

*Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year C) ~ 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> October, 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: Mick Winter (Chair), Lin Bowers (Secretary)

Shane Carey, Frank Simpson, Gabrielle Driscoll, Bambi Afford, Marie Shanahan

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 Finance Council** Anita Lidgett (Chair), Stephen Conroy (Secretary), Tony Lynch, Brendan Maher, Dan Toohey, Tony Paarhammer

**Parish Schools**  
**St. Brigid's Primary School** Principal: Ms Gabrielle Driscoll ☎ 5368 1015 [www.sballan.catholic.edu.au](http://www.sballan.catholic.edu.au)  
**St. Patrick's Primary School** Principal: Mrs Bambi Afford ☎ 5368 9495 [www.spgordon.catholic.edu.au](http://www.spgordon.catholic.edu.au)

### Collections last weekend

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

<b>Loose</b>	Presbytery: \$250.00	Parish: \$101.05
<b>Planned Giving</b>	Envelopes 2019/20:	\$273.00
	<b>Year to date:</b>	\$14,708.23
<b>Sick &amp; Retired Priests (to date):</b>		\$241.00

### Planned Giving Program

The Parish Financial Committee has been working hard to roll out an updated Parish Planned Giving Program for 2019. A Planned Giving Program has not been conducted within the Parish since 2012. The timeline for the Program is as follows. On Tuesday 8th October St Pats and St Brigid's Schools will receive brochures and paperwork to be sent home with families. At Springbank Mass on Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> of October and Mass at Gordon and Ballan on Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> of October a member of the PFC will explain the program and distribute pledge forms. If you have any questions please speak to a member of the PFC or contact the parish office.

### Ballarat Interfaith Network and Jewish Christian Muslim Association's Friendship Walk

October 20 2pm – 5 pm. See notice in Church foyer for details or <https://bin-jcma-friendshipwalk19.eventbrite.com.au>

**SAVE THE DATE**  
 For a Parish Gathering for  
**Discernment**  
**Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> NOV, 12.30pm**  
 More details to come



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### Church Cleaning – October

St Michael's 11<sup>th</sup>, St Brigid's 18<sup>th</sup> & St Patrick's 25<sup>th</sup>.

BALLAN	GORDON	SPRINGBANK
Lloyd Lamb	Therese Winter Sue Petherick Debbie Goldie	Eileen Haintz 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](http://www.smclarkeshill.catholic.edu.au)  
**St. Brendan's School, Dunnstown** Principal: Mr Chris Kavanagh ☎ 5334 7604 [www.sbdunnstown.catholic.edu.au](http://www.sbdunnstown.catholic.edu.au)

### Collections last weekend:

<b>Presbytery:</b>	\$203.00	<b>Parish:</b>	\$520.00
<b>Sick &amp; Retired Priests (to date):</b>	\$755.00		

### 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](http://www.ballarat.catholic.org.au) (follow parish links.) Parish Safeguarding Officer: Leah Hanrahan.

### Mass at Pootilla Cemetery

Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> November, 9.30am. Some chairs provided; BYO if possible. Please pass on information to other people who may be interested.

	READER/INTERCESSIONS	PRESENTATION OF GIFTS	COMMUNION MINISTER	ALTAR SERVERS
<b>5<sup>th</sup> &amp; 6<sup>th</sup> October</b>	<b>27<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year C): Habakkuk 1:2-3,2:2-4 ~ 2 Timothy 1:6-8,13-14 ~ Luke 17:5-9</b>			
<b>Dunnstown ~ 6.30pm</b>	Liz Hanrahan	Hanrahan Family	Dorothy Sheehan	Isla Paddy & Kade
<b>Gordon ~ 8.45am</b>	Monica Eastwood & Mark Conroy	Michael & Therese Winter	Eily Carey	
<b>Ballan ~ 10.30am</b>	Julie Dargan & Winnie Zammit	Leon and Pat Burvill	Lloyd Lamb	
<b>12<sup>th</sup> &amp; 13<sup>th</sup> October</b>	<b>28<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year C): 2 Kings 5:14-17 ~ 2 Timothy 2:8-13 ~ Luke 17:11-19</b>			
<b>Springbank ~ 6.30pm</b>	Kath O'Neil	Peter Maher Family	Julie Toohey	
<b>Bungaree ~ 8.45am</b>	Shelley Ryan	Leah Hanrahan	L Jeffrey / E Clark	
<b>Ballan ~ 10.30am</b>	Anne Eskdale & Mark Conlan	Lorraine DeSpirit & Vikki Boka	Denise Patricia Binks & Judith Hodgson	
<b>19<sup>th</sup> &amp; 20<sup>th</sup> October</b>	<b>29<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year C): Exodus 17:8-13 ~ 2 Timothy 3:14-4:2 ~ Luke 18:1-8</b>			
<b>Dunnstown ~ 6.30pm</b>	Dorothy Sheehan	Sheehan Family	Trish Ryan	Madalyn & Emma
<b>Gordon ~ 8.45am</b>	Josie Donegan & Shane Carey	Mark & Narelle Conroy family	Pat Barry	
<b>Ballan ~ 10.30am</b>	Marie Shanahan & Julie Dargan	Bridget Sims Family	Denise Marshall & Bert Jarvis	

