



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 Toohy (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)

Baptisms, Marriages, Funerals and Maintenance: contact Parish Secretary ~ Safeguarding Officer: Lin Bowers

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: \$150.00	Parish: \$339.45
Planned Giving	Envelopes: \$513.00	
	Year to date: \$30,257.65	

St Patrick's Presbytery Update

The new boundary fence has been completed and an Auction sign has been erected advising of the auction on 9th February. There will be open for inspections which will be advertised in the Courier and realestate.com.

Parish of Gordon Commission Update-Sue Daly & Vin Dillon

We are now working towards a draft report which summarises the approach we have taken, presents key findings and explores the 4 potential options that have been identified: reinstating the Coordinator model, establishing a single Parish Leadership team (including designated roles), appointing a pastoral associate and establishing a shared priest model. The

first three options retain a Supervising Priest role. This draft report will be distributed in early February for feedback from the parish community through the month of February. Based on the feedback received, we plan to prepare a final report for submission to Bishop Paul in March.

Sacramental Program 2019

Commencing Thursday 14th February 2019 7.00pm St Brigid's School compulsory parent only meeting for children of the parish in year 4 or above. Please contact parish office for further details or brochure can be viewed on parish website.

Columban Calendars 2019

Available for purchase in church foyers \$9.00 each

Church Cleaning - February

St Michael's 8th, St Brigid's 15th & St Patrick's 22nd

BALLAN	GORDON	SPRINGBANK
Elaine Conlan	Beth Calleja	Eileen Haintz
Edith Paarhammer	Josie Donegan	Louise Haintz



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: \$251.00	Parish: \$350.00
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Parish Leadership Team Appointments

Thanks to Maurice Mahar (Clarkes Hill) and to Mick & Laura Steenhuis (Bungaree), who will represent their communities on the Parish Leadership Team over the coming three years.

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.

Mountain of Fun Run ~ St Brendan's School, Dunnstown

Sunday 3rd March. More info and Registrations at: www.mountainoffunrun.com

St Patrick's Day Irish Festival ~ Dunnstown Football Club

2-day Festival over the weekend of 16th & 17th March. Live music and Irish activities for all ages. Tickets and more info via Facebook: Dunnstown St Patrick's Day Irish Festival

Palms Australia

Palms is a Catholic Lay Mission Association. Palms Encounters are rich immersions that challenge perceptions of our neighbours, guided by Palms mission volunteers. Timor Leste Apr 7-19 / Sep 1-13; Samoa Jun 7-19; Myanmar Nov 16-28. Info: www.palms.org.au/encounters



Palms Australia

LITURGIES			
Thur 7 th Feb	Ballan	10.00am	Prayer Group
Sat 9 th Feb	Springbank	6.30pm	Sunday Mass
Sun 10 th Feb	Bungaree	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	Springbank
Sun 8.45am	Gordon	Bungaree	Gordon	Gordon	Bungaree
Sun 10.30am	Ballan	(Korobeit Sat 6.30pm ~ Creswick 8.45am ~ Daylesford 10.30am)			



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

Anniversaries

Trish Ford, Kathleen Ryan, Kevin Johnson, James Baynes, Thomas Mullane, Reg Hayes, Fr James, Ryan, Terry O'Keefe

We offer our prayerful support for the sick

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, Patrick Hodgson.

Sabbatical for Fr Shane

Bishop Paul Bird CSsR has approved study leave for Fr Shane from March to June. Fr Brian Glasheen (retired parish priest of Bacchus Marsh) will be celebrating most weekend masses, with occasional assistance from St Patrick's Cathedral. Fr Gary Jones will be available during the week if needed.

Welcome

Welcome to Ruben Shaun Borg (son of Shaun & Melissa), Hannah Jean Bourke (daughter of Paul & Shellie) and Kasper Henry Driscoll (son of Shane & Carmel), who at Mass this weekend are beginning their preparation for baptism. We assure them and their families of our prayers and support.

Nazareth House Ballarat - Auxiliary Membership

Welcome new members. If you would like to contribute in supporting Nazareth House, please come and join us on the first Wednesday of each month at 1.30pm. For more info contact Margaret ☎: 0419 003 415 (Secretary). All welcome.

