

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 ~ Parish Pastoral Council: Dan Toohey (Chair), Christine Hall (Secretary),

Shane Carey, Frank Simpson, Bridget Sims, Mick Winter, Gabrielle Driscoll, Bambi Afford

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

Parish Secretary/Parish Office (Tuesdays 9.30am-2.30pm): Natasha Buttigieg ☎ 5368 9280 or 0423 217 556

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

For Baptisms, Marriages, Funerals and Maintenance, 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

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 weekend

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

Loose	Presbytery: \$200.00	Parish: \$135.25
Planned Giving	Envelopes: \$463.45	Year to date: \$6,191.65

Parish of Gordon Commission Update – Sue Daly & Vin Dillon

The second phase of work for the Commission involves identification of potential options for the future management of our Parish. Theme 1 responses (Yellow Form) on 'What has worked well in our parish structure over the past 5 years?' are now being collated – please submit outstanding yellow forms this weekend. The second theme for this Commission is 'What challenges have we encountered over the past 5 years?' Blue forms are now available for parishioners to respond to this theme. Please see the white information sheets and survey forms at the entrance to each church for more detail on how you can contribute. This week we begin considering potential options for the future governance structure of the parish and invite your input using the new Green forms available at church entrances. We welcome your input to the Commission which is vital for a successful outcome.

Parish Bulletin Via Email

If any Parishioners would like to receive the Bulletin via email

please contact parish secretary ☎: 5368 9280 or 0423 217 556

RCIA Coordinator

Sister Kathleen is stepping down from RCIA Coordinator. We thank her for all the work she has done. The position is now available, if you are interested please contact Parish Secretary.

Coming Events & Meetings

- Sunday 19th August: Children's Mass, Gordon



Church Cleaning – August

St Michael's 10th, St Brigid's 17th & St Patrick's 24th.

BALLAN	GORDON	SPRINGBANK
Marie Shanahan Anne Eskdale	Therese Winter Sue Petherick Debbie Goldie	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

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 weekend

Presbytery: \$279.60	Parish: \$949.00
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Confirmation and First Eucharist

Seven children from our parish are preparing with their families for Confirmation and First Eucharist: Emma Dash, Thomas Howard, Casey Leonard, Tierney Leonard, Frankie Macdonald, Tess Rafter, Bethany Toose. We assure them and their families of our prayerful support during this time of preparation.

Retreat Day

~ Tuesday 14th August: Bungaree Parish Centre

Celebration of Confirmation and First Eucharist ~ Saturday 18th 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. 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 Safeguarding Officer: Leah Hanrahan.

LITURGIES			
Tues 14 th Aug	Bungaree	9.00am	Mass
Wed 15 th Aug	Dunnstown	9.15am	Mass: The Assumption of Mary
Thur 16 th Aug	Ballan	10.00am	Prayer Group
Sat 18 th Aug	Dunnstown	6.30pm	Sunday Mass
Sun 19 th Aug	Gordon	8.45am	
	Ballan	10.30am	



Plenary Council 2020
 "Listen to what the Spirit is saying..."

	1 st Sunday	2 nd Sunday	3 rd Sunday	4 th Sunday	5 th Sunday
Sat 6.30pm	Dunnstown	Springbank	Dunnstown	Clarks Hill	Springbank
Sun 8.45am	Gordon	Bungaree	Gordon	Gordon	Bungaree
Sun 10.30am	Ballan	(Korobeit Sat 6.30pm ~ Creswick 8.45am ~ Daylesford 10.30am)			

Anniversaries

Nina Cassar, John Graham, John McCormack, Thomas Clifford, George Dusa, Peter Davies, Merle Blyiard, Michael Ronan, Jim Conroy, Joseph Camilleri, William Gleeson, Lorraine Polkinghorne, Margaret Britt, Thomas Torpy, Ken Ludbrook, Margaret Spence

We offer our prayerful support for the sick

Wayne McKercher, Anna Bartaska, Mitchell Prendergast, Michelle Hall, Mary Cassar, Moira Myers, Louise Smith, George Roberts, Alice Gardiner, Stan Mahar, Lore Winter, Xavier Zahra, Jan Quinlan, Douglas Keating, Scott Dupo, Noel Craven

Our Diocesan Community

Latest edition available at church door

Welcome

Welcome to Makayla Charli Abela (daughter of Nicole and William), who at Mass this weekend is beginning her preparation for baptism at St. Brigid's, Ballan. We assure her and her family of our prayers and support.



