

3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year B): ~ 23 / 24 January 2021

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 Leadership Team: Sue Daly, Lin Bowers, Joan Bourke, Shane Carey, Aileen Toohey, Marie Shanahan, Brendan Maher, Dan Toohey, Gabrielle Driscoll and Tim Delaney

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

Parish Secretary/ Parish Office (Tuesdays 9.30am-2.30pm): ☎ 5368 9280 or 0492 903 409

✉ 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: Mr Tim Delaney ☎ 5368 9495 www.spgordon.catholic.edu.au
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Collections last weekend

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

Loose	Presbytery: \$405.75	Parish: \$187
Planned Giving	Envelopes 2020/21: \$24,538 to date	
Christmas Dues	\$70	

We are now all aware of the current restrictions in place for religious gatherings. Attendees will still be required **to register on entering the Church.**

Please note also that there are QR Codes in our three churches to enable you to scan your mobile phone to register.

Bank Details for Weekly Collections at Mass:

If you would like to make a deposit directly into our Bank account for the weekly loose collection at Mass, our details are as follows:

Bendigo Bank BSB 633 000
A/c No: 1602 757 98.

Don't forget to include your name.

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 Principal: Inez French ☎ 5334 5280 www.smclarkeshill.catholic.edu.au St. Brendan's School, Dunnstown Principal: Inez French ☎ 5334 7604 www.sbdunnstown.catholic.edu.au
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Collections last weekend:

Presbytery:	\$273.20	Parish: \$390.00
		Christmas Dues \$70.00

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 (follow parish links.) Parish Safeguarding Officer: Leah Hanrahan.

Sacramental Program

Dear Parishioners,
 Due to the ongoing uncertainty and COVID restrictions, it has been decided by Fr Sajan and the Sacramental Team that the Sacrament of Reconciliation will be postponed in 2020. Therefore, new dates for all Sacraments will be planned for similar times in 2021 and all children eligible for the programs will be able to participate.

THE Bungaree Parish offers a Family Based Sacramental Program which is led by the Sacramental Team and supported by the Parish schools, St Mary's Clarkes Hill and St Brendan's Dunnstown. The Sacraments and Eucharist are offered for Children in Year 3 and above. The Sacrament of Reconciliation is offered for children in Year 2 and above.

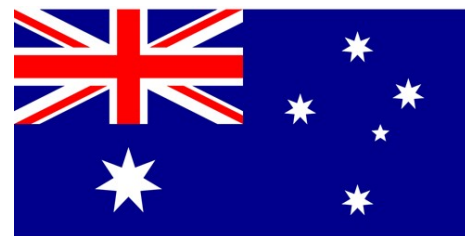
Therefore, 2021 will look slightly different as there will be multiple age groups participating and we will make adjustments to the programs as necessary

If there is anyone in the Parish Community who would like to join the Sacramental Team or know more information, Please contact the Parish Office on 5334 0450 or email bungaree@ballarat.catholic.org.au or to Sue Prendergast: sprendergast@sbdunnstown.catholic.edu.au

	READER/INTERCESSIONS	OFFERTORY	
23 / 24 January	3 rd Sunday of Ordinary Time (Year B) Jonah 3: 1-5, 10 1 Cor 7: 29-31 Mk 1: 14-20		
Clarkes Hill - 6.30pm			
Gordon - 8.45am			
Ballan - 10.30am			
30 / 31 January	4 th Sunday of Ordinary Time (Year B) Deut 18: 15-20 1 Cor 7: 32-35 Mk 1: 21-28		
Springbank - 6.30pm			
Bungaree - 8.45am			
Ballan - 10.30am			
06 / 07 February	5 th Sunday of Ordinary Time - Job 7: 1-4, 6-7, 1 Cor 9: 16-19, 22-23 Mk 1: 29-39		
Dunnstown - 6.30pm			
Gordon - 8.45am			
Ballan - 10.30am			

LITURGIES /WEEKDAY MASSES

Fr Sajan celebrates mass each weekday morning (except Mondays) in Bungaree at 9.30am – all welcome!



	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)			

Recent Deaths: Fr Frank Hart (Benalla)

Anniversaries

Ross Murphy, Lois Britt, Catherine Crough, Patrick Crough, Tom Crough, Heilda Maher, Kevin Lenaghan, Tony O'Halloran, Len Howard, Morrie Holloway, Kathryn Gray, Vin O'Donoghue, Rae Simpson, James Jarvis, Una Toohey, Ted Hanrahan, Margaret Amos, Patrick Green, Gerald Shanahan, Frank McDaid, Christopher Davies, Catherine Butler.

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, Noel Craven, Christine Hall, John Ryan, Thelma Keating, Lyla Geary and Anne Micallef.

How to get the Parish Newsletter

- Bungaree and Gordon Parish links of the Diocese website www.ballarat.catholic.org.au
- Emailed copies at Bungaree@ballarat.catholic.org.au or gordon@ballarat.catholic.org.au
- Tubs outside churches.

e-News

The Diocesan e-News is the online newsletter of the Catholic Diocese of Ballarat. It is supported by the print publication "Our Diocesan Community" and the Diocesan website www.ballarat.catholic.org.au.

Novel coronavirus (COVID-19)

The latest updates regarding COVIDSafe practices are available from the diocesan website "news" section www.ballarat.catholic.org.au

Year of St Joseph:

Pope Francis on December 8, 2020 published an Apostolic Letter *Patris corde (With a Father's Heart)*, commemorating the 150th anniversary of the declaration of Saint Joseph as Patron of the Universal Church. To mark the occasion, the Holy Father has proclaimed a "Year of St Joseph", running from December 8, 2020 to December 8, 2021.

"Remember O Most pure spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary, my great protector, Saint Joseph that no one ever had recourse to your protection or implored your aid without obtaining relief. Confiding therefore in your goodness, I come before you. Do not turn down my petitions, foster father of the Redeemer, but graciously receive them, Amen"

Advance Notice – dates for 2021:

Rite of Election: Saturday, February 20, at St Patrick's Cathedral, Ballarat at 12.30pm. Mass of the Oils: Monday, March 29 at St Patrick's Cathedral, Ballarat at 6.30pm.

Vinnies No Interest Loan Scheme

No Interest Loans (NILs) provide individuals and families on low incomes with access to safe, fair and affordable credit for those with a Health Care Card / Pension Card or earn less than \$45,000 a year after tax or \$60,000 for couples or people with dependants. Further information available at <https://www.vinniesnils.org.au>.

Palms Australia seeks mission recruits

For 60 years Palms Australia has been recruiting, preparing, sending and supporting Catholics from all around Australia to fill overseas professional placements in response to requests from international community partners. Rising to the challenges of COVID 19 we are actively recruiting Australian Catholics now to receive preparation and training to undertake overseas professional placements in late 2021 and early 2022. For more information go to <https://palms.org.au/assignments-abroad/current-opportunities/>

Word of God Sunday - February 7, 2021

The Australian bishops have designated the first Sunday in February as "Word of God Sunday". Resources are available from <https://www.catholic.org.au/wordofgodssunday> and include homily notes, liturgical notes, prayers of the faithful, musical recommendations, reflections, bulletin notice and images.

Could all items for the newsletter please be forwarded via email if possible to the Parish Office no later than Wednesday, by 2pm.

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Thank you.