



ST. PATRICK'S CATHOLIC PARISH ~ GORDON

St. Brigid's, Ballan ~ St. Patrick's, Gordon ~ St. Michael's, Springbank

Supervising Priest: Fr Gary Jones ~ Parish Coordinators: Joan Bourke (Moderator), Catherine Green & Michael Ryan

Visiting Priest: Fr Shane Mackinlay ~ For Baptisms, Marriages & Funerals: Contact Narelle Conroy (Parish Secretary)

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PARISH VISION: *That all parishioners and visitors are welcomed as family and nourished as the Body of Christ*

Parish Pastoral Council	Helen Ryan (Chair), Joan Bourke (Moderator), Linden Hall, Bridget Sims, Louise Haintz, Sr Kathleen Moran, Gabe Driscoll (School Principal)** A representative is required for Springbank.**		
Finance Committee	Michael Ryan (Chair & Coordinator Representative), John Moroney (Book Keeper), Tony Lynch, Reg Haintz, Luke Mullane, Stephen Conroy, Brendan Maher		
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 Michael Kennedy	☎ 5368 9495 www.spgordon.catholic.edu.au
	St. Michael's Primary School	Principal: Mr Michael Kennedy	☎ 5334 0344 www.smspringbank.catholic.edu.au

Collections Last Week

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

Loose	Presbytery: \$300.00	Parish: \$64.00
Planned Giving	Envelopes: \$350	Year to date: \$12,753.95
Sick & retired Priests (BCSF) to date : \$1,005.90		

Rite of Christian Initiation (R.C.I.A.) Information Session

Speaker: Susan Crowe, the diocesan contact for R.C.I.A., and member of the Diocesan Liturgical Commission. Parish House, Gordon Tues 15th Nov 9a.m. - 11a.m. Info: Kathleen Moran ☎: 0438 812 449 or rsmmoran@vic.chariot.net.au or Parish Office. All welcome.

Cello Recital for Refugee Realities Ballan

Miranda Brockman, Sat 12th Nov, St Paul's Uniting Church, Ballan. 7.30pm wine & hors d'oeuvres; 8.15pm recital (J. S. Bach & Carl Vine); 9.15pm supper. Adult \$25, Conc. \$15, Student \$10: www.trybooking.com/MSSC or cash at door. Info: RefugeeRealitiesBallan@gmail.com or ☎ 5368 2325

Parish Social Group: Visit to M.A.D.E

Museum of Australian Democracy at Eureka followed by lunch at Saltbush Kitchen **Thurs, Nov 10th**. Bus departs **Ballan: 10.45am & Gordon: 11.15am**. Car transport also available. Contact Marie Shanahan ☎: 5368 7255 or Helen Ryan ☎: 5368 9314.

Kathleen's Corner:

'Anyone who describes asylum-seekers – regardless of how they got here – as "illegals" is guilty of perpetuating a big lie', writes *Hugh Mackay. we all know what's happening. The brutality, the cruelty – amounting to sustained mental

torture – occurring in the detention centres is not some little secret known only to a few insiders. This is Australian government policy, out in the open, supported and sustained on both sides of politics. This is a national disgrace, and we are all complicit.

*Hugh Mackay is a social researcher and author. His latest book, **Beyond Belief**, is published by Macmillan.

Fr Robert McCulloch - The Columban Order.

The Columban Order operates a hospital in a very poor city in Pakistan that cares for a community of 50000 people including many pregnant women and small children. The Pakistani provides no monetary support at all. Recent floods have destroyed nearly all the equipment and supplies. Fr Robert McCulloch, a Columban, has been talking about the plight of the hospital in Churches throughout Victoria and is asking for help to continue the work on the hospital. If you would like to help you can contact the Columbans at info@columban.org.au or on 03 93759475. You can also talk to Lorraine Tipple who has heard Fr McCulloch speak.

Coming Events & Meetings:

- 7th Nov. 7:30pm. P.P.C Meeting. Parish House, Gordon.
- 16th Nov. 7:30pm. Finance Meeting. Parish House, Gordon.