LITURGIES			
Thur 10 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Ballan	10.00am	Prayer Group
Fri 11 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Bungaree	10.00am	Mass
Sat 12 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Springbank	6.30pm	Sunday Mass
Sun 13 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Bungaree	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	Springbank
Sun 8.45am	Gordon	Bungaree	Gordon	Gordon	Bungaree
Sun 10.30am	Ballan	(Korobeit Sat 6.30pm ~ Creswick 8.45am ~ Daylesford 10.30am)			

### Recent Death

John Kelly, Garry Leonard

### Anniversaries


Cornelius Mahar, Maureen Mullane, Josie Tudor, Sr Patsy Ford S.R.M, Christine Dent, Fred Tudor, Kevin Mahoney, John Azzopardi, Jim Wickson, Thomas McKenzie, Joseph Rice, Bernadette Moran, Catherine Moran, Lucinda Moran, Fr Michael Mulcahy, Arthur Murphy, Bill Flynn

### 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, Jan Quinlan, Douglas Keating, Noel Craven, Patrick Hodgson, Kevin Mullane, Christine Hall, John Ryan, Tom Hanrahan, Mike Hayward-Brown, Leon Burvill.

### Invitation to Fr Shane's Episcopal Ordination

**Most Reverend Leslie Tomlinson DD**  
**Apostolic Administrator of Sandhurst Diocese invites Parishioners of the Diocese of Ballarat to the Episcopal Ordination of**  
**Most Reverend Shane Mackinlay**  
**Sacred Heart Cathedral Bendigo**  
**Wednesday 16 October at 12 noon**  
*The celebration will be streamed on*  
[www.sandhurst.catholic.org.au](http://www.sandhurst.catholic.org.au)



### Thanksgiving Mass with Bishop Shane Mackinlay

Bishop Paul Bird CSsR has invited Fr Shane to return to the diocese and celebrate a Mass of thanksgiving after his episcopal ordination: St Patrick's Cathedral, Ballarat, Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> November, 7.00pm, followed by supper.

### Resident Priest: October – January

Bishop Paul has advised that Fr Des FitzGerald CSsR will be resident at St Michael's, Bungaree, providing sacramental ministry in Bungaree and Gordon parishes from 10<sup>th</sup> October 2019 to 13<sup>th</sup> January 2020. Bishop Paul is planning to write to parishioners to elaborate on his plans for the parishes.

### John Molony Tribute: Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> October

John Molony was a priest in the Ballarat Diocese in the 1950s and early 1960s. The tribute day will acknowledge John's energy and commitment to the church and the issues of his time in Ballarat. Discussion groups on changes since his time, such as world population, education and the future of democracy. RSVP: Phillip Moore ☎ 0448 623 142 or [phill.moore1@bigpond.com](mailto:phill.moore1@bigpond.com) or Frank Sheehan ☎ 0429 347 345 or [franksheehan@bigpond.com](mailto:franksheehan@bigpond.com)

### Social Justice Sunday

This year's Social Justice Statement by Australia's Bishops is titled "Making it real: Genuine human encounter in our digital world." It affirms the positive possibilities for encounter and solidarity offered by new digital media, while warning of those



