



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: \$65.70
Planned Giving	Envelopes: \$620.00	Year to date: \$8,687.30

Parish of Gordon Commission Update – Sue Daly & Vin Dillon

Forms for your input to the retrospective component of the Commission have now been received. We have had over 50 responses to date – Thank you for your input. Green forms remain available for parishioners to respond to the theme 'Looking to our future what structure(s) should we consider? (August 11th - September 9th). This week we introduce the final theme 'Looking to our future what are you worried about? (September 1st – 30th / pink forms). In addition, we are conducting a series of interviews with individuals who have had a leadership role in the Parish. Future work will focus on exploration of potential options for the future governance structure of the parish and discernment of a preferred structure based on a consultation process with the parish community.

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

- PPC Monthly Meeting September 10th Gordon
- PFC Monthly Meeting September 19th Gordon

Mass at Gordon Cemetery

Sunday 18th November, 11am. Please bring a chair. Mass at Ballan will be held at 8.45am (no mass at St Patrick's church). Weather permitting.

Church Cleaning – September

St Michael's 7th, St Brigid's 14th & St Patrick's 21nd

BALLAN	GORDON	SPRINGBANK
Winnie Zammit	Beth Calleja Josie Donegan	Julie Toohey Molly Ronan



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: \$169.70	Parish: \$1205.00
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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.

Mass at Pootilla Cemetery

Sunday 11th November, 9.30am. Some chairs provided; BYO if possible. Please pass on information to other people who may be interested.

Annual Parish Assembly

Tuesday 30th October, 7.30pm, Parish Centre. The Assembly will focus on gathering input for the Plenary Council 2020.

Parish Leadership Team Vacancies

Thanks to Leah Hanrahan and Andrew Miller-Schmetzer, who will be completing their 3-year term as members of the Parish Leadership Team in October. New representatives will be needed for Bungaree and Clarkes Hill (representatives will need to apply for Police check and Working with children check). If interested, please speak with one of the PLT: Fr Shane, Tim Bennett, Karen Cahir, Lisa Elliott, Leah Hanrahan, Chris Kavanagh, Andrew Miller-Schmetzer, Di Reynolds, Damian Ryan.

Our Diocesan
Community
Latest edition
available at church
door

LITURGIES			
Tues 4 th Sept	Bungaree	9.00am	Mass
Thur 6 th Sept	Ballan	10.00am	Prayer Group
Sat 8 th Sept	Springbank	6.30pm	Sunday Mass
Sun 9 th Sept	Bungaree	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)				

Recent Deaths

Fr Joe Dargan, Dawn Kelly

Anniversaries

Tom McTigue, Gerald Clifford, William Bourke, Kath Mulcahy, Alma Eastwood, Evelyn Nash, Kevin Reddie, Peg Shanahan, Peter Duffy, Eileen Pendergast, Elspeth Eastwood, Pat Dargan, Evelyn Nash, Mary O'Loughlin, Noel Kelly, Katherine Maher

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

Baptism Anniversaries

This month, we celebrate the anniversary of the following recent baptism: Thomas Patrick Maher (2017).

**Lord God, strengthen your Spirit in him,
 so he may walk in newness of life.**

Sharing the Word

An eLibrary of Catholic resources, sponsored by Catholic Mission Australia. <http://sharingtheword.info>

Compassion Walk

Sunday, September 16, 10:30am-1pm. Participate in activities as you walk around the lake and enjoy food and entertainment. Register: <https://www.trybooking.com/book/event?eid=404489> Email for more info: compassionwalk.ballarat@gmail.com

Annual Appeal for Sick and Retired Priests – next weekend

Creating a secure retirement future for the priests of the diocese is a duty and care in which we can all participate. Fifteen retired priests are currently supported by the Ballarat Clergy Support Fund. Some live privately, some are retired in units in Ballarat or elsewhere, others live in supported accommodation. The funding required for these commitments is ongoing. Thanks to your generosity, this collection has raised nearly \$1.8 million since its inception in 1991, including nearly \$50,000 last year. Along with the priests' own contribution of approximately \$37,000 per year, this annual collection has allowed the Fund to continue to support our sick and retired clergy. Contributions over \$2.00 are tax-deductible.



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

St Patrick's College 2020 Year 7 Information Evening

Wed 17 October 17, 7.30pm. Information followed by College Tour, supper, Q&A with teachers. RSVP: www.trybooking.com/XKXV Info: Kathryn Mundy kmundy@stpats.vic.edu.au

Volunteer Overseas: Cagliero Project, Salesians of Don Bosco

Working with disadvantaged young people in Salesian communities throughout Cambodia, Samoa, Zambia & Solomon Island. January 2019 departure. Apply by 15 Oct. Info: www.cagliero.org.au

Joy Spreading (Ballarat)

Stacey Atkins is the guest speaker at the next Joy Spreading event for young adults (18–30 y.o.). Friday 14th Sept, 6.30–9.00pm, Lake View Hotel, free. An opportunity for young Catholic adults to share ideas and views in a friendly environment. Info: www.ballarat.catholic.org.au or ☎ 5337 7125.

Season of Creation 1 Sep – 4 Oct (St Francis of Assisi's Feast)

Catholic Earthcare Ballarat is promoting this annual global Christian celebration of prayer and action to protect the environment. Ecumenical service to begin the 2018 season: St Mathew's Anglican Church, Wendouree, this Sunday (2 Sept), 2pm. Light refreshments to follow.

Kerala India Earthquakes and flood

Caritas Australia, through our Asia Emergency Fund, is providing support to Caritas India for the people of Kerala following the earthquakes and flood disaster that has hit India. Donations can be made at www.caritas.org.au. More info ☎: Caritas Australia 1800 024 413.

	READER/INTERCESSIONS	PRESENTATION OF GIFTS	COMMUNION MINISTER	ALTAR SERVERS
1 st & 2 nd Sept	22 nd Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year B): Deuteronomy 4:1-2,6-8 James 1:17-18,21-22,27 ~ Mark 7: 1-8,14-15,21-23			
Dunnstown ~ 6.30pm	Mick McKay	Nick McKay Family	Margaret Leonard	Isla & Paddy
Gordon ~ 8.45am	Kerryn Taylor & Bambi Afford	Pat Barry & Eily Carey		
Ballan ~ 10.30am	Rosemary Canavan & Helen Blazek	Lorraine DeSpirit & Vikki Boka	Lloyd Lamb & Cathy Mullane	
8 th & 9 th Sept	23 rd Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year B): Isaiah 35:4-7 ~ James 2:1-5 ~ Mark 7:31-37			
Springbank ~ 6.30pm	Louise Haintz	Greg McAloon	Sharon Daly	
Bungaree ~ 8.45am	Terry Elliott	C Frawley	A Elliott / Leah Hanrahan	
Ballan ~ 10.30am	Marie Shanahan & Lloyd Lamb	Bridget Sims Family	Patricia Binks & Denise Marshall	
15 th & 16 th Sep	24 th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year B): Isaiah 50:5-9 ~ James 2:14-18 ~ Mark 8:27-35			
Dunnstown ~ 6.30pm	Hugh Ryan	Danny O'Loughlin Family	Winnie Leonard	Cameron & Lyna
Gordon ~ 8.45am	Maria Donegan & Eddie Davis	Michael & Therese Winter	Beth Calleja	
Ballan ~ 10.30am	Marie Wytkamp & Lloyd Lamb	Julie Dargan Family	Bert Jarvis & Simone Foder	