Church Cleaning – October

**Vacuuming: St Michael's - 4th, St Brigid's - 11th, St Patrick's - 18th October

Thank you to all our volunteers who keep our Churches well maintained.

BALLAN	GORDON	SPRINGBANK
Patricia Binks Family	Margaret McTigue, Carmen Camilleri	Faye Toohey Cathy Hanrahan



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 Fax: 5334 0514

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	St. Brendan's School, Dunnstown	Principal: Mr Chris Kavanagh	☎ 5334 7604	www.sbdunnstown.catholic.edu.au

Collections Last Week

Presbytery: \$228.00	Parish: \$429.00
Retired Priests (BCSF) to date: \$515.00	
PNG Mission: \$50.00	

Working Bee @ Bungaree

Saturday, 5th Nov, 8.30am. BYO rakes, shovels, trimmers, etc. Info: Frank Hanrahan



Farewells @ Clarkes Hill

Farewell to Mary Slater and Leo & Margaret Crough. Sat 26th Nov, 6.30pm Mass, followed by meal at Wallace Hotel. RSVP, 23 Nov: Helen Mahar SMS 0409 010 373.

First Reconciliation

Six children from our parish are preparing with their families to celebrate First Reconciliation. They are formally enrolling in the program over these two weeks, and will participate in a Retreat Day on Fri 18th Nov, before celebrating the

Sacrament of Reconciliation that evening at 5.30pm. We assure these children and their families of our prayers and support as they prepare to celebrate this sacrament of God's forgiveness and mercy.

LITURGIES			
Tues 1 st Nov	Bungaree	9.00am	All Saints Day
3 rd Nov	Ballan	10.00am	Prayer Group St Brigid's gathering space
Sat 5 th Nov	Dunnstown	6.30pm	Sunday Mass
Sun 6 th Nov	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	Clarks Hill (6pm Blampied)	Springbank
Sun 8.45am	Gordon	Bungaree	Gordon	Gordon	Bungaree
Sun 10.30am	Ballan (Creswick 8.45am – Daylesford 10.30am)				



Anniversaries

Richard Keating, Henry Nolan, Jack Molloy, John Ronan, Bart Fuller, Paul Wheelahan, Joseph Toohey, Noel Torpy, Ronnie Spratling, Hughie O'Halloran and Mollie Maher.

We offer our prayerful support for the sick

Kerry Mulcahy, Wayne Mc Kercher, Gwen Shanahan, Bonnie MacDonald, Anna Bartaska, Mitchell Prendergast, Michelle Hall, Mary Cassar, Moira Myers, Louise Smith, Elizabeth Smith, Margaret Mullane, Phillip Camilleri, Melanie Yates, Joe D'arcy, Odile Just, George Roberts, Chelsea Lawler, Carole Steenhuis, Steven Molloy, Alice Gardiner.

Parish Cemetery Masses - November

Bungaree Parish: Mass at Pootilla Cemetery, Sunday 13th November, 9.30am.

Some chairs provided; BYO if possible. Please pass on information to people who might be interested.

Gordon Parish: Mass at Gordon Cemetery. Sun 27th Nov. 2pm. (St Patrick's Church will be the alternative venue in the case of inclement circumstances. **no 8:45am Mass on this day**).

Wedding Congratulations

Congratulations to Jessica Butler and Joshua Loader, who were married this Saturday in St. Peter's, Clarks Hill. We assure them of our prayers and support as they begin their married life together.

Loreto 'Golden Girls' High Tea

High Tea for Loreto pre-1966 alumnae, Wed 2nd Nov. 2pm College Tour, 3pm High Tea, 5pm Mass of Remembrance, 6pm Past Pupils' AGM & \$15 supper. RSVP ☎ 5329 6137.

Young Men interested in the Priesthood?