Baptism Anniversaries

This month, we celebrate the anniversary of the following recent baptisms: Madalyn May Bethune (2013), Emma Rose Bethune (2013), Billy Samuel Britt (2015), Baz Anthony Fitzpatrick (2015), Zahlia April Pearce (2016).

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

Volunteer butcher needed in PNG



Palms Australia is a Catholic organisation that arranges placements to support church communities overseas. Right now, a butcher is needed in Madang, PNG. Info: Christine ☎ 02 9560 5333. More

opportunities: www.palms.org.au

Feast of St Mary MacKillop (8 August)

Mary MacKillop Today is the new flagship ministry of the Sisters of St Joseph. It focuses on building dignity through education, health, financial inclusion and livelihoods. By partnering with local communities, organisations and groups, it brings dignity to thousands of children, women and families in Australia and throughout the world. Donation envelopes available today or via www.marymackilloptoday.org.au

Plenary Council 2020. Phase 1: Listen and Dialogue

To prepare the agenda for the Plenary Council, all of God's people are invited to reflect on the question: "What do you think God is asking of us in Australia at this time?" Questions for individuals or groups (until Ash Wednesday 2019):

1. What do you think God is asking of us in Australia at this time?
2. What questions do you have about the future of the Church for the Plenary Council to consider in 2020?
3. Do you have a story of your experience of faith, or the Church you would like to share?

Submit responses, get more information, and register for updates: www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au

Three New Parishes

Bishop Paul Bird CSsR has announced three new parishes, formed by joining groups of neighbouring parishes that have already been working together and sharing a parish priest. The priests who have been caring for these regions will continue to do so. This is the fruit of several years of consultation, with detailed proposals developed by local priests and parishioners over the past few months, and will make it easier for the local communities to share the tasks involved in pastoral care and parish administration. The new parishes are:

- Saint Mary MacKillop Parish, Western Border (Casterton, Coleraine, Edenhope, Hamilton, Harrow). Parish Priest: Fr Patrick Mugavin; Assistant Priest: Fr John Corrigan
- Holy Family Parish, Northeast Mallee (Swan Hill, Sea Lake, Boort). Parish Priest: Fr Matthew Thomas
- Mary Glowrey Parish, East Wimmera (Birchip, Charlton, Donald, St Arnaud, Wycheproof, Quambatook, Lalbert). Parish Priest: Fr Eugene McKinnon; Assistant: Fr Peter Jose

Marriage Encounter Weekend

Invest in your most precious asset: your marriage! No group sharing. Melbourne, 7pm Fri – 5pm Sun: 17–19 August, 9–11 November. Accommodation and all meals provided. Info: Andre & Maria ☎ 0411 225 992 or vicbookings@wwme.org.au or www.wwme.org.au

Sharing the Word

An eLibrary of Catholic resources, made available with the support of Catholic Mission Australia. <http://sharingtheword.info>

	READER/INTERCESSIONS	PRESENTATION OF GIFTS	COMMUNION MINISTER	ALTAR SERVERS
11 th & 12 th Aug	19 th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year B): 1 King 19:4-8 ~ Ephesians 4:30 - 5:2 ~ John 6:41-51			
Springbank ~ 6.30pm	David Toohey & Family	Brendan Simpson Family	Julie Toohey	
Bungaree ~ 8.45am	Julie & Sophie Boyd	P Elliott	M Elliott / S Ryan	
Ballan ~ 10.30am	Julie Dargan & Lin Bowers	Leon and Pat Burvill	Winnie Zammit & Simone Foder	
18 th & 19 th Aug	20 th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year B): Proverbs 9:1-6 ~ Ephesians 5:15-20 ~ John 6:51-58			
Dunnstown ~ 6.30pm	Confirmation families		Trish Ryan	Lilli & Sam
Gordon ~ 8.45am	Josie Donegan & Shane Carey	Gary & Margaret McTigue	Marie Conroy	
Ballan ~ 10.30am	Mark Conlan & Sandra Miller	Helen and Anthony Blazek	Helen Conlan & Lorraine Tipple	
25 th & 26 th Aug	21 st Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year B): Joshua 24:1-2, 15-18 ~ Ephesians 5:21-32 ~ John 6:60-69			
Clarks Hill ~ 6.30pm	Marty Forbes	Helen Moran	Marty Forbes	Mowing: John Moran
Gordon ~ 8.45am	Michael Winter	Debbie Goldie & Caron Whitefield	Eddie Davies	
Ballan ~ 10.30am	Winnie Zammit & Bert Jarvis	Mary and Des Conroy	Judith Hodgson & Angela Carr	