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elements of our digital world that may be harmful, including information overload, social isolation, marginalisation of the vulnerable, consumerism and fake news. The Statement shares Pope Francis' call to us to 'boldly become citizens of the digital world', with the image of the Good Samaritan as our inspiration. We are called not only to love our neighbour, but to bring the love of God to the new global neighbourhood. The bishops point out that we are called not just to be inhabitants of this new digital world, but active citizens shaping it. All of us – whether we are users, communities, industrial or political leaders – have a role to play in rejecting hatred, divisions and falsehoods. We have a duty to foster a neighbourhood that promotes those human attributes and social values that lend themselves to genuine human encounter – love, understanding, beauty, goodness, truth and trustworthiness, joy and hope. Full statement:

[www.socialjustice.catholic.org.au](http://www.socialjustice.catholic.org.au)

### Plenary Council 2020:

#### National Theme for Discernment – September

This month, we are invited to reflect on Scripture, Church teaching and our contemporary situation in order to discern the answer to this question: "How is God calling us to be a Christ-centred Church that is missionary and evangelising?" The fruits of what is discerned during this time will help shape the agenda of the first session of the Plenary Council in October 2020.

Jillian Hogbin and Felicity Knobel are facilitating Discernment gatherings in the Cathedral parish for each of the six themes of the Plenary Council, Sunday afternoons, 2.30pm– 4.30pm. The discernment process is a prayerful one, commencing with Scripture, silence, spiritual conversations and proposed actions.

**Sunday October 27** - How to be a Christ-centred Church that is Missionary & Evangelising

**Sunday November 17** - How to be a Christ-centred Church that is humble, healing and merciful

**Sunday December 1** - How to be a Christ-centred Church that is inclusive, missionary & synodal

#### Plenary Council: Listening & Dialogue Stage Final Report

*Listen to what the Spirit is saying*, the final report of the Listening and Dialogue stage of the Plenary Council. The report captures the voices of the more than 222,000 people who shared their submissions, questions and stories of faith during the 10-month process:

[www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/resources/reports](http://www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/resources/reports)

#### Ballarat Diocese Lay Pastoral Ministry Program

Low-cost online study and formation for lay workers in parish and other ministries, employed or volunteers. Includes Sacraments, Scripture, Youth Ministry, Liturgy, Leadership and more. Study cycle is 5 weeks per subject. Next cycle begins 27<sup>th</sup> October. Register by 12<sup>th</sup> October. Info: [www.ballarat.catholic.org.au](http://www.ballarat.catholic.org.au) | Lay Pastoral Ministry Program or e: [fran.peterkin@ballarat.catholic.org.au](mailto:fran.peterkin@ballarat.catholic.org.au) or ☎ 5337 7154.

### **Plenary Council – National Themes for Discernment Announced**

The six National Themes for Discernment invite people to reflect, to pray and to consider how God is calling the People of God to be a Christ-centred Church in Australia that is:

1. **Missionary and Evangelising**
2. **Inclusive, Participatory and Synodal**
3. **Prayerful and Eucharistic**
4. **Humble, Healing and Merciful**
5. **A Joyful, Hope-Filled and Servant Community**
6. **Open to conversion, Renewal and Reform**

The discernment process will involve establishing working groups for each National Theme. People in faith communities across Australia will be called to participate locally in their own communal Listening and Discernment encounters.

### **Year 7 ~ 2021 Enrolment Information**

#### **Loreto College**

- Information Evening: Monday, October 21, 7.00pm

More info [www.loreto.vic.edu.au](http://www.loreto.vic.edu.au)

#### **Damascus College**

- Information Evening: Tuesday, October 22, 6.30pm.

- Open morning: October 29 from 9.00am – 10.30am.

Register: <https://www.damascus.vic.edu.au/prospective-visit-us>

#### **St Patrick's College**

- Information Evening: Thursday, October 24

register your attendance: [www.trybooking.com/BDEBO](http://www.trybooking.com/BDEBO)

- Open Mornings: Friday mornings 9.00am. Book at: <https://www.trybooking.com/XIVK>

For further information [cbennett@stpats.vic.edu.au](mailto:cbennett@stpats.vic.edu.au) or <http://www.stpats.vic.edu.au/en/prospective-families/prospectus/>. The application closing date is Friday, December 6, 2019 at 4.00pm.