Ballarat Diocese Lay Pastoral Ministry Program – now open for new participants

Low-cost online study and formation for lay workers in parish and other ministries, employed or volunteers. Many subjects available, completed in 5 weeks. Next study cycle starts 10 March, contact us by February 25. Info: e: amanda.smith@ballarat.catholic.org.au ☎: 5337 7125 or www.ballarat.catholic.org.au

Thirsting for God: Faith Seeking Understanding

Theology course led by Fr Barry Ryan and Sr Veronica Lawson. Five 2-hour sessions on faith commitment in the contemporary world (1–3pm or 7–9pm): Mercy Gathering Room, Gent St, Ballarat East; 14 Feb, 14 Mar, 11 Apr, 9 May, 6 Jun. RSVP 4 Feb with contact details (email & mobile) and afternoon/evening preference: Sr Veronica veronica.lawson@mercy.org.au or SMS 0408 392 297. Donation: \$25. Nb. this is a new course, not a repeat of sessions held over the past 4 years.

Plenary Council 2020 – Hearing your Voice

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

Catholic Man Breakfast Series

Breakfast for men of all ages, Craig's Royal Hotel, Thurs 21st Feb. Hosted by Bishop Paul Bird CSsR, guest speaker former leading radio executive, Shane Healy. Info: Chris Liston ☎ 0437 318 251 or chris.listo2@gmail.com

Joy Spreading with Bishop Paul

The next Joy Spreading event for young adults (18–30yo) features Q&A with Bishop Paul Bird. Friday 22nd February, 6.30–8.30pm, Lakeview Ballarat. An opportunity for young adults to share ideas and views in a friendly environment. Free entry. Info: www.ballarat.catholic.org.au or ☎ 5337 7125.

Enrolment for Year 7, 2020

Loreto College www.loreto.vic.edu.au

- Open Day: Tues 5th February, 2019 9am–12pm
- Applications close: 7th February, 2019
- Monthly Tours: ☎ 5329 6184 or registrar@loreto.vic.edu.au

A Prayer for young people

O God, we ask you
 to guide and protect young people
 Be with them, as they experience sickness and health,
 sorrow and joy,
 loneliness and friendship,
 success and failure.
 Gracious God,
 give young people the courage and strength
 to make the right decisions
 as they journey through life.
 With the help of the Holy Spirit,
 may they come to know and experience your loving care.
 We make this prayer through Christ our Lord.
 Amen.

	READER/INTERCESSIONS	PRESENTATION OF GIFTS	COMMUNION MINISTER	ALTAR SERVERS
2 nd & 3 rd Feb	Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year C): Jeremiah 1:4-5,17-19 ~ 1 Corinthians 12:31-13:13 ~ Luke 4:21-30			
Dunnstown ~ 6.30pm	Liz Hanrahan	Lisa O'Loughlin Family	Jennifer McKay	Cameron & Lyna
Gordon ~ 8.45am	Monica Eastwood & Mark Conroy	Brian & Kate Carey	Eddie Davis	
Ballan ~ 10.30am	Sandra Miller & Marie Wytkamp	Mary & Des Conroy	Helen Conlan & Simone Foder	
9 th & 10 th Feb	Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year C): Isaiah 61:1-8 1 Corinthians 15:1-11 ~ Luke 5:1-11			
Springbank ~ 6.30pm	Kath O'Neil	Peter Maher Family	Sharon Daly	
Bungaree ~ 8.45am	Terry Elliott	Leah Hanrahan	S Ryan / E Clark	
Ballan ~ 10.30am	Mark Conlan & Lin Bowers	Lorraine DeSpirit & Vikki Boka	Lorraine Tipple & Patricia Binks	
16 th & 17 th Feb	Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year C): Jeremiah 17:5-8 1 Corinthians 15:12,16-20 ~ Luke 6:17,20-26			
Dunnstown ~ 6.30pm	Meegan Jenkins	Jenkins Family	Dorothy Sheehan	Keily, Rose & Teirney
Gordon ~ 8.45am	Kerryn Taylor	Pat Barry & Eily Carey	Joan Bourke	
Ballan ~ 10.30am	Angela Carr & Winnie Zammit	Bridget Sims Family	Judith Hodgson & Lloyd Lamb	