

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year C) ~ 16th & 17th February 2019



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: \$200.00	Parish: \$319.10
Planned Giving	Envelopes: \$318.40	
	Year to date: \$32,790.50	

Presbytery Sale

Last Saturday (9th Feb) the presbytery was sold at auction for \$790,000 which was in excess of market appraisals. Many are saddened and disappointed at the need for the sale but accept the reason and business case. The funds from the sale will be retained by the parish with the Catholic Development Fund. By diocesan policy the monies are only to be used for capital purposes, and will assist in funding some much needed works. The purchasers of the presbytery are an established local family from Gordon and parishioners of St Patrick's.

Parish of Gordon Commission Interim Report

The interim report is now available in each church. Vin Dillon and Sue Daly are seeking feedback, via the boxes in the church foyers or email/post details in the report. A final community meeting to review all feedback and discern the parish communities preferred approach for our governance structure will be on Sunday 24th March at Donegans Farm, 5pm, followed by wood-fired pizza to follow.

Mass Times change for Ballan Autumn Festival

To avoid parking issues for the Ballan festival, mass times will be swapped on Sunday 17th March: Ballan 8.45am; Gordon 10.30am.

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: \$135.00	Parish: \$535.00
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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.

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.

Parish Leadership Team

Meeting: this Tuesday (19th Feb), 7.30pm, Parish Centre

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 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			
Tues 19 th Feb	Bungaree	9.00am	Mass
Thur 21 st Feb	Ballan	10.00am	Prayer Group
Sat 23 rd Feb	Clarkes Hill	6.30pm	Sunday Mass
Sun 24 th Feb	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	Clarkes 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

Eily Mullane, Catherine Donegan, Cecelia Haintz, Ellie Walsh, Diane Johnson, Tom O'Loughlin, Frank Britt, Tim Fletcher, Edna Carson, Catherine Parkin, Eileen White, Elizabeth Flynn, Carmen Galea, Arthur Jones, Louise Tubbs, Joan Arnel

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.

Baptism

Congratulations to Kasper Henry Driscoll (son of Carmel and Shane) and Hannah Jean Bourke (daughter of Shellie and Paul), who are being baptised this weekend. We welcome Kasper and Hannah into our faith community, and assure them and their families of our prayers and support.

Baptism Anniversaries

This month, we celebrate the anniversary of the following recent baptisms: Nellie Kate Cheeseman (2015) and Aiden Antonio Sarra (2016)

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



Clergy Appointments

- Fr Bill van de Camp will retire as Parish Priest of Koroit and Port Fairy after Easter 2019.
- The Redemptorist Congregation is sponsoring five newly ordained priests to work in our diocese during this year to give them further practical experience working in parish settings. They have been appointed to the parishes of Ballarat Cathedral, Redan, Maryborough, Ararat and Hamilton.

Joy Spreading with Bishop Paul

Event for young adults (18–30yo) features Q&A with Bishop Paul Bird. Fri 22 Feb, 6.30–8.30pm, Lakeview Ballarat. Opportunity for young adults to share ideas and views in a friendly environment. Info: www.ballarat.catholic.org.au or ☎ 5337 7125.

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

Diocesan Lay Pastoral Ministry Program

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

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

Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend

Invest in your most precious asset: your marriage! Couples and a priest present the weekend, with no group sharing. Based around Catholic values but couples of all faiths are welcome. Melbourne weekends: 29–31 Mar, 31 May – 2 Jun, 23–25 Aug, 15–17 Nov. 7pm Friday – 5pm Sunday. Accommodation & meals provided. Info: Mercy & James ☎ 0409 183 676 or vicbookings@wwme.org.au or www.wwme.org.au

Damascus 2019 Class Reunions

Past students and staff of Damascus College and its foundation colleges, Sacred Heart, St Paul's and St Martin's in the Pines are invited to celebrate the following reunions: Classes of 1969 Sun 24 Mar 12.30pm, 1979 Sat 23 Mar 2pm, 1989 Sat 16 Mar 2pm, 1999 Fri 15 Mar 6.30pm, 2009 Fri 22 Mar 6.30pm. Details and booking: www.damascus.vic.edu.au/past-students-reunions-events

Nazareth House Ballarat – Auxiliary Membership

First Wednesday of each month 1.30pm. New members welcome. Info Margaret ☎ 0419 003 415.

	READER/INTERCESSIONS	PRESENTATION OF GIFTS	COMMUNION MINISTER	ALTAR SERVERS
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	Kiely, Rose & Tierney
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	
23 rd & 24 th Feb	Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year C): Jeremiah 17:5-8 ~ 1 Corinthians 15:12,16-20 ~ Luke 6:17,20-26			
Clarkes Hill ~ 6.30pm	Con Powell	Joan Powell	Marty Forbes	
Gordon ~ 8.45am	Maria Donegan & Eddie Davis	Michael & Therese Winter	Beth Calleja	
Ballan ~ 10.30am	Bert Jarvis & Rosemary Canavan	Julie Dargan Family	Angela Carr & Winnie Zammit	
2 nd & 3 rd Mar	Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year C): Sirach 27:4-7 ~ 1 Corinthians 15:54-58 ~ Luke 6:39-45			
Dunnstown ~ 6.30pm	Karen Cahir	Karen Cahir Family	Trish Ryan	Meg & Emma D
Gordon ~ 8.45am	Kate Carey & Marie Durham	Mark & Narelle Conroy family	Josie Donegan	
Ballan ~ 10.30am	Marie Shanahan & Julie Dargan	James & Alison Eskdale Family	Bert Jarvis & Cathy Mullane	