

Second Sunday of Easter (Year A): ~ 18th & 19th April 2020

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, Aileen Toohey, Gabrielle Driscoll, Tim Delaney, Marie Shanahan

Supervising Priest: Fr Ed Moloney Visiting Priest: Fr Sajan Mathew

Parish Secretary/ Parish Office (Tuesdays 9.30am-2.30pm): ☎ 5368 9280 or 0491 601 162

✉ 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 Brendan Maher and Dan Toohey

Parish Schools	St. Brigid's Primary School	Principal: Ms Gabrielle Driscoll	☎ 5368 1015	www.sballan.catholic.edu.au
	St. Patrick's Primary School	Principal: Mr Tim Delaney	☎ 5368 9495	www.spgordon.catholic.edu.au

Collections last weekend

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

Loose Presbytery:	Parish:
Planned Giving Envelopes 2019/20:	
Year to date:	\$41,784.58

Church Collections

When masses return to normal the Parish will be running two separate collections. The move to two collections is under the advisement of the Vicar General to bring us in line with the remainder of the Parishes in our Diocese. You will find the breakdown of the disbursement of funds for the two collections on the website. The Presbytery account will be the first collection which is for the support of the priest. The second collection is for the running of the Parish which also includes your sacrificial giving envelopes.

When masses are back to normal, there will be a member of the Parish Financial Council, who, prior to mass starting, will make a small presentation of explanation.

Current Discussions within the different teams of the Gordon Parish

Members of the Parish Finance and Pastoral Councils, the Parish Secretary, together with Fr Ed and Fr Sajan, plus transition team members have and will meet regularly via Zoom to discuss and formulate plans for our future. Fr Ed is very supportive of our parish. We are extremely fortunate and blessed to have his leadership and guidance during these very challenging times. We will endeavour to keep all parishioners informed regarding our discussions about structure, financial status and pastoral care priorities. We will get through this and once again be able to come together as a parish community to worship, pray and share. Please take care and stay well.

Sacramental Program Dependant on Government Directives closer to date

Confirmation/Eucharist Parent Information Night	Thursday 21 st May 7pm St. Brigid's School
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Church Cleaning - April

BALLAN	GORDON	SPRINGBANK
Lin Bowers	Therese Winter and Debbie Goldie	Kath and Louise O'Neil



ST. MICHAEL'S CATHOLIC PARISH ~ BUNGAREE

St Peter's, Clarkes Hill ~ St Brendan's, Dunnstown ~ St Michael's, Bungaree

Parish Administrator: Fr Sajan Mathew ~ ☎ 5334 0450 ~ C/- Post Office, Bungaree Vic 3352

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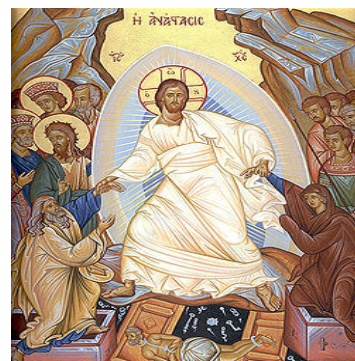
Parish Schools	St. Mary's School, Clarkes Hill	Acting Principal: Inez French	☎ 5334 5280	www.smclarkeshill.catholic.edu.au
	St. Brendan's School, Dunnstown	Acting Principal: Inez French	☎ 5334 7604	www.sbdunnstown.catholic.edu.au

Collections last weekend:

Presbytery:	Parish:
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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.



	READER/INTERCESSIONS	PRESENTATION OF GIFTS	COMMUNION MINISTER	Other
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LITURGIES

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	1 st Sunday	2 nd Sunday	3 rd Sunday	4 th Sunday	5 th Sunday
Sat 6.30pm	Dunnstown	Springbank	Dunnstown	Clarke's 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

Brenda Jones, Len Mahar, Kath O'Keefe, Mary Duffy, Greard Toohey, Alice McTigue, Kathleen Toohey, Johanna Corbett, Jessie Baynes, Giuseppe Spataro and Sheila Patmore.

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, Noel Craven, Patrick Hodgson, Christine Hall, John Ryan, Reg Haintz, Michael Wise, Thelma Keating, Lyla Geary, Michael Wise, Thelma Keating, Lyla Geary and Clare Adriaans

How to get the Parish Newsletter

The bulletin is also available under the Bungaree and Gordon Parish links of the Diocese website www.ballarat.catholic.org.au If you would like to receive it by email please contact the parish office at Bungaree@ballarat.catholic.org.au or gordon@ballarat.catholic.org.au

There are tubs in front of all the churches containing the current weekly newsletter for you to take or deliver to parishioners in isolation.

Our Diocesan Community

The latest edition of ODC and eNews is now available to read online at www.ballarat.catholic.org.au under "News and Events"

Links to online Masses in the Diocese

Go to: www.ballarat.catholic.org.au and then the COVID-19 link to find various links to online masses being held in the diocese as well as outside of the diocese. You can also read various Statements and other information in relation to COVID-19.

Updates, information, resources and links to online Masses, in light of the novel coronavirus (COVID-19)

- Updates from Bishop Paul, the Australian Catholic Bishops Conference and other agencies is available from the diocesan website www.ballarat.catholic.org.au
- Continue to check the diocesan website as new resources are being added to this page for people to access during this time of social isolation. There are also links to online Masses within and outside the diocese.

A special message to our School Communities from our Principals

As we commence Term 2 with the certainty that most students will be learning from home, the Catholic Education Office Ballarat would like to share this special video message with all of our families. Watch the video on the CEOB website www.ceob.edu.au

Mercy Connect Ballarat/Bendigo Co-ordinator

Mercy Connect is a program within Mercy Works which recruits, trains and supports volunteers to mentor refugee students and their families as they settle in Australia. We are seeking a Co-ordinator of our Ballarat/Bendigo Mercy Connect Education project. The role involves connecting all volunteers with students from refugee and asylum seeker backgrounds in existing and potentially new primary and secondary schools across Ballarat/Bendigo. It also includes recruiting and training new volunteers. While providing assistance in the educational setting, the primary focus is one of mentoring and providing ongoing support and training. The Co-ordinator is required to liaise with schools in providing volunteers appropriate to the situation. A key focus will be expanding the project within the Bendigo region. It is a two day a week position and based in Bendigo. For further information

Moorabool Shire Council (COVID=19) UPDATE No.1 - Emergency Relief Assistance

Australian Red Cross is supporting Combined Agency Operations Group (CAOG) and Emergency Management Victoria to provide relief (food and water, and psychological support) to community members affected by the COVID-19 social distancing requirements. All enquires and requests for food and essential relief packages should be directed to the COVID-19 hotline **1800 675 398**. Further information at: dhhs.vic.gov.au/coronavirus

In line with government directives aimed at slowing the spread of the coronavirus and the safety measures being undertaken throughout our communities, all places of worship, churches and chapels remain closed until further notice. You can stay connected with your faith through the many links to online Masses above, which are being offered around the Diocese.