballan	10.30am	

	1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday	2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday	3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday	4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday	5 <sup>th</sup> Sunday
Sat 6.30pm	Dunnstown	Springbank	Dunnstown	Clarkes Hill (6pm Blampied)	Springbank
Sun 8.45am	Gordon	Bungaree	Gordon	Gordon	Bungaree
Sun 10.30am	Ballan	(Korobeit Sat 6.30pm ~ Creswick 8.45am ~ Daylesford 10.30am)			



### Anniversaries

Molly O'Loughlin, Malcolm McKenzie, Rita Fuller, Jack Mahoney, Peter Cefai, Rommy Sapuri, Tom McTigue, Gerald Clifford, William Bourke, Sylvia Cahir, Elizabeth McDermott, Frank Cass, Dorothy O'Donohue

### 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, Xavier Zahra, Jan Quinlan

### 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](http://www.cam.org.au/euthanasia)

### Child Migrants, the Vulnerable and the Voiceless

Message of Pope Francis for World Day of Migrants and Refugees

... I feel compelled to draw attention to the reality of child migrants, especially the ones who are alone. In doing so I ask everyone to take care of the young, who in a threefold way are defenceless: they are children, they are foreigners, and they have no means to protect themselves. I ask everyone to help those who, for various reasons, are forced to live far from their homeland and are separated from their families. ... Migration today is not a phenomenon limited to some areas of the planet. It affects all continents and is growing into a tragic situation of global proportions. Not only does this concern those looking for dignified work or better living conditions, but also men and women, the elderly and children, who are forced to leave their homes in the hope of finding safety, peace and security. Children are the first among those to pay the heavy toll of emigration, almost always caused by violence, poverty, environmental conditions, as well as the negative aspects of globalization. The unrestrained competition for quick and easy profit brings with it the cultivation of perverse scourges such as child trafficking, the exploitation and abuse of minors and,

generally, the depriving of rights intrinsic to childhood ... Childhood, given its fragile nature, has unique and inalienable needs. Above all else, there is the right to a healthy and secure family environment, where a child can grow under the guidance and example of a father and a mother; then there is the right and duty to receive adequate education, primarily in the family and also in the school, where children can grow as persons and agents of their own future and the future of their respective countries. Indeed, in many areas of the world, reading, writing and the most basic arithmetic is still the privilege of only a few. All children, furthermore, have the right to recreation; in a word, they have the right to be children. And yet among migrants, children constitute the most vulnerable group, because as they face the life ahead of them, they are invisible and voiceless: their precarious situation deprives them of documentation, hiding them from the world's eyes; the absence of adults to accompany them prevents their voices from being raised and heard. In this way, migrant children easily end up at the lowest levels of human degradation, where illegality and violence destroy the future of too many innocents, while the network of child abuse is difficult to break up.

How should we respond to this reality? ... Each person is precious; persons are more important than things, and the worth of an institution is measured by the way it treats the life and dignity of human beings, particularly when they are vulnerable, as in the case of child migrants. Furthermore, we need to work towards protection, integration and long-term solutions. ... It is absolutely necessary, therefore, to deal with the causes which trigger migrations in the countries of origin. This requires, as a first step, the commitment of the whole international community to eliminate the conflicts and violence that force people to flee. Furthermore, far-sighted perspectives are called for, capable of offering adequate programmes for areas struck by the worst injustice and instability, in order that access to authentic development can be guaranteed for all. This development should promote the good of boys and girls, who are humanity's hope. (Full message: [www.vatican.va](http://www.vatican.va))

### "Deësis: Prayer and Image" Exhibition

Exhibition dedicated to the role of icons as agents of intercession. Art Gallery of Ballarat until Sunday, Sept 10, 2017.

	READER/INTERCESSIONS	PRESENTATION OF GIFTS	COMMUNION MINISTER	ALTAR SERVERS
26 <sup>th</sup> & 27 <sup>th</sup> Aug	21 <sup>st</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A): Isaiah 22:19-23 ~ Romans 11: 11:33-36 ~ Matthew 16:13-20			
Clarkes Hill ~ 6.30pm	Tim Bennett	Kate Bennett	Margie Moran	
Gordon ~ 8.45am	Marie Conroy & Michael Winter	Debbie Goldie & Caron Whitefield	Eddie Davis	
Ballan ~ 10.30am	Tom Paarhammer & Marie Shanahan	Helen & Anthony Blazek	Lloyd Lamb & Angela Carr	
2 <sup>nd</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> Sept	22 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A): Jeremiah 20:7-9 ~ Romans 12:1-2 ~ Matthew 16:21-27			
Dunnstown ~ 6.30pm	Mick McKay	Nicholas McKay Family	Jennifer McKay	Callan, Isla & Paddy
Gordon ~ 8.45am	Kerryn Taylor & Bambi Afford	Pat Barry & Eily Carey	Frank Conroy	
Ballan ~ 10.30am	Helen Blazek & John Fabre	Mary & Des Conroy	Simone Foder & Winnie Zammit	
9 <sup>th</sup> & 10 <sup>th</sup> Sept	23 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A): Ezekiel 33:7-9 ~ Romans 13:8-10 ~ Matthew 18:15-20			
Springbank ~ 6.30pm	Louise Haintz	Greg McAloon	Sharon Daly	
Bungaree ~ 9.30am	D Rix	Leah Hanrahan	L Jeffrey / E Clark	
Ballan ~ 10.30am	Anne Eskdale & Julie Dargan	Lorraine DeSpirit & Vikki Boka	Bert Jarvis & Cathy Mullane	