Retreat Day / Pilgrimage: Sat 12th Nov, 10.30am-3pm, St Patrick's College. Bus to Scarsdale, 13km walk to Linton, Mass and lunch. Led by Fr James Kerr and 2 seminarians from Corpus Christi College. Info/RSVP: Fr Ed Moloney, edward.moloney@cam.org.au

St Vincent de Paul 'Assist a Student'

Overseas education sponsorship program: \$70/student/year, offering hope and a better future. ☎ 9895 5800 or www.vinnies.org.au/page/Donate/Assist_a_Student_Program/

Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend

Invest in your most precious asset: Your Marriage! Couples and a priest present the weekend (no group sharing). Melbourne, Fri 11 Nov, 7pm – Sun 13 Nov, 5pm. Accommodation and meals provided. Info: Marianne & Marcel ☎ 9733 0997 or vicbookings@wwme.org.au or www.wwme.org.au

Fundraiser: Books for Timor-Leste

Film: Queen of Katwe, followed by high afternoon tea. Supporting Edmund Rice community. Regent Theatre, Sun 4th Dec, 1.45pm, \$25. Tickets: Liz Hanrahan ☎ 0417 347 262.

2018 Year 7 Enrolments

- **Loreto College:** Tours: Thurs 3rd Nov, Thurs 1st Dec, 9.30am. RSVP: www.loreto.vic.edu.au.
- **Damascus College:** Information evening for parents & students, Wed 2nd Nov, 6.30pm (6.15pm registration)

Farewell School Principal - Michael Kennedy

St Patrick's Primary School, Gordon & St Michael's Primary School, Springbank warmly invite past & present staff, parents & members of our Parish Communities to join together and help celebrate Michael Kennedy's 10 years as our School's Principal. Friday 4th November, 7pm onwards at Wallace Hotel. Finger food provided, drinks at bar prices. Please come and enjoy a casual evening, an opportunity to celebrate the past 10 years together as a community.

End of an Era Celebration at St Michael's School, Springbank

St Michael's School will close at the end of the 2016 school year. On December 3, we will be celebrating the life and times of the school. Celebrations will commence with afternoon tea at 4pm. Mass at 6.30pm, then a spit roast tea, meeting old friends, colleagues and dance the night away. Recovery brunch, Sunday, December 4 (BYO drinks to this event). RSVP to Margie Quinlan Email: quinlanwater@gmail.com or message ☎: 0417 587 235. Please note that you will not be catered for if your name is not on the guest list.

	READER/INTERCESSIONS	PRESENTATION OF GIFTS	COMMUNION MINISTER	ALTAR SERVERS
29 th & 30 th Oct	Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year C): Wisdom 11:23-12:2 ~ 2 Thessalonians 1:11-2:2 ~ Luke 19:1-10			
Springbank ~ 6.30pm	Kath O'Neil	Peter Maher Family	Julie Toohey	
Bungaree ~ 8.45am	Damian Ryan	Darren Rix	N Jeffrey / M Elliott	
Ballan ~ 10.30am	Marie Shanahan & Sandra Miller	Anita Lidgett Family	Cathy Mullane & Angela Carr	
5 th & 6 th Nov	Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year C): 2 Maccabees 7:1-2,9-14 ~ 2 Thessalonians 2:16-3:5 ~ Luke 20:27-38			
Dunnstown ~ 6.30pm	Jennifer McKay & Lauren Murphy	Greg Murphy Family	Jennifer McKay	Amy, Charlie & Meg
Gordon ~ 8.45am	Kate Carey & Marie Durham	Brian & Kate Carey	Maria Donegan	
Ballan ~ 10.30am	Patrick Hodgson & Lin Bowers	Binks Family	Lorraine Tipple & Lloyd Lamb	
12 th & 13 th Nov				
Springbank ~ 6.30pm	Tony & Julie Toohey	Mark Hanrahan Family	Sharon Daly	
Pootilla ~ 9.30am	Trish O'Donohue	C Frawley	D Ryan / L Jeffrey	
Ballan ~ 10.30am	Winnie Zammit & Julie Dargan	Leon & Pat Burvill	Helen Conlan & Judith Hodgson	